

Introduction

The Font Off program helps you maintain your Windows TrueType fonts. If you are like a lot of people you have accumulated several hundred true type fonts. "I never know when I am going to need them". They are taking up a lot of valuable hard drive space and slowing down Windows. You may be using one of the common font manager programs to remove the font from Windows (so Windows is not so slow). Although these programs remove the font from Windows they leave the font's file(s) in the hard drive - still taking up space but not being useful.

Font Off works differently. In addition to removing the font from Windows, Font Off removes the font from your Windows System directory and stores it in another directory. Since this directory can be on any DOS drive media, you can move the fonts to another hard drive (or network drive), floppies or other removable media. When you need the font you simply reverse the process and reinstall it to Windows.

Font Off will not install new fonts to windows, it only maintains your existing fonts. You must therefore use the font installer that often comes with new fonts, or use the Windows font manager to install new fonts. Once the font is installed in Windows you can use Font Off to move it off line until it is needed.

Using Font Off

If this is the first time using Font Off you should create a directory somewhere to store your off-line fonts. It is best to use a removable media (such as floppies, removable hard drive, rewritable CD, etc.) You will tell Font Off where the directory is in the next step.

Just double click on Font Off's icon in Program Manager. You are first prompted for a directory where you want to store (or have stored) off line fonts. Use the drive and directory boxes to select the directory you want to use.

If you are creating a new storage location for off line fonts click on the "New" button. If you wish to examine or retrieve fonts from an existing off line storage directory click the "Open" button. The main Font Off window appears. On the left is a list of all fonts currently stored off line. Windows does not have direct access to these fonts. On the right is a list all fonts currently defined in the WIN.INI file. These are the fonts Windows currently has access to.

Simply select one or more fonts from the off line column that you want to install in windows. You can also select one or more fonts from the right column that you want to remove from windows and store in the current off line directory.

When you have selected at least one font click the "Process" button. The program will automatically install any selected off line fonts AND remove any selected Windows fonts. This process may take a while depending on the number and size of the fonts selected.

When complete you may return to windows. Any newly installed fonts are immediately available. Any un-installed fonts are not longer present in the Windows environment.

Precautions

If a program was running while you were installing fonts, the program may not know about the new fonts. Exit the program and restart it.

If a program was running while you were removing fonts, the program may not know you have removed a font. If you try to use the fonts unpredictable results may occur.

The WIN.INI file is automatically updated by Font Off. The next time you start windows you will

have access to the correct fonts.

The True Type font must have a matching .FOT file in order for Font Off to work properly. Some font managers do not properly maintain the FOT file (Font Off does). If you receive errors when removing a font it is probably because the FOT file is not present. Use Font Off to restore the font to Windows and then use the Windows Font Manager to reinstall the font again. You can then safely remove it with Font Off.

Font Off does not currently check for available disk space when removing or installing fonts. Please make sure you have enough disk space. If the process fails a font may be lost.

Font Off will not copy a font file (FOT or TTF) if the same file already exist in the target directory. This saves time as the system will not bother copying over an existing off line font if you are removing a font you have previously saved. If you need to update an existing font's file you should install the new font using Windows Font Manager, delete the FOT and TTF files from the off line storage directory, and remove the font using Font Off.

We recommend that you back up the Windows system and off line font storage directory regularly.

The Font Off program uses the Windows INI file conventions for storing information about off line files (and when updating WIN.INI). These INI files are limited to 64K. You therefore have a limit on the number of fonts you can store in the same off line storage location (or have installed in Windows at any one time). This limit is based only on the INI information which must be maintained, not the size of the font files themselves.

The Font Off program will only store fonts in a subdirectory. You can not store fonts off line in the root directory.

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Registration

If informational reminder screens appear when you start or exit the program you are using an unregistered version of the product.

You have a 15 day evaluation period in which to try out the package. If you use it longer than 15 days you must license/register it. The reminder screens will not appear once you have registered the software. The un-registered version is also limited to storing only 50 off-line fonts in a single directory. This limitation is removed when you register.

To register simply follow the instructions below:

Install the software per the instructions that follow.

Run the software. You are prompted for some information (company name, your name, day phone number, and CIS ID (optional)).

When the opening window displays, click once on the "Note" icon. This displays the about window.

Write down on your check or money order your registration number as it appears on the About window. Make sure it is accurate. Your Activation Key is based on this number.

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Mail your check for the license fee listed above to the address below. Make the check payable to Charles Cranford.

When you receive your activation key, start the software and again click on the "Note" icon. The about window displays.

Click on the Register button. A window appears with your registration information and you are prompted for your activation key.

Enter the key in the box, double check it, and click on OK. If the key is correct the system will be registered. The program will exit. Simply restart the program to continue using it. The reminder screens will never appear again.

The registration information is stored in a file with the .REG extension. Do not delete this file (as you must again register the software). Future updates will not affect this file so you may install them without worrying about your registration.

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