Wise Installation System

Version 3.0d

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The Wise Installation System creates installation programs for Windows 3.1 and Windows NT programs and data files. It combines all of the files to be installed into a Windows Self-Installing Executable. This single file is then executed on the target computer to perform the installation. No additional software (i.e. dearchive program) is required. The installer does not need to execute the program under DOS first and then execute the extracted setup program. The installation executable is a true Windows program. The installation executable can be directly uploaded to a BBS or on-line service or sent via e-mail. Wise adds less than 55 K bytes overhead to the size of the compressed files.

Any complex program such as the Wise Installation System will have "Features" which are more commonly referred to as bugs. Even though this program has been tested thoroughly, please test any installation executables before distributing them. If you find a bug in Wise or have any comments or suggestions, please contact GLBS at:

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UPGRADE NOTE: New installer messages have been added. You should translate/customize these new messages. Please select the Installer Messages item from the Languages menu to view the new messages. In addition, the installer message "Not Enough Disk Space" has changed. The new text of this message should read:

This software requires an additional %ld K bytes free on the %c: drive to install. Please remove any unnecessary files and try again.

The installer message "Select Files to Extract" has been changed to:

Please select the files from the list below to extract. Please press the OK button to extract the files. Press the Cancel button to exit.

The following is a list of know problems or restrictions with this version of Wise:

* The Wise Uninstaller does not support editing of AUTOEXEC/CONFIG/SYSTEM files to remove added lines. It is currently available in an English language version only.

* Windows 3.1 is supported only (Windows 3.0 would make the installation executable larger since it would have to include copies of VER.DLL, DDEML.DLL, LZEXPAND.DLL).

* The graphics import supports only Windows Paintbrush BMP file format. If you have problems importing graphics from other packages, load and re-save the file from

Paintbrush.

* The background pattern is slightly distorted when run using an ATI Graphic Ultra video controller using version 2.2 of the drivers. This appears to be a problem in the driver dithering code.

* The custom dialog editor only supports one directory listbox or editbox per dialog.

If you would like to purchase a copy of the Wise Installation System, please read the ordering instructions in the Wise help file.

Modification History:

Release	Description
3.0d	Added support for reading the registered user name and company name.
	Now uses the Win32 version.dll under Win NT/95 with long filename support.
	The progress bar can be hidden during file installation.
	Added support for Windows 95 shared DLL counters.
	New context senstive right-mouse button menu added to custom dialog editor.
	Added Background Processing option to the Properties->Preferences dialog.
	Increased compression speed by 50%.
3.0c	Date/Time version checking has been fixed.
3.0b	The Wise Uninstaller now accepts a second command line option that sets the title of the main window.
	The Developers Version of Wise now supports reading and writing the Win32 Registry.
	The installation executable can include a ZIP compatible directory in the Developers Version.
	Fixed a timing problem with PC Tools 2.0 and icon addition.
	Support for light fonts in dialog and message boxes.
	Support has been added for Wise to run a program and monitor the DLL/VBXs that it loads.
3.0a	Added right mouse button context sensitive menu.
	Progress bar is now script item based in test mode.
	Wise uninstall now supports long filenames.
3.0	Initial Release.