

Power Gamer v1.0

The key to running games under Windows!

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QUICK START GUIDE FOR EVALUATION USERS

This documentation is supplied to enable you to get to know Gorin's Power Gamer for Windows (Power Gamer). Licenced copies of the software come complete with a printed quick start which covers some of this information in greater depth. However, all you need to *know* in order to use the software is included in this document.

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Overview

Despite the popularity of Microsoft Windows, the DOS game (and indeed the DOS program) are far from dead. You may well feel at home with graphical File Manager type programs, but beyond card games, there are few challenging games for Windows.

Worse still, if you want to run a DOS game, you will normally need to exit Windows, type some commands to run your game and then restart Windows afterwards. Why? Because Windows simply takes speed and memory from your programs, and can stop your sound card working with

DOS games.

Power Gamer comes to the rescue!

Power Gamer allows you to add any DOS game to a Windows Program Group, with the virtual guarantee that it will run! To find out how to add a program see Adding a game to Program Manager.

When you run your game, it thinks it's running under plain DOS - that's because it is! Power Gamer painlessly (and invisibly) closes Windows, runs your game and then restarts Windows for you. Your game will have full access to the PC, the Sound card, Joystick, etc., and will run at full speed - the only difference between running from Power Gamer is a very slight reduction in DOS memory (typically 2k for COM and EXE programs, and 5k for games launched from a BAT file).

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Installation

Run the SETUP.EXE program. Power Gamer will be installed to the directory of your choice, and the Power Gamer Options panel displayed. There is no need to place Power Gamer in the path.

The Control Panel

The Power Gamer Control Panel is displayed immediately after installation, or may be called up at any time by selecting it's icon from Program Manager. You are offered the chance to view the Help file, and are given the choice of whether a warning dialogue box should be displayed when a game is run.

Adding a game to Program Manager

Seven easy steps:

- (1) Click on the Program Manager group where you want your icon to be placed.
- (2) Select (File) followed by (New) and press (Ok)
- (3) Type a description for the game
- (4) Use the (BROWSE)* button to locate the game's main program file. * it is essential that you use the Browse button, as Power Gamer needs the full path to the program, and the file extension (.EXE, .COM or .BAT)
- (5) Click on the (Command Line) edit box and press (HOME) on your keyboard. Type PWRGAMER followed by a space. The Command Line box should now show a command line such as: PWRGAMER J:\GAMES\DWARF\TIMEWARP.EXE
- (6) Click on (Change Icon) and select an icon - a number are supplied in PWRGAMER itself, but you may use any one you wish.

(7) Click (Ok) and your icon is active!

Further Information

For further information, please refer to the Help file supplied.

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register this product!***

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