

Flash-It 2.3b1 Release Notes

©1990-1991, Nobu Toge. All Rights Reserved.

Disclaimer s

Flash-It 2.3b1 is an interium test version which accomodates some requests from users of Flash-It 2.2. I am fairly confident that 2.3b1 is just as reliable as 2.2. You are warned that the 2.3 "final" may or may not eventually come out, because I am working on a substantial upgrade which takes advantage of 32-bit QuickDraw available on System 7. If I succeed, the next official version will be 3.0 rather than 2.3. At this moment I reserve the right to change my mind between 2.3 and 3.0. Until then, the official version continues to be 2.2.

A. The differences between Flash-It 2.3b1 and Flash-It 2.2.

- A1. On the control panel HotKey display, when the monitor has been set to a color mode, the hiliting of selected items on uses the correct hilite color (It used to be a simple B/W no matter what).
- A2. On the control panel, double-clicking on a HotKey item allows to modify the HotKey combination immediately, without pressing the "Assign" button.
- A3. We fixed a problem with HotKey displays with non-U.S. keyboard setting. The Flash-It control panel now properly displays HotKeys which involve characters like á, ç, ü or Japanese "kana".
- A4. We added a patch to _StillDown trap. Now Flash-It is capable of capturing special "demo" menus which is displayed by ResEdit 2.1.x when it is used to edit MENU resources.
- A5. On system 7, when you keep the mouse button down for a prolonged period while selecting a screen-capture region, the cursor shape changed from a cross-hair to a watch. With Flash-It 2.3b1 this no longer happens.
- A6. You can now gracefully "cancel" the screen-capturing. To do so, hold down the "esc" key on the keyboard, when you release the mouse button at the end of "point-click-drag" action, . If you do this, Flash-It does not attempt screen-capturing, and leave the clipboard unchanged.
- A7. In the PICT data created by previous versions of Flash-It, the ClipRegionRect has been set to +/- 30000 x +/- 30000 pixels. This caused problems in rare cases in which such PICT were pasted to document files then re-scaled. In Flash-It 2.3b1 the ClipRegionRect data segment in the PICT is consistent with the rest of the data.
- A8. Flash-It 2.3b1 has been recompiled and relinked using THINK C 5, so the code is more efficient yet smaller in size.

B. Known issues

- B1. On Macintosh models equipped with Color QuickDraw, Flash-It always creates PICT data which contains a pixMap rather than Bitmap, whether the monitor is in a color-mode or 1-bit B/W mode.
- B2. Within PICT data created by Flash-It , the boundary "rect" values are inconsistent between picFrame and pixMap. (This problem is different from what has been addressed in A7. However, again, it is perhaps very benign. I have not encountered any problems due to this; but I will look into it.)

Contact Address

CompuServe: 76334,650
GEnie: N.TOGE
AppleLink: N.TOGE

Internet: toge@slacvm.slac.stanford.edu

Surface mail: Nobu Toge
P.O.Box 7114
Menlo Park, CA 94026
U.S.A.