



## HTMASC 1.2 Help Contents

Welcome to HTMASC, the easy and fast way to convert pages from the World Wide Web (\*.htm) to plain Textfiles (\*.txt).

All of the HTML tags (e.g.<TITLE>, <HEADER> ...) are removed and entities (&quot; &copy; ....) are converted. HTMASC also offers full text handling capabilities. You get all the standard features like searching for text, using the Clipboard, printing... and you get nice extras like bookmarks and a powerful undo facility.

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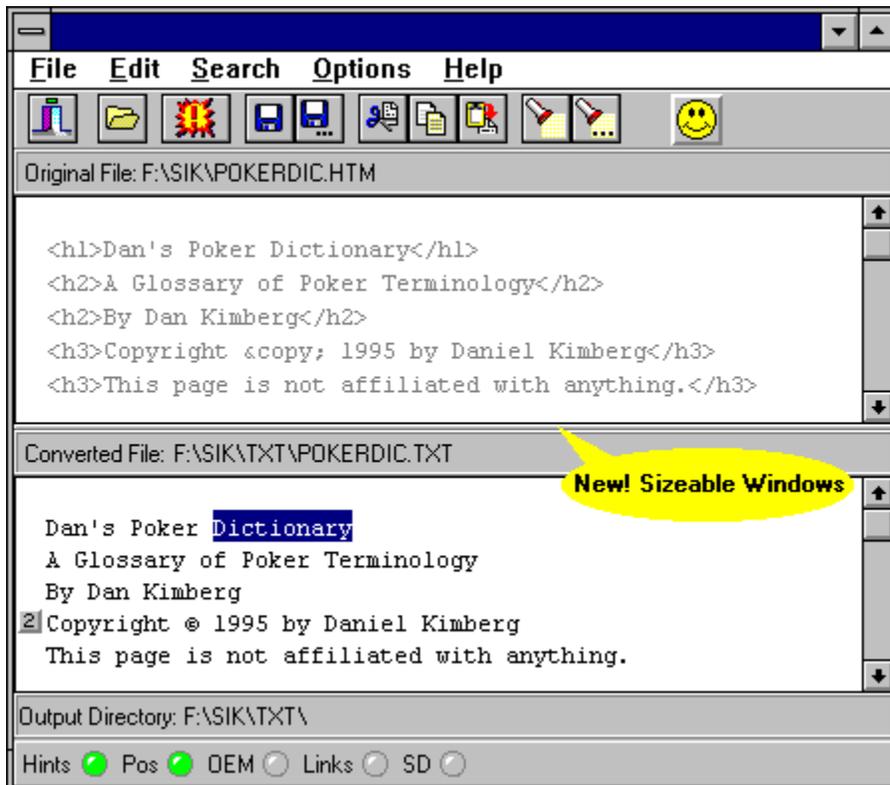
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## Introduction to HTMASC

Load a HTML File, click on  and the converted textfile will show up in the bottom window! That's all you have to do to convert Webpages into a more readable format. It's that easy!

Now the screen should look something like this:

**Note:** For Help with an area of the Main Window click on it in the picture below



**Original File Window**

After loading a HTM - File the original text can be viewed. That's only for reference, no editing, copying, searching etc. is possible.

**Converted File Window**

The converted file can be fully edited using the mouse or standard CUA keystrokes. You can search for text, cut, copy, paste, undo, redo ...

**Note:** The right mouse button displays a PopUp Menu for quick access to most of the Menu commands.

**Bookmark**

You can define up to 10 Bookmarks in the editor

**Selected Text**

You can cut, copy or delete the selected text

Shows the full name of the HTM - File

Shows the full name of the converted Textfile

The Toolbar allows quick access to most of the commands

Shows the full path of the current Output Directory

The Options Speed Bar provides shortcuts for commands from the Options Dialog.

You can vertically resize the File Windows by dragging the separator line that lies between the Converted File Label and the Original File Window.

## Loading \*.htm Files

Use the  icon from the Toolbar or choose File|Open from the Menu to show the Open File Dialog box.

## **HTMASC Features**

Some of the features in alphabetical order:

Bookmarks

File Size

Output Directory

Options Speed Bar

PopUp Menu

Toolbar

Undo/Redo

Window Size and Position

Word Wrap

## Bookmarks

Bookmarks provide a means of moving quickly from place to place within a file.

You can define up to 10 Bookmarks.

To set a bookmark, press <CtrlShiftN> where N is a number in the range 0 to 9. To return to that spot later, press <CtrlN>, where N is the number used to set the bookmark.

### [New in 1.1:](#)

Clicking the right mouse button in the Converted File Window displays a PopUp Menu for quick access to most of the Menu commands including Bookmark actions.

## Toolbar

Below the Menubar you see a row of buttons called the Toolbar. Toolbar buttons perform an action, just like a menu selection. Using a Toolbar button couldn't be easier just click on it.

### Greyed Out Buttons

Toolbar buttons that are not currently available appear greyed out.

### Getting Help with a Toolbar Button

To find out what a Toolbar button does, point at it with the mouse. HTMASC will display a short explanation of the button's action.



Exit the application



Open a HTM - File



Start the conversion



Save the converted file



Save the converted file under a different name



Cut selected text to the clipboard



Copy selected text to the clipboard



Paste from clipboard



Open the Find Dialog Box



Search again

HTMASC can handle files up to a limit of 16MB.

## Undo/Redo

The Converted File Window provides a undo facility that allows multiple edit commands to be undone. You can either choose Undo/Redo from the Edit Menu or you can use the following keystrokes:

Undo     <CtrlZ> **or** <AltBkSp>

Redo     <ShiftCtrlZ>

**Note:** The editor stores a record of each edit command in a single continuous buffer, which is 64KB. This is also the maximum which can be undone in one step.

## **Output Directory**

Using the Options Dialog you can specify the directory to store your converted textfiles

Clicking the right mouse button in the Converted File Window displays a PopUp Menu for quick access to most of the Menu commands

Adapts the text in the Converted File Window to the actual size of the window.

## **Window Size and Position**

If the Save Window Position Checkbox in the Options Dialog is activated(Default) the last window size and position is saved when you exit HTMASC.

## **HTMASC Menus**

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## File Menu

The File menu enables you to open, save, convert and print files.

**Note:** Most of the commands are also available from the Toolbar

**Open** 

Loads an existing HTML File

**Convert** 

Starts the conversion

**Save** 

Saves the file in the Converted File Window using its current name

**Save As...** 

Saves the file in the Converted File Window using a new name

**Print**

Sends the file in the Converted File Window to the printer

**Print Setup**

Opens the Printer Setup Dialog box

**Exit** 

Closes the open files and exits HTMASC

## **Edit Menu**

The Edit menu enables you to manipulate text in the Converted File Window

**Note:** Most of the commands are also available from the Toolbar

### **Undo**

Undoes your last action or last deletion

### **Redo**

Reverses an undo



Removes selected text and places it on the Clipboard



Places a copy of the selected text on the Clipboard, leaving the original in place



Copies the contents of the Clipboard into the Converted File Window

### **Delete**

Removes the selected text

### **Select All**

Selects all the text in the Converted File Window

## Search Menu

The Search menu enables you to locate text in the Converted File Window.

**Note:** These commands are also available from the Toolbar

### Find



Opens the Find Dialog Window

### Find Next

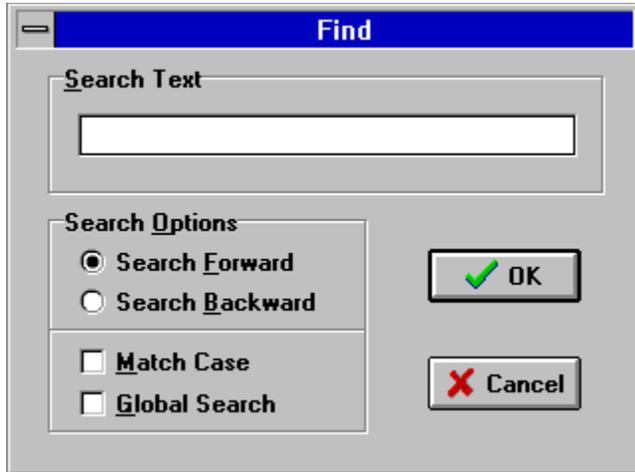


This will find the next match for the specified text, starting from the current cursor position.

## Find Dialog Window

Use this dialog box to specify text you want to locate, and to set options that affect the search.

**Note:** For Help with an area of the Find Window click on it in the picture below



Enter a search string

Searches from the current position to the end of the file

Searches from the current position to the beginning of the file

Differentiates uppercase from lowercase when performing a search

Searches the entire file

## Options Menu

Use the Options menu to view and change project and environment settings

### **Word Wrap**

Adapts the text in the Converted File Window to the actual size of the window.

### **Show Lights**

Shows the Options Speed Bar.

### **More...**

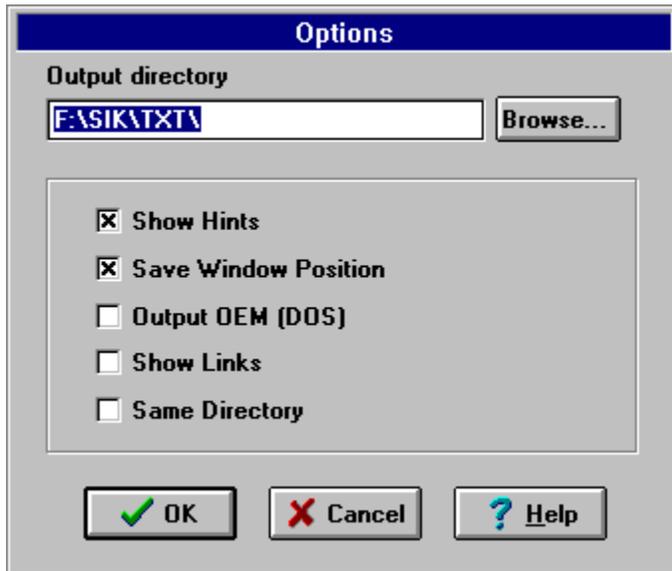
Opens the Options Dialog Window.

## Options Dialog

Use the Options Dialog to view and change project and environment settings.

Alternatively you may use the [Options Speed Bar](#) for quick access to most of the options.

**Note:** For Help with an area of the Options Window click on it in the picture below



Displays the current output directory and you can enter a new output directory.  
If the directory does not yet exist, HTMASC will ask to create it.

Opens the Select Directory Dialog Window

## Select Directory Dialog

Use the Select Directory Dialog box to choose a directory for your converted textfiles.

**Note:** For Help with an area of the Select Directory Window click on it in the picture below



Displays the current output directory and you can enter a new output directory.  
If the directory does not yet exist, HTMASC will ask to create it.

Select Drive

Select Directory

If ON:  
Popup Hints are shown

If ON:  
Saves the last window size and position

## Options Speed Bar

The Options Speed Bar serves two purposes:

- 1) To provide shortcuts for commands from the [Options Dialog](#) by clicking on the corresponding light.
- 2) To give quick visual feedback of the presently selected options.

To Show/Hide the Options Speed Bar use Show Lights from the [Options Menu](#).

**Note:** For Help with an area of the Options Speed Bar click on it in the picture below



If ON:  
Shows these Popup Tooltips

If ON:  
Saves the last window size and position

If ON:

Converted File is saved in OEM (=DOS) Format.

File extension is \*.ASC.

If ON:

Shows all HREF="xxx..." in the converted file.

If ON:

Converted Files are stored in the directory of the currently open \*.htm File.

## Help Menu

### Contents

Opens the Help file. The online Help provides a contents screen that summarizes the contents of the HTMASC Help system.

**Note:** If you do not know how to use Help in Windows, choose Help|How To Use Help from the menu bar.

### Topic Search

Displays the Help Search dialog box. The Search dialog box lets you search for Help topics using keywords.

### How To Use Help

Displays information on how to use the Windows Help system.

### Register

Displays the Register Dialog where you can enter your registration key to turn your Shareware version of HTMASC into the registered version.

Only **You** can make a Smiley SMILE!

### About

Shows the About HTMASC dialog box with copyright and version information.

## Frequently Asked Questions

I'm trying to open a HTML File and I get the error message: "Unknown filetype ..."

When I click on the Smiley button nothing happens, why?

My Registration Key doesn't work.

I can't enter a new Output Directory

Why is the file ENTITIES.HTM included?

## **Error message: "Unknown filetype ..."**

Prior to loading a HTML File HTMASC has to determine its type (DOS or UNIX) to allow a proper file handling. The main difference between DOS and UNIX files is the character used for end of paragraph . DOS uses a combination of CRLF (Carriage return - Line feed) while UNIX uses only LF.

The most likely cause of this error is a file that differs from this standard, e.g. it uses only a CR for the end of paragraph marker.

## Smiley button

It serves NO specific purpose.

BUT after registering HTMASC Smiley's mood changes from 😞 to 😊!

Only **You** can make a Smiley SMILE!

## Registration Key Problem

If you encounter a problem when you try to register HTMASC, please make sure to verify the following:

- The User Name must be identical to the name you sent me for registration
- The Registration Key must be entered exactly
- The Program Version must be the same that you have registered for.

There is also the possibility that you have found a bug, please send me your name, the version number of HTMASC and your registration key by [E-Mail](#). I'm sure we will find a solution!

## **I can't enter a new Output Directory**

Check if the 'Same Directory' Option is selected.

You can change this setting using the [Options Dialog](#) or click on the SD - Light of the [Options Speed Bar](#).

This file contains all of the HTML Entities.  
I included it to prove that HTMASC is able to convert ALL of these Entities.  
You might as well use it to compare HTMASC to other conversion programs ;-)

## Whats new in Version 1.1

- Resizable Windows
- Options Speed Bar
- Extended Options Dialog
- Set Bookmarks using the Popup Menu

## Whats new in Version 1.2

- **Bugfix:** Fixed incorrect handling of Java Scripts included in \*.htm files .
- **Change:** The program name and the INI file name is now HTMASC (without the version number added to the filename). This should make it easier for you to install new versions (e.g. you don't have to redo your option settings after install).
- Some minor changes in the conversion routines.

## Pricing and Ordering Information

This version of HTMASC is SHAREWARE. The registration price is US\$18.- for a single user license.

### Ordering HTMASC

There are a number of ways to order HTMASC from us. When we receive your payment, we will e-mail you the serial number to register HTMASC.

#### CompuServe

The easiest way to register HTMASC is via CompuServe's shareware registration service (GO SWREG, registration ID is #10241).

#### Credit Card

Sorry, only VISA can be accepted!

A registration form for Credit Card Orders is available on:

<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/bite/register.htm>

Alternatively you may send us your credit card details by post or e-mail

#### Cash

We will accept cash in

US dollars (\$18.-),

German Marks (DM30.-)

or Austrian Shillings (S200.-).

However, we will take no responsibility for the cash while it's in transit. For your own protection if you want to pay in cash, we strongly recommend sending it to us by registered mail.

**Note: Make sure to include your E-Mail address!!!**

### What happens when I purchase HTMASC?

When you register, you'll get a key which disables the Shareware Reminder Screen, [technical support](#) by E-Mail AND you get

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for **FREE!**

### How to get the latest version

The preferred source of information about HTMASC is our Web site:

<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/bite>

You may also try the following forums on Compuserve:

INETRESOURCE Lib9 / WWW/Hypertext Tools

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Monitors System Resources (WIN)

Changes DATE/TIME of selected files (WIN)

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This product uses several components from TurboPower Software's Orpheus package.  
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## **Contacting the Author**

The preferred source of information about HTMASC is our Web site:

<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/bite>

Here you can download updates and bug fixes to HTMASC, follow links to a number of HTML resources on the Web, subscribe to our mailing list and much more.

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