

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 re-install it to Windows.

You can also use a Pride Software Works! companion product, [Font Print](#), to quickly and easily print samples of all your Windows installed fonts, you can look at actual printed samples when making those tough font choices.

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.

After processing your fonts (loading or offloading) you get a status window showing you how many fonts you have moved and how much hard disk space you have saved.

With Font Off you also get font reports which will show you the current fonts you have installed in windows and the fonts stored off-line. The reports are sorted by Font Name and show the font's file name and total size of the font (.FOT and .TTF files).

Font Off also has a built in font viewer. With this viewer you can quickly and easily view samples of your off-line or Windows installed fonts on screen and selectively tag and untag them for processing. This makes it extremely easy to determine which fonts you want to install/remove/delete based on their appearance.

Note: The shareware version of Font Off has an off-line limit of 25 fonts. You will not be able to store more than 50 fonts in the same off-line location. Registering the program removes this limitation.

IMPORTANT: This version does not support Windows 95. Please check our WWW page for an update - <http://www.infi.net/~pride>.

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Before Using Font Off

Font Off helps you manage your TrueType fonts in the Windows environment. Unfortunately, there are font managers don't really stick with the Windows standards for font storage. This help topic will describe some requirements of Font Off.

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Off Line Storage

The Font Off program will only store fonts in a subdirectory. You can not store fonts to an off-line root directory. Use the Create Dir button on the Font Off Location dialog box to create this directory.

INI File Format

Font Off reads your Windows font information from the WIN.INI file's [FONTS] section. This section is expected to be in the Windows standard format. This format does not permit drive or path information to be present on the font information line. Here is an example of a BAD font information line.

Arial (True Type)=C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM\ARIAL.FOT

Notice that drive and directory information appears after the equal sign. This is not required as Windows will ALWAYS look in it's system directory for font files. You should check and manually remove any directory & path information from the font lines. The corrected font line should look like this:

Arial (True Type)=ARIAL.FOT

Font Off will not process any fonts which are not in this proper format.

The Windows standard is to store the .TTF and .FOT files in the Windows system directory (usually \WINDOWS\SYSTEM). Font Off will automatically use the Windows system directory when loading/off loading fonts. If you (or another font manager) have moved fonts to another directory (which may explain the drive and path information on the font information line) Font Off will not work. You must manually move the fonts back into the Windows system directory and remove the drive/directory information from WIN.INI before using Font Off.

Verification

It is strongly suggested that you run the Font Off [Verify](#) option (menu options FILE -> VERIFY FONTS) to make sure that Font Off is compatible with the way you are storing fonts. This option checks all off-line and Windows fonts to make sure the [FONTS] INI section is in the correct format AND that both the .FOT and .TTF files exist for each font. Some font managers/installer do not properly handle the .FOT file (Font Off does). Font Off will detect these problems and give you the opportunity to correct (by manually fixing the INI [FONTS] section or using the Windows Font Manager to re-install the font).

[Additional Information](#)

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Additional Information

Below is some additional technical information which may help you implement the Font Off application.

IMPORTANT: We strongly recommend that you back up the Windows system and off-line font storage directories regularly.

.INI File Storage

When loading fonts from off-line storage to Windows, the newly loaded fonts being immediately available to Windows. In addition, the WIN.INI file is automatically updated by Font Off. The next time you start windows you will also have access to the new fonts.

Currently Running Applications

If an application was running while you were installing fonts, the program may not know about the new fonts. Exit the program and restart it. It should not be necessary to exit and restart Windows.

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. Exit the program and restart it. It should not be necessary to exit and restart Windows.

Network Users (and changing media)

IMPORTANT: If you are storing fonts on a network server and intend for multiple work stations to have access to the fonts, you must license Font Off for each work station. Site licenses are available. Please write for details.

If you are storing off-line fonts to a shared media (such as a network drive) Font Off will only allow one user at a time to access the off-line fonts. It does this by creating the file "INUSE.DAT" in the off-line storage directory while Font Off is accessing the directory. This file is automatically removed when you exit Font Off or change font locations. If you should exit Font Off improperly (power failure etc.) or remove the media before exiting Font Off (or before displaying the Location dialog box) this file remains in the directory. The next time you (or someone else) starts Font Off and tries to access the directory you will receive a message that another user is currently accessing the same fonts. You will need to manually delete the "INUSE.DAT" file from the off-line storage directory to regain access to these off-line fonts.

Font Storage Requirements

All on-line fonts (those fonts available to Windows) **MUST** be stored in the Windows System directory (normally \WINDOWS\SYSTEM). If you have moved your fonts to another directory (or another font manager did so) Font Off will not work. The Windows System directory is where all TrueType fonts should be stored.

The format of the [Fonts] section on WIN.INI is important. Some font managers will store the full path to the font file (when it is never needed as Windows always finds fonts in it's system directory.) Font Off will not process fonts which have this path information. Save space in WIN.INI and FONTOFF.INI by removing this path information. A CORRECT sample [Fonts] section on WIN.INI might look like this:

```
[Fonts]
V5 Lucida Sans 10,12,14,18,24=V5SP.FON
V6 Lucida Sans 10,12,14,18,24=V6SP.FON
Arial (TrueType)=ARIAL.FOT
Arial Bold (TrueType)=ARIALBD.FOT
Arial Bold Italic (TrueType)=ARIALBI.FOT
Arial Italic (TrueType)=ARIALI.FOT
```

Notice that no drive or directory information is included after the equal sign.

Off-Line Storage Limit

Font Off checks for available disk space when removing or installing fonts. If you run out of space Font Off will notify you and stops moving fonts. You are therefore limited to storing fonts within the available space on the off-line storage media.

The unregistered version of Font Off has a limit of 25 fonts per off-line storage location. Once you register Font Off this limit is removed. Windows, however, has a limit in the size of INI files (described below).

The Font Off program uses the Windows INI file conventions for storing information about off-line files (FONTOFF.INI) and Windows installed fonts (WIN.INI). These INI files are limited to 64K. You therefore also 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 by Font Off, not the size of the font files themselves.

Font Off checks the size of WIN.INI and FONTOFF.INI to make sure they don't get too big. So that you do not lose valuable font information Font Off will not permit these files to exceed 63K. As a general practice you may want to review the contents of WIN.INI (in the Windows directory) and remove unused information. Windows must load and process the entire file each time it is started (which can cause a delay when starting Windows).

This 64K limitation on FONTOFF.INI means that there is an upper limit to the number of fonts you can store in the same off-line location. This limit is not related to the size of the TTF and FOT files, but the length of the font name. If you are using a high capacity storage medium (such as an optical drive) you may reach the size limit of FONTOFF.INI before filling up the drive.

Option (not recommended): If you must store as many fonts as possible in the same off-line storage location, you can manually decrease the length of each font information line in both FONTOFF.INI and WIN.INI by removing the " (TrueType)" descriptor from the end of each font name. Windows will continue to work normally. It is VERY important that you do this in every FONTOFF.INI file and the WIN.INI file. Once you make this change you must repeat the process for ANY fonts later installed to windows with a font manager other than Font Off. Other font managers will append the " (TrueType)" descriptor to the font name. If you later offload the font, Font Off will think it is a NEW font (since FontOff fonts don't have the descriptor) and create another font information line in FONTOFF.INI. By using this method you should be able to get an average of 2000 fonts per off-site storage location.

General Information

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 during verification or when removing a font, it is probably because the FOT file is not present. Check this error message(s). If this is the case you can use the Windows Font Manager to re-install the font again. You can then safely remove it with Font Off.

The Font Off program will only store fonts in a subdirectory. You can not store fonts to an off-line root directory. Simply create a subdirectory before starting Font Off, select it from the list box, and click New to prepare it for storing off-line fonts.

Using Font Off

Starting Font Off

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. You can not store fonts in the root directory.

If this is the first time using Font Off you must first create a storage location to store the off-line fonts.

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If this is your first time using Font Off you should use the [Verification](#) menu option to verify that your Windows fonts are stored correctly in the Windows System directory and that the WIN.INI font information is in the correct format.

Processing Fonts

Once a location has been created or opened, 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 and that you can use in Windows applications..

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 (in either list) 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.

At the end of the process a status window displays showing you the effect the font storage had on your hard drive space and available fonts. You can use this information to quickly see how much free space you have remaining for both off-line and Windows storage, and the mount of disk space now available (or used) to move the fonts. Click on the Close button to close this window and return to the main Font Off window.

You can now go to another Windows application. Any newly installed fonts are immediately available. Any un-installed fonts are not longer present in the Windows environment. [Additional information](#) is available about how Windows applications may behave to new/removed fonts.

Force Copy

Font Off will not copy a font files (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 check the Options -> Force Copy menu option. This forces a file to be copied even if it already exist in the target directory.

No Delete

Normally, when you remove a font from Windows and store it off-line, the font files and WIN.INI font entry are deleted. This removes the font from Windows and store it only off-line. There may be times when you want to store the font off-line, but keep a copy on-line (such as a Font Backup). By checking the menu Options -> No Delete, Font Off will not remove the font from Windows. Note: Font Off never deletes a font from the off-line storage once it is off-line - so this option has no effect on off-line fonts.

Upgrading from Version 1.0

EXTREMELY IMPORTANT: If you are upgrading from version 1.0 of Font Off you **MUST** follow the following procedure in order to use the new version. Extensive changes to the storage location of off-line fonts have been made.

In version 1.0 we stored all off-line fonts in one directory. This works perfectly, but get 100 or so fonts in the same directory (that's 200 TTF and FOT files) and DOS chokes. The speed to select the directory and move fonts can be significant. To eliminate this problem we have changed the location of font storage. Instead of storing all fonts in the same directory as the FONTOFF.INI file we now store all fonts in subdirectories of this directory. The subdirectories are named "A" - "Z" and "OTHER". A font file's storage directory is automatically determined by Font Off based on the first letter of the font FILE name (not font name). Fonts which do not begin with letters between "A" and "Z" are stored in the "OTHER" directory.

Font Off maintains the proper storage location of your fonts automatically. If this is the first time you are using Font Off you need do nothing more. If, however, you are upgrading from version 1.0 you **MUST** copy the fonts into the appropriate directories based on the first character of the font name. You may do this manually or use the .BAT file listed below to do it automatically. If you choose to do it automatically you must insure that you have enough hard drive space available to store double the current space for font groups (all A's are one group, B's are another). You need to copy the following text to a batch file and execute the batch file from the directory that contains your fonts AND FONTOFF.INI.

Another option is to use version 1.0 of Font Off to restore all off-line fonts to Windows, and then use the new version to remove them and store them off-line again. Since the off-line location of the font files has changed you will need to delete the off-line fonts (and the FONTOFF.INI file) just before you re-remove them from Windows.

We **STRONGLY** suggest that you backup your Windows and off-line fonts before running the update batch file.

The following batch file can be copied to the windows clipboard, transferred to the Windows Notepad, and saved as a true batch file. Use the Copy option from the help system's Edit menu.

Batch file to convert from 1.0 automatically:

```
@echo off
cls
echo This batch file MUST be run from the directory
echo that contains your off-line fonts and the file
echo FONTOFF.INI. This process will require extra
echo disk space and can be time consuming.
echo.
echo Press CTRL-C to abort or
pause
cls
echo Creating directories
md a
md b
md c
md d
md e
md f
md g
md h
```

md i
md j
md k
md l
md m
md n
md o
md p
md q
md r
md s
md t
md u
md v
md w
md x
md y
md z
md other
cls
copy a*.* a
del a*.*
copy b*.* b
del b*.*
copy c*.* c
del c*.*
copy d*.* d
del d*.*
copy e*.* e
del e*.*
copy f*.* f
del f*.*
copy g*.* g
del g*.*
copy h*.* h
del h*.*
copy i*.* i
del i*.*
copy j*.* j
del j*.*
copy k*.* k
del k*.*
copy l*.* l
del l*.*
copy m*.* m
del m*.*
copy n*.* n
del n*.*
copy o*.* o
del o*.*
copy p*.* p
del p*.*
copy q*.* q
del q*.*
copy r*.* r
del r*.*

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copy s*. * s
del s*. *
copy t*. * t
del t*. *
copy u*. * u
del u*. *
copy v*. * v
del v*. *
copy w*. * w
del w*. *
copy z*. * z
del x*. *
copy y*. * y
del y*. *
copy z*. * z
del z*. *
copy *. * other
echo.
echo.
echo.
echo Respond "Y" to the next question.
echo.
echo.
del *. *
echo.
echo.
copy f\fontoff.ini
del f\fontoff.ini
echo.
echo.
echo Update from version 1.0 Complete!
echo.
echo.
```

Once you run this batch file you can resume using the new version of Font Off. If you have a lot of off-line fonts you should notice a nice speed increase.

Update History

Version 1.0 Released 6/27/93

Version 1.5 Released 8/2/93

- Program is now safer - if anything goes wrong a font should not be lost
- More (and better) help text
- System now checks for available drive space when loading and removing fonts
- System now stores fonts in any one of 27 subdirectories. This makes the system faster as it is no longer fighting the DOS directory system bottleneck. If you are upgrading from version 1.0 you MUST move your off-line fonts to the new storage subdirectories. Important information about this process is located in [Upgrading](#).

Version 1.7 Released 8/29/93

- Optimized the code to provide better performance.
- System is now safer - it checks for more potential problems and will stop processing if needed.
- Optimized the window layout to make better use of screen real estate.
- System now indicates how many fonts are stored off-line.
- System now indicates how many fonts windows has access to.
- System now provides for a "Force Copy" checkbox. If checked the font files are copied even if they already exist in the target directory. This provides an easier method to update older fonts.
- Show the available off-line storage space so you can better judge how many more fonts you can store off-line.
- Show the available Windows storage space so you can better judge how many more fonts you can return to Windows.

Version 2.0 released 10/24/93

- Available drive space is now shown in bytes instead of K bytes. Commas delimit thousands to make the number easier to read.
- Added pull down menu support.
- Added "Help on Help" menu option to display help on how to use the on-line help system.
- Added ability to delete a font from off-line or Windows storage. Fonts deleted in this manner will be LOST unless you have them stored somewhere else. USE WITH CAUTION!
- Added ability to verify that all fonts are properly stored in both off-line and Windows directories and that the [FONTS] section in the INI files is in the correct format.

Version 2.1 released 12/7/93

- Correct bug which caused program to terminate with "Out of string space" when verifying a lot of fonts and there are a lot of errors.
- Corrected version number. Version 2.0 was released but the About window still showed version 1.7.

Version 2.2 released 12/18/93

- Font Off now maintains a 50 character name/description for each off-line storage location. This can help you maintain your off-line storage locations (and reference them by name). If you are upgrading from a previous version you can still assign names to [existing off-line font storage locations](#).
- Font Off now has 2 reports (one for off-line storage and one for Windows storage). These reports will print a listing of all fonts, the font's file name, and total storage requirements. This can prove useful when you need to find a font and are not sure which off-line storage location it is stored in. For off-line storage the report list the storage location path and name (if any).
- The main Font Off window has changed slightly to make room for the new Off-line storage location name.
- Improved error information. Should you encounter a problem more information will be included in the error message.
- Font Off now checks for the size of WIN.INI and FONTOFF.INI and aborts the process if the size is

greater than 63,000 bytes. A limit in Windows makes larger INI files impossible.

- At the end of processing fonts a status window automatically appears. It tells you the starting and ending values of your disk space and font quantity. You can use this information to judge how much space you have saved and how many fonts have been moved.
- You can now directly access the Help Keyword Search dialog by selecting the new Help menu option "Search Help...".
- Improved help system.

Version 2.3 released 1/10/94

- Correct bug which caused program to terminate with "Invalid Property Value" when trying to view fonts.

Version 2.4 released 2/27/94

- Correct bug which caused program to display a message box with a font name when a font could not be displayed properly.

Version 2.5 released 7/16/94

- Improved the display of fonts in the sample window. The error message is less likely to display.
- You can now view off-line fonts the same way as on-line fonts.
- You can now create a directory to store off-line fonts from within the Location dialog box.
- You now have an option not to delete the font from Windows when storing off-line. This provides a off-line backup of your fonts without removing them from Windows.
- Minor window changes.

Version 2.6 released 9/3/95

- Added help button to location window which displays location creation/selection help.
- Add WWW and Internet eMail information to About window and help text
- Added note to help text that this version does not support Windows 95.

Registration

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 25 off-line fonts in a single off-line storage location. This limitation is removed when you register.

How to Register

You can register by mail or electronically via CompuServe's Software Registration Service. It is strongly recommended that users outside the US register electronically as it can be much less expensive.

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Warranty

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Creating a New Storage Location

See also [Opening an Existing Storage Location](#).

If this is the first time using Font Off you must 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 can not store fonts in the root directory. You will tell Font Off where the directory is in the next step.

Use the drive list dropdown box to select the drive where the off-line storage directory will be located. Notice that the list of directories to the right is updated to show the available directories on the drive selected. If you want to store the fonts on a directory directly off the root, press the Create Dir button while the Location Path is the root, otherwise, double click on one or more directories in the directory list box until the Location Path shows the directory for which want to create a sub-directory. When you click on the Create Dir button you are prompted for the name of the directory you want to create under the current directory. Enter a directory name and press OK.

Double click on the directory (or directories) until the desired off-line storage location is selected. Notice that the directory information at the bottom of the window shows the current directory selected. Also notice that the Open and New buttons change status depending on what action is valid for the directory selected. This prevents you from accidentally creating a storage location in a root directory (which is not permitted) or destroying an existing storage location by accidentally clicking on New when you meant to click on Open. Also notice that as you select a directory which has been previously set up by Font Off, the name of the storage location (if any) displays in the Location Name box.

Before you prepare a new storage location you can create the location name. This name (up to 50 characters) permits you to assign a meaningful name to each location you will use. This will make maintaining your fonts much easier if you are using multiple locations (for example, multiple floppy diskettes). Simply type the name in the Location Name text box before you click on the New button. You can change the name at any time by typing a new name just before opening the location for use.

Click on the New button. Font Off will create 27 subdirectories under the off-line storage location (directory) you specify. These subdirectories are used to store your off-line fonts. We create the directories so that we will not slow down DOS when storing large numbers of off-line fonts in the same directory. In addition to the directories, Font Off creates the FONTOFF.INI file for the storage location. This file maintains a list of all fonts stored in this location. NEVER delete this file as you will not be able to use Font Off to reload the fonts.

Once this process is complete the main Font Off window displays. Note that since you have just created a new storage location, there will be no fonts listed in the off-line storage list.

Opening an Existing Storage Location

See also [Creating a New Storage Location](#).

Once you have created one or more off-line storage locations you can open the location and process fonts in it at any time. If the off-line storage location is on removable media make sure the media is mounted properly and ready for access. You will tell Font Off where the directory is in the next step.

Use the drive list dropdown box to select the drive where the off-line storage directory is located. Notice that the list of directories to the right is updated to show the available directories on the drive selected. Double click on the directory (or directories) until the desired off-line storage location is selected. Notice that the directory information at the bottom of the window shows the current directory selected. Also notice that the Open and New buttons change status depending on what action is valid for the directory selected. This prevents you from accidentally creating a storage location in a root directory (which is not permitted) or destroying an existing storage location by accidentally clicking on New when you meant to click on Open. Also notice that as you select a directory which has been previously set up by Font Off, the name of the storage location (if any) displays in the Location Name box.

Before you open an existing off-line storage location you can change the location name. This name (up to 50 characters) permits you to assign a meaningful name to each location you will use. This will make maintaining your fonts much easier if you are using multiple locations (for example, multiple floppy diskettes). Simply type the name in the Location Name text box before you click on the Open button. If the location did not previously have a name assigned to it, the name you enter will be used. If the location did have a name (it previously displayed in the Location Name text box) your changes will overwrite the old name. This permits you to name locations which don't already have one OR rename a location.

Click on the Open button. Font Off will open the off-line storage location and read all the fonts in it. This may take a few moments. Once this process is complete the main Font Off window displays. Any fonts in the off-line storage directory will be listed in the off-line storage list on the left of the window.

Verifying Fonts

It is strongly suggested that you run the Font Off Verify option (menu option FILE -> VERIFY FONTS) to make sure that Font Off is compatible with the way you are storing fonts. You should do this when first starting to use Font Off and whenever you believe there may be problems with your font system. Some Font Managers will not properly maintain the .FOT file or place un-needed drive and directory information in the [FONTS] section of WIN.INI.

The verify option checks all off-line and Windows fonts to make sure the [FONTS] section in WIN.INI and FONTOFF.INI are in the correct format AND that both the .FOT and .TTF files exist for each font. Font Off will detect these problems and give you the opportunity to correct them (by manually fixing the INI [FONTS] section or using the Windows Font Manager to re-install the font).

Should you receive error messages on OFFLINE fonts it probably means that a media swap was performed during a font removal process or a problem with your off-line storage media or caching program.

[Additional Information](#)

Font Print

Another Pride Software Works! product, Font Print, is the perfect companion to Font Off. This program will print font books of all installed fonts on your computer. You can choose the fonts size, fonts to print, whether you want the full ANSI set and if you want each font sample on a separate page. You can optionally specify the characters which should be printed for each font sample.

By giving you the ability to quickly and easily print samples of all your fonts, you can look at actual printed samples when making those tough font choices. Once the font is printed you can off-load it with Font Off until it is needed again - but you will always have a printed record of the font.

Font Print is probably available from the same source as Font Off. It can also be downloaded from CompuServe. Once logged into CIS, GO IBMFF, and search for files from contributor 73337,2472.

[Contacting Pride Software Works!](#)

Font Viewer

The font viewer gives you the ability to view any font in the current off-line storage location or currently installed in Windows. You can use the font viewer to selectively tag and untag fonts based on their appearance. This can be a very powerful feature.

To display the font viewer simple press the View button beside the off-line or Windows font list (or select the menu option Off Line -> View Sample or Windows -> View Sample) (depending on which fonts you want to view). You may also double click on a font you want to see - but this will clear any previous font selections in the list.

Once the font viewer window displays you can control how the font looks. You may click on the Bold, Italic, Underline, or Strikethru check boxes, or enter a new font size. You may even type your own text in the Sample box to see how the font looks with more meaningful information. Note: If the font is specifically designed to be bold or italic (i.e. the words Bold or Italic appear in the font's name) these check boxes will be checked for you automatically. You will not be able to uncheck them.

The buttons at the bottom of the view window permit you to move to the next or previous font in the list, tag the font in the list which is currently displayed in the viewer, or untag it. The tagging and untagging options controls which fonts will be included in the next process you select (either install/off-load or delete).

You can close the window by clicking on the Close button. While the window is displayed it is linked to the main Font Off window. As you move from font to font in the Font Off window, the currently highlighted font will also display in the viewer window.

Registering via CompuServe

If you are a member of [CompuServe](#), you can register this Pride Software Works! application electronically. This is much faster than the mail and is the preferred method for registering users outside the US. If you are not a member of CompuServe, you can [register by mail](#). When you use the CompuServe Software Registration system your CompuServe account will be charged for the registration fee (see opening message box) plus a 15% processing charge (to cover the cost of CompuServe charging your account and mailing payment to us). You must be a member of CompuServe to use this registration option.

- Log into CompuServe using your assigned account number and password.
- Go to the SWREG menu (type GO SWREG at the ! prompt) or use your CIM to go there.
- Select menu option "Register Software".
- Select menu Option "Search By Registration ID"
- Enter registration ID **1816** when prompted.
- A description of the application displays. Notice that the registration fee is 15% higher than that displayed in the product. This slight increase in registration fee covers the cost of CompuServe charging your account and mailing payment to us.
- You are prompted "Would you Like to Register?" - Respond Y.
- Your CompuServe account is charged the registration fee indicated (in US dollars).

You will be sent the required activation information via CompuServe eMail shortly.

IMPORTANT: Do not delete the .REG file or re-install the software after you send us your serial number. Doing so assigns a new serial number to the product and the activation key sent to you will not work.

[Activating the Application](#)

Registering by Mail

If you are a member of [CompuServe](#), you can [register electronically](#). If not,

- Install the software per the instructions.
- Start the software. You are prompted for some information (company name, your name, day phone number, and CIS ID (optional). This information must be accurate as it will be sent to us as part of your registration.
- When the opening information window appears, press the "Print Registration Form" button. The registration form will print to the default printer in the printer's default font.
- Fill in the remaining blanks on the form. Be sure your CompuServe (CIS) ID is specified (if you are a member of [CompuServe](#)). The activation key will be sent to you via CompuServe eMail. If you are not a member of CompuServe your activation key will be mailed to you.
- Mail your payment for the license fee listed on the form to the address below. Remember to make payment payable to Charles Cranford. Payment must be in US funds (a check drawn on a US bank, Money Order or Bank check in US funds, etc.)

IMPORTANT: Do not delete the .REG file or re-install the software after you print the registration form. Doing so assigns a new serial number to the product and the activation key sent to you will not work.

WARNING: Pride Software Works! has discovered that some companies outside the United States are accepting registrations for our products. Since they can not provide you with a activation key the program will not be fully activated. Only Pride Software Works! can accept and process your registration.

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Activating the Software

After you receive your activation key:

After you receive your activation key you need to enter it into the application to register the application. This will eliminate the registration reminder windows and remove any other limits that existed in the unregistered version.

- Start the software.
- When the opening information window appears, press the "Register" button. The registration information you entered before displays. You are prompted for your Activation Key which has been supplied to you by Pride Software Works!.
- Enter the key supplied to you into the box, double check it, and click on OK. If the key is correct the system will be registered.
- Exit the program now and simply restart the program to continue using it. The registration 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. We suggest you make a backup of this file so that in the event of computer problems you do not have to re-register the software.

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Obtaining Updates

Updates to Pride Software Works! shareware products are always free of charge.

In order to provide you with updates to Pride Software Works! software as quickly as possible (while also controlling our cost and passing the savings on to you), updates are released on our Internet World Wide Web site and/or the [CompuServe Information Service](#). If you are a member of CompuServe you may download an update at any time. GO IBMFF and search for files contributed by 73337,2472. If you have access to the Internet World Wide Web, you can access updates at <http://www.infi.net/~pride>.

If you are not a member of CompuServe and don't have Internet access, you may be able to locate updates to our products on local BBS services or on CD ROM shareware collections. We also distribute our software through shareware libraries, although all titles may not be available from all libraries.

If none of these channels is available to you, you can order a diskette with the latest version directly from us. Send \$5 (\$8 for orders outside the US, in US funds) for shipping and handling. Tell us the product you want to upgrade. We will send you a set of 3" HD Diskette with the application. There is no guarantee that this application has been updated since you aquired it.

Before applying an update, check the version information carefully. "Downgrading" to a lower version may cause problems with the application.

Note: Applying and update to your registered system has no effect on your registration status. You will not need to obtain a new activation key.

[Pride Software Works!](#)

CompuServe Information Service

CompuServe is an international computer network. Although Pride Software Works! is not directly affiliated with this service, we do use it for distributing [updates](#) to our shareware and handling support questions through [eMail](#). You can also [register electronically](#). If you are interested in obtaining more information about this service you can contact CompuServe directly. Tell them that Charles Cranford at 73337,2472 recommended you.

Free CompuServe Sampler (provided by CompuServe and is subject to change without notice)
CompuServe offers a free sample of its services. With a modem and one of CompuServe modem phone numbers, log into compuserve with user ID 77770,101. Try 2400 baud and settings E71 or N81. You may need to press [Ctrl-C] after connecting. The password is FREE-DEMO. Enjoy!

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