

Demolition Derby

v1.5

Astral Entertainment

Last Minute Notes

This game is the first official release of Demo Derby and may contain many bugs. It would be greatly appreciated if you contact the author with an explanation of any bugs you may happen to find. We will then to the best of our ability fix them and release a new updated version. Thank you.

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Installation and Uninstallation

3. Windows 95 Installation

a: To install simply double-click on the dd.exe file and follow the instructions then given.

4. Windows 95 Uninstallation

a: To uninstall you must go to your startmenu and find the folder with the shortcuts to the game. Then click on the "Uninstall Demolition Derby" shortcut.

Game Description and Controls

1. This is Demolition Derby. The object is to destroy all the other opponents in the arena and be declared the winner. It is a top view game with the option of up to four player, cpu players included. To damage another player you must hit their truck while going at a faster speed. A wrench powerup appears randomly and will repair a small portion of your damage.

2. The controls for player one are as follows: Forwards=w, Backwards=s, Rotate Left=a, Rotate Right=d.

3. The controls for player two are as follows: Forwards=8, Backwards=5, Rotate Left=4, Rotate Right=6.

4. The controls for player three are as follows: Forwards=u, Backwards=j, Rotate Left=h, Rotate Right=k.

5. The controls for player four are as follows: Forwards=up arrow, Backwards=down arrow, Rotate Left=left arrow, Rotate Right=right arrow.

Questions and Answers

Q. I get an error message about not having enough memory. Is there anything I can do to free up more?

A. You can try the following:

- a. Ensure no other Windows programs are running.
- b. Disable any screen savers, virus scanners, mail-notifiers etc.
- c. Use Program Manager in preference to an alternate Windows desktop (Norton Desktop, etc).
- d. Disable any audio-related Windows programs prior to starting the game.
- e. Turn off your Wallpaper in Desktop in Control Panel.
- f. Disable the RAMDRIVE.SYS command in your CONFIG.SYS file.

You can also experiment with the Virtual Memory settings by increasing the size of your Swapfile. From the Main Program Group window, double-click on your Control Panel icon. From here, double-click on the 386 Enhanced icon, and then the Virtual Memory button. Consult your Windows documentation for detailed information about configuring your Swapfile.

The type of swapfile you select for running in 386 Enhanced mode can have a significant impact on your performance within Windows. Permanent swapfiles allow Windows to start up much faster than temporary ones, which must be recreated every time you start Windows. Permanent swapfiles, however, require contiguous (unfragmented) disk space; you may need to compress your disk, using a tool such as Norton SpeedDisk or PC Tools first.

Q. While playing I've come across some bugs that mess things up/annoy me/just don't seem quite right. What can I do?

A. It's probably not your fault or even your computer. Keep in mind this is a new game and is bound to have problems. Take a look at the contact section of this help file and e-mail the author about the bugs and when they occur. We will do our best to fix them and then promptly release a new updated version of this game.

Q. The color graphics are really bad and not very smooth on my computer. What's wrong and what can I do?

A. Your Windows environment may not be set up to run in 256 color mode even though your video card and monitor can run in this mode. To check this you should go to Windows Setup in the Main program group. If the Display setting is "16 color" or "VGA" (both 16 color drivers) you need to replace it with a 256 color driver. You can change your video drivers from the Windows Setup icon in the Main group and you should check with your video card documentation to find the correct setting. We would urge caution when changing video drivers because if you choose one that is not meant for your video card, Windows will not display properly. If this occurs, you will have to go into your Windows directory from the DOS command line and type SETUP. From here you can choose the "VGA" driver to return to a 16 color mode. For complete information, consult your video card documentation or contact your video card manufacturer.

Q. The screen seems to be big, it seems like my screen is cutting off part of the gaming screen, what's wrong?

A. This game must be run in 800x600 resolution. Yours is probably set at 640x480. To change this go to your control panel, double-click on display, click on the settings tab, and then adjust the desktop area until it says 800 pixels by 600 pixels.

Q. ? is happening. What should I do?

A. Please look at the contact information and e-mail the author the problem and we will try to help you to the best of our ability.

Contact Information

1. If you'd like to contact the author for any reason, please e-mail him at:
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2. Otherwise you can visit the Astral Entertainment website at:
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3. Please, however, do not send flame mail. If you have a complaint explain it and maybe we can rectify it, if not, live with it.

