

WELCOME TO WINDOWS REMINDER!

This disk contains Windows Reminder 2.0A

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Functional and Powerful

Windows Reminder is a new time management program written exclusively for the new Windows. The program is both simple to use, yet powerful enough to do your work for you without you having to be there!

Functional

Windows Reminder was designed to let you set up and view your appointments as easily as possible. You can visually see the times you have scheduled in the graph display. The graph also allows you to click on the time you want to enter a new item for. Items or tasks are sorted by date and time which places all items needing attention at the top so you can "see" what is next on your list. A time is not required so you can still enter a task that needs to be done that day. Enter in a time and Windows Reminder will automatically set the alarm to display your message or run other programs. A repeat option is also provided for daily, weekly, monthly, and end of month events. Windows Reminder displays the time and date when running as an icon so you can always keep track of what time it is.

Set up "To Do" or "Task" lists for yourself and others to keep track of dates, times and milestones.

Set alarms to remind you of items that have to be done or places you have to be. You can set reminder to chime on the hour, 1/2 and 1/4 hour. If you have Multimedia installed, you will hear the chimes from Control Panel.

Set alarms to start other tasks without you being there.

Generate status reports at any time based on the items you have done and that are still on your list of items that need to be done or need your attention. Collect the time spent on each item for time management reports.

Windows Reminder keeps track of when items are completed and creates a log file when you delete your items to a file (see the Options Preference menu) to set this.

Versatile

You can group your items by category for easy viewing and printing of status reports. The category list can be used to schedule what others in your group need to be on top of. This helps with daily assignments and long term goals by allowing you to schedule different intervals in which to monitor your progress. You can also assign your own personal priorities, like ASAP, by replacing the time field for each item.

As you enter each item, they are sorted automatically by date and time or

by your own personal priorities so that you can always see what is next on your list of items to do. For easy viewing, dates are displayed in different colors depending if they are past, present or future items to do or if they are done so that you can instantly "see" what needs to be done next.

Ease of use

Windows Reminder makes it as simple as possible to enter and edit items by taking full advantage of a Control Bar with three dimensional buttons, full keyboard support, a Calendar program, Pen Windows support, and a sophisticated Online Help complete with "Jump Words" for easy access and look-up.

The Windows Reminder Control bar gives you quick access to editing and viewing items along with a corresponding key on the keyboard to allow you the same access. The current time is displayed on the right side of the control bar and an alarm picture is displayed only when there is a time set to go off for the current day. This gives you the added benefit of adding items that have to be done a certain day, but have no set time.

The Edit section of the Control bar allows you to quickly edit an item. To create a new item to be reminded of, you can choose the "+" button on the Control Bar, or the "+" key on the keyboard or the Edit Add menu item, or the F5 function key, or double click on the day you want in the Calendar program.

The View section of the Control bar allows you to quickly view the items by past, present, future and done dates. To view just those items you need to do from the past and today, you just select the left arrow (for past) and the down arrow (for now or today). If you also want to view what you have done for the same time frame, just press the "check" button. You can use the F9-F12 keys to "press" the same buttons or use the View menu commands. The asterisk at the end is for viewing everything at once by pressing all the buttons down.

Windows Reminder comes with a Calendar program that lets you view the days in a month and scroll to other months and years. It can even print calendars! If Windows Reminder isn't running, Calendar will start it for you by double-clicking on a date. The Enter New Item dialog is automatically brought up for you with the selected date already placed in the date field for you. Anytime the Edit Item dialog is up, you can use Calendar to enter or change the date and time just by clicking the mouse on the date you want and using the right mouse button to select the time.

Powerful Date Transfer and Dynamic Data Exchange (DDE)

Windows Reminder data is copied to the clipboard as tab delimited text that can then be used with any editor and any spreadsheet program or other program that accepts a tab delimited ASCII file. Windows Reminder will also accept data from the clipboard that is only space delimited for easy importing.

Windows Reminder supports Dynamic Data Exchange (DDE) as both a Client starting other DDE conversations requesting information and also as a Server so that data can be passed back and forth with other DDE programs.

A sample Template file for Microsoft Word for Windows and macro sheet for Microsoft Excel is supplied to show you how you can automatically generate different reports with different combinations of monthly and/or items listed by a specific "category".

Powerful Alarm actions

Windows Reminder allows a number of different Actions to take place when an alarm goes off. You select the action to take place when you enter your message and it can be changed at any time. The Run Action will automatically have Reminder start another Windows or DOS application. Run DDE will start a DDE conversation with another application to run a macro that gathers information from a data base or electronic news service that places the information into another application.

When an alarm goes off, your message is displayed for you. You are then given 4 choices of what you want to do with the message. The first is nothing so that you can decide what you want to do with it later. You can select the Mark as Done check box to indicate you no longer need to be reminded of the message. If you are busy when the message is displayed you can set the Repeat in ? minutes, a "snooze" option and press the Reset Time button so the message will be displayed again in the extra time you selected. This is really handy when you are on the phone. Selecting the Re-schedule button brings up the message for editing so you can change the date, time or any other information.

You can reset the item to the next day, week, month or year and it will also bump the day to Mondya if you use the "Business Day option.

When the Run with Prompt or Run DDE with Prompt action item is selected or you select the Option Run menu command, the Run dialog will be displayed. Here you will see the message you had scheduled if it was from an alarm going off, or you can change or enter any command to start up another application or enter in a DDE command. You don't have to run Program Manager or File Manager to start another application.

*** LATE-BREAKING NEWS ***

New 2.0 version released. Easier, intuitive, eye-pleasing dialogs are part of the new look. Help files completely reworded. Be sure to go through the help files to learn all about the many new features.

NOTE: To use the Visual Basic DDE demo program, you need either Visual Basic installed on your system, or at least the VBRUN100.DLL file. The VBRUN100.DLL file may be obtained from any number of BBS's, shareware disk vendors, Compuserve, or even our BBS. Because of its size, it is not included with this product.

PACKING LIST:

With this version you have the following files:

REMINDER EXE The Reminder program.
CAL EXE The integrated calendar program.
ITEMS CAT The "category" data base file - Press F4 to add more.
ITEMS DAT Tutorial data file.
RM__VER ??? A file whose extension is the current version number.

README TXT This File
README2 TXT ...Readme continued

REMINDER HLP The Reminder Help file - press F1 to display it.

REMINDER DOT A WinWord template file that has a few sample DDE samples and reports to use with Reminder.

REMINDER XLM A Microsoft Excel macro file that has a few sample DDE samples to use with Reminder.

RMDDE EXE A Visual Basic DDE Demo with Reminder
RMDDE FRM A Visual Basic form to do DDE with Reminder

WWWDBMS DLL The data base engine

WSETUP EXE The setup program
WSETUP2 OVL More of the setup program
WSETUP INF The setup script file

Please refer to the README2.TXT file for more information.