

QuiClick v 1.7

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Introduction

Thank you for using QuiClick, a customizable tool bar that helps you keep all of your most used Windows applications right at your fingertips. QuiClick was designed to be as small and unobtrusive as possible. It is NOT filled with fancy graphics, gauges, and icons that are of questionable usefulness and unnecessarily take up precious screen real estate.

With QuiClick you can:

- Define up to 25 buttons to be used to launch any Windows application that you choose . You can also start some special functions.
- You can make a horizontal or vertical tool bar and place it anywhere on your screen. You might try lowering Program Manager by the height of a horizontal QuiClick bar and putting QuiClick above Program Manager. Or define only enough buttons so that the whole toolbar fits in the Title Bar of Program Manager's window.
- Turn on **Always On Top** to keep your Tool Bar visible at all times.

Operation

Main Tool Bar

The Main Tool Bar consists of a QUIT button, a SETUP button , the date and time (if turned on), the Tool Bar Locator, the launch buttons, and a minimize button.

Quit Button

This button will terminate QuiClick and remove it from the screen.

Setup Button

The Setup Button will display a Title menu that will allow Button Setup , display of Registration Information, and display of this Help document.

Tool Bar Locator

This is a small icon that has four arrows pointing in all four directions and is used to move the QuiClick Tool Bar around on the screen. Actually, there may be other places on the tool bar that can be used to drag it around but the Locator is always available. Merely click on the icon, and holding the mouse button down, drag it.

The Launch Buttons

Click once on any of the displayed launch buttons to start an application or execute a Special Function.

The Minimize Button

This button will minimize the QuiClick Tool Bar into an icon and display it on the bottom of the screen. If you have Always On Top checked, the icon will remain on top.

Button Setup

Using the Button Setup Window

You get to the button setup window by clicking the SETUP button on the Tool Bar. This will display the Title Window from which you should choose the Button Setup option.

On the Button Setup Window there is a set of 25 push buttons that can be defined. Merely click on one of the push buttons and fill in the **Button Text** and the **Program to Launch** fields. This can be done with the help of the **Special Functions List Box** and/or the drive/directory/file boxes.

The Special Functions List Box contains some of the most commonly used Windows applications plus some special functions. Just choose one from the list and the button will be defined automatically.

If the program that you wish to launch is not listed, you can use the Drive/Directory/File boxes to browse your disk drives.

Once you have chosen the one that you want, type a description into the Button Text Field if necessary.

If you want to undefine a button, choose it and click the REMOVE button.

If you do not like the order of the buttons that you have defined, check the Button Switch Mode option.

When you have defined all the needed buttons (which do not have to be consecutive), and Options press the Ok Button. All button information is saved in a QUICKCLICK.INI file in your Windows directory.

Special Functions

There are a few special functions in the Special Functions List Box on the Button Setup Window.

- **Browse** will allow you to browse through your disks looking for a program to run.
- **Reboot** will reboot your computer.
- **System Info** will show some vital statistics about your Windows session similar to Program Manager's About option
- **Windows Exit**, will immediately exit Windows without asking if you are sure the way Program Manager does.
- **Win. Restart** will exit Windows and restart it. You might have to do this if you run some unbehaved applications that forget to give up some memory when they exit.

System Info

The System Info Special Function will allow you to display a window that shows you some information about your system and the running Windows Session.

- **Free Resources:** This is a percentage that is actually the lower of the Free GDI Resources and the Free USER Resources.
- **Free GDI Resources:** This is a chunk of memory that Windows uses to keep track of GDI objects. Things like display contexts, fonts, and drawn objects.
- **Free USER Resources:** This is a chunk of memory that Windows uses to keep track of other aspects of the programs that you are running like windows and menus.

Keep in mind that these resources do not have anything to do with how much RAM you have on your system. So that adding RAM will not improve the resource percentages.

- **Free Memory:** This is how much Virtual Memory you have available. Virtual Memory includes RAM and your Swap File.
- **CPU Type:** Valid types are 80486, 80386, 80286
- **Math CoProcessor:** Either present or absent
- **Windows Mode:** Standard or Enhanced

Button Switch Mode

If you want to switch the order of some buttons, turn on Button Switch Mode. When in this mode you can drag a button to a new location and it will be switched with the button currently there. This is useful if you want to add a button definition in the middle of the Tool Bar. In order to ensure proper recognition of the newly moved button, turn off Button Switch Mode and click the moved button.

Options

The meanings of the four options on the Button Setup Window are listed here.

Horizontal Tool Bar

This option will cause QuiClick to create a button bar in which all buttons are lined up end to end horizontally. If there is not enough room on the screen for all of the defined buttons, another line will be created. If you do not check this option, a vertical bar will be created.

Always On Top

This option will cause the QuiClick Tool bar to stay on top of all other windows. It is possible for another application to also turn on this option. In this case, QuiClick might be covered. The Windows Clock application could do this for instance.

Show Date

On a horizontal tool bar the date can be displayed or not. On a vertical tool bar, both the date and time are displayed if either this option or the Show Time option is chosen.

Show Time

On a horizontal tool bar the time can be displayed or not. On a vertical tool bar both the date and time are displayed if either this options or the Show Date option is chosen. The time is displayed as a 12 hour clock.

Registration

If you use it, please register your copy of QuiClick. You will receive a registration password that will prevent the tickler window from being displayed at startup. You will also receive notice of new versions of QuiClick and other Shareware programs produced by Kempton Software. Please do not forget to do this so that we can afford to continue to produce software that does not cost you an arm and a leg. Shareware is a great way to try software before you buy it. We take the risk that you will actually pay for it so that you do not have to take the risk of buying bad software in a glitzy box.

To register send your name, address, which version, where and when you obtained your copy of QuiClick and \$16.00 to:

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Watch for a future version of QuiClick to contain MANY new and wonderful features. We are planning to allow you to change the font of the buttons and even change the size of the buttons! The Notepad button will accept drag and drop files from the File Manager and a new button called Printer Drop will allow you to drop files directly to the printer. You should see the things that we are doing with the System Info window! There are many other things planned as well. If you register, you will be one of the first to be notified of the release of this exciting new product.

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New for this Version

Version 1.7 of QuiClick is mostly a maintenance release dedicated to bug fixes. It was released in June 1993.

The New features are listed below:

1. There is now much better support for DOS applications. Basically, anything you can do with Program Manager, you should be able to do with QuiClick.
2. You now can put parameters on the command line for an application. For instance, you can define a button with a command line like this: C:\WINDOWS\notepad.exe WIN.INI This will start notepad with the WIN.INI file already in it.
3. The Windows Task List is now included in the Special Function List.
4. You can run a program in the minimized state from the Browse window.

Bug fixes from version 1.6 are listed below:

1. Always on Top is now the default.
2. A bug in button switch mode has been fixed.
3. The Time now shows the hours correctly at midnight.
4. The Program Type list box on the Browse window now shows only one copy of the list of file types.
5. The Browse window now correctly launches programs when the drive is specified.
6. Redisplaying the Button Setup Window after using the control box to close it caused an illegal function call error. This has been fixed.

