

Welcome to From Scratch, the Recipe processor for Windows.

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- look in 'Shareware Showcase' section 12)

New Features in this release

version 2.10 -06/05/93

Removed error message that caused endless loop when all recipes were deleted by user

Put in check for double click in empty recipe card

Repaired numeric and string length bugs in Meal Master import routine

Added scroll bar with letter searching feature

Saved recipe before printing at print button in recipe screen

Made print dialog vanish automatically after printing

Added optional tag that includes user's name when printing recipe

Added default font of Arial, 10 point if FSFONT.BIN file is deleted.

revision history

version 2.0 - 03/05/93

Printing now takes advantage of all Windows fonts

New print options for margins, omitting sections, print to text file, and more

Users can now choose to display recipes in list format as well as Card file format

A new measurement conversion table handles ounces to pints, etc.

Conversion program is now part of the shareware version

A Status bar displays number of records, search status, and disk space available.

When user re-sizes the main window, its size is saved automatically

New option to print titles only for current search set or entire database

New option to print all recipes in current search set or entire database

New option to allow conditional use of measurement conversion table

A new comment field has been added

A new oven temp field has been added

Nutrition information has been expanded to include Poly, Mono, and saturated fats

User definable options have been added, which are saved in a SCRATCH.INI file:

Mouse movement has been changed to click/double click

Enter has replaced Ctrl-Enter to select a recipe for editing, which is more intuitive.

An Insert ingredient button has been added

The user can now add blank quantity and measurement fields in an ingredient

Reset search has been duplicated as a menu item, and on a function key

A draft print mode is included for speedy printing on dot matrix printers

Conversion program now handles CompuChef and Micro Kitchen companion export files

Conversion program now creates mail merge files for Word and Word Perfect.

Conversion program now creates an ASCII export file in addition to From Scratch format.

The program will now not allow itself to be run twice in the same Windows session

A Cancel button when printing has been added

Windows Printer setup button has been duplicated in printer options dialog

Field lengths on screen now match lengths in database everywhere in recipe screen.

User can delete a recipe by pressing DELETE key, and confirming deletion.

User can initiate quick search by simply typing a letter or number.

Faster search routine has been designed.

FSCONVERT included in shareware version

Added Micro Kitchen light to conversion program

version 2.0 - 02/10/93 (beta)

see above for new features
help in this version still from version 1.x

version 1.20 - 01/15/93 (beta only)

Now works with Windows 3.0
Added features in conversion program for Compuchef
Added Winword and Word Perfect mail merge.
Added ASCII file export in conversion program.

version 1.11a - 01/02/93

Bug repaired that rounded the fraction 2/3 incorrectly to 3/4
Error message added for unsupported fractions - i.e. 1/11, etc..

version 1.11 - 12/10/92

Nutrition features have been added.
The time to prepare field has been added.
The origin field has been added.
All new fields are searchable, and appear in hard copy, clipboard, and conversion
A warning has been added when the user goes beyond end or start of recipe list
Pathname has been lengthened in the installation program
Null values supported for searching nutrition information and preparation time
(Zip file as of 12/20/92 now includes FILE_ID.DIZ file for BBS systems)
(Setup program changed 12/21/92 to keep from adding same icons when installing over an old version)

version 1.1 - 11/29/92

User can now enter any measure unit
User can now enter any ingredient, no 'master list'
Databases are smaller due to the use of system assigned keys
There is no documentation for the conversion utility yet.
The Record/Copy menu option is undocumented. It simply copies the
current recipe from the stack to the Windows Clipboard.
Added auto-index creation both main and conversion program
Revised conversion to work with Meal Master 7.x

version 1.0 - 11/01/92

Initial (beta) release.