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2. Windows NT does not automatically resize combo boxes down if their contents do not fill the predefined size.

3. You cannot perform drag-and-drop operations to the desktop of Windows NT unless the Windows 95 program shell is installed.

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1. Install the APS plug-in filters according to their accompanying documentation.

2. Once the APS plug-in filters are properly installed, add the following lines to the ULEAD32.INI file, found in the Windows folder:

    [PLUG IN]

    PLUGINDIR1=C:\KPT

where "C:\KPT" is the folder where Kai's Power Tools is installed. (If you are using another APS compliant plug-in filter, use the folder name for that filter.) If you have multiple APS plug-in filter folders, increment the number of the headings as follows:

    [PLUG IN]

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3. Check the option Load plug-in effects during initialization in the PhotoImpact Preferences dialog box.

4. After you change the ULEAD32.INI file, additional menu items appear in the Effect menu of PhotoImpact. For example, if you installed Kai's Power Tools, "KPT Extensions" and "KPT Filters" are added.

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