# Quick Restart 2.7

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# Welcome

Thank you for using Quick Restart 2.7. This document briefly outlines the necessities and important notes about Quick Restart 2.7. I urge you to read through the text so that you can become familiar with the program and its operation.

# What is Quick Restart 2.7?

Quick Restart 2.7 is a small program that displays a button bar on your desktop, allowing you to *Restart, Shutdown, Powerdown, Logoff and Close Applications* all with just one click. The idea is that now you won't have to click on Start - Shut Down... - Restart the Computer? – Yes (4 clicks) when you only have to click once to accomplish the same task.

Configuration options are included so that Quick Restart 2.7 can be tailored to your needs and can provide a better service.

#### **Changes from Quick Restart 1.0**

Changes from Quick Restart 1.0 include:

- Better memory management.
- Less memory usage as a result.
- INI file no longer resides in Windows directory.
- Improved Interface.
- Improved code providing more stability.
- A Power Off feature has been added for computers that support automatic power off.
- The Quick Restart Button Bar can now be set to stay on top of other windows.

#### **Changes from Quick Restart 2.0**

Changes from Quick Restart 2.0 include:

- Logoff bug fixed (Extra instance of program is not created).
- Button Bar no longer obstructs window hot-spots when staying on top of other windows.
- A new option has been added for removing the title bar.
- Tool Tips have been added to the buttons.

# **Changes from Quick Restart 2.4**

New improvements include:

- Tool Tips can be turned ON and OFF as an option.
- A System Tray icon replaces the Task Bar button.
- The blue Title Bar is 256 colours and not 24-bit True Colour as in version 2.4 (This caused display problems on computers set to anything less than 24-bit True Colour)

#### **Changes from Quick Restart 2.6**

A few annoying bugs were eliminated in this latest version:

- When Windows Restarts automatically due to a change in configuration or a newly installed program, Quick Restart 2.6 would sometimes give an error message stating that the System Tray Icon could not be removed. This has been fixed.
- Quick Restart is not compatible with WindowsNT or the Win32s environment. Version 2.6 would crash or cause other errors on these platforms. Quick Restart 2.7 now displays an error message and then exits when run on WindowsNT or Win32s, instead of running and then crashing.
- Memory usage has been improved and as a result even less memory is needed to run Quick Restart.
- Less CPU resources are needed when running due to a change in coding.

#### **System Requirements**

The following specifications are a recommended guideline for optimal performance:

OS:	Windows 95 (OSR1 or OSR2)
Processor:	Intel Pentium 60 or higher.
RAM:	1 Mb
HDD Space:	500Kb
Display:	256 Color or higher.

The reason I advise an Intel Pentium processor is that Quick Restart 2.7 has been optimized for the Pentium Processor family. Running Quick Restart 2.7 on a 486 or less may result in the programming running slowly.

#### Win32s and Windows NT

Quick Restart 2.7 is not compatible with Win32s. The Restart, Shutdown, Powerdown, Logoff and Close functions used in Quick Restart 2.7 are not supported in the Win32s environment.

Quick Restart 2.7 was not designed for or tested with Windows NT. Quick Restart 2.7 will not function under Windows NT.

#### Things you should know

Quick Restart 2.7 uses VERY little resources and practically no processor power while idle. It has been tested with other software running such as games, compilers, word processors and there has been no noticeable decline in performance or interference.

Once Quick Restart 2.7 has started, its window cannot be moved. This feature has been omitted so that Quick Restart 2.7 visually integrates better with the desktop. The bar can, however be moved by adjusting the configuration.

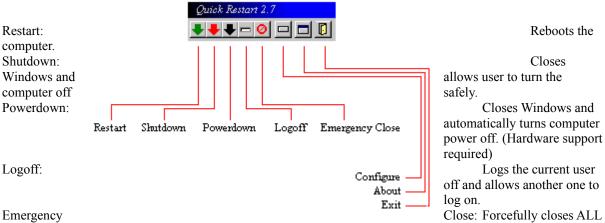
The Emergency Shutdown button closes all applications without notifying them first. This means that the applications in question will close without allowing you to save any unsaved data. As a result any unsaved work will be lost. I included this feature for emergencies only. Use it sparingly.

I did not put in a feature for restarting Windows (do not get this confused with restarting the computer) because it is better to reboot the computer and clear the memory rather than merely restarting Windows. Programs which require you to restart Windows after a new configuration will (or should) have this feature in place.

There is no button for restarting in MS-DOS Mode due to the fact that software designed specifically for this operating system is virtually extinct and I am trying to promote a move to the Windows 95 operating environment.

# Using Quick Restart 2.7

Using Quick Restart 2.7 is pretty straight forward. The Button Bar automatically starts up when Windows starts. The buttons are labeled as follows:



running programs but retains Explorer. A new user Logon may be initiated.

The five main Quick Restart buttons may be configured with the following options:

- Ask for confirmation before performing task. This option will cause Quick Restart 2.7 to display a message box asking for your approval before attempting to perform any of the shutdown or restart tasks.
- Do not display warning for Emergency Close. As a precaution, Quick Restart 2.7 will display a warning when the user clicks on the Emergency Close button and will ask for confirmation. You can choose to disable this warning by selecting the check box.
- Enabled Auto Power Off feature. This will display the Automatic Power Off button in the bar. Deselecting this check box will remove the button.

Other configuration options include:

- Quick Restart windows stays on top of other windows. This will allow the Button Bar to stay on top of other windows and never be obscured.
- Remove Title Bar. This will remove the blue title bar from the Button Bar.
- Turn Tool Tips OFF. This turns the Button Bar tips off. They are on by default.

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