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The Index contains a list of all Help topics available for PifInfo.   You can use the scroll bars to see the entries that are not currently visible in the Help window.

For information on how to use Help, press F1 or choose Using Help from the Help menu.

You may get context sensitive help from inside most of PifInfo's dialog boxes by selecting the "Help" button in the dialog box.

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PIFInfo was written to allow people to easily display the contents of PIF files in a text format. Many times people want to tell others what they have selected in a certain PIF file configuration but do not want to type out all of the information they have entered.   PIFInfo analizes a PIF file that you select and creates another file, similar in format to the screen layout of the PIF Editor, which says what options have been selected in the PIF file   This allows you to easily put up the contents of a PIF file on a BBS or in a manual.

Below is an excerpt from some output that PIFInfo created.

PIF Information File Version 1.00.   Copyright (c) 1991 David A. Feinleib.
PIF Information for: DOSPRMPT.PIF.   386 Enhanced Mode.

Program Filename: COMMAND.COM
Window Title: DOS Prompt
Optional Parameters:
Start-up Directory:
Memory Requirements: KB Required: -1   KB Desired: -1
Display Usage: Full Screen
Video Mode: Graphics/Multiple Text
Close Window on Exit
Background Priority: 125
Foreground Priority: 500
Detect Idle Time
EMS Required: 500 KB
EMS Limit: 500 KB
XMS Required: 0 KB
XMS Limit: 1024 KB
Uses High Memory Area
Monitor High Graphics Port
Emulate Text Mode
Allow Fast Paste
Application Shortcut Key: (Not yet implemented)

Options

Selecting *Prompt For Save Filename* will cause PifInfo to let you choose a filename in which to save the information.   If this option is not selected, PifInfo will use the name to the actual PIF file, changing the extension from .PIF to .FIP.

Default Save Extension is the default extension to be used when saving files.   The extension you enter will be the one displayed in the Save dialog box.

Saving A PIF Information (FIP) File

To save a PIF Information file, enter the name of the file in the edit box and then select the Save Button.   If the file you have selected to save already exists, PIFInfo will prompt will notify you; if you choose not to overwrite the file, PIFInfo will let you enter a different filename.

Opening A PIF File

You may open a PIF File by selecting it in the list box or by typing its name in the edit box. When you have chosen a file to open, click on *Open.* PIFInfo will then process the PIF file that you have selected. When it has finished processing the file, PIFInfo will bring up a Save dialog box which allows you to enter a filename in which to save the pif information.