

TinkerTool Version History

Newest items are listed first.

Release 1.52

- * because delivery of Mac OS X 10.1 might have a considerable delay in some parts of the world, it was decided to publish another maintenance update for Mac OS X 10.0
- * added language package for Traditional Chinese
- * added support for the "12 language version" of Mac OS X 10.0: When using earlier versions of TinkerTool together with this system release, the checkmark "Unlock Dock Extensions" could remain disabled for security reasons. Now, TinkerTool correctly detects this OS version and the checkmark will be enabled. (This affects Mac OS X 10.0.x versions based on Apple CD part number 2Z691-3064, released in June 2001. You don't need to update if you have the "7 language version" of Mac OS X 10.0.x, based on Apple CD part number 1Z691-2974-A.)
- * the FAQ document was updated
- * minimal changes in the user interface to optimize compliance with Apple Human Interface Guidelines

Release 1.51

The tool was adapted to work correctly with future versions of Mac OS X. Release 1.51 is the last version of TinkerTool that is compatible with Mac OS X 10.0. Future updates will work on Mac OS X 10.1 or later only.

Release 1.5

- * This release will support a future version of Mac OS X. Here, the default paper size for printing can be set.
- * TinkerTool still works fine on Mac OS X 10.0.x but no new features have been added for this operating system.

- * The Italian language package has been revised.

Release 1.4

- * new version supports all seven Mac OS X core languages
- * added shadow activation switch for the Dock
- * the blocked features of the 10.0 Dock (v1.0) can be activated. This will enable the Dock's placement options and makes the position settings persistent.
- * font anti-aliasing can now be manipulated at the CoreGraphics level, which makes it possible to disable font smoothing in Aqua user interface elements (including the Lucida font).

Release 1.32b

- * Added Dutch language package

Release 1.32a

- * Added French and Spanish language package

Release 1.32

- * Corrected problem with Italian localization
- * Made clean-up of environment variables more reliable
- * Disabling Cocoa font smoothing for large fonts now works under all conditions

- * FAQ was extended

Release 1.31a

- * Added Italian language package

Release 1.31

- * Refined layout of the font smoothing pane.
- * Added stepper buttons to control font smoothing thresholds.
- * Added switch to completely disable QuickDraw font smoothing.
- * Corrected minor bug which could disable QuickDraw font smoothing under certain conditions.
- * The TinkerTool FAQ and version history are now part of the distribution.

Release 1.3

- * Added new feature to control font-smoothing (anti-aliasing).
- * Added new menu item to reset all TinkerTool settings to their original values.
- * The new version has English and German language packages only. The 1.2b release will still be available until all missing languages have been implemented.

Release 1.2b

Added Japanese language package.

Release 1.2a

Added Italian and French language package.

Release 1.2

- * Version for Mac OS X 10.0. All controls that do not work in the official release of Mac OS X have been removed. Also, all settings that are now part of official preference values have been removed.
- * Placing the dock at login time has been temporarily disabled by Apple. The dock can still be moved but the setting is not persistent.
- * Added new control for "minimize windows" effect.

Release 1.1.2

Developed workaround for bug in Mac OS X Core Graphics: Under rare conditions, TinkerTool could set the gamma correction to zero which resulted in a black screen when starting the application. This bug has been fixed. The maintenance release will automatically repair corrupt screen settings and does multiple security checks to avoid the problem.

NOTE: If you used an older version of TinkerTool and have the "black screen" problem, you can easily repair the tool by deleting the file "de.bresink.system.tinkertool" in your Library/Preferences folder.

If you start TinkerTool for the first time, you should avoid that a Classic application which comes with its own color calibration or gamma correction tool has already run *in the same login session*. In this case, log out, then log in again and start TinkerTool without running Classic first.

Release 1.1

- * Added new options to change not only the size but also the type of the system fonts.
- * Added new dock options for rumored features of future versions of Mac OS X.

Release 1.0

First public version.