Triple Yahoo! 2.0f

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WHAT IS TRIPLE YAHOO!?

Triple Yahoo! is a game for Windows 3.1(*) similar to the popular Triple Yahtzee board game. Players roll animated dice and score in different categories to gain points. When all scores are made, the player with the most points is the winner. Triple Yahoo! supports user-configurable sound effects via .WAV files if a sound card is installed.

(*) Triple Yahoo! will work with Windows 3.0 only if Microsoft Multimedia Extensions and a sound card have been installed.

Triple Yahoo! is **Shareware**, and a registration fee of **\$10.00** (plus **\$2.00** for shipping, please) is required if used past the 30-day evaluation period. When payment is received you will receive a registered copy of the latest version of Triple Yahoo! on diskette and a serial number for free upgrades to future Shareware versions. CompuServe members can download the latest version and register through **CompuServe** for only **\$10.00** (saves shipping). You won't receive a disk, but I will send you a serial number via CompuServe electronic mail within two business days of order receipt (see **"REGISTRATION"**, below).

FILES CONTAINED IN THIS RELEASE

Files in Triple Yahoo! Directory:

| FILE_ID.DIZ | Distribution Description File (included with Shareware version only) | |
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| LICENSE.WRI | License Agreement / Warranty Disclaimer | |
| MANUAL.WRI | Documentation (this file) | |
| ORDER.TXT | Order Form (included with Shareware version only) | |
| VENDOR.TXT | Vendor Distribution Information (included with Shareware version only) | |
| TYAHOO.EXE | Required Executable File | |
| REGISTER.ID | Registration ID File (included with Registered version only) | |
| ATTENTN.WAV Required Sound File "Attention" | | |
| READY.WAV | Required Sound File "Ready" | |
| ROLL.WAV | Required Sound File "Roll Dice" | |
| SORRY.WAV | Required Sound File "Sorry" | |
| WINNER.WAV | Required Sound File "Winner" | |
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Files in Windows | System Directory (or Windows Directory for Network Users):

| MCI.VBX | Required Support File |
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| PICCLIP.VBX | Required Support File |
| THREED.VBX | Required Support File |
| VBRUN200.DLL | Required Support File (included with Registered version only) |

STARTING TRIPLE YAHOO!

To start Triple Yahoo!, double-click on the Triple Yahoo! icon in your "Games" program group.

Once started, you must enter the names of the players. Click on the **NEW GAME** button or choose **NEW GAME** from the **FILE** menu, enter the player(s) name(s), and click **CONTINUE**. Click the **ROLL** button and you're off!

You can control some of Triple Yahoo! from the keyboard, like selecting and rolling the dice, but you must use the mouse to choose a scoring position.

OPTIONS

You can change certain program settings from the **OPTIONS** menu, and save them to disk by choosing **SAVE SETTINGS**. The program defaults are indicated in **bold**:

| Hint Mode: | On /Off | Shows or Hides possible scores |
|-----------------|----------------|---|
| Sound Effects: | On /Off | Plays or Supresses digitized sound-effects (MCI WAV compatible sound card required) |
| Roll Animation: | On /Off | Can be turned off for slower PC's |

PLAYING TRIPLE YAHOO!

To play Triple Yahoo!, players take turns rolling the dice and scoring points. After each roll, *possible scores* are displayed in red, and zero scores in grey. You can choose where to score at any time that possible scores are displayed by clicking on the desired score. If you choose to reroll, click on the undesired dice and press the **ROLL** button. Each player gets up to three rolls before they must choose a score. Sometimes a score of zero must be chosen, and is best taken from the single score column. If multiple players are playing, the game will pause at the end of each turn to allow you to see what was scored. Press **NEXT PLAYER** to continue.

There are three columns for scoring. The first scores single point values, the second scores double, and the third scores triple.

If the point values of "Ones" through "Sixes" total 63 or higher, a bonus of 35 is given (3-of-a-kind in each category is required to get 63 points). The Double and Triple columns require multiples of 63, respectively, and receive double and triple bonus values. The "Needed" category shows how much is required in each column to get the bonus.

When the board is filled, the game is over. The player with the most points is the winner and is automatically entered in the high-scores file if qualified.

SCORING

Point values for Triple Yahoo! are as follows (single value column shown):

| Ones | only 1's are scored |
|-----------------|---|
| Twos | only 2's are scored |
| Threes | only 3's are scored |
| Fours | only 4's are scored |
| Fives | only 5's are scored |
| Sixes | only 6's are scored |
| Three of a Kind | must have 3-of-a-kind, all dice are scored |
| Four of a Kind | must have 4-of-a-kind, all dice are scored |
| Full House | must have 2-of-a-kind AND 3-of-a-kind, score 25 |
| Small Straight | must have a sequence of 4, score 30 |
| Large Straight | must have a sequence of 5, score 40 |
| Yahoo! | must have 5-of-a-kind, score 50 |
| Pot Luck | total of all dice is scored |

CUSTOM SOUND EFFECTS

Custom sound effects can be used by replacing any of the included five .WAV files with your own. Files must be named the same as they are now.

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To register Triple Yahoo!, print the file **ORDER.TXT** and send with your check for **\$10.00 (plus \$2.00 shipping, please)** in US funds to:

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VERSION HISTORY

| 01/04/93 01/20/93 | v1.0 v1.1 | Initial release to Shareware Fixed bonus display problem Added high-score date |
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| 01/21/93 | v1.2 | Fixed bonus balculation problem Added end-of-game scores toggle |
| 02/22/93 | v1.2a | Fixed registered-only "registration" bug Added hourglass mouse pointer during delays |
| 03/15/93 | v2.0a | Changed overall visual appearance Added left-hand column subtotal and needed-for-bonus Enhanced multiple player operations Added hint-mode-off option and simplified options menu |
| 04/11/93 | v2.0b | Optimized graphics-handling to use less resources Created Setup program for automatic installation (<i>Registered version only</i>) |
| 05/08/93 | v2.0c | Fixed graphics scaling problem when used with high-resolution monitors Fixed registered-only "registration" bug Updated Setup program to correct installation bug <i>(Registered version only)</i> Added 4-player capability |
| 07/21/93 08/02/93 09/01/93 | v2.0d v2.0e v2.0f | Further enhanced graphics speed to stop flicker Changed handling of sound to fix problem on some PC's Fixed scoring bug for last player Fixed "play again" function Changed floating-point calculations to fix problem on some PC's |

I welcome any comments you may have about Triple Yahoo!.

Thank you for supporting the Shareware concept!