

# ***SNDC 1.0: The Stickies! Note Decompiler***

## **Introduction**

To paraphrase a line from one of our other manuals, what's a note decompiler, and why in the world would you want one? The Stickies! Note Decompiler, SNDC, is a freeware Windows program from Looking Glass Technologies that you can use to translate Stickies! export files into plain-text ASCII files that can then be re-translated back into export files with SNC, the Stickies! Note Compiler. As far as why you'd want to do this, consider what happens when you construct an export file of notes you want to distribute to other users, and you realize after the fact that you want to make "one little change" to one or more of the notes. Stickies! itself is designed for using sets of notes, not making that kind of editing change. (You could import the whole export file into a new Stickies! file folder, check out the errant note, update it, file it back into the folder, export the folder, and then delete the folder, but that's more cumbersome than it should be, frankly.)

*Note: SNC 1.0 and SNDC 1.0 do not allow you to modify the font in a note! This means that if you decompile an export file with SNDC that uses, say, Times New Roman, make a minor change to the SML file, and then recompile it with SNC, the resulting export file's notes will use the Windows System Font. Version 2.0 of both SNDC and SNC will support fonts, but we haven't announced a ship date yet.*

SNDC is normally distributed as a DOS-mode, self-extracting archive that was created with LHA 2.13. LHA is copyright 1988-91 by Haruyasu Yoshizaki.

## **Usage**

The process of decompiling a Stickies! export file into a plain-text SML file is very simple. You run SNDC, give it the names of the files when it prompts you, and it creates the SML file. At that point, you can modify the SML file with a text editor and recompile the export file with SNC. Until you get the hang of SML, we suggest that you not replace your original Stickies! export file when you run SNC.

See the SNC manual, SNC.WRI, for a complete SML language reference.

That's really all there is to SNDC. If you have any problems, questions, or comments regarding SNDC, SNC, or Stickies!, please get in touch with us at:

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