

**Rhode Island Soft Systems, Inc.**

**Presents**

**The RISS Icon Pak  
for Windows 3.1**

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## **WHAT IS THE RISS ICON PAK?**

The graphical, point-and-click nature of Windows goes a long way towards making computers easier to use. The use of graphical elements, to represent features and functions, helps us to recognize what we want to do and be able to do it without memorizing commands, key sequences, and menus.

Fortunately, users are able to customize Windows by installing their own graphical symbols, called ICONS. This allows users to customize Windows with symbols that are meaningful to each individual user. It also allows people to personalize their computer system.

Unfortunately, most of us are either not very artistic, or don't have the time to sit around drawing new icons. Enter the RISS Icon Pak...

The RISS Icon Pak is a package containing 2001 unique and interesting Icon images for use with Windows 3.1. The icons are conveniently arranged, categorized, and divided into separate libraries for quick and easy location of icons.

The RISS Icon Pak comes complete with its own Icon Viewer utility, for quickly and easily perusing the icon libraries, as well as a completely automated "SETUP" program that performs installation on "auto pilot."

## **OTHER RISS PRODUCTS**

In addition to the RISS Icon Pak collection, Rhode Island Soft Systems, Inc. also offers several other products including Windows Screen Savers, original Windows Wallpaper collections, custom screen savers utilizing users' own logos, a Windows Cardfile Reader for DOS, a highly regarded DOS screen saver, and more! Please contact us for more details, or look refer to the product information enclosed with the materials received when registering RISS Icon Pak.

## **VERIFICATION OF FILES**

At this point, please look for all of the files that belong to the RISS Icon Pak package. All of the files are listed in the file PACKING.TXT. If the PACKING.TXT file or any of the files listed in PACKING.TXT are missing, please contact us for an official copy of RISS Icon Pak -- it would not be fair to either the user or Rhode Island Soft Systems, Inc. to have a user evaluate an incomplete package.

## **INSTALLING THE ICONS**

This document is typically available only after the RISS Icon Pak is installed, so you've probably already installed the product successfully if you're reading this document. However, for the sake of completeness, the full installation instructions are listed below.

The RISS Icon Pak is shipped with a comprehensive installation program to automate traditional installation. To install the package, you must be in the Windows environment. You will use the SETUP program supplied as part of the package.

From Program Manager's main window, select "File". This will cause a menu to drop down. Next, select "Run...". A dialog box will pop up requesting a "Command Line". If the files are on a floppy disk, insert the diskette into the A: or B: drive, as appropriate and type either "A:\SETUP" or "B:\SETUP", respectively. You must execute the "SETUP" program that is located on the floppy disk.

If the files are in a directory on a hard drive, enter the full drive and directory path to where the files are located, such as: "C:\TEMP\SETUP".

Please note that these are just examples -- the directory names and drives will certainly be different for each individual computer. The above examples are for illustrative purposes only.

After entering the command to execute SETUP, press the ENTER key or click on the "OK" button. At this point SETUP will handle the entire process of installing the files.

That's all there is to it! The installation program automatically detects the necessary system settings, and performs the installation unattended.

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## **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

This "shareware version" of the RISS Icon Pak package is provided at no charge to the user for evaluation. Feel free to share it with your friends, but please do not give it away altered or as part of another system. The essence of "user-supported" software is to provide personal computer users with quality software without high prices, and yet to provide incentive for programmers to continue to develop new products. You are encouraged to pass the shareware version of RISS Icon Pak along to your friends for evaluation. Please encourage them to register their copy if they find that they can use it. Please refer to the VENDOR.TXT file for details on distributing RISS Icon Pak. Please do not distribute the registered "Deluxe" (non-shareware) version if you order it -- continue to distribute this shareware version.

If you find this package useful and find that you are using the Icons and continue to use them after a reasonable trial period (60 days maximum), you must make a registration payment of \$16.95 to Rhode Island Soft Systems, Inc. The registration fee will license one copy for use on any one computer at any one time, and ensure that you will receive a fully registered "Deluxe" version, which contains everything in the shareware version, plus an enhanced Icon Viewer that allows point-and-click changing of icons in Windows! If you do not have a copy of the RISS Icon Pak package, or are missing any of the files listed in the PACKING.TXT file, you may obtain a full registered "Deluxe" version of RISS Icon Pak on diskette directly from Rhode Island Soft Systems, Inc. for the \$16.95 (U.S.) registration price.

RISS Icon Pak must be licensed for each machine that it is used on. Unless you have multiple computers, or use RISS Icon Pak both at home and on your computer at work, this stipulation will mostly apply to businesses and organizations.

Site licenses, however, are available to cover these situations. Please refer to the section on Site Licenses for more information.

Users of RISS Icon Pak must register and pay for their copies of RISS Icon Pak within 60 days of first use or their license is withdrawn.

Please refer to the file REGISTER.WRI for a complete registration form.

## **BENEFITS OF REGISTRATION**

What will registration yield? First and foremost, registered users are sent a disk containing the registered "Deluxe" version of the software, which contains an enhanced Icon Viewer that allows point-and-click changing of any icon in Windows. Besides rightfully paying for a product that is being used, a user will additionally receive some very important benefits.

Upon receiving a registration, Rhode Island Soft Systems, Inc. will immediately return a written receipt, a letter of acknowledgment thanking the user for registering the software, literature on any special offers available at the time of registration, and the latest issue of RISS News, our company newsletter!

The user is immediately placed in our database of registered users from which we generate mailing lists for our newsletter which is used to announce upgrades to our products, or new products altogether. This is very important since many users have registered "old" versions of our software, not knowing that a newer version was available. We were able to provide them with a new version which they might not have received otherwise.

Registered users are provided with discounts on other products, as they are released, as well as limited-time special offers that we are able to grant at the time of registration. (In the past we've been able to grant major discounts on several different magazines, free subscriptions to CompuServe, free CompuServe usage credits, and more!)

Registered users are encouraged to take advantage of our Corporate BBS. Of course, your registrations provide us with the capital necessary for us to continue providing new versions of RISS Icon Pak as well as other new products, and additional Icon Paks.

While we courteously answer all letters we receive, registered users are provided with the highest possible degree of customer support for their questions and concerns.

## **INTERNATIONAL (NON-U.S.) REGISTRATIONS**

While it is true that we are based in the United States of America, we highly value our International Users! We've learned the "hard way", however we firmly believe that we are now in a much better position to serve our International customers more effectively.

For International Orders, the most convenient method of payment would probably be to charge the order to a Visa, MasterCard, AmEx, or Discover card. However, we do accept checks of course.

We request that, whenever possible, all checks or money orders be made out in U.S. currency and drawn on a U.S. bank. Often it is not possible to have a check drawn on a U.S. Bank, and we understand that.

Canadian customers can send checks written in U.S. Dollars from a U.S. Dollar account, drawn on a Canadian bank, without giving the matter any further thought. If you'd prefer to write a check in Canadian dollars, please apply the current exchange rate.

From other countries, however, we request that we be provided with a "Postal Money Order" from your National Post Office, or an American Express International Money Order. "U.S. Currency" or "U.S. Dollars" should be clearly marked on the check.

If none of the options above are possible, then we require an extra US\$10 check-cashing fee be added to the cost of registration. We apologize for this extra charge, however we are charged US\$10 just to cash an International Check. When writing a check or money order in non-U.S. currency, please make the necessary monetary conversions so that when we cash the check/money order we receive the full cost of the registration plus the equivalent of US\$10 to cover the check cashing fee. Users will be credited only for the amount received after conversion.



## **SITE LICENSE INFORMATION**

A Site License basically provides volume discounts on purchases of multiple copies of RISS Icon Pak. For your convenience, we do accept Purchase Orders on Site Licenses from Schools and Businesses.

Please refer to the file SITELICE.WRI for full details on our fantastic discounts, and a copy of the site license registration form.

Please contact us for more information on our personalized signature TrueIcons, and/or our custom screen savers that utilize your own company logo and/or artwork!

## **HOW TO CONTACT RHODE ISLAND SOFT SYSTEMS, INC.**

At Rhode Island Soft Systems, Inc., we believe excellent customer service to be our primary objective. We make ourselves available for customer support via several methods. Please use the method that best suits you, and feel free to forward a copy of the COMMENT.WRI form if appropriate.

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### **COMPUSERVE**

via private EMail to ID 72662,463  
or in our own support forum: GO RISS, Section/Library 5

## **CONNECTIONS BBS**

If you have an questions or comments you may contact Rhode Island Soft Systems, Inc. on our 24-hour customer support BBS. CONNECTIONS BBS always contains the latest version of RISS Icon Pak, which can be downloaded even by un-registered, first time callers. We hope to hear from you on CONNECTIONS!

CONNECTIONS BBS Supports up to 14.4 kbps with V.32 / V.32bis / V.42 / MNP optional. Use No parity, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit (commonly referred to as N,8,1). The phone number is (401) 767-3931.

## **COMPUSERVE**

As an alternative to CONNECTIONS BBS, customers are encouraged to join us on-line on CompuServe where Rhode Island Soft Systems, Inc. maintains a presence. Just type GO RISS -- we're in Section/Library 5! Shareware versions and demos of our products can be downloaded there, and the support and development staff can be contacted there with questions.

We look forward to seeing you on-line!



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or send a CompuServe message via CompuServe MAIL to:

ASP Ombudsman - 70007,3536.

## **RISS ICON PAK WARRANTY INFORMATION**

**\*\*\* PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION CAREFULLY \*\*\***

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## **REPORTING PROBLEMS WITH RISS ICON PAK**

At Rhode Island Soft Systems, Inc. we strive to provide the highest quality software we possibly can. Due to the proliferation of IBM-compatible systems, however, we can not possibly test our software on every single system under every possible combination of hardware and software configurations.

As such sometimes a problem does arise, with a particular configuration, which we are able to investigate and solve. We greatly appreciate the feedback that we receive from our users, and have begun distributing a special form as of this release of RISS Icon Pak. The form can be found in the file COMMENT.WRI.

If any user should have a particular question, comment, or problem we request that a copy of this form be filled out and included with a letter. Receiving a copy of this form will provide us with exactly the information which will help us on the road to diagnosing a problem.

We are always interested in hearing comments from our users on ways in which we can improve our product. The form in COMMENT.WRI can also be used to mail in suggestions and requests.

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