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ScaleFonts is a Control Panel device that allows you to control the scaling of fonts to sizes which are not available in your system file. You can turn font scaling generally on (this is the default setting used by most applications), generally off (as done by WriteNow), or allow applications to switch font scaling on and off.

**CAUTION**: ScaleFonts requires at least a Macintosh Plus and system 4.1. Do not try to install ScaleFonts on older machines or with older system software.

To get ScaleFonts to work, simply copy it into your system folder and reboot. This will cause ScaleFonts to install itself in memory and take control of font scaling. To switch font scaling on or off, choose "Control Panel" from the apple menu and click on the ScaleFonts icon. This brings up a panel with three radio buttons.

Clicking on "generally enabled" shows all fonts in their real sizes, although the characters may appear ragged on the screen. This is useful, if you want to get an idea how big the displayed text will appear on the printer.

Clicking on "generally disabled" causes text to appear in a smaller, but available font size. It is not scaled to the desired size, unless it is a multiple of an available size. The result is a faster and better readable text display on the screen.

Clicking on "application controlled" allows the application to switch font scaling on and off. This is the default setting and has the same effect as if ScaleFonts were not present.

There is no need to use the Control Panel every time you switch your Macintosh on, as ScaleFonts remembers your settings.

If you want to de-install ScaleFonts one day, simply move it out of your system folder. This will leave the current setting in effect, but after the next reboot, font scaling will be (and remain) application controlled. ScaleFonts can be temporarily de-installed by pressing the mouse button while booting.

ScaleFonts is free. This means that you may use it without having to pay for it. However, it also means that you must not take money for it...

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