

HOUSE INSTALLATION AND TECHNICAL INFO

THE FOLLOWING FILE DESCRIBES THE MANUAL INSTALLATION PROCESS & REQUIREMENTS FOR HOUSE.

You can use INSTALL.EXE from your floppy disk (or HD Directory), to install HOUSE automatically. The information provided here is for people who prefer to install HOUSE manually.

HOUSE was written using the Visual Basic™ programming system (1.0 & 2.0) under Windows™ 3.1. It is intended for use with Windows 3.0 or 3.1.

(TO DO A REALLY FAST INSTALL.....

Assuming you have VBRUN200.DLL in your path, just copy the rest of the files into your favorite (HOUSE) directory and RUN the program HOUSE.EXE!)

You **MUST** have the file **VBRUN200.DLL IN YOUR SYSTEM PATH** in order to use **HOUSE**. This file is available on most BBS's-- and it's **FREE!** If you don't have VBRUN200.DLL yet....you should get it! Download it from one of any number of WINDOWS - BBS's in your area, or find a Windows™ user that can make you a copy. VBRUN200.DLL allows you to use the quality programs developed with the Visual BASIC

Professional Development System. VBRUN200.DLL IS SHIPPED WITH ALL REGISTERED

COPIES OF HOUSE. It's a MUST for serious Windows® Users.

THE BEST PLACE TO KEEP VBRUN200.DLL is in your WINDOWS SYSTEM DIRECTORY. IF you copy it there, it will work FIRST TIME! No reboots!

Such as:

COPY VBRUN200.DLL c:\Windows\System

INSTALLING HOUSE

You may keep **HOUSE** in any directory, such as **C:\HOUSE**.

Just be sure all the initial **HOUSE** files are in the SAME directory: COPY or UNZIP them into your **HOUSE** directory:

(See more in README.TXT for EASY INSTALL INFO)

***The files noted below are essential for proper operation:**

HOUSE.EXE - The main **HOUSE** executable program - The one to 'ADD' to your program manager icon groups if you wish. You could also type this in a RUN menu to start the program, from program or file managers. (Select RUN then type:) **C:\HOUSE\HOUSE.EXE**

HOUSE.HSE - The default **HOUSE** MENU. **HOUSE** can run without it...but...**you should keep a back-up of your ORIGINAL.** The first time you save this file it will

be very different than the original...even if you didn't change it! Your Original **HOUSE.HSE** menu file contains special keywords that are not saved the same way as they exist on your first menu!

HOUSE.HST - The extensions/hosts file. Ditto...keep a back up of this file! Add extensions to it if you like, using notepad.exe to edit. Double click your HOST LIST to activate an editing session. (? HST + dbl click). New extensions will show up in your quick file-extensions list!

HOUSEHLP.WRI- Optional, but you really should have it., it's a HELP file! (You can create or change your **own** HOUSEHLP.TXT for more personal/customized HELP!)

SETUPKIT.DLL & VBRUN200.DLL - These are Link Libraries. If you have VB-PRO Programs running now, you might already have these files in your x:\Windows\System directory and won't need additional copies elsewhere...otherwise...you will need both of these.

Copy *.dll c:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM from your floppy, or **HOUSE** unzip source dir.

STARTING YOUR FIRST HOUSE

Assuming your .DLL's are in place and the program is on disk:

You can start HOUSE.EXE in the usual manner, double-clicking it from FILE MANAGER, or by 'picking up' the program HOUSE.EXE with the NEW-PROGRAM function using your PROGRAM MANAGER. Select New-Program Item-Browse..and find HOUSE.EXE! - Choose OK. Next, simply double click the new ICON to launch **HOUSE**.

HOUSE will load the **HOUSE.HSE** default menu and **HOUSE.HST**, the default HOST profile...while you watch the opening banner. Then **HOUSE** will appear..in tiny mode...ready to roll!

YOU CAN RUN MULTIPLE INSTANCES OF HOUSE. However, your system limit of 16 Timers will restrict this. **HOUSE** uses ONE timer, so **you can run 16 HOUSES at once!** (That would require as much as 165,000 x 16 BYTES of RAM though!)

HOUSE will NOT alter ANY of your system.ini settings in any way. HOUSE will NOT create ANY files in your Windows or root directory...unless you ask it to of course!

Hopefully, it's a no-hassles program with a 'hands-off' attitude.

Remember...you can make copies of this **HOUSE** shareware version for friends who might like it. If you distribute copies of **HOUSE**, please please read the legal disclaimer and information at the end of this document and BE sure to include the VBRUN200.DLL & SETUPKIT.DLL whenever possible.