CT-Shell for Windows Release Notes v2.10a

Welcome to CT-Shell for Windows, v2.10. You're ready to begin "making Windows easy!"

While CTINSTAL is copying your files to the destination directory, perhaps you'll want to review these release notes. They contain last-minute additions, changes, or corrections to the documentation. If you prefer not to read them, simply exit from Windows WRITE at this time.

When CTINSTAL is finished, it will assert itself as the top window. If you asked for CT to be your root shell, and all has gone well with the installation, you can tell it to [Ok] restart Windows to begin using CT right away, or [Cancel] to continue reading these release notes.

If you are installing from a floppy disk, you probably got a chance to read these first paragraphs while the copying was being done, but an installation from a hard disk directory was probably fast enough to leave you wondering!

New WINHELP.EXE Component

The helpfile for this version of CT-Shell has been created for compatibility with Windows v3.1, and cannot be displayed by the WINHELP.EXE that came with Windows v3.0. A new version of WINHELP that will work with *both* Win 3.0 and with Win 3.1 is included with this distribution, and the CTINSTAL program will automatically install it for you if it determines that you are still running under Win 3.0.

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The new WINHELP will work just fine with all your Win 3.0 helpfiles *and* with any that are designed for use with Win v3.1. Since there is no reason not to replace the earlier product with this newer one, a decision was made not to complicate the installation process with additional questions and user input--the upgrade is simply done automatically.

If your help system is updated by CTINSTAL, your old WINHELP.EXE will be renamed to WINHELP.OLD, in case you want to keep it, but there's really no reason to waste any disk space on it. We recommend that you try out CT-Shell's file deleting capabilities on it!

Documentation

If you have received a shareware version of CT-shell, the disk will include a file named CTSHELL.WRI, which is a Windows WRITE version of the original registered-user manual (which was written using Word for Windows). It contains all the documentation that's in the user manual,

although differences in formatting and fonts, and difficulties in converting graphic data between the two formats do render the WRI version a little strange looking in places.

In particular, the graphics cannot be sized as they are in the original, and thus appear large. This doesn't hinder using the documentation, but we wanted to point out that the manual you receive upon registration is not simply a printed copy of the enclosed WRI file--it is well formatted and quite easy to read.

Note that CTSHELL.WRI is not copied to your Windows directory, because it is quite large. You may want to print a reference copy, then store it on a floppy disk in case you ever need it again.

If you have received a registered-user version of CT-Shell, it came instead with the printed and bound manual. The WRI file is not included, on the assumption that anyone who has registered the program probably already has a copy of that.

These Release Notes

This file will not be copied into your Windows directory when CT-Shell is installed, as that would be a waste of disk space for most people. You probably will want to read these notes just once, but if you want to keep this file for future reference, copy it (or print it) from the place where your installation source files are, *before deleting that directory or passing the shareware disk along to someone else*.

Toll-Free Support

Because CT-Shell is so easy to use, and so far telephone support has not taken a large part of our development resources, we are experimenting with offering toll-free support to our users. We're doing this without changing our shareware price. From anywhere in the US, call us at the (800) number printed inside the cover of your registered user manual for help when you need it.

Be sure to have your registered user number handy, because we are unable to provide toll-free support to those who are only evaluating CT (though we're happy to help if they buy the call). You can find your registered user number on the label of your registered diskette, and in the *About CT-Shell* entry in the *Help* menu.

We intend to set a new, higher standard for support of a shareware product. Please! Help us by checking *first* with the on-line help file or the user manual when you have a question. If that doesn't answer it, then, by all means, give us a call.

Needless to say, please do not disclose the toll-free support number to non-registered users of CT. If the toll-free support number is abused, our only option will be to discontinue the service.

Updating Your Manual

If you are a registered user of CT-Shell, your SoftKey will automatically register any new version that you may download from a service or BBS. If you would like to purchase just a new manual for the newer version, you may now do that. If this is a shareware package, the enclosed file,

CTREGIST.WRI contains pricing information for CT-Shell, now including the cost of manuals bought separately.

Note that this offer is extended only to registered users. CT-Shell manuals are not available separately to those who are only evaluating the product.

Registration and order information is in the file CTREGIST.WRI, which is included with shareware versions of CT-Shell. It does not get copied to your Windows directory, so please look for it on the disk you received or in the directory where you expanded the original archive.

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