

Compendium Deluxe - Read Me

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Chapter 1

Compendium Deluxe - Read Me

1.1 LSD & 17Bit Compendium Deluxe #1 Readme

Welcome	
Introduction to this CD.	17 Bit
Important	
Important - Please Read This!	1st Floor Offices
Files	
File types on this CD.	2/8 Market Street
AGA Users	
Notes for AGA Users.	West Yorkshire
Notes	
Notes for ALL Users.	WF1 1DH
Repetition	
Notes about File Repetition.	
Sysops	
Notes for BBS Sysops.	Tel: 0924 366982
Your Views	
The SoapBox!	Fax: 0924 200943
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1.2 welcome

Welcome to Compendium Deluxe #1.

Thank you for purchasing the first of a new series of CD's, brought to you by 17 Bit - The Worlds biggest PD library, and LSD - An internationally renowned Amiga group. On these CD's we intend to bring you as much Amiga Public Domain files as possible - many of which will not have appeared in Amiga Public Domain Libraries before, and most of which will not have appeared on an Amiga PD CD collection before - collected from LSD's sources around the globe.

1.3 important

Please note that when purchasing this CD, you paid for the compiling, duplication, advertising, packaging, administration and distribution etc. of this disk. You have NOT paid for the contents. Public Domain software is free, we have not charged you even a penny for all the contents.

If you use this disk you are bound by the following terms;

1) The compiler and distributors of this disk take no responsibility whatsoever for damage to hardware, software or media through use or misuse of any of the contents of this CD. You de-archive and/or use files at your own risk. This CD has been checked for all known viruses, trojans and variants with the latest versions of the best virus-checkers available and has been found completely free of infection.

2) We also make no guarantee whatsoever that files on this CD will do what they claim, or what they are intended to do. Again, we have tested practically everything on this CD (which took a while!), but there is always a possibility of a rogue file when dealing with this amount of data.

Please note that some programs included may not work on all Amiga's, some will require specific Kickstarts, Memory types (such as Fastmem), Graphic modes (such as AGA) and/or extra hardware.

We have made our best effort to ensure that all data included on this CD is freely distributable (Public Domain) and that it comprises to any limitations laid down by the copyright holders.

Some files are distributed as shareware, you should comply with any conditions set out in the individual programs wherever necessary. Under certain conditions a shareware payment should be sent to the authors. Please register shareware programs if you use them often.

If you are easily offended, then it is not necessarily a good idea to look at the demos or diskmags, although we do believe most files are free of what may be considered by some as "obscene language", certain "four letter words" may be in there. It would be practically impossible, to find and remove these, and as the author(s) have put them there in the first place, it would be (generally)

against their wishes to do such.

Any political, religious or social views stressed by files on this CD are not necessarily the opinions of the compiler or distributors.

1.4 files

Wherever possible, every file on this disk is in "Amiga Format", this means the files are in a format that is considered standard to the Amiga. There are no .gif files, no .jpeg (that take around 2-3 minutes to display, and need a lot of memory), all pictures are in IFF format wherever possible, allowing the user to load them into packages such as Deluxe Paint or Brilliance and examine them, or use their favourite display package to show them. All animations are again in IFF format (version 5), allowing loading into art packages already mentioned. All archives are in .dms or .lha format, there's no .zip, .arj or other formats widely used on other computers. All music is in mod. or med. format, allowing you to load the music into Protracker or (Octa)med and examine how the musician has created the tune. The only other music format is .s3m (Screamtracker 3). This is a PC standard, however, the player gives you many more channels than the Amiga normally allows, and therefore there is a higher quality playback.

1.5 agausers

In the descriptions for some files you will notice a message stating "AGA users must degrade their system". This can be done in various ways. If you are using our menu, select the "Degrade system" button (this turns AGA off), alternatively you can use one of the many degraders available. You can also use the "Early startup Control". This is accessed on the A1200 and A4000 by holding both mousebuttons on reboot, and when the menu appears, turn off the CPU cache and set the chipset to normal.

All programmes have been tested on an AGA machine, we used an A1200 with 4 meg of slow fastmem. This does not guarantee that they will work on an A4000 if they worked on our A1200 (although theoretically it should, if not try degrading it). If you are a demo fan, you really will need some fastmem, (or try using a fakefast tool).

If there is no remark regarding compatibility problems, it should work on your machine. Some demos do need Fastmem, some do not work with Fastmem, you are able to turn the fastmem on and off using the menu though, if you have any.

1.6 notes

There are a few abbreviations used in the file descriptions, the main two are;

- RMB, which means Right Mouse Button, and
- LMB, which means Left Mouse Button.

Unless otherwise stated, an executable in the following directories in the Ready to run section will work with Fastmem, and can be exited with the Left

Mouse Button; Filedemos, Musicdemos, Mags_charts_mbox and 40kintros.

1.7 repetition

While compiling this CD, we have tried not to repeat files that are on other Amiga CD's, I have taken much time to cross reference this CD with the following CD's - 17 Bit Collection, 17 Bit Continuation, CDPD1 - 4, Demo Collection 1 - 2, Euroscene 1, and Aminet April 1993, July 1994 (We intend to add to this list for future CD's). Of course some minor duplication will still appear, when dealing with this amount of files it's bound to, but we have tried! This CD contains approximately 650 meg of files.

1.8 sysops

BBS owners will find this CD especially useful, as it is fully "BBS Ready" (see your BBS documentation for further info), with files.bbs and file_id.diz support (Where Appropriate).

1.9 yourviews

As this is our first CD in a series, we would like to improve and cater for the needs of our users, so we need to receive feedback from you - what would you like to see on our future CD's? What didn't you like about this CD? What did you like about this CD? How could we have improved it? Do you think CD's produced by other companies better and if so in what way? The compiler of this CD can be reached via Internet at mub@dhp.com, Fidonet Chris Brundell@2:2502/7.0, C-LINK! mUb@912:1000/0.0 or you can send me mail at the LSD contact address (I don't live here so no personal callers please!);

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1.10 contributions

We are also interested in receiving your files for future CD's, whether you have written a program, drawn or traced a picture (objects and pictures appreciated), written a music module, typed a useful text file, Made a Demo in Demo Maniac (data and executable appreciated), etc., have some useful source-code (in Assembler, Amos, Blitz Basic etc.), or anything else that may be of interest to others, please mail them to the above address. Company Product demos are also very welcome. The only rule is the file(s) sent must be freely distributable, but you may still retain copyright if you so wish. All disks will be returned, probably containing something similar to what you sent me, which I hope will be of interest to you.

1.11 creditsforthiscd

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1.12 copyright

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The menu used for this CD was created by Chris Brundell using Commodores versatile "AmigaGuide"

1.13 technical

Sorry, but we cannot help with technical enquiries involving individual public domain files, these should be taken up with the relevant authors. Other technical enquiries about this, or our future CD's are welcome, write to the address in the

Your Views
section. Please enclose a SAE for a reply.