

Moosie MacroCopy1

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Moosie is a term used in a very, very few macros. It has a special meaning. Using the word “Moosie” as an adjective (or a noun) means:

1. I like the macro.
2. The macro has excellence.
3. The macro has cachet.^{Footnote}

If you want to read about the origin of Moosie, I direct you to the MSWORD Forum on CompuServe. On that Forum, you will find about twenty macro sets that I have uploaded since November 1992. Ah yes... that’s when I started this Mad Hatter approach to macro writing for WinWord. There you can learn more about Moosie the macros, Moosie the concept, and Moosie the mystery.

Not only is there my Moosie-ness on the Microsoft Word Forum but there is my “LearnWare.” All my macros are “LearnWare.” LearnWare is a term I had to coin in self defense. Yes... it was an act of self defense. As a neophyte and maverick WinWord macro mangler, I antagonized ShareWare programmers by uploading free macros. They wanted to know what devious and heinous evil I was perpetrating on you folk by uploading **free** macros while they wanted money for the same kind of stuff. So I invented the term “LearnWare.” LearnWare signifies that my macros are educational tools that I give to you to try. If you like them, then get back to me with your analysis of them. Since they are something of value and useful... I decided that you would **have to** read one of my monologues based on real life experiences. I like to write too.

But my macros aren’t free. Hell, nothing is free. I count the time you spend reading this stuff in the privacy of your home as anything but free. I count the on line charges that you incur when downloading one of my fifty to one-hundred “K” of macros as not free either. I certainly don’t consider it free when you write me a nice or nasty note on CompuServe telling me that you “love” or “hate” my wacky text and/or macros. Nope, that’s not free either. But... mostly I think about those “Inadvertent and Accidental De Palma Beta Testers” who write me long E-Mail notes telling me they ran into some “bug” and want me to fix it because they “love” that macro.

^{Footnote} **ca·chet** (k²-sh³) *n.* **1.** A mark or a quality, as of distinction, individuality, or authenticity: “*Federal courts have a certain cachet which state courts lack*” (Christian Science Monitor). **2.** A seal on a document, such as a letter. **3.a.** A commemorative design stamped on an envelope to mark a postal or philatelic event. **b.** A motto forming part of a postal cancellation. **4.** A kind of wafer capsule formerly used by pharmacists for presenting an unpleasant-tasting drug. [French, from Old French, from *acher*, to press. See CACHE.]

They eagerly spend the time fixing it with me as we bounce electrons across continents and oceans. So... how could I begin to charge you guys for stuff that I really like to do in the first place?

Raison d'être footnote2

This macro replaces the macro and text in the macro file set called MACRO1.EXE that I uploaded November 22, 1992. If you downloaded that file... keep it, some day it may be important. Yes it may... particularly if someone tries to have me committed to a state mental hospital and wants some kind of validation of my lack of societal sanity. Before we go on let me repeat, this file set replaces that file set using the same name of MACRO1.EXE

In the original MACRO1.EXE file set was a very weird macro called **OneMacroCopy** that allowed you to copy a macro from one template to another. I used the Status Bar to send messages from Mister “Macro MacroCopy” (a little man inside the computer) —to— the macro user. Chatty little messages were displayed to the Status Bar to tell the user how to use the macro. Much to my laughter and amazement, that macro set became one of the top downloads from the MSWORD Forum.

Sadly, no one has written me asking me if I **really** thought that there was someone inside my computer. Bunches of people have downloaded that macro and put up with the crackpot humor probably because the macro really did what it was supposed to do. That macro was slow and klutzy to use. In the text I promised that some day somehow I would create an “event-driven, object-oriented macro copier” which used dialog boxes and was “moussable.”

The macro in this template called **MacroCopy1**, is that macro. **MacroCopy1** is a Moosie!

If you have downloaded any of my stuff and have prowled around it, you will know that I put in “Beta” versions of macros in these macro sets that are useable and usually pretty fair. This macro set is no exception to that rule. Incidentally, I have left the original macro called **OneMacroCopy** in this template, it’s a trip to use.

Macros... macros everywhere!

If you are a macro nut like me... you have more macros in NORMAL.DOT than you know what to do with. My NORMAL.DOT has two-hundred and nine (209) macros. Though I would love to erase some of them, I am fearful to do so as some of them contain code that has taken me hours to figure out.

Because of that quandary, I made the macro **CountMacro**. This template contains the macro **CountMacro** which will count all the macros in NORMAL.DOT and then print their name and description (handy, handy!) into a clean document. **CountMacro** began as a “work macro.” I

Footnote2 **rai·son d'ê·tre** (r³”z¹/₂n dɥt“r..., rɥ-zô’) *n., pl. rai·sons d'ê·tre* (r³”z¹/₂n, rɥ-zô’). Reason or justification for existing. [French : *raison*, reason + *de*, of, for + *être*, to be.] See Moosie

used a MsgBox rather than a swanky custom made dialog box. After looking at it and debating whether or not to leave it as is, I decided to do so. If you have any interest in macro writing, you will quickly discern how powerful it is just to use a MsgBox to make choices.

CountMacro will also count and print out any other “document macros” based on any other template besides NORMAL.DOT. If that last sentence is clear as mud it is because of the way WinWord works. If you want to count and print out the “document macros” in this template MACCOPY2.DOT, or any other template using **CountMacro**... then first **open a document based on that template**. No, I’m not nuts, that is the way it works. You see...when you make a template, it is based on NORMAL.DOT. While, when you open a **document** based on that **template**, it is based on that template. Whatever....

Some day I am going to have to do some serious house cleaning because the WinWord’s manual says (on page 811) that there can only be a maximum of one hundred and fifty (150) macros per template. I could have put in a beep and a message saying that you have more than one hundred and fifty macros in your template but I didn’t. Nope, I did something better than that. I put in a “KruegerSort.” A sorter written by Scott Krueger that alphabetically lists all the macros in your NORMAL.DOT, even if you have two-hundred and nine of them. **MacroCopy1** will list them all. Having spent the time to add that super-sonic sorter, I then added a little check box, with which **MacroCopy1** will copy **all** the macros into the template of your choice! A graphic of that dialog box is below.

Now, with no further ado, you can activate **MacroCopy1** by single clicking on the “OK” button just below.

If you’ve just tried **MacroCopy1** to copy one macro and now want to do a mass transfer of all the macros in this template to any other template... just click on the little “Copy” graphic below; that activates another macro called **CopyAMacro**. **CopyAMacro** is a brute force macro copier. **CopyAMacro** works so well that at least one ShareWare author has put it in his macro set and wants money for it. Go figure that one out....

And... if you do copy all the macros to NORMAL.DOT, you may want to Delete my **AutoOpen** macro in NORMAL.DOT. You may find that it annoyingly insists on starting all new documents in Normal mode, full screen, no non-printing characters and Field Codes off.

This has been a Moosie. ^{Footnote3}

See you later...

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^{Footnote3} **Moo·sie** (moouooo’sie) *n., singular or pl. or adj. or adverb or verb or any other part of speech.* [American: Moo, Moo + sie, sie, to be or not to be.] See **rai·sons d’ê·tre**