

FlowWatch 1.0

(Macintosh version)

User manual

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1. Introduction

FlowWatch is part of the FlowMaster XTension toolbox. The FlowMaster XTension contains a collection of features to control the text flow of a document

(see section 4. More about FlowMaster for a more detailed description).

One

of these features is to automatically display a warning if the text in a document

has reflowed since it was last saved.

If this feature is enabled, FlowMaster (or FlowWatch) records information about the text flow in a document when it is saved and compares this recorded

information with the current text flow when the document is opened. This way,

FlowMaster detects every text reflow that might be due to missing or different

fonts, different preferences, different hyphenation languages, transfer from

a

Windows to a Macintosh system, etc.

The XTension FlowWatch contains the recording part of this detection process:

if FlowWatch is enabled, it records the text flow of a document whenever it is

saved. If the document is then for example passed to a service bureau that

uses

FlowMaster, there will be a warning in case of a text reflow in the document.

If you want to benefit of this automatic reflow detection when passing documents to your service bureau, the service bureau has to employ FlowMas-

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order to make use of the information provided by FlowWatch. You can obtain a list of service bureaus that are using FlowMaster to allow automatic reflow detection (cf 6. License agreement and user support). This document contains a request form that you can use for this purpose. Please specify the geographical area in which you are looking for a service bureau, as well as information about the kind of services you need (e.g. Mac or Windows documents, b/w, color or 4c-seps).

2. Installation and setup

Before you can use the XTension FlowWatch, it has to be installed on your hard disk. If you have several versions of QuarkXPress on your hard disk, you have to install the XTension for each QuarkXPress version separately. If FlowMaster is already installed, you don't need to install FlowWatch because FlowMaster already contains the functionality of FlowWatch. If both FlowMaster and FlowWatch are installed, FlowWatch is disabled.

The installation of FlowWatch is very simple: just drag the FlowWatch icon from the FlowWatch (Macintosh) disk into your QuarkXPress folder on your hard disk. If you are working with QuarkXPress version 3.3 or above, you should drag the XTension into the XTension folder in your QuarkXPress folder.

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If you want FlowWatch to record the text flow information of your documents whenever you save them, the option Create flow tables on save in the FlowWatch dialog has to be enabled. This is the default setting, but you might want to check this setting after installation. Refer to the next section for more details on this dialog.

3. The FlowWatch dialog

The FlowWatch dialog is opened by selecting FlowWatch in the Utilities menu. It contains the following items:

Create flow tables on save: this option enables or disables the automatic recording of a document's text flow. If it is enabled, FlowWatch records the text flow in a document when it is saved. If the option is disabled, FlowWatch removes any previously recorded text flow information from the document.

Show XTension icon on startup: if this option is selected, FlowWatch shows its icon in the QuarkXPress startup screen.

4. More about FlowMaster

Besides the ability to detect unwanted text reflows when opening a document,

FlowMaster offers a manual mode in which you can record the text flow of any selection of text stories in a document at any time. Later, you can compare the recorded information with the current text flow. The positions where the text has reflowed are marked and you can quickly jump from one position to the next.

Another feature of FlowMaster is the ability to lock the text flow in a document or parts of it. When the text flow of a story is locked, all hyphenations and line breaks are effectively turned into hard hyphenations and line breaks. It is now possible, for example, to modify the surround of destructing objects without affecting the text flow. Also, documents with locked text keep their flow and hyphenation, even when they are opened with a version of QuarkXPress that uses a different hyphenation language. Documents or texts can thus be easily exchanged between different international versions of QuarkXPress. Of course, locked text can be unlocked again.

The text locking feature has been used for this document to let it maintain its automatic hyphenation. If you experiment with the document, you will notice that all hyphenations and line breaks are hard, i.e. as if they were entered by the user. They were, however, created by FlowMaster, and if you had the

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nal version of this text, you could use FlowMaster to convert the text into
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mal , unlocked text again.

For more information on FlowMaster, please contact the address given in
sec-
tion 6. License agreement and user support .

5. System requirements and compatibility

FlowWatch for Macintosh requires a Macintosh computer, System 7 or
above
and QuarkXPress 3.11 or above.

FlowWatch might not work with documents that were created using earlier
ver-
sion of QuarkXPress. You can convert an older document to the new for-
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by
option-clicking on the Open button in the Open document dialog.

6. License agreement and user support

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as it is distributed together with its original electronic documentation
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ified in any way and there is no charge for the distribution.

If you want to benefit of FlowMaster s and FlowWatch s automatic reflow

detection when passing documents to your service bureau, the service bureau has to employ FlowMaster in order to make use of the information provided by FlowWatch. You can obtain a list of service bureaus that are using FlowMaster to allow automatic reflow detection from the address given below. The next page contains a request form to that purpose. Please specify the geographical area in which you are looking for a service bureau, as well as information about the kind of services you need (e.g. Mac or Windows documents, b/w, color or 4c-seps).

FlowMaster and FlowWatch were created by Tobias Boskamp.

Tobias Boskamp also develops custom XTensions to fit your needs. If you have any problem in or around QuarkXPress that can be solved by XTensions or stand-alone applications, we would be pleased to help you.

Please send your request form or any questions, suggestions or criticism you might have to

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Request form
(FlowWatch 1.0 / Macintosh)

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ State: _____

Country: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____

My comments on FlowWatch: _____

Please send the list of FlowMaster service bureaus

Geographical Area:

Services needed:

Film exposure Separations Colour proofs

Laser prints High resolution scans

Other: _____

Used platforms:

PC/Windows Macintosh Other: _____

Document types:

QuarkXPress PageMaker Ventura Publisher

Freehand Illustrator CorelDraw

Postscript Other: _____