

# **TaskiSMS**

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# Chapter 1

# TaskiSMS

## 1.1 TaskiSMS - user guide

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- Just as it says

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- How to send a SM

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- What are my further plans on TaskiSMS

Contact the author

- How to contact me

Thanks and regards

- To those who helped me creating this piece of code

## 1.2 Introduction

### Introduction

TaskiSMS is a programme that can be used to send short messages to the cellular phones. I got the idea of writing it not that long ago while sitting (as usual) in front of my Amiga busy thinking about that I am lazy enough not to do anything. :-) Herewith I would like also to "thank" the company called DCE Computer Service GmbH from Oberhausen (Germany), which managed to deceive me and hasn't sent my gfx card back for six months already. If they couldn't repair it, they could at least send it back so that I would have a nice wall decoration. Still it seems that some obvious matters and way of thinking are beyond their possibilities. Thus it was that state of mind that I decided to break with TaskiSMS programming.

And so it happened. The first TaskiSMS marked with a 1.0 version number began its existence. I was really happy to see that it has won itself a big popularity. This fact gave me the motivation required to develop the next versions. Within two weeks the 1.1 and 1.2 versions were already available on the Aminet. Those two had already a possibility to send SMS to a few foreign (to me) countries including Italy and Germany. The latter one almost especially for the gentlemen from DCE company. I corrected also a few minor bugs and a major one that I don't tell you about ;-). During that time I received hundreds of letters with suggestions on the possible improvements of the programme. I read all of them and have chosen those that were most frequent. It formed my brain to a state when it could create the TaskiSMS in its 2.0 version you are about to read about...

P.S. I apologize that I couldn't answer all the letters I received. Simply put if I did - I wouldn't have time to create the TaskiSMS v2.0

## 1.3 The requirements

### The requirements

The requirements presented here are not really firm and depend on many different factors.

Hardware:

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- Amiga;
- KickStart 2.0+;
- a little bit of RAM;

#### Software:

- Magic User Interface (MUI) version 3.8. MUI is a Stefan Stuntz copyrighted package and can be ordered at <http://www.sasg.com/>
- OpenURL package is required for the banners. It is actually not strictly required but strongly suggested. Troels Walsted Hansen is the author of the package. You can find it on Aminet in `comm/www/OpenURL30.lha`  
<ftp://ftp.wustl.edu/pub/aminet/comm/www/OpenURL30.lha>
- Popplaceholder MUI custom class written by Marcin Orlowski  
[ftp://amiga.com.pl/pub/mcc/MCC\\_Popp.h.lha](ftp://amiga.com.pl/pub/mcc/MCC_Popp.h.lha)
- NList MUI custom class by Gilles Masson.  
[ftp://ftp.wustl.edu/pub/aminet/dev/mui/MCC\\_NList0\\_89.lha](ftp://ftp.wustl.edu/pub/aminet/dev/mui/MCC_NList0_89.lha)
- TextEditor MUI custom class by Allan Odgaard.  
[ftp://ftp.wustl.edu/pub/aminet/dev/mui/MCC\\_TextEditor.lha](ftp://ftp.wustl.edu/pub/aminet/dev/mui/MCC_TextEditor.lha)
- a kind of internet connection and AmiTCP or compatible TCP/IP stack.

## 1.4 Legal stuff

### Legal stuff

You may copy and redistribute the programme as long as the archive remains intact (no bindiffs between the AmiNET version and the one you copy and/or redistribute)

The programme can not be used for commercial purposes without an explicit permission of the author.

The registration fee of DEM 370,- or equivalent is required only from the people employed by DCE Computer Service in Oberhausen, Germany. The payment of the registration fee entitles a DCE employee to a non-transferable license to use the programme. Non licensed use of TaskiSMS by any DCE employee is explicitly stated as ILLEGAL.

Every other person on this planet is herewith granted a free license to use the programme for its own non-commercial purposes.

In return you are asked to click the banners on the bottom of the main window. When you do this you give me some support through my sponsors and a kind of motivation for further development.

## 1.5 Installation

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## Installation

THE installation is... trivial. All you need to do is to copy the programme and its subdirectories to whatever place you like.

Nevertheless don't forget that you need to have the required software installed PRIOR to using TaskiSMS. IF in doubts - have a look at the requirements section.

## 1.6 What I plan to do in the future.

What I plan to do in the future

- SMS list sorting in the TaskiSMS Pro;
- Address book list sorting;
- SMS multi-select in the Pro version;
- More plug-ins - more cellular operators covered.
- Any ideas you can give if you contact me.

## 1.7 Contact

The easiest way to contact me is to send an e-mail to [paplo@taski.com.pl](mailto:paplo@taski.com.pl) with the subject beginning with the word "TASKISMS".

You can also find me on IRC on channel #amisia (IRCNet) after 9pm CET. The [irc.funet.fi](http://irc.funet.fi) or [irc.stealth.net](http://irc.stealth.net) servers seem to be well serving the channel in question.

If you are desperate enough you may also write me a snail to:

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Poland

## 1.8 Thanksgivings

Thanksgivings...

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and many more of my betatesters ;-)

## 1.9 New Plugins

### New plug-ins

In case it happens that your cellular operator is currently not covered by the programme, you should contact me with the following info:

- Country;
- Operator's name;
- Your phone number in the international format (it won't be disclosed! I need it for testing only);
- exact address (URL) of your operator's SMS www or e-mail gateway.

After collecting, please send it (the info) to: paplo@taski.com.pl

## 1.10 How to send SM

### How to send a SM

The rule of thumb: If you are in doubt, read the bubble help!

Of course you have to start TaskiSMS. It doesn't matter being it Lite or Pro. ;-)

Then you have to open the settings window from the menu Preferences->Preferences.

In the settings you have to give your name (first and last) as well as the signature (if you like to use it). You need also to put the SMTP server's address there. The best way would be to put the address of the server YOU usually use for your e-mail transport. If you don't have any idea of what is "your SMTP server" - you may alternatively leave the

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"smtp.taski.com.pl" there. If you like to use a proxy server - you have to put its address there too.

When finished with the settings you may start editing your first SM. If you are using the TaskiSMS Pro, you will have to click "New" on the toolbar.

First thing after that is to put in the number of the phone you want the SM to be sent to. It has to be typed in using the international phone number format. I.e. it needs to include the "+" sign as well as the country code after it. For example if you want to send a SM to Poland, you need to type +48xxxxyyyyyy where "+" is the "+" ;-) "48" is the international country code for Poland "xxx" is the operator's code (prefix) and yyyyyy is the actual phone number. A full example would be: +48501654321

If the number you entered is a valid one (at least the country and operator's code), you should see the country and the operator on the left. Unless the operator is a new and not yet covered one of course.

The next thing is to choose the right plug-in to be used to send your SM through. You do it by pushing the popup button in the upper right corner of the window.

So. You may start writing your SM then. You do this by typing into the text editor area in the central part of the main window. The length of the message will be displayed on the counter in the lower right corner just above the banner. Remember: SM is a SM ;-) "Short Message" means Short Message... ;-)

And finally there is only one step (click) left. "Send now" button will do the trick and (if everything happens to be OK) your SM will be sent to the recipient's phone.

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