VISTA Conversions 3.0 Help Index

Welcome to VISTA Conversions 3.0 - Shareware Version.

This program performs units conversions.   There are 911 conversion factors in the database.   It is very handy while working in a spreadsheet or word processor document, or as an on-line reference while programming.   I think youll find it quite useful.

The Index lists the Help topics available for the VISTA Conversions program.   Use the scroll bar to see entries not currently visible in the Help window

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VISTA Conversions 3.0 Special Keys

This help section defines specific keys used in the VISTA Conversions program.   See your Windows manual or the Help menu in the Program Manager for general help using Windows.

Key(s)	Function
A-Z, a-z	Move to corresponding section of the conversions database.
Tab	Move forward through the text boxes, conversion list and buttons.
Shift+Tab	Move backward through the text boxes, conversion list and buttons.
Enter	Calculate.
Alt	Activate menus.

VISTA Conversions 3.0 File Menu Commands

E<u>x</u>it   Exit program

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Edit Menu Commands

Copy	Copy values to the clipboard
Paste	Paste contents of the clipboard to the Input Number text box

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Resolution Menu Commands

These options set the number of digits to the right of the decimal point.

Zero	Set to zero significant digits
Three	Set to three significant digits
Six	Set to six significant digits
Nine	Set to nine significant digits
Scientific	Set to use scientific notation

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Options Menu Commands

These options set the foreground and background coors for list and text boxes.

Foreground   Set the foreground color
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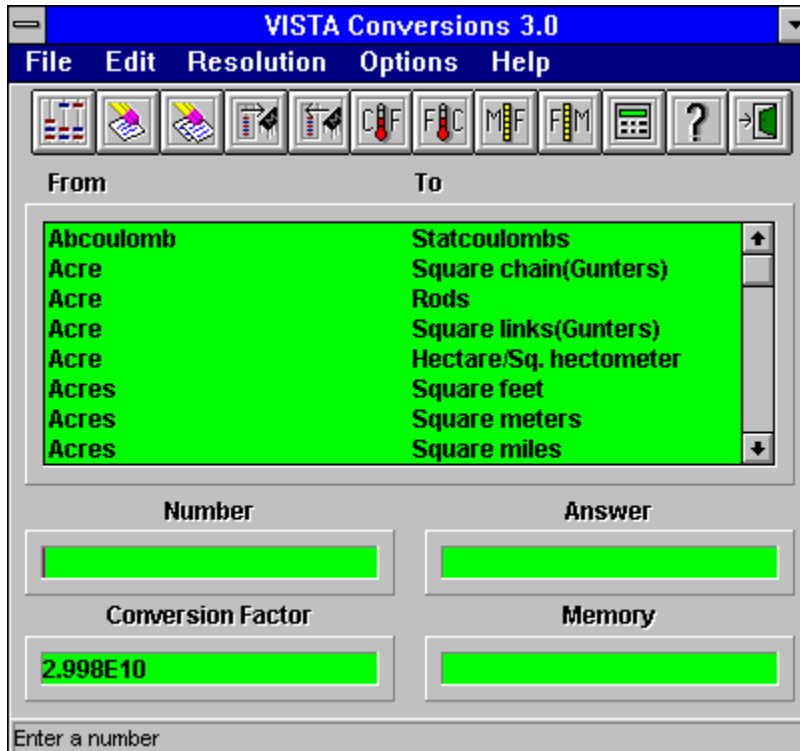
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VISTA Conversions 3.0 General Information

VISTA Conversions 3.0 is a program that performs units conversions (See Figure 1).   There are 911 conversion factors in the database.   Operation is as simple as entering a number, selecting a conversion and executing the conversion.   The resultant number can then be copied to the clipboard for use elsewhere.   The actual conversion factors are available in the Conversion Factor text box.   Values in any of the bottom four text boxes can be copied to the clipboard.

(Figure 1)

There are several Special functions built into the Button Bar.   They are:

Calculator - This function uses the Windows Calculator, if it is not found in your Windows directory the function is disabled.

Celsius to Fahrenheit conversion.

Fahrenheit to Celsius conversion.

Meters to Feet conversion.

Feet to Meters conversion.

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Registration Information

This program is being distributed under the SHAREWARE Concept.   Therefore, please register   the program if you intend to continue to use it after an initial evaluation period of 30 days.

Please distribute this program to all who ask.   I just require that all associated files be included.   See the Readme.txt file for information.

When you register your copy you will receive a registered version which includes the Database Editor for manipulating the Conversion Database, as well as notification of updates and new programs.

To register send $15.00 U.S. to:

> GENESIS Consulting
> 543 Robin Hood Rd.
> Havre de Grace, MD. 21078

NOTE: Please make ckecks out to Roger N. Renfro

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Entering a number to be converted

Enter the number to be converted into the Input Number text box.   Make sure the cursor is in the text box by:

Clicking on the CLEAR ENTRY button.

Or, clicking on the Input Number text box.

Or, pressing the TAB key until the CLEAR ENTRY button is active then pressing the ENTER key.

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Selecting a conversion

Once a number is entered in the Input Number text box a conversion has to be selected.

Click on the conversion desired.   Use the Scroll bar on the right side of the list box to scroll through the entire list.

Or, press a letter key to move quickly to that section of the database.   For example, pressing the letter **H** moves you to the **Hand to Centimeters** conversion.

Or, press the TAB key until the conversions list box is active.   Use the Up and Down arrow keys or the Page Up and Page Down keys to move through the list of conversions.

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Converting a number

Once a number is entered into the Input Number text box and a conversion is selected the conversion can be made in three different ways.

Click on the CALCULATE button.

Or, double click on the conversion of choice.

Or, press the ENTER key with the desired conversion selected.

The result of the conversion is placed in the Answer Box.

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Saving a number

The result of a conversion can be saved in memory for later use.   This number is displayed in the Memory text box.

Click on the SAVE button.   The number is displayed in the Memory text box.

Or, press the TAB key until the SAVE button is active.   Press ENTER.   The number is displayed in the Memory text box.

![icon] VISTA Conversions 3.0 Recalling a number

The contents of the Memory text box can be recalled and placed in the Input Number text box for conversion.

Click on the RECALL button.   The number in the Memory text box will be displayed in the Input Number text box.   This number can now be used in a conversion.

Or, press the TAB key until the RECALL button is active.   Press ENTER.   The number in the Memory text box will be displayed in the Input Number text box.   This number can now be used in a conversion.

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Clearing an entry

This button clears the Input Number text box and places the cursor in that box.

Click on the CLEAR ENTRY button.

Or, press the TAB key until the CLEAR ENTRY button is active.   Press ENTER.

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Clearing all

This button resets the program to its starting state.

Click on the CLEAR ALL button.

Or, press the TAB key until the CLEAR ALL button is active.   Press ENTER.

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Copying a number to the clipboard

The answer, conversion factor, input number or the value in memory can be copied to the clipboard for use in other programs.

Click on the text box containing the number you want to copy to the clipboard.   Pull down the Edit menu and select Copy.

Press the TAB key until the text box containing the text to be copied is active.   Press the ALT key followed by the E and C keys.

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Pasting a number from the clipboard

A number from the clipboard can be pasted into the Input Number text box and used in a conversion by:

Pulling down the Edit menu and selecting Paste.

Or, pressing the ALT key followed by the E and P keys.

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Getting Help

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Help can be selected by:

Clicking on the HELP button.

Or, Selecting the Help menu and selecting Index.

◨ VISTA Conversions 3.0 Changing the Foreground and Background Colors

You can change the foreground and background colors of the Conversion List Box, Enter Text Box, Answer Text Box, Conversion Factor Text Box and Memory Text Box.   All five objects are changed together.   The Foreground and Background colors are saved in the CONV3.INI file, so that your preferred colors will return next time you start the program.

    1.)   Select the Options Menu.
    2.)   Select either Foreground Color or Background Color.
    3.)   The Color dialog box appears (See Figure 2).
    4.)   Choose the color you want or define your own.
    5.)   Select OK or Cancel.

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(Figure 2)

VISTA Conversions 3.0 Exiting the program

To exit the program:

Click on the EXIT button.

Or, Select Exit from the File menu.

Input Number

The Input Number text box is the area on the screen where the number to be converted is entered.