

MEGA EDIT (TM)

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I. WHAT IS MEGA EDIT (TM)?

Mega Edit (TM) is a Windows 3.0/3.1 application. Mega Edit (TM) is a powerful ASCII text editor. It is designed specifically to facilitate complex editing tasks involving multiple and/or large files, where such tasks would be difficult or impossible with other editors currently available for MS Windows 3.0/3.1.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS:

Mega Edit (TM) requires Microsoft Windows 3.0 or 3.1 running in STANDARD MODE OR HIGHER. Also, a VGA, SVGA, or XVGA or other high resolution monitor is recommended, as is a mouse.

FILES INCLUDED WITH MEGA EDIT (TM):

MEGAEDIT.EXE -- application executable file.
MEGAEDIT.HLP -- application on-line help.
MEGAED.DLL -- Mega Edit (TM) dynamic link library.
COMMDLG.DLL -- Windows 3.1 Common Dialog library. This file also comes with Windows 3.1. You can delete the Mega Edit (TM) copy if you are using Windows 3.1.
READ1ST.TXT -- product documentation.

README.TXT -- copyright and distribution guidelines.
REGISTER.TXT -- registration information.
REG_FORM.TXT -- registration form.
SITE.TXT -- Mega Edit site license registration fee schedule.
VENDOR.TXT -- application for limited distribution rights.
RELEASE.TXT -- release notes - improvements from release to release.
FILE_ID.DIZ -- short description for bbs

II. SETTING UP MEGA EDIT (TM) ON YOUR SYSTEM

STEP 1. Make a separate directory anywhere on your system and store ALL of the distribution files that are part of Mega Edit (TM) in that directory. If you are using Windows 3.1, you may want to delete the copy of COMMDLG.DLL that is supplied with Mega Edit (TM) - it is already supplied with Windows 3.1. It is generally best to keep all the distribution files together in the same directory.

STEP 2. Install the Mega Edit (TM) executable file 'MEGAEDIT.EXE' in a Program Manager application folder. If you do not know how to do this, please see your Microsoft Windows 3.x documentation.

STEP 3. To RUN Mega Edit (TM), select the Mega Edit (TM) icon by either double-clicking on it with your mouse, or cursor to the icon and hit the ENTER key.

III. UPGRADING YOUR REGISTRATION

If you already have a registered version of Mega Edit (TM) at version 2.01 or later you can automatically upgrade your registration to this level with these shareware files. To do so:

STEP 1. Copy in all of the files from this shareware release into your Mega Edit (TM) directory.

STEP 2. Delete these shareware only .TXT files:

READ1ST.TXT
README.TXT (Not to be confused with READ_ME.TXT)
REGISTER.TXT
REG_FORM.TXT
VENDOR.TXT
FILE_ID.DIZ

You should retain these two .TXT files:

READ_ME.TXT - From your original registration.
RELEASE.TXT - Updated with this shareware release.

STEP 3. If you are running Windows 3.1, you will probably not need COMMDLG.DLL - it is included with Windows 3.1. You can delete if you like.

IV. TROUBLE SHOOTING

1. YOU DON'T LIKE THE DEFAULT OPENING SIZE OF THE MEGA EDIT SCREEN.

Mega Edit decides on its opening screen size by checking the value set in the Options/Preferences dialog box for word-wrap/ 'right margin at:'. The size selected will be just large enough to accommodate the margin. If you increase or decrease this value, Mega Edit will change its opening size accordingly. To modify this setting, select 'Preferences' from the 'Options' menu.

2. PROBLEMS WITH GENERAL PROTECTION FAULT WHEN MEGA EDIT STARTS.

We have had several reports of this, and all have been traced to the user's launching Mega Edit from versions of the "Norton Desktop for Windows" (TM) prior to version 2.0. Versions of "Norton Desktop for Windows" (TM) prior to 2.0 are incompatible with Mega Edit. If you have this problem, try running Mega Edit directly from the Program Manager, or using the File Manager. In most cases, this will eliminate the problem.

3. PROBLEMS RETAINING PREFERENCE SETTINGS FROM SESSION TO SESSION

If for some reason you do not have a standard windows directory structure, with a directory called /windows/system, you may have some problems operating Mega Edit (TM). It would be recommended that you create a sub-directory of whatever directory it is that holds your main windows executable files called 'system'. This should resolve any problems.

III. TIPS ON USING MEGA EDIT (TM)

Mega Edit (TM) includes an extensive on-line help system. Documentation contained in the on-line system explains every feature of the product. You can invoke on-line help by pressing the F1 function key any time after you have started the editor.

The on-line Help system is organized to be practical and concise. Using the browse feature, it is possible to read every topic that it contains in 30 minutes or less. It is recommended strongly that you read through the topics in the main index entitled "Up and Running". These provide a good overview of Mega Edit (TM) features. Although "reading the manual" has become a lost art these days, (generally with good reason!), you are encouraged to spend 30 minutes reading the on-line reference to the product. You shouldn't have any problem understanding the product or its features anytime thereafter.

New user's should note that Mega Edit (TM) has some special, extended features to support complex editing tasks that involve many and/or large files. Again, please have a good look at 'Up and Running Topics' in the on-line help system.