

Software Product Description

PRODUCT NAME: Microsoft® MS-DOS® Operating System
V5.0, with Microsoft Windows™ Graphical Environment, V3.1

SPD 37.30.01

DESCRIPTION

This software package includes both Microsoft MS-DOS Operating System V5.0 and Microsoft Windows V3.1, the most popular graphical interface offered in the PC marketplace. The package includes floppy disk media, documentation, and a software license for use on one personal computer CPU in a single package. The kit also contains the driver for the DECpc Logitech Mouse.

Operating System Overview

The Microsoft MS-DOS Operating System is the most widely used operating system for personal computers. The operating system provides the following features:

- The base set of instructions to get the PC running and control the PC's activities. It manages the flow, entry, and display of data to and from each part of the computer. To run a program, the user must first run the operating system.
- MS-DOS commands to allow the user to perform the following tasks:
 - Manage files and directories
 - Maintain disks
 - Configure hardware
 - Optimize the use of memory
 - Speed up programs
 - Customize how MS-DOS uses hardware, memory, and files

The user interfaces with MS-DOS by typing commands at the command prompt.

Features

- Capability to run MS-DOS in the high memory area (HMA) when the PC has extended memory. Ability to run certain device drivers and programs in upper memory for Intel™ 80386 or higher PCs. The capabilities make more conventional memory available to the user's programs, enabling them to run faster and more efficiently.

- Two new commands - "unformat" and "undelete." These commands allow the user to undo a format or cancel a delete operation.
- Online Help for all MS-DOS commands.
- MS-DOS Editor, a new full-screen text editor.
- Expanded "dir" command capabilities.
- Doskey - A program to use, recall, edit, and carry out commands already used and to create macros.
- MS-DOS QBasic - An improved BASIC programming environment.
- Ability to access more than two hard disk drives, create disk partitions of up to 2 gigabytes, support for 2.88 MB floppy disks, and file search through multiple levels of directories.

Windows Overview

MS Windows provides users with a "point-and-click" interface to the MS-DOS Operating System and applications which run under Windows. Users perform tasks and access applications by selecting functions from graphic menus, rather than typing in a command line. Users can run more than one application at a time and can transfer information between applications.

The Windows graphical environment has a standard graphical user interface (GUI) to which hundreds of the most popular PC applications have written interfaces.

New Windows Features

- Higher performance and more robust than Windows V3.0A
- Ease-of-use improvements throughout the product
- New File Manager
- Improved application error handler
- Built-in multi-media support
- TrueType fonts included; provides scalable fonts with no "jaggies"
- Built-in Screen Saver

- Improvements for laptop PC support

HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

This software product runs on Digital's DECstations and DECpcs, using Intel 80286, 80386, and 80486 microprocessors.

Minimum Installation Configuration

Digital Personal Computer using Intel 80286, 80386, and 80486 microprocessor, 1 MB memory, and either a floppy disk drive or a hard disk for use when software is downline loaded from a server.

Digital recommends a minimum of 4MB system memory on systems using Microsoft MS-DOS and Microsoft Windows together.

OPTIONAL HARDWARE

Digital Printers Supported:

- DEClaser 1100, 1150
- DEClaser 2100, 2150
- DEClaser 2200, 2250
- DEClaser 3200, 3250
- LN03 Laser Printer
- PrintServer 20
- Turbo PrintServer 20
- LJ250 Companion Color Printer
- DECjet 1000
- DECjet 2000
- LA70 Personal Printer
- LA75 Companion Printer
- LA75 PLUS Companion Printer
- LA324 MultiPrinter

Print Drivers for Digital-supported printers are available by ordering part number FW-207S1-AK (3.5-inch diskette) through DECdirect or your local Digital office.

GROWTH CONSIDERATIONS

The minimum hardware/software requirements for any future version of this product may be different from the requirements for the current version.

DISTRIBUTION MEDIA

3.5-inch Diskette

ORDERING INFORMATION

Single-use License, Media, and Documentation for both MS-DOS V5.0 and

Windows V3.1: QB-MES*A-SA

Software Product Services: QT-MESA*-*

* Denotes variant fields. For additional information on available licenses, services, and media, refer to the appropriate price book.

SOFTWARE LICENSING

A single CPU license is included in the kit. For more information about Digital's licensing terms and policies, contact your local Digital office.

SOFTWARE PRODUCT SERVICES

Digital provides remedial support for this product and, as such, does not provide consulting services for DOS or Microsoft Windows application development.

These services provide support for the Microsoft MS-DOS and the Microsoft Windows provided in this product as purchased from Digital Equipment Corporation.

These services do not extend to retail Microsoft MS-DOS and Microsoft Windows, or to other PC vendors' renditions of Microsoft MS-DOS or Microsoft Windows. They also do not extend to any previous versions of Microsoft MS-DOS and Microsoft Windows sold by Digital Equipment Corporation.

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SOFTWARE WARRANTY

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