

Tex-Edit Enhancer

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Introduction

Tex-Edit and Tex-Edit Plus are excellent text editors that are both easy to use and powerful. Tex-Edit Enhancer greatly improves your productivity when working with these programs by adding a Tool Bar and significant new features to both programs while also making them even easier to use.

In fact, some of the features included with Tex-Edit Enhancer aren't even available in many word processors and text editors!

Requirements

A Macintosh computer with System 7.5.3 or later (including Systems 8, 8.1, 8.5, 8.5.1, 8.6, and 9.x) and a 68020 or later processor (including PowerMacs, iMacs, G3, G4, PowerBooks, and Performas). While Tex-Edit Enhancer hasn't been tested with any System earlier than 7.5.3, I expect it will work fine going back to System 7.1.

Tex-Edit Enhancer works with both Tex-Edit and Tex-Edit Plus, including the latest versions of both programs.

The latest information on Tex-Edit Enhancer can be found at
<<http://www.kagi.com/MacEase>>.

Installation

You should turn off any virus protection programs before installing Tex-Edit Enhancer because they may interfere with the installation process. In general, you can do this by restarting your computer while holding down the Shift key on your keyboard. Once the screen appears that says your extensions are disabled, you can release the Shift key. Even if you are not running a virus protection program, it is often a good idea to install a program with your extensions turned off.

The installer will automatically place the Tex-Edit Enhancer files in their proper location. Just restart your computer after performing the installation, launch Tex-Edit or Tex-Edit Plus, and you are ready to start using Tex-Edit Enhancer.

For your convenience, the installer has placed a log file in your Tex-Edit Enhancer 1.0 folder which lists the files that were installed and where they were placed (a copy of this ReadMe file has been placed in the same folder). Should you ever want to

disable/remove Tex-Edit Enhancer, you can use this installer log as a guide. (Removing both the OneClick Folder from the Preferences Folder and the runtime Control Panel completely uninstalls Tex-Edit Enhancer.) Please note that if you decide to uninstall Tex-Edit Enhancer, you won't be able to see the effect of the uninstall until after you restart your computer; if you decide to trash the Tex-Edit Enhancer files, you won't be able to empty the trash until after you restart your computer.

To temporarily disable Tex-Edit Enhancer, just disable or remove the runtime Control Panel and restart your computer.

By the way, Tex-Edit Enhancer installs only a single extension in your System. Any files listed in the installer log as being placed in the Extensions Folder of the OneClick Folder that's in your Preferences Folder are not System Extensions; they are only resource files for Tex-Edit Enhancer.

Also, please note that if you are installing more than one of my utilities during this session, you should restart your computer with all of your regular extensions enabled before proceeding with the next installation. (This allows your last installation to get properly initialized before you perform an additional installation.)

A shareware registration notice will appear whenever you restart your computer on the day you install Tex-Edit Enhancer, and it will not appear again until only five days remain in your demo period.

When the registered version of Tex-Edit Enhancer is installed, it will automatically replace the demonstration version and eliminate the shareware registration notice.

New Features Added To Tex-Edit Include:

In addition to now having quick, single-click access to many of Tex-Edit's features, the following new features have been added to Tex-Edit:

- A Glossary: You now can quickly and easily store items you use repeatedly in documents as well as items stored for future access. These stored items can be just a few words, a quotation, or several paragraphs -- you can customize the glossary to fit your needs.
- A customizable date stamp as well as a time stamp are included in the Tool Bar.
- The name of the font, the point size, and the style of the text you are typing with are always displayed and the display is automatically updated.
- The name of the font, the point size, and the style of your selected text are always displayed and the display is automatically updated.

- With a single Mouse click, you can both display all the characters -- including dozens of useful hidden characters -- included with each font on your system and insert them into your document.
- Alphanumeric sorts may now be made to sort from either a lower to a higher value or from a higher to a lower value.
- Tex-Edit Enhancer displays all active fonts in their own typefaces.
- Tex-Edit Enhancer includes a user-configurable Auto-Save feature which can be accessed directly from the Tool Bar's Auto-Save button.
- The Tool Bar automatically appears alongside the active Tex-Edit window.
- If you need to move/resize a window, the Tool Bar will automatically maintain its proper position (assuming the Auto-Position feature is turned on).
- Turning off the Auto-Position option allows you to move the Tex-Edit Enhancer Tool Bar to any location you choose on your Desktop. (When the Auto-Position feature is turned off, a Drag button automatically appears.)
- You can create your own keyboard shortcut for toggling Tex-Edit Enhancer's visibility.
- Tex-Edit Enhancer's Tool Bar includes a windowshade feature.
- Tex-Edit Enhancer includes Balloon Help. (While Tex-Edit Enhancer's Balloon Help works when you turn on your System's Balloon Help, it also can be used without turning on your System's Balloon Help.)
- Tex-Edit Enhancer's Tool Bar includes quick, single-click access to many Tex-Edit features such as undo/redo, print one copy, changing or customizing text colors, changing or customizing background colors, justification, line spacing, showing/hiding formatting characters, and much more!

Usage

If you are unclear about the purpose/use of a particular button, view any button's Balloon Help (each button has this feature) by holding down the Shift-Option key combination while the cursor is over that button.

If a particular button doesn't work, most likely this is because that particular feature isn't compatible with the version of Tex-Edit or Tex-Edit Plus that you are using. Balloon Help for that button includes more detailed information about this.

Tex-Edit Enhancer was designed to make its use as easy and intuitive as possible, so it

is not necessary to learn any key combinations to access the main features built into the program (you can use the online Balloon Help system if you have any questions). Enjoy!

Quick Tips

1. Tex-Edit Enhancer uses a small amount of the memory that is assigned to Tex-Edit. If you get any low-on-memory warnings while using Tex-Edit, just allocate a small amount of additional memory (say, in increments of 50K) to Tex-Edit by following these simple directions: Make sure Tex-Edit is not running; then click once on Tex-Edit's icon to select it (the icon becomes darker). Next, go to the File Menu and select "Get Info." Last, double click in the "Preferred size" field to select it and then type in a number that is at least 50K larger than the number that was previously there. Just close the window and you are done.
2. Clicking a second time on a text style button will toggle that button's setting.
3. The Windowshade button requires only a single click.
4. Command-clicking the Time/Date button inserts the date format last selected with the button. This allows you to "save" a date format style as a default choice.
5. You may add an item to the glossary either by selecting it and using the Glossary button's popup "Add" option or by dragging the selection to the Glossary button.
6. When creating your own keyboard shortcut for toggling Tex-Edit Enhancer's visibility, the "a" key should not be used.
7. If certain types of windows overlay Tex-Edit Enhancer, it may appear that the windows and Tex-Edit Enhancer have become intertwined. This is merely a cosmetic issue and won't hurt anything. When the window is no longer over Tex-Edit Enhancer and is closed, windowshaded, or otherwise forced to redraw, everything will display normally.
8. Tex-Edit Enhancer works with many different versions of Tex-Edit and Tex-Edit Plus. However, it's possible some specific features of Tex-Edit Enhancer won't work with Tex-Edit or old versions of Tex-Edit Plus; Balloon Help includes more specific information about this.
9. Another way to toggle the visibility of the Tex-Edit Enhancer Tool Bar is to launch Tex-Edit and then go to the Apple Menu and select Tex-Edit Enhancer from the OneClick submenu (this submenu lists all installed palettes, and selecting a palette toggles its visibility). Users of the commercial OneClick program that have the "in Menu Bar" option selected in their Control Panel may also use the OneClick Menu Bar popup menu to toggle a palette's visibility.

Compatibility

Installed with Tex-Edit Enhancer (if you don't have the commercial version of OneClick or one of my other programs) is a runtime version of WestCode's OneClick Shortcut Technology Control Panel. This Control Panel is currently in use on over 100,000 Macintoshes and has proven itself to be remarkably stable, reliable, and conflict free. In the highly-unlikely event you encounter a problem after installing Tex-Edit Enhancer, please let me know and I will be happy to try to help you determine the cause of the problem and try to help you find a solution.

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Feedback and Support

Comments, feature requests, and suggestions are welcome! Also, you may email me with technical support questions.

Happy computing!

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