

My Picture Viewer Version 1.6 (Copyright 1995 AA Zoftware) Installation Instructions

Installation is very easy and requires little interaction to complete:

1. Copy the program files to a new subdirectory (c:\myviewer) by running the installation batch file SETUP.BAT by either:

- double clicking it while in File Manager
- use the Program Manager Run function (select File, Run, and A:SETUP)
- exit to DOS and type: A:SETUP

You could also use DOS to copy the files from the diskette to the C:\myviewer subdirectory, but this would copy files that are needed to the hard drive (README, REGISTER, SETUP, UNINSTAL) and would copy files that should be in the c:\windows\system subdirectory.

2. Copy the picture file(s) you wish to use to your hard drive. This software uses many different formats, such as GIF, PCX, TIF, WMF, BMP, EPS, ETC. If you are evaluating this and have no files, either select one from those currently on your system (e.g., supplied by Windows) or obtain samples from your BBS, on-line service, or nearest computer store. Sample files are not included on the ZIP file posted to on-line services, most have sample files in a graphics library that can be downloaded.

3. If you receive an error "Cannot Find VBRUN300.DLL", then this file is missing from your C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM subdirectory. This file is required to run any Visual Basic application and can be downloaded from most on-line services, such as America On-Line (there is no fee to use this file). If you do not have access to one of these services, we can send you a copy for an additional \$1 with your registration. Another file error may occur "File Not Found: 'THREED.VBX'", which indicates that it is either not in your C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM subdirectory or that subdirectory does not have the proper PATH statement in the AUTOEXEC.BAT file (PATH=C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM). The setup program copies it to your C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM subdirectory.

5. Shareware users will now be greeted by a notice regarding the use of the shareware version. Click on the OK button. If you press ENTER the screen defaults to the NO selection and the program will end. You must either TAB over to the OK button or use the mouse to select OK.

6. The My Picture Viewer setup form will then be shown to allow selection of a single picture file, setup a custom show, or a selection from a specific subdirectory. Additional help is available on that form by selecting the HELP menu option and/or by printing the help file (MYVIEWER.HLP) using any text editor (e.g., Write or Notebook).

There are several things you should be aware of and possibly setup before you encounter difficulties. First, you should select the type of monitor and driver that you have. To do this, go to the OPTIONS menu and pick either the standard VGA or super VGA setting. Within each is a choice for 256 or 16 million colors. The best way to make these settings is to:

- 1) Start with Standard VGA and 256 colors.
- 2) Load a picture file (preferably a GIF). Go to ZOOM and make sure that FIT TO SCREEN is checked, if not select it.
- 3) If the picture takes up the entire screen with no white space on the right and bottom, then VGA is the correct setting.
- 4) Change the setting to SVGA. If the white space is now filled in by the picture, then this is correct.
- 5) Change the setting to VGA or SVGA and 16 million colors. Now load a JPG type picture. Do

the colors look good? If not, go back to 256 and reload the same picture.

The reason for all of this is that your driver capabilities (size and colors) must be better than in the pictures, if not, then the software must translate the 16 million colors into 256 and you selections here setup the translation. This notice can also be displayed from the HELP menu and is in the READ.WRI file.

This program takes up very little disk space (approximately 350k of disk space). There are several required files, which the SETUP.BAT program copies to your hard drive and are explained more in the Help menu. The scanned images and sound files take up comparatively much more space.

7. If you have any problems installing this product, please call/fax (513) 232-9509. Our address is:

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Or, send an E-Mail to: KIRKDZ@AOL.COM or 102504,2132@CompuServe.COM

8. Pictures should be sent in that are 4 by 6 inches maximum size. We recommend that the photo should not have a lot of bright or dark colors, because this tends to result in a washed out graphic. Obviously, the quality of the original photo determines the ultimate quality of the scanned image, so focus and other problems with the photo cannot be corrected with the scanning process. If you only want part of the photo included in the scan, indicate with a note; otherwise, some judgement will be used to include just the main portions of the picture.

9. ***After evaluating the software for up to two weeks***, please print the REGISTER.WRI using the Windows Write application and send in your photos to be scanned or send the form to register the software and receive the version without the shareware notices.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT SHAREWARE VERSION IS NOT FREWARE AND REQUIRES REGISTRATION AFTER A 2 WEEK TRAIL!!!!

We hope you enjoy My Picture Viewer and look forward to scanning photos for you and/or processing your registration soon...