

VidRes V1.1

What is VidRes?

VidRes is an easy to use Windows utility that enables you to quickly switch the display resolution of your machine without making the change permanent.

Installation

VidRes is supplied as a compressed file archive. Copy the compressed file to an empty floppy disk or new sub-directory on your hard disk & extract the files. Copy VidRes.exe to a suitable sub-directory and create a shortcut to it on your desktop.

Requirements

Windows 95, or Windows NT 3.51, and MFC30.DLL for run-time support.

Use

The default operation of VidRes (invoked without any command line parameters) displays a simple dialog box containing a list of all the possible display resolutions. VidRes prefaces each item with a display mode number that you can use directly with VidRes by passing the mode number as a command line parameter. Items with a marker "¶", indicate that Windows can switch directly to that mode without having to restart your machine. It's these marked modes that you are likely to want to use. If you choose to use an unmarked mode, VidRes prompts you that it needs to make the change permanent and will ask you to restart your machine.

Use VidRes interactively to find the mode numbers you want to use. Then, create desktop shortcuts with the mode number as a command line parameter so that you can easily switch between the modes you use.

For example I have 2 items:

"E:\vidres\vidres.exe 2" that switches my display to standard VGA mode, and

"E:\vidres\vidres.exe 4" that switched to 1024x768 resolution.

The actual mode numbers depend on the type of your video card.

Notes

This version of VidRes runs under Windows NT 3.51, but is limited to showing the possible display modes; it is unable to effect a mode change. A future release of Windows NT should allow VidRes to work correctly.

Uses For VidRes

To switch between high resolution modes and standard VGA resolution when playing Windows games that would otherwise only occupy a small area of the display.

Feedback we have had from early users has indicated that it's of use for developers designing Windows applications. Here it allows you to quickly check the visual aspects of your user interface design at different display resolutions.

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