

dbDOSv™ FAQ

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Q: Is dbDOSv different than dbDOS PRO (1 - 7)?

A: Yes, dbDOSv introduces a new DOS engine, a new Configuration Manager, and a new Print solution.

Q: Is dbDOSv slower than the prior dbDOS solutions?

A: We are faster to startup, but overall the speed is slightly slower. The main reason for this is the updated multi-user networking solution. The new engine supports multi-user better but that better support resulted in a slightly slower engine.

Q: Can I change my screen size?

A: Yes, the new DOS Engine supports all types of sizes when it comes to displaying the DOS applications.

Q: Do I have to configure the Printer?

A: No, the print solution is built-in the new DOS Engine. You should notice that the solution shows output just like back in the 80s and 90s.

Q: Is the dbDOSv engine open source?

A: Yes, and we will make the changes to the engine available. However, the dbDOSv Configuration Manager is proprietary as is the Print solution.

Q: What version of DOS does the new dbDOSv Engine support?

A: It can really be any level you need. Internally is it 7.10 but most people set it to 5.0 or 6.22. However, it can be set to be at any level.

Q: Does the dbDOSv DOS engine rely on DOSBox?

A: No! The command-processor is based on the 4DOS solution. Other solutions could be made available in the future, but the default is 4DOS.

Q: Is the dbDOSv product feature complete?

A: NO, the new features and functionality are very exciting and we will continue to innovate the product to meet the needs of the users today and tomorrow!

Q: Does dbDOSv come with any DOS software or Applications?

A: Very few, the more.exe command from FreeDOS and Snipper from PC Magazine.

Q: Where can I get DOS Software legally?

A: eBay and Craig's List are two, but anywhere the package can be purchased and still falls under the license agreement...

Q: I'm sure you tested dBASE on the new dbDOSv engine, but have you tested other DOS-based software?

A: Yes we have tested the product on over 50 different DOS applications from dBASE III+, through clipper. Lotus 123, Paradox, Foxbase, Harvard Business Graphics, you name it we most likely tried to run it. I have not found any that 100% does NOT run on the new engine, so if it is DOS you should be good!