

# Radio Shack Dealer/Franchise UPDATE

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#### PRODUCT NEWS

The following information is provided by Technical Support, Computer Customer Service, and Computer Merchandising.

#### PORTABLE DISK DRIVE (26-3808) - REPLACING THE UTILITIES DISK

If a customer has a blown copy of the Portable Disk Drive Utilities diskette, order a replacement from National Parts. The replacement diskette (#AXX-2029) retails for \$11.59.

#### TANDY 1000 (25-1002) - NEW TWO DRIVE SYSTEM

There seems to be some confusion about the purpose of this version of the Tandy 1000.

The 25-1002 is a two-drive 256K Tandy 1000. It does not have RAM expansion on the main board. It is simply a standard Tandy 1000 with the Disk Drive Kit (25-1005) and the 256K Memory Expansion Board (25-1004) already installed. The retail price is \$1,449.00. This is \$10.00 higher than the separate items price.

This item was specially created for educational use and volume purchases. It is available from TEW warehouse in quantities of 10 or more pieces. TEW will not accept an order from any store. The request must originate at the Divisional level. If the product is sold through Special Marketing or National Bid, the approvals will be handled by the respective group. You should work through your District Manager and Regional Manager when it becomes necessary to order 25-1002.

For quantities less than 10, you should order the separate items and have them assembled in the area Repair Center or install them in your store.

#### TANDY 1200 HD DBASE III (25-3190) - CATALOG ERROR

On page 25 of catalog RSC-16, it says Radio Shack supports all dBase III packages. This is incorrect! Support for the Tandy 1200 HD version is from Ashton-Tate. Also, support for all upgrades is being handled by Ashton-Tate.

NOTE Version 1.1 for the Tandy 1200 HD is what's being shipped currently.

#### MAI ACI MINTING SOFTWARE DEMOS - CATALOG NUMBERS AND AVAILABILITY

Demos for the MAI software are still available. Be sure to have them on hand so you can demonstrate the software during the upcoming sales on these programs.

DEMO #	PRODUCT	CAT #
FC-0143	GENERAL LEDGER	26-5210
FC-0144	ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	26-5213
FC-0145	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	26-5212
FC-0146	INVENTORY	26-5214

These demos should help you get the sale!

### EXPRESS ORDER PRODUCTS

### VENDOR SUPPORT OF TANDY HARDWARE

We DO FOT provide our vendors with all of our computers, printers and other peripherals when they are doing a port. Most of the EOS vendors provide a high level of support, but they cannot know all of our equipment inside-out, like we do. If you have a problem customer, and have to get involved (which shouldn't happen) with contacting a vendor for customer support, please be aware that they may not be familiar with the equipment you are working on. The vendor will probably have to contact us for information.

#### DISCONTINUED ATTACHE SOFTWARE - NO ACCESS TO ANY SUPPORT

To the best of our knowledge, Attache Software has discontinued business operations in the U.S. The following Attache Software will no longer be available or sold through the Express Order Software program:

90-0160	Accounts Receivable
90-0161	Accounts Payable
90-0162	General Ledger
90-0163	Inventory Control
90-0164	Invoicing with Sales Analysis
90-0165	Business Pak I
90-0166	Business Pak II
90-0411	Payroll

Please destroy any demos or other promotional material you may have in your stores relative to Attache Software.

We do our best to make sure that the vendors we bring into the Express Order Software program are sound and will continue to operate and support their customers. Attache appeared to be a very sound, well-financed company, but in today's high tech world, there are not guarantees.

When our existing Attache customers ask you about customer support, you need to tell them as diplomatically as possible, that regretfully, Attache has gone out of business and that we have no access to any support. In fact, we have been unable to establish any communications with Attache.

The continuing philosophy of the Express Order Software program is that the vendor, not Radio Shack, must support the end user who buys his products. Tandy still continues to fully support users who buy software from our regular retail line.

#### FISCAL SYSTEMS - NEW CUSTOMER SUPPORT NUMBER

Fiscal Systems, the Vendor for Fiscal Financial, Payroll, and Inventory/POS (90-0428, 90-0409, 90-0430) has a new customer support line: 205 772-8920. Please update your records to reflect this change.

#### WORDSTAR 2000 PLUS (90-0511) - EXTRA MEMORY REQUIRED FOR SPELL CHECK FEATURE

In selling this product for use on a Tandy 1000, it should be noted that in order to use the spell check feature, 384K of memory is required. This is not noted on the outside packaging, which states that only 256K memory is required. All other parts of the program are functional on a Tandy 1000 with only 256K. (NOTE: There is no problem using spell check on a Tandy 1200HD with only 256K.)

#### EDUCATIONAL EXPRESS ORDER SOFTWARE - DISCONTINUED ITEMS

The following Educational Express Order Software products have been discontinued:

#### Aquarium People Materials:

#### Microcomputer Workshops:

90-0357 90-0359 90-0361 90-0363 90-0365 90-0367 90-0369 90-0371 90-0373	Language Arts T Counting Skills T Addition T Subtraction T Multiplication T Division T Solve Word Problems Graph Can Be Fun T Survival Math T	Т	90-5325 90-5326 90-5328 90-5329 90-5330 90-5331 90-5332 90-5333	Algebra Exp D Line Equation D Motion Problem D HS Math D Math Span D English Achieve 1 D English Achieve 2 D English Achieve 3 D English Achieve 4 D
	Multiplication T			Math Span D
90-0367	Division T		90-5331	English Achieve 1 D
90-0369	Solve Word Problems	T	90-5332	English Achieve 2 D
90-0371	Graph Can Be Fun T		90-5333	English Achieve 3 D
90-0373	Survival Math T		90-5334	English Achieve 4 D
90-0388	Personal Finance T		90~5335	English Achieve 5 D
90-0448	Personalized Typing	T	90-5337	Addition D
90-0450	Personalized Typing	T	90-5338	Subtraction D
90 497	Mult T		90-5339	Multiplication D
			90-5340	Division D
			90-5341	Add Fractions D
			90-5342	Subtract Fractions D
			90-5343	Multiply Fractions D
			90-5344	Divide Fractions D
			90-5345	Equations D
			90-5346	Quadratic Equations D
			90-5347	Binomial Multiplication D

#### TEACHER TURNED AUTHOR (90-5027) - REPLACED

Teacher Turned Author from Raster Technology has been replaced with two other packages:

AT NO	PRODUCT	SUGG RTL
90-5095	Teacher Turned Author Level 1	\$ 99.00
90-5096	Teacher Turned Author Level 2	249.00

The original 90-5027 package is still available from Raster Technology at the suggested retail price of \$699.00. Contact Raster Technology at (305) 862-2859 to optain this package.

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As indicated by the name, "Grapevine", this section allows field, store, and Fort Worth-based personnel to share information with each other. It is here you can communicate your latest findings and "bits of wisdom". If you wish to contribute to the Grapevine use the Submission Form attached to the last Update of each month. Please be sure to include your Name and Store Number.

NOTE: We attempt to separate fact from fiction but not being omniscient we may occasionally goof. If so, let us know about it. We'll gladly correct ourselves.

WARNING: The information contained in the Grapevine is made available on an "as is" basis for the use of store personnel only. Much of the information will not be supported by Computer Customer Service and in no way shall Tandy Corporation be responsible for any problems caused by the use of this information.

All articles which do not include a by-line came from Computer Customer Service.

#### <u>UPDATE 1986-05:</u> HARD DRIVES - NUMBER OF CYLINDERS AND HEADS

The number of heads listed for the Disk Cartridge System was incorrect. The specifications should read as follows:

CAT NO PRODUCT MEG'S # OF HEADS # OF CYLINDERS 26-1245 Disk Cartridge System 10 1 306

(TECH SUPPORT)

#### PROFILE III+/III+HD (26-1592 & 26-1593) - CONVERTING TO PROFILE 4+ (26-1635)

When converting Profile III Plus or Profile III Plus HD data to Profile 4 Plus, any indexes that are converted should be rebuilt. If this is not done, "garbage" may be displayed on the screen in the "Add, Inquire & Update" mode when the "RECORD NUMBER" prompt is bypassed with <ENTER>.

(A. SNEARY, 01-7879)

#### XENIX 3.0 DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM (26-6402) - XENIX 1.3.5 COMPILED PROGRAMS

If you are using the 3.0 Development System and are writing C programs that you want to interface with a program that was compiled on the XENIX 1.3.5 Operating System (with the 26-6401 Development System), you must use the information provided in the addendum entitled "Information for Software Developers" which is included with the 3.0 Development System documentation. This information is very important when you're trying to write C or assembler programs to be used with software which we sell that was compiled on the XENIX 1.3.5 Operating System - such as - Unify 1.0 (26-6415), MBASIC (26-6457), RUNCOBOL (26-6455), FORTRAN (26-6451), PASCAL (26-6452), and Mac16 (26-6450).

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#### XENIX > O DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM - XENIX 1.3.5 COMPILED PROGRAMS (continued)

The addendum gives information about how to generate code which is compatible with the earlier (Version 1.3.5) XENIX. Besically, you must include this option when you are doing your compile statement:

v2

One piece of information that was not included in this addendum has to do with the fact that there are slight differences in the include files between these two systems. To handle this, be sure to include this option when you are doing your compile:

·I/usr/include-2.3

IS ORPEN 01-0180:

#### PROFIL: 16 (26-6412, 01.01.00) - USER MENUS

One common usage of Profile menus is to print a report into a file, then to use "more" to display the file to the screen. The user presses <SPACE> to advance through the file. However, when the last part of the file has been displayed, the user returns to the menu immediately, without being given time to read the last screen.

The command line in the user menu will look something like:

... -P /tmp/file : more /tmp/file

Change this to: .... -P /tmp/file; more -w /tmp/file

This will cause "more" to print the message "no more" when the last part of your file has been displayed. It will wait until <SPACE> is pressed again before returning to the menu.

IM BRUMLIK. 01-7873

#### XENIX X (700-3030) - COPYING DISKETTES WITHOUT USING DISKUTIL

Assuming there is enough free space available on a one floppy drive system (to copy a single sided diskette 608K, double-sided diskette 1224K), the following procedure will copy a diskette. Put the source diskette in Drive 0 and type:

dd if=/dev/rfdØ of=/tmp/dØ bs=150k

dd if=/dev/fdbtØ of=/tmp/dØb

Put a formatted destination diskette in Drive 0 and type:

dd if=/tmp/dØ of=/dev/rfdØ bs=150k

dd if=/tmp/dØb of=/dev/fdbtØ

rm /tmp/dØ\*

The following procedure will copy a diskette on a two drive system, however diskutil is the <u>recommended</u> procedure to use. Put the source diskette in drive 0 and a formatted destination diskette in drive 1, type:

dd if-/dev/rfd0 of-/dev/rfd1 bs=150k dd if-/dev/fdbt0 of-/dev/fdbt1

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#### <u> MS-DOS COMPUTERS - MEMORY CONFIGURATIONS</u>

This chart shows the memory configurations available for our MS-DOS computers:

	1000	1000HD	1200	1200A	2000	3000
BOARD/CHIP KIT	from to	from to	from to	from to	from to	from to
25-1004 256K MEM BOARD	128 256					
26-5162 128K RAM KIT	256 384					
25-1009 MEM EXP BOARD	384 512		256 384	256 384		
26-5162 128K RAM KIT	512 640		384 512	384 512		
25-1011 MEM PLUS BOARD	128 384					
26-6019 256K RAM KIT	384 640					
26-6019 256K RAM KIT		T 256 384				
26-6019 256K RAM KIT		384 640		~~~~		
25-3061 CAPTAIN BOARD			256 640	256 640		
25-3062 256K PARITY KIT			<del>)</del>	256 384		
25-3062 256K PARITY KIT				384 640		
26-5161 256K RAM KIT					256 384	
26-5162 128K RAM KIT					384 512	
26-5161 256K RAM KIT					512 640	
26-5162 128K RAM KIT					640 768	
26-5162 128K RAM KIT		~				* 512 640
25-4030 MEM EXP BOARD				~~~~	)	↔ 512 1 MB
25-3062 256K KIT (6)						1 MB 2.5

- T Upgrade is done on the Memory PLUS Expansion Board included with the Tandy 1000 HD.
- \* Upgrade is done on the motherboard and does not take an expansion slot.
- \*\* Tandy 3000 Memory Expansion Board is currently projected to be available 4/30/86. By adding six 25-3062 kits you can increase memory up to 2 megabytes per Memory Expansion Board for a total of 2.5 megabytes with the first 25-4030 board.

S SLETTEN. 01-7879

#### TANDY 1000 (25-1000) - SEARCHING DRIVES FOR FILENAME

This is for those Tandy 1000 users who miss the TRSDOS feature of drive searching for a filename without specifying the drive. You can create an autoexec.bat file from copy con or edit one with edlin, to add the path command: PATH A:\;B:\. Your Tandy 1000 will then search both A and B drives as well as subdirectories for that filename and load it.

NOTE: With special command files such as FORMAT or DISKCOPY you still must specify the drive to format or the source and destination drives, as appropriate.

. JAMES ESTRADA. STORE #01-4004

#### MS-DOS DMP-2100P CUSTOM FONT SYSTEM (25-1158) - CONFIG.SYS FILE

When using the Custom Font System (Font Editor) on any of the MS-DOS computers, be sure that your CONFIG.SYS does NOT contain the DEVICE = LPDRVR.SYS entry. If the LPDRVR.SYS entry exists, the DMP-2100P (26-1274) will print garbage while trying to download the font.

(J. PARRIS. 01-7879)

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### TANDY 1200 HD & 3000 (25-3000 & 25-4001) - MONITOR & VIDEO BOARD CONFIGURATIONS

This chart describes the proper configuration of monitors and video boards with the Tandy 1200 HD and Tandy 3000:

Tandy 1200	VM-1	CM-1	VM-2	CM-2,4,10	VM-3
25-3040 MONO DISPLAY					S1-5 off S1-6 off
25-3043 GRAPHICS DISPLAY			S1-5 on S1-6 off	S1-5 on S1-6 off	S1-5 on S1-6 off
25-3044 GRAPHICS MASTER			S1-5 on S1-6 off	S1-5 on S1-6 off	S1-5 on S1-6 off
25-3046 DELUXE DISPLAY	S1-5 off S1-6 off USE CABLE AW-0027	S1-5 off S1-6 off			
25-3047 DELUXE GRAPHICS	S1-5 on S1-6 off	S1-5 on S1-6 off			

NOTE:

S1 refers to the switch bank #1 on the main logic board located behind the floppy drive(s).

Tandy 3000	VM-1	CM-1	VM-2	CM-2, 4,10	VM-3
25-3040 MONO DISPLAY					jump E2-E3 set mono.
25-3043 GRAPHICS DISPLAY			MODIFY FOR U jump E3-E4 set 80 col.	JSE WITH THE 30 jump E3-E4 set 80 col.	jump E3-E4 set 80 col.
25-3044 GRAPHICS MASTER	***********		jump E3-E4 set 80 col.	jump E3-E4 set 80 col.	jump E3-E4 set 80 col.
25-3046 DELUXE DISPLAY	jump E2-E3 set mono. USE CABLE AW-0027	jump E2-E3 set mono.			
25-3047 DELUXE GRAPHICS	jump E3-E4 set 80 col.	jump E3-E4 set 80 col.		*****	

NOTES:

jump indicates placing a jumper over the indicated staking pens located on the main logic board near card slot #10.

set indicates how the setup program is to be set for proper configuration.

mono. short for monochrome 80 col. short for 80 column color

### COMPUTER CUSTOMER SERVICE

CUSTOMER SUPPORT GROUPS  The Customer Support phone numbers are listed below with the explanation of each ground Customer Support lines are open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Central Time).	ıp.
Productivity & "Special Applications" Software	p
Accounting Software  The Accounting Software group supports all Accounting packages regardless of the mod machine it runs on. The Accounting group also supports the following packages: Time Accounting, Job Costing, AgDisk Farm Accounting, Model II/12 The Precedent and Docket Control.	
Operating Systems & Languages On the Customer Support lines the Operating Systems & Languages Support Group is divided into two groups.	
Group 1	ıs
Group 2/Home	s
Home software primarily supports recreational and home management software, for examp HomeworD (a word processor), Zaxxon® (a game), Color Profile® (a database), Color Disk SCRIPSIT® (a Color Computer word processor), and Spectaculator® (a spreadsheet for the Color Computer) are all supported by this group.	
NOTE: SMALLER computers' operating systems and languages are not supported on the Computer Center/Plus Center Support lines. Call the Operating Systems & Languages Group 2 toll line only.	
Communications Software and Hardware	e 1
Satellite Support	24
Educational Software	96
NOTE: Educational products are not supported on the Computer Center/Plus Center Support lines. Call the Educational Software Support toll line only.	

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#### COMPUTER CENTER/PLUS CENTER SUPPORT GROUPS - STORE/ATSO USE ONLY

The Computer Center/Plus Center Support phone numbers are listed below with the explanation of each group. The operating hours for these support lines are 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Central Time). AS ALWAYS THESE NUMBERS ARE FOR STORES ONLY AND ARE NOT TO BE GIVEN TO THE PUBLIC Hardware handles questions relating to RS-232, RAM expansions, Disk errors, printer problems and other non-software inquiries. <u>Communications</u> ......800-231-3070 This group handles communications questions related to software and equipment like the Telecom feature of DeskMate, Omniterm, Videotex, BISYNCH; and the Telecom function on the 100, 200, and 600. The MS-DOS/Languages Group deals with the MS-DOS operating systems and languages for the Tandy 3000, 2000, 1200 HD, and 1000, Xenix/Languages ..... The Xenix/Languages Group deals with the Xenix multi-user operating systems and languages for the Model 16 and Tandy 6000. The TRSDOS/CPM/Languages Group deals with the TRSDOS and CP/M+ operating systems and languages for the Models I. II. III. 4, 12, and 16. Accounting......800-231-8271 The Accounting Software group supports all Accounting packages regardless of the model machine it runs on. The Accounting group also supports the following packages: Time Accounting, Job Costing, AgDisk Farm Accounting, Model II/12 The Precedent and Docket Control. This group encompasses all data base software for the Models I. II. III. 4, 12, 16, and Tandy 2000/1200 HD/1000. Included in this group are such packages as Profile® dBase II. Unity, PFS:File, PFS:Report, and FRIDAY! This group encompasses all spreadsheet and word processing software for the Models I, II, III, 4, 12, 16, and Tandy 2000/1200 HD/1000. Included in this group are such packages as VisiCalc, Multiplan, PFS: Write, SCRIPSITe, and Lotus 1-2-3. <u>Vert ical Markets</u>......800-231-3069 This group encompasses all "vertical markets" software for the Models I, II, III, 4, 12, 16, and Tandy 2000/1200 HD/1000. Included in this group are AgDisk Management Series and VisiCalc applications, Medical Office System, Model I/III Manager Series, DR Graph, and TK! Solver. Also supported by this group are the integrated packages such as Framework. Deskmate, and Symphony. The communications portions of these integrated packages are supported by the Communications group.

NOTE: Color Computer and Model 100/Tandy 200 operating systems and languages, and educational products and home software for all computers are not supported by the Computer Center/Plus Computer Center Support lines. If you have questions, call the appropriate toll line.