

















FrameMaker/Windows Express Customization (FM6.0, FMSGML6.0, FM7.0)

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FrameMaker Express Customization can be completed in less than five minutes, and will make life with FrameMaker easier. Use the supplied files as is, or as the basis for further customizations.

When you are done, you will have the following items:

Enhanced Formatting Bar

- Character format drop-down menu 
- Font drop-down menu 
- *Copy attributes* icons:
 -  paragraph format
 -  character format
 -  conditional text settings
 -  table column width
- *Repeat commands* icons:
 -  last paragraph action
 -  last character action
 -  last find
- *Navigation* icons:
 -  jump back
 -  jump next
 -  toggle ViewOnly/editable
 -  first page
 -  previous screen
 -  next screen
 -  last page

Improved Quick Access Bar

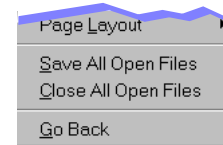
The standard FrameMaker Quick Access bar has two sets of tools (text & table, graphics 1 & 2), instead of four separate sets.



Note: A screen resolution of 1024x768 or higher is required to see all items in the enhanced formatting bar and the quick access bar.

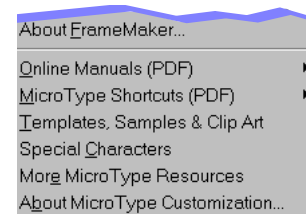
Additional Items in Context-Sensitive Right-Click Menus

- Graphics:
 - Pick Up Object Properties
 - Reshape
 - Scale
 - Clear
- Table:
 - Clear
- General:
 - Save All Open Files
 - Close All Open Files
 - Go Back



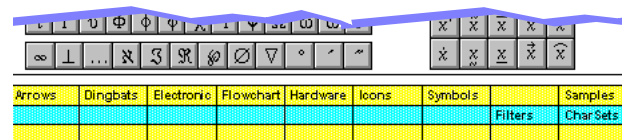
New Entries in the Help menu

- Links to FrameMaker online manuals:
 - FrameMaker 6: *Character Sets, Using Filters, MIF Reference, MML Reference, Customizing FrameMaker, Working on Multiple Platforms, Chinese and Korean Features.*
 - FrameMaker 7 has, in addition: *XML Cookbook, Structured FrameMaker Developer's Guide, Using the DocBook Starter Kit, Using the XHTML Starter Kit, Using XMLcss Plug-in*
- MicroType shortcuts:
 - Customized Function Key Chart
 - FM/Windows Standard Shortcuts
 - FM Escape Shortcuts
 - Structured FM Escape Shortcuts
- Links to templates, samples & clip art files, provided with FrameMaker (FM7 has additional templates)
- Special characters quick-reference (*requires Acrobat/Reader 5*), showing characters in standard fonts, Symbol, Dingbats, Wingdings and Webdings.
- Links to more MicroType resources (www.microtype.com)
- About MicroType Customization identifies the specific version.



Equation Palette

Includes a table with buttons pointing to commonly-accessed files (FrameMaker and other formats, such as PDFs).



Function & Applications Key Combinations

Many useful commands and all common special characters (in standard fonts) are now easily accessible through Function and Applications key combinations (see listing in [FMKeyMap.pdf](#)).



The Applications key is available on almost all keyboards manufactured in the last seven years.

Installation

Follow these steps to install the FrameMaker/Windows customization files:

- 1 Close FrameMaker, if currently open.
- 2 Locate your FrameMaker installation folder
(default is C:/Program Files/Adobe/FrameMaker6.0 or C:/Program Files/Adobe/FrameMaker7.0).
- 3 Unzip the FrameMaker Express Customization zip file
(FM6CustomXpress.zip or FM7customXpress.zip – verify that you have selected the zip file matching your FrameMaker version) to the fminit/configUI folder, located under the FrameMaker installation folder.

The following files will be extracted:

File	Function
CustomFMWin.pdf	This PDF
CustomUI.cfg	Customized configuration file
FMToolbr.ini	Enhanced toolbar
Equation	Equation palette with additional buttons
Samples.fm	Templates, Samples & Clip Art menu, providing links to items supplied with FrameMaker.
FMKeyMap.pdf	Chart showing customized function and applications keys.
FMWin.pdf	Standard FrameMaker/Windows shortcuts.
FMKbdCmd.pdf	Escape shortcuts (cross-platform).
FMSGml.pdf	Structure-related escape shortcuts (cross-platform).
MT_CharSet.pdf	Interactive PDF (<i>requires Acrobat/Reader 5</i>) showing access information for special characters in standard fonts, Symbol, Dingbats, Wingdings, Webdings fonts.

Note: If you use FrameMaker+SGML 6.0, replace references to `maker.ini` in the following steps with `fmsgml.ini`.

- 4 Make a backup copy of `maker.ini`, located in the FrameMaker installation folder.
- 5 Open the `maker.ini` file using a text editor.

- 6 Locate the [Files] section in maker.ini and make the following changes:

- Edit the line which begins with EquationDoc= so that it points to the Equation file in the configui folder under fminit (add configui\ after fminit). The line should now be:

EquationDoc=fminit\configui\Equation

- Edit the line which begins with ToolBarIniFile= so that it points to the FMToolbr.ini file in the configui folder under fminit (add configui\ after fminit). The modified line should say:

ToolBarIniFile=fminit\configui\FMToolbr.ini

Note: Inspect the line which begins with ConfigCustomUIFile= and make sure it has the default setting of:

ConfigCustomUIFile=fminit\configui\CustomUI.cfg

(modify to match the above line if it is different).

- 7 Save the maker.ini file.

- 8 If FrameMaker is installed using the default path of

C:/Program Files/Adobe/FrameMaker6.0 or

C:/Program Files/Adobe/FrameMaker7.0, continue with step 10.

- 9 If FrameMaker is installed in a custom folder:

Open the CustomUI.cfg file (in the fminit/configui folder) in a text editor and use the search and replace feature to replace the default path specified with your current full path.

Forward slashes should be used to separate between folders, and not backslashes.

For example: search for C:/Program Files/Adobe/FrameMaker6.0 and replace it with K:/Apps/FM6.

- 10 Restart FrameMaker and verify that all added items are present. (If you don't see the quick-access bar or the formatting bar, turn on the corresponding items in the View menu.)

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...
IndexSortDir=fminit\indexsort

[Files]
;----- Files ---
; If it is not an absolute path, then it
UserDictionary=
SiteDictionary=dict\site.dct

CustomDoc=fminit\custom
AsciiTemplate=fminit\txttmpl
...
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Notes
