

THE 'SMART' SPELLER FOR VISIWORD™

SETUP INFORMATION GUIDE

for the **IBM®** Personal Computer





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This VisiSpell Setup Information Guide contains step-by-step instructions that you must follow before you use the VisiSpell program. This guide tells you how to:

- Set up your computer equipment.
- Format a document disk.
- Copy the sample document on your formatted disk or on the hard disk.
- Make the VisiSpell program self-loading (if you have only floppy disk drives), or install (copy) the VisiSpell program on your hard disk.
- Set the program to display color if you have a color monitor.

After you have finished with the procedures in this Setup Information Guide, go on to the *VisiSpell QuickStart*[™] *Course* to learn to use the VisiSpell program.

Setting Up and Getting Started

If you are using your IBM[®] Personal Computer for the first time, follow the instructions on how to set it up in "Section 2. Setup" of your IBM *Guide to Operations* manual.

To run the VisiSpell program, you need one of the following sets of equipment:

- An IBM Personal Computer with at least 128K RAM and two floppy disk drives.
- An IBM Personal Computer XT, which includes a floppy disk drive and a fixed (hard) disk drive.

In addition, you need an IBM DOS disk version 1.1 or 2.0, a video monitor, the VisiSpell Program and Dictionary disks, and a blank floppy disk.

If you have any trouble setting up your computer, see your dealer. Do not try to load the VisiSpell program until your computer is operational; a problem in the computer could damage your program disks.

Read this section if you have only floppy disk drives connected to your IBM Personal Computer. If you have an IBM Personal Computer XT, skip to "If You Have a Hard Disk Drive."

Formatting a Document Disk

The exercises in the *VisiSpell QuickStart Course* use a sample document on the VisiSpell Program disk. Before you can do the exercises, you must copy this document to a disk that has been formatted with IBM DOS.

- I. Put your IBM DOS disk in drive A (on the left), and turn on the computer's power switch.
- 2. When a date appears on the screen, enter today's date in the same form as it appears on the screen. Press . (If you do not want to enter the date, just press .)
- 3. The time appears on the screen. Enter the correct time (in 24-hour notation) in the form shown and press . (If you do not want to enter the time, just press ...)



- 5. Remove the formatted document disk from drive B and put it aside. You will use it later when you copy the sample document.

Making the VisiSpell Program Self-Loading

Before you load the VisiSpell program, you should make it self-loading (containing DOS). Making your program self-loading allows you to load it directly from the VisiWord program without loading the DOS disk.

Note: You only have to do this operation once.

Follow this procedure:

- 1. Make sure your IBM DOS disk is in drive A.
- 2. Remove the write-protect tab from the VisiSpell Program disk and put the disk in drive B.
- 3. Type sys b: and press to copy the necessary parts of IBM DOS on the Program disk.
- 4. Type copy command.com b: and press to copy the DOS command file on the Program disk.
- 5. Remove the VisiSpell Program disk from drive B and replace the writeprotect tab.
- ▶ 6. Remove the IBM DOS disk



from drive A and insert the VisiSpell Program disk. Put the document disk you just prepared in drive B.

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Copying the Sample Document

Now you can copy the sample document on the disk you formatted:

- 1. Make sure the VisiSpell Program disk is in drive A and the formatted document disk is in drive B.
- 2. Type copy sample b: and press . Wait while the sample document is copied on your document disk. If you get the message "File cannot be copied onto



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itself," you forgot to type the "b:". Retype the copy command exactly as you see it above. When you see the prompt 1 File(s) copied, the process is complete.

Setting the VisiSpell Program to Display Color

If you have a color monitor, you can set the VisiSpell program to display color.

1. Make sure the VisiSpell Program disk is in drive A and the DOS prompt A> is on the screen.

▶ 2. Type install color.

(You can return to black-and-white display by repeating the instructions but typing **install bw** at step 2.)



8 If You Have a Hard Disk Drive

Read this section if you have an IBM Personal Computer XT, which has a fixed (hard) disk.

If you haven't yet used your hard disk, follow the instructions in Chapter 4, "Preparing Your Fixed Disk" in the *IBM Disk Operating System* manual for version 2.0.

The floppy drive is drive A and the hard disk is drive C.

Installing the VisiSpell Program on Your Hard Disk

First, you should install (copy) the VisiSpell program on your hard disk.



- 2. When a date appears on the screen, enter today's date in the same form as it appears on the screen. Press . (If you do not want to enter the date, just press .)
- 4. To use the VisiSpell program with the VisiWord program, you must have both programs in the same directory.
 - a. Type **dir** to make sure that you are in the directory containing the VisiWord program.
 - b. If you are not in the directory that contains the VisiWord

program, use the CHDIR command to transfer into that directory. For example, if your VisiWord program is in a directory called "word," type **chdir** /**word** and press .

- ▶ 5. Make sure the writeprotect tab is on the Program disk and insert it in drive A.
- the computer to run from drive A.
- ▶ 7. You can also set the program to display in either black-and-white or color:
 - **a.** For a black-and-white display, type install c: bw and press \square .
 - **b.** For a color display, type install c: color and press 💭.

Be sure to type the command exactly as shown.

- ▶ 8. Wait while the files are copied. Follow the screen instructions to insert the VisiSpell Dictionary disk in drive A and press . The VisiSpell Dictionary disk files are copied on the hard disk.
- ▶ 9. When the DOS prompt





(A>) appears, remove the VisiSpell Dictionary disk from drive A and put it away.

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If you want to use the VisiSpell program in another directory on the hard disk, you must install it in that directory using the above procedure. The VisiSpell program will not work if you copy it from one directory to another. At step 4, make sure you are in the directory where you want to install the VisiSpell program.

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Copying the Sample Document

The exercises in the *VisiSpell QuickStart Course* use the sample document on the VisiSpell Program disk. Before you can do the exercises, you must copy this document on the hard disk in the same directory as the VisiSpell program.

- 1. Insert the VisiSpell Program disk in drive A.
- ▶ 2. Type **c**: and press , to set the computer to run from drive C.
- ▶ 3. Type copy a:sample and press . Wait while the sample document is copied on your hard disk. When



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you see the prompt 1 File(s) copied, the process is complete.

What To Do Next

You have set up your equipment and copied the sample document on your document disk. Save this VisiSpell Setup Information Guide in case you need to re-install the program on your hard disk. You may also need this guide if you want to recopy the sample document from the VisiSpell Program disk or if you want to change from color to black-and-white or black-and-white to color display.

Now turn to the VisiSpell QuickStart Course to start using the VisiSpell program itself.





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