Windows Backup & Modification

This version of Microsoft Windows was sold through Heath/Zenith computers. It is the version that can be modified to run on the tandy 2000. Unmodified copies can also be used in any 100% IBM compatible machine. Just follow the instructions below to install this version of windows on your tandy 2000.

You must first make backup copies of all the windows disks. (DO NOT USE DISKCOPY!) Since the Tandy 2000 has 720k drives you can copy 2 of the Windows disks to each of the new disks. Do this as follows:

Format 3 blank disks with Tandys format command. (720k format)

Copy all the files from the windows setup disk and windows build disk to one of the newly formatted disks. Then label the new disk (SETUP & BUILD disk).

Copy all the files from the windows printer disk and windows fonts disk to another of the formatted disks. Then label the new disk (UTILITY disk)

Copy all of the files from the applications disk to the last formatted disk. When doing this make sure you make a \PIF directory on the new disk and copy all of the files from the old \PIF directory to the new one. Then label the new disk (APPLICATIONS disk).

Now you can put your original disks in a safe place. Then you can modify the new disks with the Tandy windows driver disk. Insert the windows driver disk (INCLUDED) into the A drive. Type:

        heathflp <ENTER> if you have two floppys
        heathhrd <ENTER> if you only have one floppy

These new .BAT files do NOT remove the extra printer drivers like the Tandy .BAT file does.

Just remember that both the SETUP disk and the BUILD disk were copied to one disk. When the .BAT file or the SETUP program ask for either disk just insert the (SETUP & BUILD disk). Then, follow the instructions on the screen.

After you have run the .BAT file you should put write protect tabs on the three new disks. These new disks are the ones that are used to make working copies of Microsoft Windows.

Windows Installation

If you are going to install Windows to run off of a floppy disk, then you need two more blank (unformated) disks. Use the SETUP program on the (SETUP & BUILD disk) to install Windows to run off of the Floppys or a Hard disk. The SETUP program will do the actual installation for you. Just answer all of the questions that come up on the screen. If you have a hard disk you should make a \WINDOWS\PIF directory and copy all of the *.PIF files from the Tandy driver disk to this directory. You should also copy the *.FON and *.DRV files from the utility disk into the \WINDOWS directory. This concludes the Windows installation procedure.