

# **MS Dict**

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## **USER GUIDE**

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# GETTING STARTED

## WELCOME TO MS DICT

MS Dict is a specially designed dictionary integrator and utilizer for PocketPC devices. MS Dict provides you with the best possible features for a dictionary program, which means fast searches, strong database compression and, of course, stylish and intuitive user-friendly interface.

MS Dict works with database files, called *dictionaries*. MS Dict allows several *dictionaries* to be installed at a time.

## HOW TO ORDER MS DICT

**MS Dict** is a downloadable shareware product available for free evaluation or registration (for only \$19.95) at:

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## SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

??? NE ??? This application is distributed in Common Executable Format (CEF) for the Pocket PC platform. CEF is a processor-neutral code format that runs on all CPUs running Microsoft

Windows CE. Currently these include ARM, MIPS, PPC, SHx, and x86 processors. Optimized deliverable for SH3 processor is also available.

# INSTALLATION AND UNINSTALLATION

## INSTALLING MS Dict

Run MSDict Setup from your Desktop PC. Follow these steps:

1. Connect the Pocket PC to the desktop computer and establish a session using Microsoft ActiveSync®. A partnership is not necessary for installing software, so you can use a guest connection if need be.
2. Run the Setup program on the desktop computer.
3. Follow the instructions that are displayed on the desktop computer.

The Setup program will put an icon in the Programs folder on your device. Run MSDict by selecting its icon.

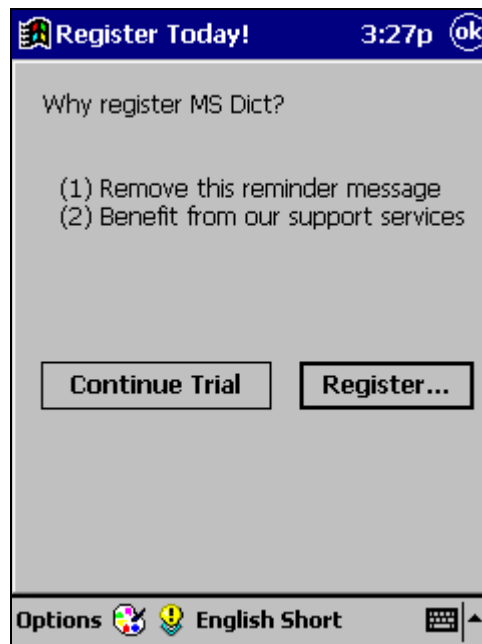
## UNINSTALLING MS Dict

1. From the Start menu, select **Settings|Remove programs** (under the **System** tab).
2. Find in the list MSDict.
3. Select it, and tap **Remove**.
4. You will be asked to confirm your request. To do so, tap **Yes**.
5. Click **OK** in the top right corner when finished.

# REGISTRATION

## WHY REGISTER

Registering MSDict will remove the reminder message from your screen and will guarantee you our preferential technical support services.





## How To REGISTER

When purchasing **MSDict**, enter your **Customer ID** or **RegCode** in the order form.

Upon receipt of this number, your **Unlock Key** will be e-mailed to you.

Enter the **Unlock Key** in your program's registration screen.

## WHERE TO FIND YOUR CUSTOMER ID/REGCODE

Go to **Tools|Register** of the program and you will find it on the registration screen.

## THE UNLOCK KEY - WHAT, WHERE AND HOW

The **Unlock Key** is a combination of 4-4 letters and numbers (for example: **34C5-7B9E**), which is received by e-mail after you, have submitted your **Customer ID/RegCode**. To enter your **Unlock key**, go to **Tools|Register**.















Alternatively, start Pocket Woman and in the **Register Today** screen tap **Register**. The **Register Pocket Woman** screen will appear. Here you can find the ID and enter your Unlock Key.

# USER GUIDE

## USING MS DICT



### OUTLOOK


MSDict outlook contains the following objects:

- ❑ List Control
  - Toolbar
    - search query field
    -  - *search* button
    -  - *filter* button
    -  - *rubber* button
  - Scroll Bar – the scroll bar is used to move the page up and down; here are its features:
    -  - *page up* button
    -  - *page down* button
    -  - *up* button
    -  - *down* button
- ❑ Article Text Control
  - Toolbar
    -  - *previous* button
    -  - *next* button
    -  - *note* button
    -  - *keyboard* button
- ❑ Command Bar
  - *Options*
  -  - *styles* button
  -  - *appendixes* button
  - *Dictionary list*
  -  - *keyboard* button

# CONTROL AND NAVIGATION

## SEARCH



To search for a particular word or word form you simply need to type it into the search query field and tap . The built-in keyboard is being turned on and off by tapping the  keyboard button on your Command Bar.



In case you want to make another search you can start over by tapping the  rubber button, which will empty all current contents of the search query field. Alternatively you can use backspace from the keyboard.

## FILTERED QUERIES

In some particular cases you may need to make a filtered query.

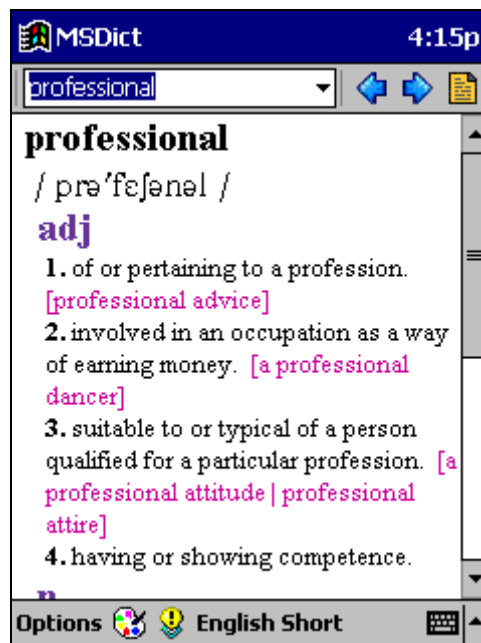
There are two different modes of filtering:

- ❑ filtering as you type – dictionary items are being filtered as you are typing the word you look for;
- ❑ filtering after tapping the  - you type the whole word and after tapping  filtration is enforced;


For example, if you type “dictio” and tap  you will receive a list of words, beginning with the defined string (i.e. diction, dictionary, etc.). All the other words will be trimmed from the word list. You can also use \* as a mask. For example, if you type “dic\*ry” and tap  you will get a list of all words in database, the first three letters of which are “dic” and the last two are “ry” (i.e. dictionary). In case you have chosen to filter without having to tap a button, you will observe the same behavior in the process of typing a word.

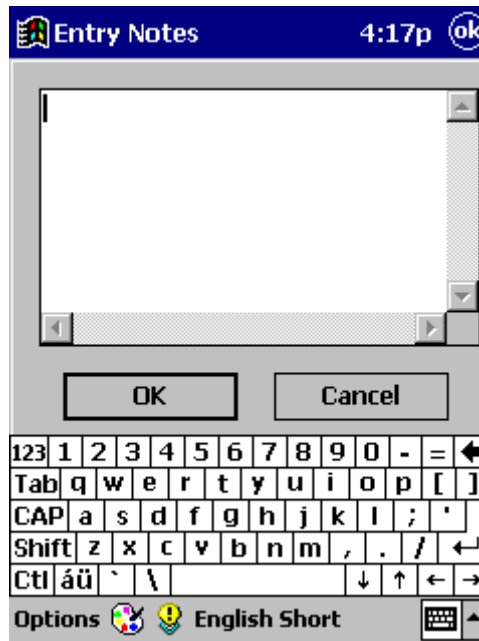
## VISUALIZATION OF AN ARTICLE

If your search returns a 100% match of the word you typed, it will be placed at the top of your word list, and on tap it will be visualized in rich text format. Different colors are used to highlight different objects in an article. Use the scroll-bar at the right side of the screen to move up and down.



## ADDING A CUSTOM NOTE TO AN ARTICLE

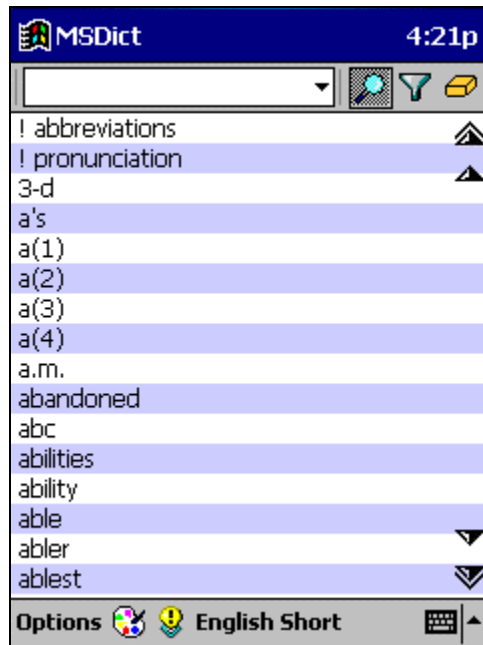
You can add your own note to any article in the dictionary installed. You can do this by using the  button, which appears on your toolbar after an article is visualized. You will see the following screen:




After you have finished typing your custom note, you should tap “OK” at the top-right corner of the screen to store the information.

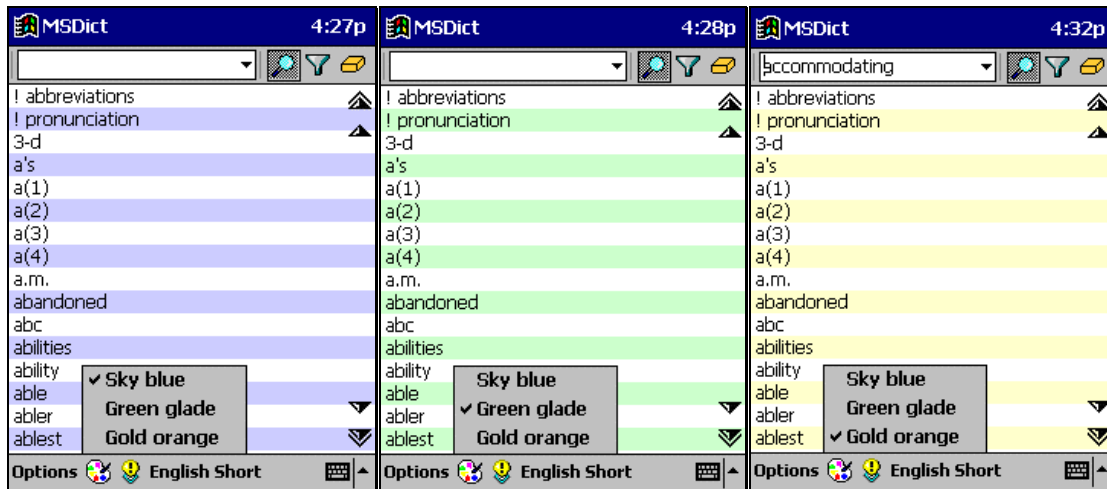
## WORD LIST CONTROL

The word list contains a list of all dictionary items, which are determined by the *dictionary* and are sorted by alphabetical order. You can move up and down the dictionary items through *up* and *down* buttons. *Page up* and *page down* buttons can be used to move up and down page by page.



## CHANGING THE STYLE OF DICTIONARY INTERFACE

A great feature of MS Dict is the opportunity for changing user interface colors. You can choose between several different styles, and set the one you like most. This can be done by tapping the  button on your Command Bar and choosing a particular style from the drop down menu that appears. Different styles cannot be customized or edited for they are set by the software developers. Different styles are also specific to the different dictionaries, that you have installed. *Look at the table below:*

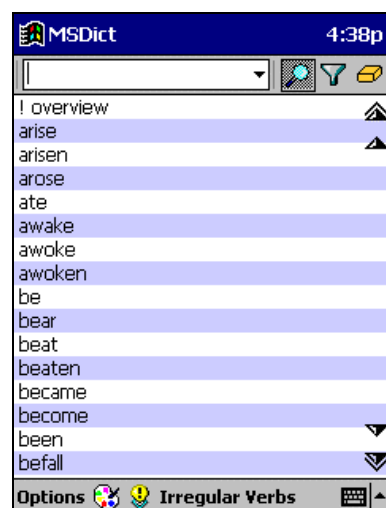
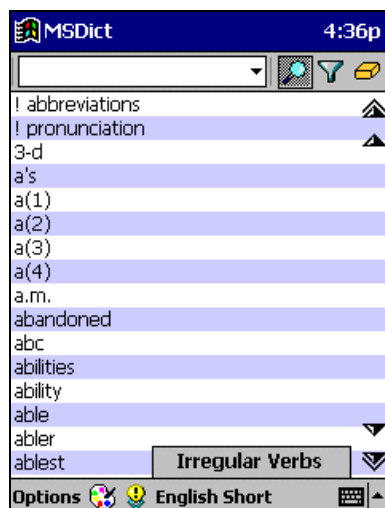


## CHANGING THE ACTIVE DICTIONARY


As already noted, there is an opportunity to install several dictionaries at a time, and they can be switched according to the particular needs of the user. This can be done by using the Dictionary list on your Command Bar. The only thing you need to do in order to change the dictionary is to tap the one you require.

For explanatory purposes, we assume that you have two dictionaries installed: “English Short” and “Irregular verbs”.



To change your active dictionary from “English Short” to “Irregular verbs” you should tap the already mentioned drop-down menu and select “Irregular verbs”.



## APPENDIXES

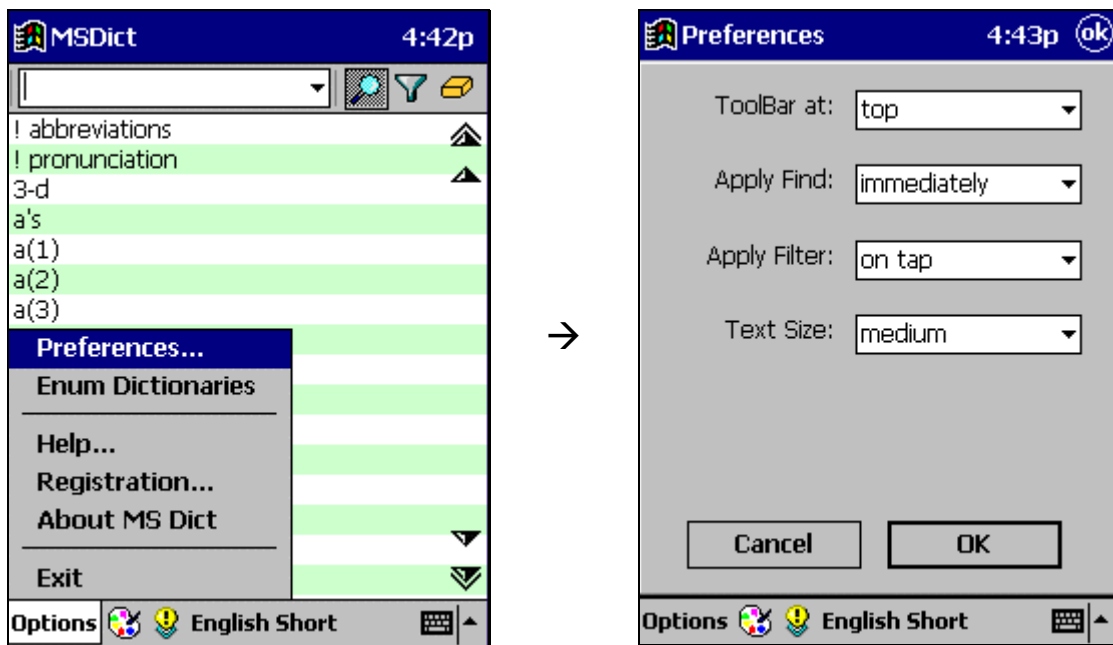
By tapping the  button on the Command Bar you can view appendixes, specific to the active dictionary (e.g. Pronunciation, Abbreviations, etc.)

## KEYBOARD

MSDict comes with a built-in keyboard which can be turned on and off at any time, according to your needs. You can do this by tapping  button, placed on the Command Bar. If you can see the keyboard, tapping  will hide it. Tapping once again will make it appear on your screen.

# PREFERENCES

To get MSDict “Preferences” screen you should tap the “Options” on your Command Bar and then select “Preferences” from the menu.





## SETTING THE TOOLBAR AT THE TOP OR BOTTOM OF THE SCREEN

You can set your Toolbar to be shown at the top or at the bottom part of the screen. To do that you must go to “Preferences” and use the “Toolbar at:” drop-down menu.

## FIND PREFERENCES

There are two options of this setting – “immediately” and “on tap”.

If you select “immediately” from the “Apply Find” drop-down menu, word look-up will be forced during the process of typing a word in MSDict query field. If you choose “on tap” you will have to type the whole word, that you are looking for first, and then tap the 🔍 button to engage a look-up.

## FILTER PREFERENCES

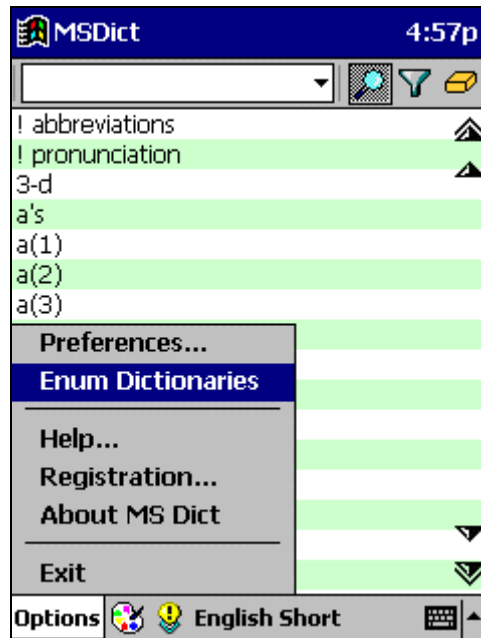
Alike “Find Preferences” here you can choose between the same two options. If you choose “immediately” from the “Apply Filter” drop-down, filtration will be processed as you are typing a word in the query fields. Otherwise (if “on tap” is selected) you will have to tap the 🏠 button, before the filtration is forced.

## FONT PREFERENCES

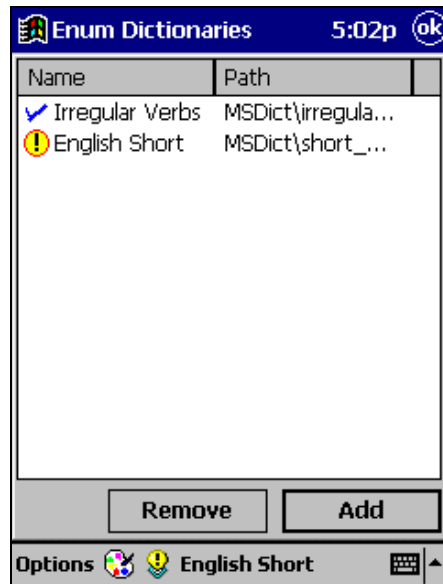
This setting allows you to choose the font style of your dictionary. You can choose between “smallest”, “smaller”, “medium”, “larger” and “largest”. Switching between different font styles can be done by using the “Text Size” drop-down menu in the MS Dict “Preferences”.

# DICTIONARY ADMINISTRATION

You can install several dictionaries at a time and switch between them by selecting “Enum Dictionaries” from the “Options” menu on your Command Bar.

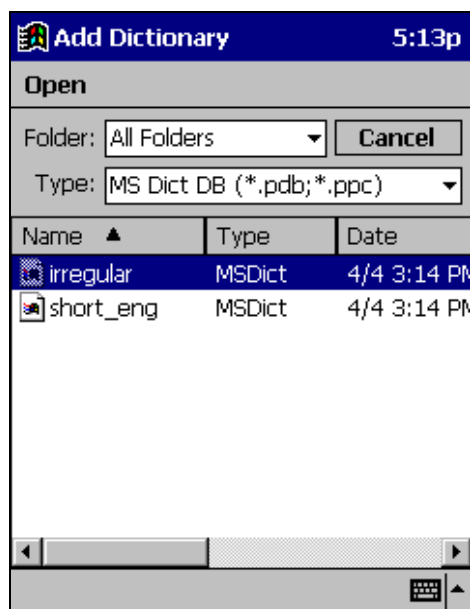


After that you will see a screen similar to the one below, according to the number of dictionaries you have and the one which is currently active on your PocketPC.



When you have the ⚠ sign in front of a dictionary, this means that it is currently active and cannot be removed. Make sure you activate another dictionary if you wish to delete the ⚠-signed one. You can remove only dictionaries with a ✓ sign before them. This can be done by tapping over the dictionary you want to remove and then tap the “Remove” button.

If you want to add a dictionary, you must tap the “Add” button. A similar screen to the one below will appear:



Tap the dictionary you want to add and it will be placed into your Dictionary List. If you select an invalid **.pdb** file, which cannot be recognized by the MSDict viewer, it will appear with a **✗** sign in front of it and will not appear in the Dictionary List.