Developing software and hardware for Acorn machines

Acorn supports all who wish to develop software and hardware for Acorn machines. At the basic level, we offer many products to help developers get started, such as compilers, development tools, Reference Manuals and Style Guides. Most of these items are available from Acorn Dealers.

Acom relies on the continued support of independent software and hardware developers to add value to its range of high technology computer platforms. Through this partnership, the end user can be provided with a wide choice of consistent solutions in a range of market sectors. This is of benefit to the end-user, to the independent developer and to Acom.

Acorn understands the need to provide technical support to those developers who are committed to Acorn's markets and end users. Commitment from Developers to meet a demanding set of standards will be matched by a similar commitment from Acorn to provide support for them.

Those who meet the appropriate criteria and are registered with Acorn will become part of the team of Acorn Registered Developers.

Acorn Registered Developers

How to apply for registration

The Benefits:

- ★ Direct dial telephone for quick, simple queries
- ★ Detailed technical support via letter, fax or email
- 24-hour direct line answering machine for out of hours or when lines are busy
- Special development software (e.g. utilities and example code) available on request
- * Newsletters and Acom literature
- One copy of each edition of the RISC OS Style Guide provided to each Registered Developer
- ★ Special documentation (Application Notes etc.)
- ★ Discounted Acom hardware and development software
- * Special offers on new machines
- ★ Special interest forums and seminars

Membership criteria:

- ★ Commercial commitment to Acorn products
- ★ Commitment to RISC OS specification compliance
- Willingness to work in partnership with other Developers and Acorn, as appropriate, to support mutual markets
- * Professional and honest approach to marketing
- ★ Professionally finished products
- ★ Finished product samples for Acorn's third-party product library
- Up-to-date promotional literature and information for product directories
- ★ Attendance at appropriate Acom Developer events
- ★ Technical feedback to Acom
- ★ Commitment to confidentiality

An annual subscription of £180 plus VAT is payable by Acorn Registered Developers on registration and each January.

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All developers must be registered with Acorn's Developer Support Department to receive direct assistance. A Registration Questionnaire will be provided by Acorn on request. This will seek to understand the intended nature of the developer's business to ensure that there is the possibility of a complementary relationship.

Where the appropriate criteria are met, Acom will accept the developer into the team of Registered Developers.

VARs can also apply to receive development support. Similar registration criteria apply as for other developers.

If you are, or would like to become, a developer for Acom computer platforms and wish to be considered for Registered Developer status, please contact:

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Support resources are finite and Acorn reserves the right to reject applications for support where they do not meet the appropriate criteria. Acorn is under no obligation to give a reason for any rejection and reserves the right to alter the scheme benefits at its discretion.

