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Visual EasyPDF

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What's VisualEasyPDF

It's a **visual document editor** program that enables you to **create PDF documents by drawing** in a real WYSIWYG environment by using your mouse and placing objects on the document.

But, what makes this one different from the others?

As you may known **MITData** is company dedicated to programmers and web solutions, our best seller program solution is the aspEasyPDF library to make **PDF documents in real time** . This library, as all other programming libraries, as a learning curve that increases with time, but as far as you known we never have time to read a documentation or even the best help file wrote to explain the library.

This is why we created a program that in combination with the library, some small time to place objects in a document and pressing a button, it will create all code for you. And the best of all, you can even press compile and run* and you will see it running on your web site. The learning curve has gone and you even can work with the library without knowing how to use it. At this moment **VisualEasyPDF** can work with different languages; **ASP** , **ASP.NET** , **Delphi** , **Borland Builder C++** , **VB Script** and **VB** .

I'm not a programmer, I just want to create a PDF document, can I use it?

Yes!, when you first run the VisualEasyPDF it will start with a **Setup Wizard**, it will ask you if you want to use it as a programming environment or as a visual PDF design tool. If you select to use it as a design tool then you wont see any editor source to program. Design your document and generate the final PDF document.

And the best of all; it's **free for drawing the first page with no banners or nag text!** . The unique limitation is that you can only draw one page and you don't have the option to save and load the VisualEasyPDF form.

Undecided to buy this component! , then [see the following page](#) to see how many clients are just working with our components.

Contact us at: support@mitdata.com or visit us at: www.mitdata.com backup server at www.mitdata.net

Thanks to Philipp Alexander Starkl for the German translation.

Please see the forums section to get an updated problems and solutions. This is the most common FAQ that has been extracted from the forums.

• **Which is the difference between free and standard?**

The VisualEasyPDF was designed to be a complement to the aspEasyPDF library, this is why it has a free version. The free version enables you to create a single page document and translate it with the code of your choice. The standard version unlock some features, like, drawing more pages, save and load form definitions and use the code bars object.

• **I'm from a Marketing department and I want to use VisualEasyPDF as a PDF creation solution, can I use it or is just for programmers?**

Sure!, when you first run the VisualEasyPDF it will start with a **Setup Wizard** and will ask you if you want to use it as a programming environment or as a visual PDF design tool. If you select to use it as a design tool then you wont see any programming section.

Just design your document and generate the final PDF document. Remember that the free edition will draw only just one PDF page, but without nags and any other limitation.

• **How can I load a PDF document?**

You can not load a PDF document, even on the registered version. The main reason is that the PDF documents are created in a batch sequence to be interpreted, this is quite complex and will require to much time to decoded and translate it to the VEP standard. From version 2.0 the aspEasyPDF library can read VEP files, even you can change it dynamically from the library by using the name objects.

• **Why I can generate a single PDF document without nags and no paying for it?**

This is a solution that we adopted some years ago that we wanted to draw a contract page and generate it in PDF to be send by email to a customer. We searched through internet and we saw so many free tools that it really weren't free. So this is why we decided to allow just one page to be free, without any printout in the middle ;-)

• **If I buy the VisualEasyPDF standard version, how much will take to unlock the program?**

If you purchase the program on our eCommerce site then the unlock code and the invoice will be sent by email in 5 minutes.

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You can find updated tutorials on our web site, please go to the following location:

[Help tutorials](#)

History

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2.04 (12-March-2004)

- Thanks to Philipp Alexander Starkl for the German translation.
- Added support for C# language
- csPropGraphDashLine was not restoring it's default value.

2.03 (02-February-2004)

- Graphics translation was not working for the Shareware version and was using the AddBarCode function instead the correct one.

2.02 (29- January -2004)

- Splash - The finish button didn't work

2.01 (27- January -2004)

- Splash show correct page
- Loads correct background from shapes
- Renders correctly the boxes and forms

2.00 (22-January-2004)

- Added multiple graphics format for 2.0 release (Security, Forms, Bookmarks, JavaScript)
- Generating PDF documents does not load the graphics again that was inserted on the document (making more easy to export VEP document and faster generation)
- Better Lines support
- Ellipses and Rectangles with Shadows
- Round rectangles support
- Graphic effects (color filters, angles, reductions)
- Compression levels
- Supports localization, available only on Spanish more to come
- Toolbars remembers positions after close
- Improved drawing tools when adding objects on the document
- Added MSAA support (Microsoft Active Accessibility)
- Constant generations by name
- Allows source comments
- Improved UI (buttons, menus and Themes)
- Added all new functions from aspEasyPDF 2.0
- Added support for MITEasyPDF .NET product

1.01 (06-10-03)

- Added US Letter for 8.5 x 14 inches size
- Added Name label for each object, this is a new option to interact with the aspEasyPDF 2.0 library
- Added C++ Builder code generation
- End string delimiter added for string function calls (WideString ("") in C++)
- After opening an existent file the dynamic translation didn't work
- Does not open the same file several times on the editor
- New keys color for Delphi, VB and ASP code

1.00 (26-09-03)

- Multiple run files
- Windows organization
- Dragging lines now draws shadow
- Pressing CTRL and Left mouse button you can select multiple objects or the one that it's difficult to grab
- Pressing on the form does not unselect the objects, now to deselect objects press Escape key
- Better source detect change
- New message to control the source translation
- New message to save the source code translation
- Transparent boxes

- You can delete multiple objects
- Improved speed of object selection by the mouse
- Implemented the mouse wheel on the Document editor

0.99 RC2c (26-08-03)

- Multiple selections was not working, again!
- Now on text field if it's starts with the @ character then is not converted to string, this is ideal to use variables directly on the printing function

0.99 RC2b (25-08-03)

- Fixed the selecting object cursors.
- Multiple selections was not working
- Save and load was not saving the appropriate page size
- Property button was not refreshed when loading directly from the MRU list
- Loading from the shell a VEP file with a big filename and blank spaces was loading multiple files, this has been corrected
- About page now shows the internal PDF library version

0.99 RC1 (10-07-2003)

- This is the first version after this version we will start to notify every change on the history page

Keyboard

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Keyboards for the Document editor

You can use the keyboard to manage the design of the document.

Key	Description
Cursors	Select an object
Tab	Next object
Shift + Tab	Previous object
Shift + Cursor	Sizes selected object
Ctrl + Cursor	Moves selected object
Shift + Mouse	Select individual objects
Ctrl + Mouse	Selects objects by a rectangle region
ESC	Unselects objects

Known problems

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- The VEP form doesn't save the source code in the .vep file to be cross user compatible, it must be sent separately.