

FP2 - TIP O' THE WEEK #74

FONTS AND COLOURS 2



Fonts and Colours

Last week we talked about fonts and colours. This week we're going to talk about why you may want to do this (other than just for fun)!

High Resolution

If your monitor has a very high resolution, some of the default fonts that we use don't size down correctly, and may look funny on your screen. An example of this is 1280 x 1024. If you use other fonts, the display will be better for you.

Here is one recommended alternative for a 1280 x 1024 resolution (you may like to be a bit more adventuresome and try some of your favourite fonts):

Label Fields:

Standard Labels

Arial, sizes 8, 7, 5 and 12 for Large Text Labels

Print/Find & Utility Labels

Arial, sizes 8, 7

Entry Fields:

Times New Roman, sizes 9, 6

Large Entry, Times New Roman 12

List Fields:

Arial Baltic, sizes 7, 6, 6

Monospaced Lists, Courier 9

Buttons:

Times New Roman 9

Checkboxes & Radio Buttons:

Arial 8 + Bold

Small Radio Buttons & Checkboxes, Arial 6

Tabs:

Verdana 6 + Bold

To make these changes, go to:

File → Window Set-up

(see last week's tip for more information on the window)

800 x 600 Resolution:

If any of the computers are using 800 x 600, the administrator should turn on the "Do Not Scale Windows" option for those users.

To do this, go to Set up → Passwords

and check the "Do Not Scale Windows" checkbox for the users this applies to.

Different Users:

If you by chance don't have your system set to ask for a password on start up, you may want to set it up that way if different users are using different settings. If there are users with different settings, each of them is going to be changing the code back & forth, and possibly causing you great confusion!

Go to: Set-up → System Information and make sure the "Password on Startup" box is checked.

Customize FirePro 2 to look the way you want it! Have fun ☺



Quote of the week:

"It's like Lego for firefighters."

Robert James III, talking about hose appliances.