
Subject: DOS Version Of Command & Conquer = Freeware

Posted by [Sanada78](#) on Thu, 17 Mar 2005 15:33:51 GMT

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Turns out that Command & Conquer is now freeware meaning that anyone who doesn't have it can now download it.

http://www.abandonia.com/games/378/Command_&_Conquer

For those who aren't convinced:

Quote:

We had a serious check before adding this game, and all our research indicates that the game is indeed abandoned.

1. Westwood (or rather eagames) have stopped selling it.
2. The support for the game shows a dead link.
3. HOTU doesn't have a BUY-link for it.
4. The game is not on the TUOL Warez list.
5. Sold Out Software (who owns the sell out rights for the C&C series) doesn't sell it.

So.... YAY!

It's been a bit striped down to reduce the size (i.e. no video clips, music or some sounds and only runs in DOS mode I think. But it'll be good enough for people who want to try it. I think you need to use DOSBox but I don't know.

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Posted by [Majiin Vegeta](#) on Thu, 17 Mar 2005 15:50:52 GMT

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great news!

thnx for the link great website
has a few old games i have been hunting down for ages

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Posted by [Weirdo](#) on Thu, 17 Mar 2005 16:39:17 GMT

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looks at his own original C&C Dos Box *sniff*

Subject: DOS Version Of Command & Conquer = Freeware
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Thu, 17 Mar 2005 20:58:32 GMT
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Abandonware is NOT freeware. If EA wanted to they could easily stop that site from distributing their game over the Internet.

Subject: DOS Version Of Command & Conquer = Freeware
Posted by [idebo](#) on Thu, 17 Mar 2005 20:59:39 GMT
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Already got it! LoL! Also has the original plus the add on! Good old days...

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Posted by [Weirdo](#) on Thu, 17 Mar 2005 21:20:06 GMT
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They could, but it's very doubtful that they actually pay someone to check web-sites like this to see if they are posting old abandoned software. Also note that there are more Westwood games, like Dune 2 and the Lion King on there.

But I wonder, what the complete rules are about these things. I think copyrights on music have a life time of 50 years if not taken action. Not long ago some of Elvis songs lost their copyrights protection because of that. For computer games although I don't know. Computer games might lose it quicker.

Subject: DOS Version Of Command & Conquer = Freeware
Posted by [Walrus](#) on Thu, 17 Mar 2005 22:22:02 GMT
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My god. I had forgotten that some of those existed. There are about 30 games on there that I've looking for since 91. I think I'll take the lot and make a cd or two... God nostalgia is a son of a bitch!

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Posted by [NHJ BV](#) on Thu, 17 Mar 2005 22:52:32 GMT
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You're right, but did EA actually take over the rights to the C&C's Westwood made before EA bought them? Or are those still Virgin's?

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Posted by [glyde51](#) on Thu, 17 Mar 2005 23:09:13 GMT

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Command and Conquer: Lion King

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Posted by [kopaka649](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 00:11:01 GMT

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all copyrights last 70 years

Subject: DOS Version Of Command & Conquer = Freeware

Posted by [IRON FART](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 00:13:03 GMT

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On books they are 30 years. Thats what a librarian told me.

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Posted by [Sanada78](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 00:40:08 GMT

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Well, if people are unhappy with the fact that the game is not truly considered abandonware, then a moderator can lock this thread.

I have the game on CD anyway, but I thought that others might be interested.

Subject: DOS Version Of Command & Conquer = Freeware

Posted by [icedog90](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 00:41:21 GMT

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lol, I have C&C 95 Gold Edition.

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Posted by [xptek](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 00:49:44 GMT

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I got C&C 95 with my first computer. However, the link to the full version of C&C 95 has been on about every warez kiddie's website a long time.

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Posted by [tooncy](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 02:33:41 GMT

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I have Gold. But, I only have one word for this: FINALLY!

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Posted by [Crimson](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 03:54:59 GMT

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I'm not entirely sure this thread is appropriate on these forums.

Subject: DOS Version Of Command & Conquer = Freeware

Posted by [TheGunrun](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 04:11:50 GMT

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do i require a windows xp patch to run this? on my xp pro btw. and does any one know where i can get the video files from the game with the music for free?

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Posted by [Vitaminous](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 04:17:47 GMT

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abandonware, then a moderator can lock this thread.

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Early days of Compact Disk gaming = leet.

Who's got Myst? I do (also kept the box).

I never got to play C&C95, but I had a good time with the DOS version.

C&C on the Nintendo 64 was so challenging, suprisingly it's still for sale at my local gaming store, but since I sold my Nintendo 64 I doubt there's actually a point to purchase it.

I'd like to be able to read the opinion of a former WS employee on this one.

Subject: DOS Version Of Command & Conquer = Freeware

Posted by [warranto](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 04:31:20 GMT

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Umm.. is it freeware, or abandonware?

Freeware: The company/person who owns the rights has released it as "free to own."

Abandonware: It's no longer supported/produced/etc.

The reason I ask is because freeware is legal to distribute to others, well obviously, free of charge. Abandonware, on the otherhand has simply been abandoned by the company. The copyright has not expired, so it is still technically illegal to distribute.

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Posted by [IRON FART](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 04:39:21 GMT

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Unlikely anything will happen though. EA won't give a damn because they wouldn't lose any profits anyway, and some people couldn't run that if it is for DOS (Unless I am mistaken and it is for Win95)

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Posted by [Jecht](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 04:45:55 GMT

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either way, im gettin it. If I cant buy it in stores Im gonna download it for free.

Subject: DOS Version Of Command & Conquer = Freeware

Posted by [Jecht](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 05:06:26 GMT

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sorry for the double post. Does anyone remember how to use DOS?? I forgot how to run C&C.

And is Command Prompt the same as DOS? cuz I cant Find DOS like i did when I had Windows 95 back in the day.

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Posted by [ADM](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 07:56:46 GMT

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And is Command Prompt the same as DOS? cuz I cant Find DOS like i did when I had Windows 95 back in the day.

Nope the Command Promt is not DOS. Best way is to install and older version of Windows with MSDOS on it such as Windows 95/98.

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Posted by [Jecht](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 15:21:15 GMT

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damnit, I dont have older versions anymore. Why did Microsoft nix DOS on XP? any way to install without DOS? i doubt it, but i thought I would ask anyway.

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Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2005 15:44:23 GMT

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Have any of you actually paid attention to the compatability to it? It says DOSBOX, and imagine this, they have a download for DOSBOX right on the site. Nothing gets passed you guys.
:rolleyes:

<http://dosbox.sourceforge.net/download.php?main=1>

That's the official site if you would rather get it from there.

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Posted by [IRON FART](#) on Sat, 19 Mar 2005 00:20:35 GMT

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Just get C&C:95.

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Posted by [tooncy](#) on Sun, 20 Mar 2005 17:06:41 GMT

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<http://www.cgarchive.com/Game.php?view=21>

This site has a link to the Gold Edition with music if you want it.

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Posted by [Jecht](#) on Mon, 21 Mar 2005 05:19:12 GMT

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thx

Subject: DOS Version Of Command & Conquer = Freeware

Posted by [Jecht](#) on Mon, 21 Mar 2005 05:44:50 GMT

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double post, tried downloading it 6 six times, internet crashed every time, if anyone has successfully downloaded it could you add me to msn and send it to me?

msn: gbull1986
