
Subject: saberhawk's Stealth effect
Posted by [Poskov](#) on Mon, 11 Jan 2010 12:26:49 GMT
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Any plans to port the APB stealth effect to Renegade?

Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect
Posted by [R315r4z0r](#) on Mon, 11 Jan 2010 16:41:04 GMT
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If anyone ever hopes to attempt it, they would have to wait for the TT scripts 4.0 patch to be released.

Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect
Posted by [Poskov](#) on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 15:17:07 GMT
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Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect
Posted by [Omar007](#) on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 15:36:04 GMT
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Posted by [saberhawk](#) on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 18:57:38 GMT
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Oh cool that its that easy

I'm going to try that then ^^

And @ titlebar; whatevrrrrrrr as if anyone cares about titlebars. (although i did lol'd at some of the APB ones)

Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect

Posted by [Omar007](#) on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 20:40:52 GMT

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Posted by [Kimb](#) on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 21:52:31 GMT
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Posted by [Omar007](#) on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 22:01:22 GMT
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Because it doesnt works as it should

This is how it should be:
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It should be transparent and distorting what's behind, under or w/e

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Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect
Posted by [saberhawk](#) on Tue, 12 Jan 2010 22:28:44 GMT
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Ah, right; APB has different stealth constants which are used by the shader to fade in/out. Sadly, I no longer have a copy of that shader code, nor do I have the tools to create the shader cache files used by apbshaders.dll.

Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect
Posted by [Omar007](#) on Wed, 13 Jan 2010 10:16:02 GMT
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Well when i get back home ill be trying to fix it for renegade.

I dont think you will be able to play online after that though; objects.ddb

Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect
Posted by [Omar007](#) on Wed, 13 Jan 2010 18:08:49 GMT
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Again sorry for the double post but i got home and i changed the stealth settings in objects.ddb with the result we wanted (almost)

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I put almost between () because sometimes it doesnt work 100%;

1. Sometimes only transparent and not distorting shit
2. Stealth to Un-Stealth and vice versa transition not very good
3. Sometimes your screen (game only if you play windowed) will have some black stuff flickering
4. Looks screwed up when you are at the point you cant cloak because you dont have enough lives (sort of half cloaking)

1; seems only happening on Stank

2 and 4; Always

3; is really rare in my experience

EDIT:

I found what that black shit was. Its the waterfall that is on Hourglass

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Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect
Posted by [Tupolev TU-95 Bear](#) on Wed, 13 Jan 2010 18:51:12 GMT
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Good work you made Omar
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Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect
Posted by [Omar007](#) on Wed, 13 Jan 2010 18:54:10 GMT
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GOL14TH wrote on Wed, 13 January 2010 19:51 Good work you made Omar
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a dll more probably

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Posted by [Poskov](#) on Sat, 16 Jan 2010 06:09:41 GMT
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What exactly are you changing in objects.ddb?

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Posted by [Omar007](#) on Sat, 16 Jan 2010 10:17:49 GMT
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Visibility range of the Stealth Units

MP (veh + char) range; 0
SP (veh + char) range; 8

That is what it is in the APB objects.ddb

Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect
Posted by [Gen_Blacky](#) on Sat, 16 Jan 2010 22:33:11 GMT
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im sure you could change that settings in scripts.

Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect
Posted by [kamuixmod](#) on Sun, 11 Sep 2011 19:14:38 GMT
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BUMP:

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Posted by [Jerad2142](#) on Sun, 11 Sep 2011 19:19:32 GMT
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Pretty sure they rebuilt the code for the cloak effect, so it's all the call of the creator I suppose.

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That same effect is used in plenty of other games so I really think many mods would like to benefit from it.

Although the effect you provide is quite nice for Renegade.

However, it has one issue though, the little crystal on the laser rifle's first person model is not affected by it, and I would assume it has a pass that does not agree or something.

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Subject: Re: saberhawk's Stealth effect

Posted by [halo2pac](#) on Mon, 12 Sep 2011 03:27:42 GMT

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Could we use the same effect to make better looking glass? and how did you guys do it for the water? it is clear now .. it used to be blue... so possibly better glass? Also is it possible to add heat distortion to vehicles and fire?
