

# External Commands

(These are the commands which require certain special DOS files for being executed.)

- XCOPY** This is used to copy one or more files from a directory to another location.  
Syntax-C :> XCOPY directory subdirectory target directory \subdirectory
- ATTRIB +S** This command is used to create a system file.  
Syntax-C :> ATTRIB +S file name
- ATTRIB+H** This command is used to create a hidden file  
Syntax-C :> ATTRIB +H file name
- ATTRIB+R** This command is used to create read only file.  
Syntax-C :> ATTRIB +R file name.
- ATTRIB- S** This command is used to make a general file from a system file  
Syntax-C :> ATTRIB-S file name
- ATTRIB-H** This command is used to make a general file from hidden file.  
Syntax-C :> ATTRIB - H file name
- ATTRIB-R** This command is used to make a general file from a read only file.  
Syntax-C :> ATTRIB R file name
- BACK UP** This command restore after many option. It copy file from floppy disk to hard disk.

Syntax-C :\> Back up A: C: file name

**MORE** This command is used to see a file or directory page by page and display a message-MORE-

Syntax- C :\> DIR/MORE

C :\> TYPE file name: MORE

**MODE** This command is used to change the MODE of printing on screen

Syntax- C:\>MODE ø40

C:\>MODEø80

**ECHO ON** This command is used to appear the prompt on disk.

Syntax- C:\>ECHO ø ON

**ECHO OFF** This command disappears the prompt and only cursor blinks on the Screen.

Syntax- C:\>ECHOø OFF

**DISK COMP** This command is used to copy of same disk.

Syntax- C:\>DISK COMP A: A:

**MEM** This command is used to see used and memory of the disk.

Syntax- C:\>MEM

**MSD** (Microsoft diagnostics) provides detailed technical information.

Syntax- C:\>MSD

**FORMAT** This command is used to format a disk; disk may be hard disk, floppy disk or compact disk.

/V for volume label name of the hard disk.

/S for transfer of system file command. Com from with hidden files I.O.sys and msdos.sys

**F DISK** This command is used for making disk partition.

Syntax- C:\>FDISK

(To come out of FDISK program, press ESC)

**UNDELETE** This command is used to recollect the Deleted file before switching off the system.

Syntax C:\>UNDELETE file name

**PRINT** This command is used to print a text file.

Syntax:-C :\> PRINT Drive name file name

**RESTORE** This command is used to copy file from floppy disk to a fixed disk.

Syntax C:\>RESTORE A: C:/S:

EDIT This command uses a full screen text editor.  
EDIT/B Run editor in monochrome (black and white) mode  
EDIT/R Load files in read only mode  
EDIT/G Run editor with fast update on the OGA screen  
EDIT/S Forces the use of short file names.  
EDIT/H Display the maximum number of lines possible for our hardware.  
EDIT/INOHs High intensity color are removed  
EDIT/? Display help screen.

Syntax C :\> EDIT

C :\> EDIT/B

C :\> EDIT/G

C :\> EDIT/H

C :\> EDIT/INOHs

SCANDISK This command checks the disk and display total number of bytes in: - Disk space, bad sector, No. of folder, hidden files, User files.  
Syntax C :\> SCANDISK ↵

DISK COPY This command is used to make a duplicate copy of a disk It copies the content of the diskette in the source drive to the diskette in the target drive.  
Syntax C :\> Disk copy ø A: ø C:

TREE This command displays all directory path names on the current or specified disk /F to lead display file name.  
Syntax C \> TREE

DELTREE This command is to delete particular directory with all its subdirectory  
Syntax C \> DELTREE ø (directory name)

SORT This command is used to read input sort data and write the result to the screen file or other device. This command reading character in specified pattern ascending or descending.  
/R Reversing order in Z to A & or 9 to 0 form.

/+2 According to second character of primary name.

SORT File name arrange the order of contents of particular file.

Syntax C \>DIR: SORT

C \>DIR: SORT /R

C \>DIR: SORT /+2

C \>DIR: SORT / +2/R

C \>DIR: SORT file name

C:\>DIR: SORT /R file name

## (Special Prompt commands)

PROMPT: ØSKS	replacing a prompt by any name(SKS). Syntax: - prompt Ø SKS SKS_
Prompt Ø \$P\$G:	prompt on. Syntax: - prompt Ø \$P\$G C:\>_
Prompt Ø \$Q:	prompt replaced by (=) sign Syntax: - Prompt Ø \$Q =_
Prompt Ø \$G:	prompt replaced by (>) sign Syntax prompt Ø \$G >_
Prompt Ø \$L:	prompt replaced by (<) sign. Syntax prompt Ø \$L <_
Prompt Ø \$B	prompt is replaced by pipe sign. Syntax prompt Ø B  _
Prompt Ø \$V	prompt is replaced by current version (window98). Syntax prompt Ø V Window98 (Version 4.10.2222)
Prompt Ø \$D	prompt is replaced by current system date. Syntax prompt Ø \$D Sat 10-16-2004
Prompt Ø \$T	prompt is replaced by current system time Syntax prompt Ø \$T 11:23:57.98a
Prompt Ø any name\$P\$G	prompt is replaced with any name. Syntax prompt Ø Sks\$P\$G SksC:\>_
Prompt Ø \$\$	prompt is replaced by (\$)sign. Syntax prompt Ø \$\$ \$_
Prompt Ø \$P	prompt is replaced by current drive and path. Syntax prompt Ø \$P C:\>_