

System 7.5: International Systems Described (3/95)

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TOPIC -----

This article describes the differences between U.S. Domestic System Software 7.5 and international versions. There appears to be some confusion about the following System 7.5 versions:

- The generic (Z) international version
- The British (UK) version
- The Chinese version
- The Japanese version
- The French version
- The German version
- The Italian version
- The Spanish version
- The Israeli and Arabic versions

DISCUSSION -----

Z International Version of System Software 7.5

The Z version is very close to the B (British) version except that:

- Date, Time, Keyboard, and Number formats are set to Australian
- The trash is really named Trash (instead of Wastebasket)

Differences Between B (British) and US Versions of System Software 7.5

The British version of System 7.5 contains the following:

- British spellings: colour (color), wastebasket (trash), grey (gray), customise (customize), initialise (initialize), dialogue (dialog) ... plus a certain number of alternately-phrased sentences.
- For all printers, the default paper format is set to A4 (instead of Letter US)

- The default keyboard is set to British
- Date, Time, and Number formats are set to British

Localized Versions

The following versions are localized: all the strings, alerts, dialogs, menus, and so on use the local language. Some of these versions (Japanese, Chinese, Hebrew, and Arabic) contain some specific fonts and input methods:

- The Chinese version of System 7.5
- The Japanese version of System 7.5
- The French version of System 7.5
- The German version of System 7.5
- The Italian version of System 7.5
- The Spanish version of System 7.5
- The Israeli and Arabic versions of System 7.5

Differences between the U.S. System + Japanese Language Kit and the Japanese System:

U.S. System + Japanese Language Kit

This is a U.S. system that has the ability to display, print, and edit both Roman and Japanese text (as long as you use an application that supports WorldScript).

Japanese System

This is a fully translated version of the system software. All dialogs, menus, and so on are in Japanese. Like the first U.S. System + Japanese Language Kit, you can print, display, and edit both Roman and Japanese text.

The Japanese System Software is designed for the Japanese market where most people speak only Japanese. The Japanese Language Kit is designed for the U.S. market, for people who use English as their primary language, but want to be able to write or receive documents in Japanese, English, or both languages combined. A language kit can be installed onto any localized system software, such as Spanish, French, Italian, or even Arabic.

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