

What's New in ZoomText 11.2

Support for the Windows 10 Creators Update

This release of ZoomText is ready for use in Windows 10 Creators Update, currently available from Microsoft as "Insider Builds" and scheduled for full release in spring 2017.

Refinements to ZoomText features and user interface

A wide variety of fixes and enhancements have been applied throughout ZoomText, making ZoomText's features and user interface more usable and dependable.

Global improvements in performance and stability

A wide variety of code refinements have been implemented in this ZoomText update that provide a global improvement of performance and stability in the Windows desktop and native applications, Microsoft Office, Internet Explorer, and many other applications.

Localizations expanded to 14 languages

This release of ZoomText 11 now provides a localized user interface for the following languages: Czech, Danish, Dutch, Finnish, French, German, Icelandic, Norwegian, Polish, Slovak, Spanish, Swedish, UK English and US English.

ZoomText trial period failures have been fixed

On some systems, when installing ZoomText 11 for the first time the 60-day trial period would be expired on the first day. This problem has been fixed.

ZoomText's Mouse Echo now works in IE11

When ZoomText's Mouse Echo feature was enabled, using the mouse in Internet Explorer 11 (aka IE 11) would sometimes cause Internet Explorer to crash and display an "Internet Explorer has stopped working" message. This problem has been fixed.

Text cursor now reliably tracked in Microsoft Word

In Microsoft Word 2010 and later, when using the arrow keys to move the text cursor through the document text, ZoomText's magnified view would sometimes fail to track the text cursor, allowing the cursor to drift out of view. This problem has been fixed.

Tracking, enhancing and echoing of the text cursor restored in Word 2016

Following the installation of Microsoft Office 2016 updates released in late 2016, ZoomText stopped tracking, enhancing and echoing the text cursor in Word 2016. This problem has been fixed.

WordPad no longer crashes when clicking controls on the toolbar

When using WordPad while ZoomText was running, clicking the buttons on the WordPad toolbar would sometimes cause WordPad to crash. This problem has been fixed.

MS Paint no longer crashes when clicking buttons on the toolbar

When using MS Paint while ZoomText was running, clicking the buttons on the MS Paint toolbar would sometimes cause MS Paint to crash. This problem has been fixed.

Windows Live Mail 2012 no longer crashes when clicking buttons on the toolbar

When using Windows Live Mail 2012 while ZoomText was running, clicking the buttons on the toolbar would sometimes cause Windows Live Mail to crash. This problem has been fixed.

The “Open New Window” command now works in Windows Explorer

In Windows 10, when using Windows Explorer and selecting File > Open New Window, a new window would not appear. This problem has been fixed.

Selecting of File menu items is now reliable

In Windows 10, crashes could occur when selecting items in the File menus of Windows Explorer, MS Paint, WordPad, Notepad and other applications. These problems have been fixed.

Magnification is more reliable in ZoomText Secure Mode

With ZoomText Secure Mode enabled, magnification is provided in the Windows logon prompt and UAC prompts. On some systems, magnification would disappear after a few seconds after entering these prompts. This problem has been fixed.

Keyboard commands now working properly in ZoomText Secure Mode

When engaging the Windows logon screen and UAC prompts the command keys for navigating the logon or UAC prompt and the ZoomText Secure Mode toolbar were not working properly. These problems have been fixed.

User defined hotkeys now supported in ZoomText Secure Mode

Customized hotkeys for zooming in and out, toggling color enhancements on and off, and toggling speech on and off are now supported when using ZoomText Secure Mode in the Windows logon prompt and UAC prompts.

AppReader’s Text View properly displays and navigates text

When using the AppReader’s Text View in the Prompter mode, text would sometimes appear with only one word per line and use of the next and previous paragraph commands would only move one word at a time. The Prompter View now displays multiple words per line and properly navigates when using the next paragraph and previous paragraph commands.

AppReader’s Text View starts reading continuously when launched

When launching AppReader into Text View, the first word would be spoken and then reading would pause. Reading will now starts and continues until you execute the pause command.

AppReader’s Execute Link command is now working in Text View

When using AppReader in Text View, the Execute Link command can now be used to trigger link in documents and webpages.

Zoom level adjustments are now announced when adjusted with arrow keys

On ZoomText's Magnifier toolbar, when moving the focus to the Zoom Level spin box and pressing the up and down arrow keys, the changes to the zoom level are now announced.

Zoom level changes are now announced when using the zoom in and out commands

When using the Zoom In and Zoom Out commands the new zoom level is now announced.

Voice rate adjustments are now announced when adjusted with arrow keys

On ZoomText's Reader toolbar, when moving the focus to the Rate spin box and pressing the up and down arrow keys, the changes to the voice rate are now announced.

Voice names are now announced properly in ZoomText's Voice dialog

In the Voice tab of ZoomText's Voice Settings dialog, when navigating through the list of voices the announcement of each voice name would occur with a stutter. This problem has been fixed.

Mouse Echo works after accessing the Power button

In the Windows 10 Start menu, after clicking on the Power button ZoomText's mouse echo feature would stop working. This problem has been fixed.

Enhance Color command now works in the Windows "Switch User" screen

In the Windows logon screen, if you chose the Switch User command and then used ZoomText's Enhance Colors hotkey, the system would freeze. This problem has been fixed.

Zoom levels are now properly presented when using the 8MP ZoomText Camera

When using the Camera feature (on ZoomText's Tools toolbar) with the ZoomText document camera, attempts to increase and decrease the zoom level through the optical range would have no effect (i.e. when the Zoom In and Zoom Out buttons are green). This occurred because the ZoomText document camera does not support optical zooming. These zoom level settings are no longer included when using the ZoomText document camera.

New command keys for adjusting the camera image

New command keys are now provided for adjusting the camera image when using the Camera feature. You can now rotate the camera image clockwise or counterclockwise by pressing the Right and Left arrow keys. The position of camera image can now be moved around the edges of the screen (or between multiple monitor screens) by pressing Caps Lock + Right and Caps Lock + Left. You can now cycle forward and backward through the two-color schemes by pressing Alt + Right and Alt + Left.

Finder now launches after creating a reading zone

After using ZoomText's Reading Zones feature and creating a reading zone, ZoomText's Finder feature would fail to launch. This problem has been fixed.

Accelerator keys for Background Reader toolbar are now working properly

When ZoomText's Background Reader toolbar was active the accelerator keys for the Next and Previous buttons would not trigger the Next and Previous commands. This problem has been fixed.

Accelerator key for Speak Sample control now works

In the Voice tab of ZoomText's Voice Settings dialog, the accelerator key for the Speak Sample button would not trigger the Speak Sample command. This problem has been fixed.

Focus Enhancement now restored when toggled off and on

When toggling ZoomText's focus enhancement feature off and back on the focus enhancement would not reappear around the control with focus. The focus enhancement would only reappear when the input focus moved to a new control. The focus enhancement now immediately reappears around the active control (if a control has focus).

Zoom window borders are now visible when using Invert Brightness or Invert Colors

When using one of ZoomText partial screen zoom windows (Overlay, Lens, Line or Docked) and using Invert Brightness or Invert Colors (in the Color Enhancements), the zoom window border was not inverted resulting in the borders blending in with the inverted screen. This made it difficult to distinguish the magnified view from the unmagnified view. The zoom window borders are now inverted making it easy to distinguish the zoom window border between the magnified and unmagnified views.

Cursor Enhancement "Preview" box now displays text when using Windows high contrast schemes

In the Cursor tab of ZoomText's Screen Enhancement Settings dialog box, text would not appear in the Preview box when using a Windows high contrast scheme. This problem has been fixed.

Transparency level is now displayed properly in the AppReader Settings dialog

In the App View tab of ZoomText's AppReader Settings dialog box, the selected Transparency level is now properly displayed in the Preview box.

ZoomText tooltips now stay in view

When moving the mouse pointer over the controls on the ZoomText toolbars, a tooltip appears with a description of the control and its associated hotkey. Previously, these tooltips would immediately disappear when the pointer moved off the control. Now, when you move the mouse pointer from the control to the tooltip the tooltip will stay in view, allowing you to scroll the magnified view to read the entire tooltip.

ZoomText tooltips no longer display disable hotkeys

When the hotkey associated with a toolbar control has been disabled the hotkey no longer appears in the tooltip for that control.

Expanded support for Windows screen resolutions and font scaling

ZoomText now supports more combinations of Windows screen resolutions, screen orientations and font scaling settings (100%, 125%, 150% and 200%).

Flicker eliminated when using multiple monitor configurations

On some systems, when using multiple monitors a random flicker would occur in the magnified views. This problem has been fixed.

ZoomText activation dialog properly displayed after reinstalling ZoomText

When a ZoomText trial license had expired, if you uninstalled and reinstalled ZoomText the activation dialog would not appear, blocking the ability to activate the product. This problem has been fixed.

GEM software now support when using multiple monitors

When running with a multiple monitor configuration, ZoomText's magnified view would stop updating if the GEM software (from Freedom Scientific) was also in use. This problem has been fixed.

ZoomText icon on the Windows taskbar now launches ZoomText

In Windows 10, if ZoomText 11 icon was pinned to the Windows taskbar, clicking the pinned icon would fail to launch ZoomText. This problem has been fixed.

Erroneous "ding" sounds no longer heard when using ZoomText hotkeys

When pressing ZoomText hotkeys, if the modifier key(s) were released before the primary key, a "ding" sound would occur, giving the impression that an error had occurred. These erroneous sounds have been eliminated.