

## Toggle Between Tiled and Full-Screen Modes PC Magazine

The Solutions column of February 23, 1993, included a useful WordPerfect 5.1 macro for switching between split- and full-screen views of two documents. The equivalent macro for WordPerfect 6.x for DOS can be even more useful, since WordPerfect 6.x lets you open up to nine documents.

Like the original WordPerfect 5.1 version, the included WINSPLIT.WPM macro, submitted by J. Wallingford of Luberton, NC, toggles between full-screen and tiled document windows. Note the Persistall command in the first line, which tells WordPerfect that all variables in the macro – WinSplit in this particular macro – should persist throughout the current session. If you leave the Persistall command out, the WinSplit variable will quietly disappear every time the macro finishes. Then the next time you run the macro, the IF(Exists(WinSplit)) command will find that the variable doesn't exist, and the macro will always set WordPerfect to a tiled screen.

Note too that the macro operates through blind navigation. Rather than checking on the actual state of the screen, it keeps track of the screen setting with the WinSplit variable. If you change to or from a full-screen document window manually at any point, the macro will be out of sync with the program, and you'll have to run the macro twice to see any effect. A more elegant technique would be to have WordPerfect check the state of the window and act accordingly. Unfortunately, the macro language doesn't offer that feature.