

# SP TimeSavers, FrameMaker Edition

Includes **Bookmark Controller, Link Controller, PDFmarker, UnBloat** and more

The logo for MicroType, featuring the word "MicroType" in a serif font with a stylized ampersand between "Micro" and "Type". The text is white and set against a purple rectangular background.

MicroType's SP TimeSavers, FrameMaker Edition is an integrated set of platform-independent utilities which control or enhance various aspects of the conversion from FrameMaker to PDF/Acrobat.

These utilities are designed for users of FrameMaker who create and maintain high-quality, interactive PDF files. SP TimeSavers enables you to define Acrobat features in your source FrameMaker file so that they are automatically and consistently reproduced in the PDF when the source is updated, circumventing the tedious and repetitive use of Acrobat to set or adjust these features.

SP TimeSavers settings can be controlled through a Configuration Panel. Specific settings can also be embedded in FrameMaker files using hypertext markers.

Price: US\$200 for a single license; discount available for multiple licenses.

## Bookmark Controller

Bookmark-related functions help make your bookmarks neater and easier to identify:

**CollapseBookmarks** automatically collapses Acrobat bookmarks, making your bookmark structure easier to understand, more readable on small screens and faster to load in Acrobat Reader. With SP TimeSavers, you can choose to collapse all bookmarks to the first or second hierarchical level.

**ParaNumOut** automatically removes the paragraph numbers from bookmarks (carried over from source paragraphs). The resulting bookmarks are more suitable to an interactive screen format, and allow more space for meaningful text.

**MergeBookmarks** merges a bookmark, such as a chapter number, with the following one.

**ExtractFigureBookmarks** and **ExtractTableBookmarks** collate bookmarks for figures and tables and place them either at the beginning or at the end of the bookmark list, under a corresponding heading, initially expanded or collapsed as needed.

**FixSpecialCharsInBmk** handles various special spaces and hyphens in bookmark text, so that they are displayed meaningfully.

**ReOrderCustomBookmarks** forces your custom bookmarks to be at the top or bottom of the list of bookmarks.

**BookmarkStylerByText** and **BookmarkStylerByLevel** enable you to define bookmark color and font properties (Acrobat 5) so that they are automatically created in the PDF, based on bookmark text and/or level.

**ChangeBmkStart** enables you to specify up to 10 *from-to* replacements, so that repetitive text can be reduced to an abbreviation (or eliminated entirely). For example, instead of "Appendix A: Technical Specifications", the bookmark will be "App A: Technical Specifications", with more space left for meaningful text.

**RemoveRedundantBmkStart** enables you to specify up to 10 strings of redundant text that will be removed from the beginning of bookmarks, so that bookmarks will have a unique beginning and be easier to identify.

*"... I have been working with your TimeSavers and it is a great help. It has opened my eyes to a bunch of possibilities that I didn't know even existed."*

Victor Mote  
Portage Publications

*"The TimeSavers allow me to provide my clients with highly sophisticated PDF solutions from source FrameMaker documents."*

Mark Poston  
Mekon Ltd. eContent Solutions

*"The TimeSavers have worked out great in our latest export to PDF"*

Terry Post  
NetCasters

*"They are wonderful, and indeed 'timesavers'..."*

Grant Hogarth  
Onyx Graphics

*"Wow! I couldn't believe it. The old file was 158 MB; the new file is 15.1 MB. This is absolutely incredible!"*

Joyce Richter  
GWiz Systems

## Link Controller

Link Controller enables you to globally control the way FrameMaker links are displayed, printed, or function in Acrobat:

**VisLinks** gives you control over highlighting style, border color and width, and different colors for internal and external links generated by FrameMaker. You can also automatically adjust the size of the link area. Visible links can be useful either in diagnostic versions or in the distribution PDFs.

**ForceNewWindow** automatically displays each externally-linked PDF file in a separate window, overriding the Acrobat Reader local preference of “open cross-document links in the same window”.

**ChangeFileNameCase** translates all file names used in FrameMaker links to lower case or to all caps, important in maintaining links when developing interactive PDFs to be viewed in platforms where file names are case-sensitive.

## FM Controls

**PDFmarker** enables the use of regular FrameMaker hypertext markers to specify PDF features in your FrameMaker files.

Common pdfmark commands or fragments thereof are easily accessible as pre-defined shortcuts. Using PDFmarker, you can:

- inherit FrameMaker’s hypertext marker active area within your regular text flow (important for buttons, pop-ups and notes, with control over title, color and size)
- anchor location-sensitive pdfmark commands to the appropriate location
- insert many useful pdfmark commands which are not location-sensitive
- insert setdistillerparams commands
- specify a job-specific epilogue file to be processed together with your file
- take advantage of these pre-defined shortcuts supplied with SP TimeSavers:
  - bookmark to a file, URL, e-mail
  - various DocView settings
  - links with JavaScript actions
  - Acrobat named action template
  - titled Acrobat notes with icons
  - general link template
  - base URL
  - page-based transitions
  - movies
  - specific Acrobat actions, e.g. Search
  - index attachment
  - “page open” action

The shortcuts can be used as-is, or customized to suit your own needs.

PDFmarker supports references to external files, useful when you need to reference similar sets of commands in different files – or as a way to overcome the FrameMaker limit of 255-characters in marker text.

**ConvertFMnewlink** makes it easy to use FrameMaker’s newlink marker to create “clean” named destinations used by external applications to access a specific location in the PDF file.

**IgnoreDOCINFO, IgnoreDOCVIEW, IgnorePAGE** enable you to suppress specific pdfmark commands issued by FrameMaker, which otherwise gain precedence over your own commands (the options differ depending on the FrameMaker release used).

**ManageArticle** converts each “Flow A” text frame into a separate, single-bead article thread, a useful setting in some page-based catalogs.

**UnBloat** removes redundant named destinations written by FrameMaker for each and every paragraph, typically reducing the PDF file size by 15% to 25%, depending on contents and original size. In complex publications, with many multi-cell tables or multiple columns, size reduction is much higher and can even be 90%.