

# Description of DOS II/+ on Atari XL/XE

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## Commands

<b>n:</b>	Select drive where <i>n</i> is drive's number
<b>DIR</b> or / DIR D3:*.* DIR D3:W*.TXT DIR D3:*.* -A	Directory of current drive (both mean the same) Directory of drive 3 Directory of all programs with W*.TXT specification Displays the directory of drive 3 in two columns.
<b>TYP</b> <i>name</i>	Displays file's content. For example ATASCII text file.
<b>DEL</b> <i>name</i>	Deletes file <i>name</i> . Never use *.* as <i>name</i> with DEL for clearing the whole disk because disk space will be less than it is for real.
<b>REN</b> <i>old,new</i>	Renames file <i>old</i> to <i>new</i>
<b>LOC</b> <i>name</i>	Locks file
<b>UNL</b> <i>name</i>	Unlocks file
<b>FS#</b>	Formats current disk in Single Density
<b>FM#</b>	Formats current disk in Medium Density
<b>FD#</b>	Formats current disk in Double Density
<b>CL#</b>	Clears disk directory and VTOC table
<b>IN#</b>	Writes DOS on current disk
<b>COP</b> <i>from,to</i>	Copies file from <i>from</i> to <i>to</i> If you want to copy some files from one disk to another as source mask write *.* or *.BIN and as target mask <b>Dn:=</b> . DOS will be waiting for Return after each file twice (or more) with <i>from</i> or <i>to</i> prompt. It's necessary = not *.*. So you can copy files to different disks having only one disk drive. If after second name (target) you add /A, source file will be added to the target.
<b>LOA</b> <i>name,address</i>	Loads file <i>name</i> into memory. If the <i>address</i> is present, then file will be loaded on <i>address</i> position (with header if it's binary file). If the <i>address</i> is not present, then file must be with header. Otherwise DOS doesn't load it.
<b>RUN</b> <i>address</i>	Runs program from <i>address</i>
<b>SAV</b> <i>name,from,to</i>	Saves binary file <i>name</i> from specified memory location.
<b>JOB</b> <i>command</i>	Saves on disk first command to execute after DOS loads. Here You can put any DOS command from this list or just a filename or batch file. Batch file must be preceded by @ (e.g. D3:@AUTOEXEC.BAT). If there's no <i>command</i> JOB displays actual command (default is ;).

<b>CAR</b> or ;	Jumps to BASIC if it's turned on! If not, this command will only clear the screen. After ; you can write any BASIC command. For example ; RUN"D:PROG.BAS"
<b>=ON</b>	Turns the BASIC on
<b>=OF</b>	Turns the BASIC off
<b>name</b>	Loads and runs program <i>name</i> . If it has COM extender you could pass it.
<b>&gt;address</b> (in HEX)	Displays 8 bytes from <i>address</i> .
<b>&gt;address byte ...</b>	Writes <i>byte(s)</i> to the <i>address</i> .
<b>@name</b>	Loads and runs batch file called <i>name</i> . The batch file can contain all DOS commands plus some special commands: <b>'text</b> Displays <i>text</i> on the screen <b>!</b> Waits for any key

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## Technical infos

Drive D8: is a RAMdisk. Handler M: has the same meaning like D8:, but while copying DOS doesn't wait for a key.

If you know file's position on the directory, you can use instead of filename just its number from 1 to 9 (e.g. D1:-3 or M:-9). You could also use all the characters in filenames if you put + before filename. String's length is 11 characters.

You can modify DOS changing special bytes in memory. If you want to save modified DOS just use the command IN# and the new DOS will be saved to disk.

- **\$070E** RAMdisk type  
**\$8x** -> 128KB , 1009 sectors in Medium Density  
**\$2x** -> 64KB (130XE), 499 sectors in Single Density  
**\$4x** -> 16KB (normal XL/XE) memory under ROM-OS  
**x** -> If it's 1, RAMdisk will be formatted after DOS will load. If it's a **0** RAMdisk will not be formatted and if it's **8**, the RAMdisk will be write protected (very useful...)
- **\$0709** Number of 128 bytes buffers (and open files). MemLo depends on it!
- **\$070f: 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 00** (default)  
Changing these bytes you can exchange real drives with logical. For example D1: could mean D3: for real. **00** means RAM disk.

If you use Q-MEG then DOS II/+ will automatically load to the extra RAM and could be loaded if you'll press Control+Caps.

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