LATEX support for Comfortaa Version 2.1

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1 Introduction

Comfortaa is a sans-serif font comfortable in every aspect designed by Johan Aakerlund. This font, which includes three weights (see figure 1 on the following page), is available on Johan's deviantArt web page [1] as TrueType files licensed under the OFL version 1.1.

This package provides support for this font in LaTeX. It includes the original TrueType fonts, as well as Type 1 versions, converted for this package using FontForge for full support with Dvips.

Comfortaa Light Comfortaa Regular Comfortaa Bold

Figure 1: Available styles for Comfortaa

2 Installation

These directions assume that your $T_E\!X$ distribution is TDS-compliant. Once the comfortaa.zip archive extracted:

- 1. Copy doc/, fonts/, source/, and tex/ directories to your texmf/ directory (either your local or global texmf/ directory).
- 2. Run mktexlsr to refresh the file name database and make TEX aware of the new files.
- 3. Run updmap --enable Map comfortaa.map to make Dvips, dvipdf and pdfTEX aware of the new fonts.

Note that this package requires the keyval [2] and slantsc [3] (to handle italic/slanted small caps) ones to work.

3 Usage

3.1 Calling Comfortaa

You can use the Comfortaa font in a LTEX document by adding the command

\usepackage{comfortaa}

to the preamble. The package supplies the $\footnote{tofamily}$ command to switch the current font to Comfortaa.

3.2 Options

3.2.1 Comfortaa as default (sans-serif) font

You can set LTEX to use Comfortaa as standard font throughout the whole document by passing the default option to the package:

\usepackage[default]{comfortaa}

To set Comfortaa as default sans-serif only:

\usepackage[defaultsans]{comfortaa}

OT1-encoded	Te Té
T1-encoded	Te Té

Table 1: Kerning with OT1 and T1 encodings

3.2.2 Font scaling

The font can be up- and downscaled by any factor. This can be used to make Comfortaa more friendly when used in company with other type faces, e.g., to adapt the x-height. The package option scale=ratio will scale the font according to ratio (1.0 by default), for example:

\usepackage[scale=0.95]{comfortaa}

3.3 Encodings

The following encodings are supported:

Latin OT1, T1, TS1 (partial)

Cyrillic T2A, T2B, T2C, X2

Greek LGR (monotonic only)

To use one or another encoding, give the LTEX name to the fontenc package as usual, as in

\usepackage[T1]{fontenc}
\usepackage{comfortaa}

Note that, as usual with OT1 encoded fonts, kerning with accented characters is treated poorly, if at all. Note difference in kerning between these two encoding in table 1. It is therefore advised to always use the Comfortaa fonts in any encoding than OT1 when typing diacritics.

3.4 Available weights and variants

Table 2 on the following page lists the available font series and shapes with their NFSS classification. Parenthesized combinations are provided via substitutions. Notice that the slanted shapes are faked ones, as well as the small capitals (reduced to 80%).

4 Known bugs and improvements

Please send bug reports and suggestions about the Comfortaa LaTeX support to Mohamed El Morabity, not to Johan Aakerlund. Johan only distributes the TrueType font files themselves.

family	encoding	series	shape
fco	OT1,T1, T2A, T2B, T2C, X2, LGR	2, l, m, b (bx)	n, sl (it), sc, scsl (scit)
	TS1		n, sl (it)

Table 2: Available font series and shapes for Comfortaa

4.1 Small dotless "j"

The Comfortaa font files do not provide any dotless "j" glyph. This LATEX support provides a faked one (j), available by typing \j, and built using the t1dotlessj command (from LCDF Typetools [4]).

4.2 Searching for words containing ligatures in PDF documents

Searching for words typeset in Comfortaa and containing ligatures (such as "fi" or "fl") in PDF documents is currently only possible if the PDF was generated using pdfTEX 1.40 or above.

5 License

This package is released under the \prescript{LTEX} project public license, either version 1.3c or above [5]. Anyway both the TrueType and Type 1 files are delivered under the Open Font License version 1.1 [$\prescript{\delta}$].

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