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New Technology That's as Easy as Pen and Paper...

with the **Logic Power** of a Computer...

and the Ability to Connect to the World!

Coming This Fall to Radio Shaek



The Tandy[®] Z-550 is a personal digital assistant that integrates the best features of a laptop PC, data organizer, electronic note pad and more—all in one package! It's equipped with a pen-like stylus to jot down and store notes, phone numbers and other information onscreen for use later. You have the choice of saving your notes exactly as you write them—in your own handwriting, or using the handwriting-recognition feature to translate what you write into type. You can also use the pop-up on-screen keyboard to "type" in text. With any method you choose, the information you need is all in one place, retrievable in seconds!

You will actually be able to link the Z-550 to your PC and share data. Communicate with industry-standard PC programs like Act!™, Lotus Organizer™, Sidekick™, Packrat™ and Quicken[®].

Everything about the Z-550 is designed to be simple—it only requires three standard "AA" batteries to run up to an incredible 100 hours! Lithium backup batteries protect your data. Plus, since the Z-550's GEOS®-based software is open, many companies are developing new applications. A PCMCIA card slot will make it easy to plug in programs, additional memory or other enhancements—like a nationwide paging service and a fax/modem (coming soon)!

What is a Zoomer PDA[™]?

The Tandy Z-550 is a true Zoomer-class device, which means it will be compatible with software and accessories manufactured to the accepted "Zoomer" standards for personal digital assistants.

PowerInk[™] and BackspaceInk[™] Technology

The Z-550's extraordinary PowerInk feature allows data to be entered and edited in the "pen and paper" format. The Z-550 allows you to save your notes exactly as they are drawn or written—it's the fastest, most convenient way to store information. Handwriting and text can be mixed in notes, lists, sketches, maps or other fields and applications. BackspaceInk actually allows you to "backspace", erasing penstrokes and easily editing your messages and notes.

Fantastic Applications

The ultra-functional Z-550 is easier, lighter and smaller than a notebook PC. And it's more than just a note pad—it includes applications that you'll use daily to keep organized both in your business and personal life. It's the only personal digital assistant you'll ever need—just look at all it includes:

Organization: Stay organized with Notebook, Date Book/Calendar, To-Do List, Address Book, and personal data assistant with built-in alarm and world-time clock.

Calculation: The Tandy Z-550 has a full-function onscreen calculator, and also includes templates (or "forms") for currency/measurements conversions, loan calculation and more.

Communication: Of course, the Z-550 will let you download data from leading PC software. But there's also the America Online information service that lets you keep in touch with your office—with an optional modem, you'll be able to send and receive e-mail to and from other PC (or Z-550!) users. America Online also gives you access to the latest news, stock quotes, and even an online encyclopedia.

Because connectivity is vital, the Tandy Z-550 has a serial port that allows you to easily link it to a PC, modem or printer. There's also an infrared port for cordless data sharing.

Information: The Z-550 includes a handy built-in dictionary, spell checker, thesaurus, and a language translator that translates words into 26 different languages! There's also valuable world, U.S. and consumer information right at your fingertips.

Personal Financial Management: The Z-550 includes Pocket Quicken[™] finance software by Intuit to help you keep track of accounts for checking, savings, credit cards and cash. It's perfect for managing your expense account. And, you will be able to share your data with Quicken software on your desktop PC.

Recreation: when you're ready for a pleasant diversion, you can challenge the Z-550 to quick, fun games of strategy and chance.

Specifications: Intel®-compatible CPU, 4MB ROM, 1MB system RAM, configured to use 640K for system heap and 384K for RAM disk space. Mass Storage: supports SRAM or Flash ROM PCMCIA cards (up to 10MB). I/O Ports: RS-232 serial with submini 10-pin "D" connector, serial two-way infrared. Expansion Slot: PCMCIA, type 2. Screen: 31% × 4" LCD with .3mm dot pitch and resolution of 320 × 256.

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