



Benesh Notation Editor FAQs

Q: What are the benefits of using the Benesh Notation Editor?

A: Unlike hand-written scores, which might need to be rewritten in order to include all the subtle little changes the choreographer might make over time, BNE scores will always be clear and readable.

Q: Can you alter scores using BNE?

A: Yes, alterations can be entered easily and quickly without affecting the original document. The information can be adjusted and the layout rearranged simply and easily. This means that, unlike hand-written scores, it is not necessary to pre-plan the layout of each page before any information can be entered. Individual parts can be extracted from a full multi-person score to create separate, more manageable, role-specific scores for use in the rehearsal room or as study resources.

Q: Where can I buy the Benesh Notation Editor?

A: You can buy the BNE online at the RAD shop or in person at the RAD's headquarters.

Q: How much does it cost?

A: The BNE is available for £450.00 (inc. VAT)

Discounts are available for RAD members (10%) and for dance companies who subscribe to the Benesh International 'Licence to Use Scheme' (20%).

Q: Can I try the BNE before buying it?

A: You are welcome to visit us to try out the Benesh Notation Editor. Contact James Groom on jgroom@rad.org.uk for an appointment or call +44 (0)20 7326 8031.

Q: Can I use the BNE on more than one computer?

A: You can load the BNE onto your home computer and your work computer as you will be given a link to download the software.

Q: Do I need training to use the BNE?

A: The software is very intuitive to use, and many people find that they can start writing notation straight away with some basic guidance on its functionality.

However, in order to fully understand and be able to use all the features of the BNE to their full potential, it is advisable to do a course. Courses can be arranged on an individual basis. Contact James Groom jgroom@rad.org.uk for further detail.

Q: What sort of computer do I need to run the BNE?

A: You need a PC with Windows installed. The minimum specifications we recommend are Windows 7. The Editor will run on Windows XP, but the platform is now obsolete. Recommended: high-resolution graphics card (display at 1280 x 1024 pixels or higher)

Q: What sort of printer do I need?

A: We recommend an A3 colour printer, but you can print A4 scores using any printer that runs PCL6 (600 dpi).

Q: Does the BMN run on Mac computers?

A: Only if your Mac computer has a suitable Windows operating system installed.

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