

The Blog Icon Time for a standard

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As they say the great thing about standards, is that there's so many to choose from;)

With the prevalence of blogging you'd think someone would have come up with a standard icon for blogs by now, well apparently not. A few months ago I was mulling over the idea that there isn't a universally recognised, blog icon, but I got side tracked by god knows what & forgot all about it until a couple of weeks ago when I found the scribbles in my notepad.

So I opened up illustrator and about 15mins later the icon above popped out. OK, I admit I've not created a new standard per se, that takes time, but who knows, in years to come maybe everyone will be using it (if blogs still exist!).

As nearly all blogs have the RSS feed option and that's how a lot of people read them, I've based the icon on the standard RSS feed icon.

In any case, here it is, it's free, it's yours to own, no restrictions, use it however you wish. If you think it's really cool and you want to let me know, then fine, visit my blog or use the Facebook fan page link, but in all honestly, if you think it's that good I'd prefer you told everyone else, link to the Facebook page, link to the Twitter page, I'm really not after the glory, I simply want to see a standard blog icon in use.

So please pass it on, you can edit & tweak it, even call it you own, for all I care, although if you do wish to credit me, then please also use Bernd CoCreatr's (i)nspired icon.

For a .zip containing the icon in various sizes PNG & GIF formats, plus the original Photoshop & Illustrator vector visit www.theblogicon.com.

enjoy:)

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All original artwork is saved in Adobe CS3, Illustrator & Photoshop. Photoshop file contains vector artwork, so is scalable & fully editable.

NB: I just need to say that I accept absolutely no responsibility whatsoever for any damage caused through the use of these files, you use them entirely at your own risk.



Vector artwork blog-icon-black.eps





Vector artwork blog-icon-box-black.eps

Bitmap artwork blog-icon-box-black.GIF & PNG



Vector artwork blog-icon-box-rev.eps

Bitmap artwork (available in pixel sizes 16, 24, 32, 64, 100, 200, 300) blog-icon-box-rev.GIF, PNG plus Favicon



Vector artwork blog-icon-box-red.eps

Bitmap artwork (available in pixel sizes 16, 24, 32, 64, 100, 200, 300) blog-icon-box-red.GIF, PNG plus Favicon



Vector artwork blog-icon-box-orange.eps

Bitmap artwork (available in pixel sizes 16, 24, 32, 64, 100, 200, 300) blog-icon-box-orange.GIF, PNG plus Favicon





Vector artwork (provided as inspiration only) blog-icon-box-blue.eps blog-icon-box-green.eps

Bitmap artwork (none created)