

Betreff **Re: UC2 license question**

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Hi Mike,

You have my permission to do whatever you need to do to get it working and integrated into your software.

You can find the full source code of UC2 and a portable UC2 decompressor made by Jan Bobrowski here: <https://www.nicodevries.com/professional/>

Does that help?

Take care,

Nico de Vries

On Thu, 4 Dec 2025 at 18:12, Mike Krüger <mkrueger@posteo.de> wrote:

Hi

I'm working various retro tools/libraries - one of them is a decompression library that's universal

<https://github.com/mkrueger/unarc-rs>

It'll be used in various of my tools basically

https://github.com/mkrueger/icy_tools/

Atm I rework all tools - finished icy_term however that doesn't need it, but icy_view which is an ansi viewer uses unarc-rs.

So it can open/browse all sorts of archives.

And the next time I work on that thing:

https://github.com/mkrueger/icy_board/

Not sure if many uc2 archives are floating around - but I used uc2 in the 90' - saved me a lot of disk space :).

The issue is that I'm using rust. Which has basically just static linking. In rust we use therefore a more liberal license.
(for my stuff I just use APACHE/MIT X11 I don't really care that much, it's too obscure)

However LGPL 3.0 with linking exception (like Qt does). Something like that would work:

<https://spdx.org/licenses/LGPL-3.0-linking-exception.html>

Would be nice to have UC2 capability included - I want to make it easy for my users so they do not need to download/install anything.

Regards
Mike