



# NiceAlarm

User's Guide

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# Introduction

We appreciate your interest in the NiceAlarm application.

NiceAlarm was specially designed for convergent devices powered by Symbian<sup>™</sup> OS.

This application expands possibilities of the builtin alarm and allows customizing all alarms according to your needs and wishes.

Main application's merits in comparison with other standard and third-party programs are:

- Variety of alarm types;
- Maximum possibilities for program customization
  - Alarms control and protection system;
  - Stylish graphical interface.



Our new alarm application was designed considering user's ideas and wishes as well as constructive critics in address of previous NiceAlarm versions.

We made an attempt to rationalize the application and combine maximum features with handy interface. Application was designed following the non-intervention approach to the usual mobile handheld usage policies.

# **Application's compatibility**

The application compatible with mobile devices with Symbian<sup>™</sup> OS v.9.x., v.8.x management, S60<sup>™</sup> interfaces supporting 176x208, 208x208, 320x240, 240x320, 352x416, 352x800 pixels screen resolution with minimum of 65 536 color spectrum.

To obtain full information about devices compatibility (including device indexes), please refer to developer's official web-site: http://very-soft.com

# Downloading, installing/uninstalling the application

NiceAlarm is available on the OVI store.

To avoid penetration of your mobile handheld by virus and other malicious software DO NOT COPY OR INSTALL applications hosted on UNTRUSTED web sites or sent to you by unknown persons. We recommend to download NiceAlarm on OVI store.

To uninstall the NiceAlarm close it through "Hide" item in the options menu. Open the standard "Application Manager" and choose NiceAlarm. Press "uninstall" option to uninstall the application.

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# **Basic features**

Main application features:

- User-friendly interface;
- Six different alarm types;
- Possibility to setup a system (stand-by) alarm;

• Support unlimited number of standard alarms;

- Display arbitrary text in time of alarm activation;
  - Store and select last 10 text messages;
- Possibility to setup random 5 digits code for alarm deactivation or snooze;
- Adjusting duration time, repetitions quantity and interval between alarms;
- Additional indication options in cooperation with NiceClock3 installed;



NiceAlarm functionality and features design are capable to satisfy even the most exigent users. If not then we're waiting for your ideas on our e-mail: <a href="mailto:support@very-soft.com">support@very-soft.com</a>

# Localization and languages support

NiceAlarm interface is very flexible and supports several languages.

Languages included in the application distributive:

- Brazillian Portuguese
- Croatian
- English (default)
- Finnish
- French
- German
- Japanese
- Pollish
- Portuguese
- Romanian
- Russian
- Spanish

**Main options** 5:02 pm Ψ Main options Extra options Ω workdays Snooze mode relative Alarm duration 00:01:00 Alarm interval 00:05:00 Alarm iterations 10 Snooze by any key **Off** Language English Alarm server autostart OK Cancel

We are always glad to add new languages support in every our application to meet your wishes. If you want to help us in application localization email us: <a href="mailto:support@very-soft.com">support@very-soft.com</a>

# **Application management**

You can easily add, remove, enable/disable all alarms on the main screen using control buttons on the bottom. You can also perform same action through options: "Add alarm" and "Alarm operations" menu items.

If you want to change any application's setting open options and select "Settings" menu item. Select the desirable item and change it.

To fully exit from the application press on right soft-button ("Exit" item). You can also quit the application through the "Application manager" by pressing "C" hardware-button on it.

## **Indication and notations**

Main NiceAlarm screen is designed in the classic Symbian OS interface style. It displays current alarms list, alarms condition as well as application's settings and other information, such as date and time.

For handy usage every type of alarm has its own icon. You can find alarm type names and correspondent images in the following list:



"Next 24 hours" alarm



"Daily" alarm





"Work days" alarm



"Weekly" alarm



"Once" (one time) alarm



"Timer" countdown alarm

For your convenience there is a counter on the top left side, which shows position of currently selected alarm (first number) and total amount of installed alarms (second number). Also main NiceAlarm dialog window contains indicators of the current date and time making count the time frames during notification setup easier.

In specified time alarm will be activated displaying corresponded graphical image and user's text message. Additionally pop-up window will inform about the current date and date.



# Settings description and adjust policies

Global program settings are available in the "Settings" menu.

## **Alarm basic options**

Options for the reminders are located in the first tab.

#### Workdays selection

"Workdays" alarm type allows you configuring the list of workdays. The current list of days can be customized in the "Select workdays" item. All alarms of this type will be activated according to specified days only.

With every reconfiguration of workday's list all "Workdays" type alarms settings will be automatically changed.

This option is global as for the NiceAlarm application as well as for the mobile handheld in general. It applies to all alarms of one type automatically. Also it changes the system workdays parameters.

#### **Snooze count settings**

NiceAlarm allows specifying how the snooze option will be counted.

• "absolute" – alarm repetition will be counted starting from activation time;

• "relative" – alarm repetition will be counted starting from pressing "Snooze" button.





For example, if "Alarms interval" setting is set to 5 minutes, alarm activation time is 8:00 and activated notification was snoozed at 8:02 then "absolute" value in the "snooze mode" option means that next activation will be in 8:05. Oppositely, "relative" value set the next activation to 8:07.

#### **Alarm customization**

For your convenience NiceAlarm allows you customizing next options:

- "Alarm duration" time period when alarm will be active;
- "Alarms interval" time period between alarm activations;
- "Alarm iterations" number of alarm repetition.

After changing "Alarms interval" or "Alarm lifetime" option new information box will be displayed informing about number of alarm activations.

Additional option "Snooze by any key" allows postponing activation time by pressing on any

button (except: left soft key with "Stop" option, "Menu" button and some other) on your device's keyboard.

## **Extra options**

Parameters for adjusting device reactions on alarms ring can be customized in the second tab of the "Settings" menu.



#### **Sound folders**

In the NiceAlarm you can add extra folders with tone files. Added catalogues (including subdirectories) will be used for tone selections in alarms setup. Random tone option will also use these folders.

If the "Snooze" option will be selected for the alarm with the "random" parameter for the "Alarm tone" option then a random melody will be selected with next activations of the snoozed notification.

#### **Profile dependent**

You can point out what sound option to use. It's possible to link "Volume" and "Ringing type" to current options specified in the global device's profile by selecting "On" value in this setting.

If the "Profile dependent" option is activated then "Volume" and "Ringing type" settings can't be specified individually for NiceAlarm application.

#### Volume

You can indicate any possible volume level for your alarms by adjusting this option. Additionally it's possible to setup an alarm without sound notification by selecting "none" item in the "Alarm tone" field.

#### **Ringing type**

"Normal" value of this option will make alarm sound on a constant level. Oppositely, "Ascending"





will make notification sound rise gradually.

Alarms volume setting doesn't link with any of the existent profile. Sound signal will be played even the "Silent" (or other soundless) profile is selected.

#### **Backlight blink**

Smartphones with Symbian OS v.9.x management can be adjusted with display blinking by means of changing "Backlight blink" option.

#### Vibration

You can setup vibrating alarms in the NiceAlarm application. Set "On" to enable the vibration. This option can be also used for creating silent alarms with buzzing alert. If you want to make the silent alarm just turn "Alarm tone" option to "none".

Vibration option is only accessible on the devices managed by Symbian OS v.9.x.

#### Vibr. Duration

Along with enabling the vibration option you can specify the periods of buzzing by customizing the "Duration" section. Described value simultaneously represents the period of vibration activity and its pause.

# **Operations with alarms**

## Alarm activation/deactivation

If you want to temporary disable some alarm and save its settings you can use the "Enable/Disable" button on the main screen or the "Alarm operations" menu item. As the result disabled alarm will not be activated in the specified time and be deleted from the list, but will be marked with red cross above its icon.

In deactivated condition alarm time setting will be updated to the next actual date right after the current value is expired. Thus, currently disabled alarm will store its actual condition and demands only couple of clicks to be activated for the next actual date.

## Individual alarm settings

NiceAlarm application allows you to personalize every notification according to your wish. When you add or change alarm you can specify next settings:

• "Alarm tone" - tone which will be played with alarm activation;

• "Message" - message to be displayed with the alarm;

• "Deactivation code" is one of the unique features among all kind of alarm managers. It allows enabling randomly generated code that protects snooze or deactivation option for every



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alarm. When this option is enabled every alarm activation will be accompanied with additional dialog box contains 5-digit random number protecting alarm snooze or stop.

Notification will be active until you enter the correct number sequence or until time period specified in "Alarm duration" is left.

It's possible to indicate code for alarm snooze, alarm stop or both. If the entered code was incorrect then you will be prompted to input it again.

NiceAlarm searches the tones and melodies for the alarms in next folders:

- For OS Symbian v.8 c:\nokia\sounds; e:\sounds\; e:\music\; e:\mp3\
- For OS Symbian v.9 c:\data\sounds; e:\sounds\; e:\music\; e:\mp3\

If you select "Random" option the system sound folders will not be included in the list.

## **Adding alarm**

To add a new alarm press the "Add" button on the main screen or select "Add alarm" menu item. In the appeared screen specify available parameters and confirm by pressing the "OK" button.

## **Alarm types**

Next 24 h	ours
Is activated of	only once in next 24 hours
	Parameters
-24h	• Time
	Tone type
	Alarm tone
200	Message
	Deactivation code

Daily	
Periodical an	d is activated every day
Parameters	
<b>1</b>	• Time
	Tone type
	Alarm tone
<b>W</b>	Message
	Deactivation code
Work days	3
Periodical an	d is activated in the "Workdays" only
-	Parameters
	• Time
	Tone type
Ya	Alarm tone
	Message
	Deactivation code
Weekly	
Periodical an	d is activated every week
	Parameters
	• Time
	• Day
1	Tone type
	Alarm tone
	Message
	Deactivation code
Once	
Is activated of	only once
🥎	Parameters
	• Time
	Date
	Tone type
	Alarm tone
	Message
	Deactivation code

Timer	
Is activated a	after the specified delay is expired
	Parameters
	Timer
0	Tone type
	Alarm tone
	Message
	Deactivation code

## **Editing alarm**

Just select and press on the alarm to edit it. You can also edit it through the "Alarm operations" menu item.

## **Deleting alarm**

Just select the alarm and press on "Remove" button to delete it. You can also delete it through the "Alarm operations" menu item.

It's also possible to delete all alarms at once through "Remove all alarms" in the "Alarm operations" menu item. For your convenience all alarms of "one time" type will be deleted automatically straight after expiration. Expiration occurs when you accept the alarm or time period specified in the "Alarm lifetime" option ends.

If you don't want to use any periodical alarm for some time you can suspend it. Just press "Disable" button on the main screen.

## **Alarms management**

While notification is active you will hear a melody specified in parameters.



Also you will see the text on the display.

When alarm is active you can either quit or snooze it with the appropriate options binded on the left and right software buttons.

To quit the alarm you need to press on left softkey marked as "Stop".

To postpone the alarm you need to use the right soft-key marked as "Snooze".

If you specified the "Deactivation code" option you will be prompted to enter random code to continue operation.

## **Alarms filter**

If you need to display only a certain type of alarms you can use filters.

Filtration principles are based on the alarm types.

To enable the full list of alarms select "All" item in "Filter" menu.



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