

SELECT

The Rom Manager Rom

The Rom contains five star commands as follows:

- *SELECT.....select or deselect Rom and maintain status even through CTRL<BREAK>
- *CHECK.....compare Rom (or Sideways Ram) plugged into BBC with Disc image of Rom
- *RIMAGE.....save image of Rom (or Sideways Ram) onto disc
- *CLEAR.....fill Sideways Ram with &FF
- *CLOSE.....close all files on disc

SELECT is supplied as an 8k Rom image file on 5.25" or 3.5" ADFS format disc or EPROM. The Eprom may be a 2764 or a 27128, dependent upon stocks at the time of ordering.

If you have ordered the disc you will find two Images of SELECT.

SELECTon

This version initiates *SELECT at switch-on so you must choose which ROMs will be activated or de-activated from the very start. When you use the computer for various purposes and have ROMs which clash then this SELECT version may be useful in forcing you to configure the ROMS before things can go wrong.

SELECToff

This version selects all ROMs at switch-on so you must type *SELECT when you want to alter the selection of ROMs.

If you have bought the EPROM version ~~we~~ will supply only SELECToff.

The SELECT ROM works in all versions of the BBC Micro. Of course, since the BBC Master already has *PLUG/*UNPLUG commands you may not need an additional ROM Manager. It is useful to note, however, that the BBC Master maintains the ROM selection even after switch-off when the *PLUG/*UNPLUG commands are used, whereas *SELECT maintains the selection only until the Micro is switched off.

Note that, if you *LOAD <Romfilename> 8000 then you must also type *SELECT before the computer will recognise the ROM image which you have just loaded. This comment, however, does not apply if you use LOAD RAMx,"<Romfilename>" in INTER-BASE. The point is worth noting because SELECT can interfere with some commercial software such as that supplied by SOLIDISC™.

Technical note: SELECT uses only "page zero" workspace and has no effect on any other BBC functions.

Unfortunately, Tonks Communications is unable to give any further technical assistance on this product.

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