



Apcom E-pens APPEG-030 Mobile Notes £90

AN EASY WAY TO TAKE NOTES

E-pens (short for electronic pens) enable you to write on paper as you would naturally – the difference being that as you write the notes are captured and stored in a wireless device clipped onto the top of the paper. This wireless widget in turn connects to your PC so you can transfer files with ease.

We tested the Apcom E-pens APPEG-030 Mobile Notes. The base unit stores around 50-pages of A4 (enough for a trip to the library).

The E-pen is the size

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of a standard fountain pen and includes two interchangeable nibs; one that writes in ink biro, the other a non-ink stylus. The refill is a little small so don't expect it to last as long as

an ordinary biro (for refills see www.scanningpens.co.uk).

Setting up the pen is straightforward although there were some quirks with the software installation. Note that it could take you up to three hours to charge up the wireless receiver unit.

Copied notes can be saved or converted

into an editable typed text file using the MyScript application, which also performs the handwriting recognition.

This handwriting recognition works well. MyScript took just a few seconds to analyse and convert each page of text. There were a

few errors, however. Writing on a curve causes problems and there are errors with some special characters such as the pound and percentage signs, for example. ■



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