

## **reqattackprefs**

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# Chapter 1

## reqattackprefs

### 1.1 ReqAttackPrefs guide by Jaca/D-CAPS'99

ReqAttackPrefs by Jaca/Dreamolers-Clever Amigants Polish Society  
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### 1.2 Introduction

Few moths ago Cyran/D-CAPS copied his new downloads from aminet to my harddisk... I found reqattack.lha and after some decrunching I started ReqAttack. It was really amazing (nice difference between this and old ARQ), but the configuration method - script language - simply took too much time to get what I wanted. Well, after few more minutes I decided to write a prefs program, which would be more friendly to the user.

ReqAttackPrefs is really a script file generator for ReqAttack 1.1 or greater. This program is a result of hours of hard work and I hope you'll appreciate it by registering.

### 1.3 Legal stuff

Well, I decided to make this program CARD/MAILWARE. If you like this program (or not), send me a mail with:

- your name and email adress
- some info about the Amiga you use
- comments and bug reports (I'm sure there's some:(

This shouldn't be a big problem and by doing that you'll give me some moral support to work on future versions. For adress see [Author](#) part.

Important:

-I take no responsibility for any data loss caused by ReqAttackPrefs.

-this program is NOT a Public Domain, all rights reserved.

-if you want to include this program in some commercial releases (like CoverCD's), it's OK with me, but you need to send me a copy of that CD!

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## 1.5 Requirements

Hard/software required to run ReqAttackPrefs:

- some free memory (should be less than 300kb)
- AmigaOS 2.0+
- locale.library (not needed)
- gtlayout, gadtools, asl and reqtools libraries
- ReqAttack 1.1+ (should be running while using RAPrefs!)

It's better to use ReqAttack 1.2 or higher!

## 1.6 How does it work?

Well, there's four types of structures to define in ReqAttackPrefs:

- the {default} type
- the {requester} type
- the {screen} type
- the {program} type

With {default} type you can define the standard look of all your requesters. With {requester} type you can define the look of a requester with selected title and/or text. It's possible to assign it to a screen or program. {Screen} type defines the look of all requesters which will pop up on a screen with a selected text on titlebar. {Program} type defines the look of all requesters opened by a task/process selected with it's name.

Assign is a method to modify the look of a requester selected by it's title and/or text and opened on a selected screen and/or opened by a selected program. With the use of assigns it's possible to define different look for requesters with the same title/text but opened by on other screens, etc.

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## 1.7 How does it work?

To understand this it's advised you read the reqattack.guide!

Script file generator reads all your options and compares them with standard ReqAttack values - if they're different, the option(s) will be included in 'reqattack.prefs'. 'reqattack.prefs' is a script file executed by ReqAttack before opening all requesters. Here's a structure of that file generated by ReqAttackPrefs: -all general options -all unassigned requesters:

a) if section

b) all options different from standard ones

c) STOP command to stop the rest of file from being executed. It's necessary for assigns to work

d) endif section -all screen or program assigned requesters:

a) if section -> requester's title and text and then program/screen title

b-d) like in unassigned reqs part -all tasks and processes (with STOP command) -all screens (with STOP command) -{default} type options with (optional) Min Screen Depth global function

## 1.8 About saved prefs files

1. 'reqattack.prefs' is the standard ReqAttack prefs file. It needs to be placed in ENV: (ENVARC:).

2. '\*.rap' files are the prefs files for ReqAttackPrefs - they contain all information about your requesters, screens (like reqattack.prefs). It's necessary to save that files, because ReqAttackPrefs isn't able to read configuration from ReqAttack's prefs script files (it's really to complicated to do this, especially if you wrote those files yourself, and they don't have the structure of files generated by ReqAttackPrefs). 'reqattack.rap' is the standard config file readed by ReqAttackPrefs while launching. It needs to be placed in ENV: (ENVARC:).

3. 'reqattackprefs.prefs' is the preferences file for ReqAttackPrefs. That's the internal settings of prefs editor. This file also needs to be placed in ENV: (ENVARC:).

## 1.9 Notes about the USAGE

1. After installation you should go to the program preferences section and set the ReqAttack version you use (it's VERY important!) and the default path to the directory in which you keep all image files. If you're using ReqAttack 1.1, you'll probably have to change the delay time value when ReqAttack ignores your changes while testing requesters. Save your prefs!

2. Please use internal Help if you don't know what an option does. I think it's easier and faster from reading usage instructions in guides.

## 1.10 Bugs, limitations, future versions

\* Future: GUI program for ReqAttack's Tools, Requester Timeout program which will work with ReqAttack (configured in ReqAttackPrefs)

\* Program search function does not work. This will change in future versions... Please use WinInfo to get some information about task and process names.

\* ReqAttack 1.0 won't read the prefs files generated by this program - few options used in 'reqattack.prefs' are supported from version 1.1+

\* ReqAttack doesn't display some requesters (I found 1) on Workbench screen with settings from Workbench {screen} type - they have default {requester} settings.

Please let me know if you find any bugs in ReqAttackPrefs! I'll try to fix them in future versions.

## 1.11 Thanks

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## 1.12 History and Localization

History:

0.00b 15.08.99 I started to write ReqAttackPrefs

From versions 0.00b to 1.00b they were lots of changes in program's GUI and options. Most of procedures were rewritten 1 or 2 times.

1.01b 29.10.99 Locale support, bug fixes

1.15 26.11.99 First public version, lots of bug fixes

1.17 18.12.99 Load prefs in program settings does not hang Amiga anymore, delaytime added

Please translate reqattackprefs.cd to languages you know - it'll make this program easier to use. Send me your .catalog files, so I could include them in next ReqAttackPrefs releases.

Note: don't care about the ID names - I use ID numbers only so they may be strange :)