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# Chapter 1

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### 1.1 ReKeyIt

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                        ReKeyIt v1.2

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                        Workbench menu shortcut changer.

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### 1.2 License and Disclaimer

-- License --

ReKeyIt is being released under the concept of 'FreeWare'.

ReKeyIt may be freely distributed as long as no charge is made other than to cover time and copying costs. If it is to be distributed via floppy disk, this cost should be no higher than \$3.00 (three) dollars US. If distribution is via CDROM, the total cost should be no more than Fred Fish charged from one of his CDROM collections.

You may not copy and/or distribute this program without the accompanying documentation unless you get permission from the author to do so.

Fred Fish and Walnut Creek have my permission to include this program on their

CDRom collections.

Finally if you wish to include ReKeyIt on a disk magazine you are REQUIRED to get the author's permission FIRST. Usually this will require you to just send me a copy of the issue which contains ReKeyIt free of charge.

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### 1.3 What does ReKeyIt do?

Who was it that decided which menuitems on Workbench should get keyboard shortcuts. It was not me, and if I did I would have definitely done it different.

This is where ReKeyIt comes in. ReKeyIt allows you to change the keyboard shortcuts for the Workbench menu items to what ever you want. You can even add shortcuts to the items in the Tools menu.

Also with ReKeyIt, is the prefs editor MenuPrefs. This lets you edit Workbench's keyboard shortcuts using a nice preference style GUI.

### 1.4 Requirements

The following items are required to make ReKeyIt work

- 1) Workbench 2.0+
- 2) ReqTools library v38+ (© Nico Francois) Not Included

Depending on which version of MenuPrefs you choose to use, you will need one of the following:

- 1) BGUI library v1.0+ (© Jan van den Baard) Not Included  
or
- 2) MUI

NOTE: If any of the required libraries are missing, ReKeyIt and MenuPrefs will refuse to run. There will be no warnings or error requesters.

### 1.5 MUI

MenuPrefs (MUI) uses

MUI - MagicUserInterface

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MUI is a system to generate and maintain graphical user interfaces. With the aid of a preferences program, the user of an application has the ability to customize the outfit according to his personal taste.

MUI is distributed as shareware. To obtain a complete package containing lots of examples and more information about registration please look for a file called "muiXXusr.lha" (XX means the latest version number) on your local bulletin boards or on public domain disks.

If you want to register directly, feel free to send

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## 1.6 Installing ReKeyIt and MenuPrefs

-- Installing ReKeyIt --

1) The easiest way is to place ReKeyIt in your WBStartup drawer.

NOTE: ReKeyIt must be started after the LoadWB command, as it requires Workbench to exist for it to change its menus.

-- Installing MenuPrefs --

1) Put MenuPrefs where ever you wish, I suggest that you place it in your SYS:Prefs directory

2) If you are using the MUI version you need to have MUI v2.1 installed, on the other hand if you are using the BGUI version you will need to have BGUI v1.0 installed.

## 1.7 Using ReKeyIt

ReKeyIt is very simple to use. All you need to do is make a prefs file defining what you want the menu shortcuts to be.

ReKeyIt will by default load S:ReKeyIt.menus. The following is the format of the file.

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Menu/A,Key/K,NoKey/S
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Each line should contain the menu name and one of the keywords 'KEY' or 'NOKEY' You must specify the menu name completely including all '...' The case

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is not sensitive. If there is any spaces in the menuname, make sure you include quotes around it.

If you want the menu to have no keyboard shortcut, specify the NoKey option, otherwise use the Key option to specify the shortcut key.

Examples:

"Backdrop" NoKey - remove the shortcut key from the BackDrop item  
"Delete..." Key "D" - add the shortcut "D" to the Delete... menu item

Please see the include sample prefs file.

If you wish to make several different configs, you can add an icon to the prefs file and specify ReKeyIt as the default tool.

-- Notes about changing the menus --

When you load a prefs file, ReKeyIt and MenuPrefs first reads the current menu structure, and then affects the changes described in the prefs file. For example if a menuitem is not specified in the prefs file, it will not be changed.

The only way to Reset the menus to Workbench defaults is to select "ResetWB" from the tools menu.

You cannot add keyboard shortcuts to the menu Titles or to menu Items which have subitems attached.

Users of ToolsDaemon. You cannot add shortcut keys to the ToolsDaemon menus. If you wish to add shortcut keys you need to do it with ToolsPrefs not ReKeyIt.

## 1.8 Using MenuPrefs

-- Using MenuPrefs --

Usage of MenuPrefs is pretty self explanatory. The list view contains the current menus. Just select the menu item, and type the shortcut key in the string gadget. Or erase the key specified in the string gadget to remove it.

The Gadgets:

Save will change the menus to the current setting and save the current settings as S:ReKeyIt.menus

Use will change the menus to the current setting, but will not save the settings to disk.

Cancel ignore all changes

Rescan rereads the current menus, in case something changed (for example if you've added or removed a menuitem from the tools menu.

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Last Saved reads the file S:ReKeyIt prefs.

The menus work exactly like all the other preference editors.

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I would like to thanks Jan van den Baard for all his help in creating the BGUI version of the prefs editor.

## 1.10 History

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## 1.11 ReKeyIt History

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Revision V1.2  
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- Sometimes ReKeyIt would fail to change the menus and an error would not be reported. Fixed - I Hope :-)
- Added retry to error requester if menus could not be found
- Changed method of checking for errors.

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Revision V1.1  
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- You can now specify ReKeyIt as a default tool in a the
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icon of a prefs file, and just double click on the prefs file to set the menus.

- Old shortcuts still worked, even though they were not being displayed in the menus. (fixed)
- Now menu names in config are case insensitive.

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Revision V1.0  
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--- Initial release ---

## 1.12 MenuPrefs (MUI) History

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Revision V1.1  
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- Moved 'Last Saved' button to menus
- Keyboard can be used to control listview.

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Revision V1.0  
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--- Initial release ---

## 1.13 MenuPrefs (BGUI) History

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Revision V1.1  
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- Moved 'Last Saved' button into menus.
- Finally figured out how to do my own rendering of text now, menu titles will appear in white, and shortcut keys will appear in the listview.
- Clicking keyboard shortcuts for gadgets did nothing (fixed)
- Changed method of adding entries to listview, this speeds up reading of menus a bit.

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Revision V1.0  
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--- Initial release ---

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## 1.14 Sample prefs file

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;  
; This is the config file I use.  
;  
"Backdrop" NOKEY  
"Execute Command..." NOKEY  
"Redraw All" NOKEY  
"Update All" NOKEY  
"Last Message" NOKEY  
"About..." NOKEY  
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