

Lasso - a FREEWARE Zmodem download program for Excalibur BBS.

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This program is FREEWARE so it can be copied and used Freely. If you like and use Lasso mention it in your credits and try to register it.

Lasso is general purpose multiline Zmodem-Send interface for Excalibur BBS. It sends Excalibur terminal program (or any other files) to the user called with non-Excalibur terminal software. You can use Lasso instead of or with PDQPRO Downloader software.

You can use Lasso with other software too. It is possible to do 8 Zmodem-send sessions and configure Lasso at the same time. With Lasso you can send to the connected users more than one file in the same session. Remember that Lasso sends to the connected user hello and EXCALTRM.ZIP Terminal program immediately without waiting for 'Enter' from user side. Lasso expects that user has an automatic file crash recovery flag set in his terminal program.

Good luck,
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Commercial multiline Windows 3.1 100% GUI BBS.

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Lasso 0.1 (beta version 001) is supplied in LASSO001.ZIP archive.

LASSO001.ZIP contents:

LASSO.EXE	Lasso 0.1 executable
LASSO.HLP	Lasso 0.1 help file
LASSO.INI	Example profile for Lasso 0.1
LASSO.REG	Lasso <u>Registration</u> Form
README.TXT	Read me text file
HELLO.TXT	Sample <u>Hello</u> file
GOODBYE.TXT	Sample <u>Good Bye</u> file

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When you start Lasso without command line parameters it runs in configuration mode.

Select Options / File Menu and modify file options:

File(s) to send:

enter a file name including path of file to send to connected user. You can enter more than one file name here. All files listed here will be transmitted to connected user in one session.

(c:\excal\support\excal.faq c:\excal\support\excaltrm.zip)

'Hello' file:

enter a file to send to non-Excalibur user before sending files listed under 'File(s) to send' dialog.

(c:\excal\login.txt)

'Goodbye' file:

enter a file to send to non-Excalibur user after successful session of sending files listed under 'File(s) to send' dialog

(c:\excal\logoff.txt)

Select Options / Line Menu and modify communication ports parameters:

Port:

Select COM1-COM4 port

Select appropriate Flow control:

Hardware (CTS/RTS)

Software (XON/XOFF)

Program to call after session:

Enter program (Camelot) name and port ID here.

(c:\excal\camelot.exe -p0)

Select Options / Registration Menu and enter:

User name:

Enter your name here

Serial number:
Enter registration number here.

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LASSO.INI file must reside in main Windows subdirectory.

You can configure Lasso manually but more convenient way is to run Lasso without parameters, chose Options Menu and do configuration from there.

LASSO.INI file:

[Registration]

UserName=Fill in your name here

[File]

File=c:\excal\support\excal.faq c:\excal\support\excaltrm.zip

Hello=c:\excal\login.txt

Goodbye=c:\excal\logoff.txt

[Line0]

Port=COM1

Hard=1

Soft=0

Program=c:\excal\camelot.exe -p0

[Line1]

Port=COM1

Hard=1

Soft=0

Program=c:\excal\camelot.exe -p1

[Line2]

Port=COM1

Hard=1

Soft=0

Program=c:\excal\camelot.exe -p2

[Line3]

Port=COM2

Hard=0

Soft=1

Program=c:\excal\camelot.exe -p3

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It is not necessary to register Lasso.

If You'll decide to register then:

- Fill-in Lasso Registration Form LASSO.REG
- Send it to the Author
- Don't forget to include your BBS Screen file
- I'll include it into the FREE Library of Excalibur BBS screens
- You'll receive the registration number
- Fill-in this number in Options / Registration Menu
- Why not to register?

When sending Excalibur screen file don't forget to UUENCODE it because these files are BINARY.

Remember: NOTHING WILL CHANGE in Lasso when you'll register but you'll become Registered User.

You must prepare the 'Hello' file to send to the user connected with non-Excalibur Terminal.

In this file you must warn user that he **MUST** have at least PC 386 and Windows 3.1 installed. Otherwise the Excalibur terminal program will be useless for him.

Also you must tell that this downloader uses Zmodem communications protocol.

Default name of this file is HELLO.TXT but you can change it.

This file will be send to the user after succesfull transfer of Excalibur Terminal program.

Include here instructions what user must to do with received Excalibur Terminal program.

How to install and run Lasso:

Copying files:

After extraction of files from archive:

1. Copy LASSO.EXE and LASSO.HLP to appropriate subdirectory (C:\EXCALIBR or C:\LASSO or any other)
2. Copy LASSO.INI to main Windows subdirectory (C:\WINDOWS)

You can run Lasso with Windows File / Run or File / New command.

Command line format:

- 1) For Lasso configuration run "lasso.exe" without parameters
- 2) For Lasso Zmodem-send run: "lasso.exe <line> <baud>", where

<line> - is line number (configured in Options/Line/...)

<baud> - is a DTE/DCE baud rate

Examples:

lasso.exe -> run Lasso configuration

lasso.exe 1 38400 -> start Zmodem-send

Good luck,
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Lasso registration form (LASSO.REG):

My name First:

Last:

Address Street:

City:

State:

Country:

ZIP:

Excalibur BBS name:

BBS phone:

Voice phone:

Please send this form to:

lasso@bokera.lira.lt.ee (Internet) or

2:470/1 (Fidonet)

I would like to receive Your BBS Excalibur screen file.
UUENCODE it and include into the same message.

Thank you for registering Lasso!

Good luck!

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