

Remote Echo Control (REC) Registration
Version 2.00

Registration Instructions

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Why Register?

If you use Remote Echo Control, then you must register it. There is no cost to register REC, and there is no change in performance or features of REC whether you register or not. The only reason why REC has gone through this many revisions is that I have received enough registrations to convince that this piece of software is useful. Once those registrations stop, I will assume that no more work is needed and I will move on to other projects.

Only registered users will have the benefit of support, either via net-mail or in the support echo. While I will offer support in getting REC working prior to it's being registered, once it's working I will expect you to register the program before receiving any further support.

While REC is unregistered, it will put out an "Eval" message on the tear line of all messages it creates. Once it is registered, that tear line message will change to "Reg". Any attempt to forge a registration key will result in REC aborting with configuration errors. All registered users are listed in this document, as my way of thanking them for their taking the time to register the program.

Consider a registration the same thing as a vote for a programs development, if not it's very existence. If I don't get any registrations from those using a particular mail processor, I may stop supporting it in REC. And if I stop getting registrations at all, I may not send out any more new releases of REC. Other programmers request 10 or 15 dollars, or else their program will simply just stop working after a certain date. Registration is a requirement, not an option, if you use the program. Please don't force to spend time putting in software devices to force you to register. I'd rather spend the time working on REC itself.

How to Register

REC is one of the easiest programs to register. All you have to do is run a small program called REGISTER that is included in the distribution archive. This program will read information from REC's configuration file and display it for your confirmation. If any information is wrong, you should change the appropriate statements in the configuration file.

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The statements in the configuration that the REGISTER program uses are RegistrationKey, SysopName, SystemName, Location, first Address, and MailProcessor. The NetMailDir is used to tell the program where to put the created net-mail messages.

New registration

Simply run the REGISTER program, verify the information shown, and select the option to send in a new registration. Make sure that the program shows that REC is unregistered. The program will create a specially formatted net-mail message that will be automatically processed by my system. A reply message will be sent back to your system.

Changing registration

If the information on your registration should change, you must update your registration record on my system. This is especially important if the first Address or the Sysop Name should change, as this will affect the actual registration key that is generated for your system. You should also send in a registration change if you change your mail processor. It would also be appreciated if you send in a registration change when you change between live (non-beta) versions of REC.

The steps below will show how to change your registration.

1. Change the appropriate statements in REC's configuration file.
2. Run the REGISTER program, verify the information, and select the option to send in your changed registration information.
3. If you changed either the first Address or SysopName statements, comment out your old RegistrationKey statement in REC's configuration file.
4. When the reply comes back, confirm that the information shown is correct. If the registration key has changed, put the new registration key in REC's configuration file and uncomment the RegistrationKey statement.

Delete registration

If you should stop using REC, you are expected to cancel your registration. This way my records will indicate only the active registrations and I will have an accurate count.

To do this, simply run the REGISTER program and selection the option to delete your registration. A message will be created to this effect, and a reply will be sent back to you.

Registration information

You can use this information to verify that the registration information I have about you is correct, or to get your registration key should you lose it for any reason. This option will work whether you have the RegistrationKey statement in REC's configuration file or not.

Simply run the REGISTER program and select the option to get your registration information. A message will be generated that will have the registration program on my system search for your information. This search is a triple pass with the first pass being your registration key (if present), the second being your network address, and the third being your name. If a match is found on any of these the information will be sent back to you, including your registration key. If none of the searches result in a match, a message will be sent back indicating that the registration was not found.

General

After you select what type of message you want to send, you have the option of having your reply put on hold for you to pick up later. If you choose this option, please wait at least 6 hours before your second call, and preferably 24 hours. For efficiency reasons, my system processes mail in bulk rather than immediately upon receipt. If you choose not to have your reply put on hold, it will either be sent back via routed net-mail (FidoNet and YouthNet) or put on hold anyway. If you would like the message routed back via a different path, please contact me via net-mail prior to sending in the registration.

The REGISTER program will ask you to confirm that you are using the most current version released. If so then you simply press "Y". Otherwise you will be prompted to enter the version number as shown on the REC's opening copyright notice. Please make sure you use REC's version number, not the REGISTER program's version number. The version number you enter is important for a very simple reason. If my registration report shows that you are running an outdated version of REC, I will send you a message asking if there is a problem preventing you from upgrading to the most current version.

It will be up to your normal mail processing procedures to packet the message and send it to me (either direct or routed). Do not post registration messages in to the support echo. Do not modify the registration message in any way. If you wish to send me a person note, please do so in a separate message.

Registered Users

In a small attempt to thank those who have registered REC, I have listed them below in no particular order. For each registered user, I have included their name, location, and network address. If for any reason a particular registered user wishes not to be revealed in this manner, please send me a net-mail message stating such. I apologize in advance for any errors or omissions. However if you have registered and do not appear on this list, then I don't have any record of receiving your registration. I can be contacted via the support echo or net-mail in such situations.

Alex Cleynhens	Boortmeerbeek	2:292/500
Anthony Bisesi	Indianapolis, Indiana USA	1:231/540
Archie Caldwell	Columbus, GA USA	1:3613/2
Barry Kapke	Berkeley, CA	1:125/33
Bill Arlofski	Southington, Ct.	1:142/111
Bill Taylor	The Dalles, OR USA	1:105/507
Bob Kruger	Upatoi, Georgia	1:3613/10
Bob Lester	Aurora, CO USA	1:104/518
Brian Gibbons	North Highlands, CA, USA	1:203/935
Brian Prinner		1:2210/1007
Cabell B. Clarke Jr.	Richmond VA USA	1:264/19
Carl Savio	Tybee Island, Georgia USA	1:3626/7
Charles Chandler	Memphis TN USA	1:123/75
Chris Durham	Ferndown, Dorset, UK	2:255/42
Chris Wolbers	Kenner, LA USA	1:396/56

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Christophe David	Brussels, Belgium (Europe)	2:291/701
Christopher Armani	Port Coquitlam, B.C.	1:153/740
Christopher Saia	Framingham MA USA	1:322/405
Claas Hilbrecht	Einbeck Germany	2:241/3400
Clyde Fox		1:142/819
Cor Norren	Huizen (n.h), Netherlands	2:283/501
Craig Gagner	Savannah, GA USA	1:3626/1
Dan Fitch	Metro Denver, CO USA	1:104/435
Dan Guenthner	Springfield, OR USA	1:152/48
Dan Rau	Brighton CO USA	200:5000/555
Danny Perreault	Montreal Quebec Canada	1:167/290
David Blum	Monroe WI USA	1:11/391
David Campbell	Bloomington NY USA	1:272/27
David Doyle	Dublin Ireland	2:263/151
David Dunster	Regina, SK Canada	1:140/126
David Dyer-bennet	Minneapolis MN USA	1:282/341
David Fann	Taipei Taiwan	6:720/901
David Shaffer	Sacramento, CA, USA	49:916/100
David V. Bell	Denver CO USA	1:104/602
David Wilson	Denver, CO USA	1:104/433
Dennis Peacock	Aurora, CO USA	1:104/512
Ervin Jay	Vancouver BC	1:153/767
Fred Weigel	Commerce City CO USA	1:104/777
Garry Ehman	Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada	1:140/103
Gary Green	Hamilton, Ontario	1:244/104
Gordon Green	Hudson, NH USA	1:132/119
Gordon Livingstone	North Vancouver, BC Canada	1:153/759
Greg Martz	Mt. Vernon, WA 98273	1:3401/1
Jack Zeller	Sunrise, FL USA	1:369/34
Jason Steck	Denver CO USA	1:104/424
Jeff Kaplow	Farmington Hills, MI USA	1:120/364
Jeff Tensly	Denver, CO USA	1:104/477
Jim Allonby	Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada	1:140/1
Jim Smith	Tacoma, WA USA	1:138/145
Jim Watson	Tulsa, OK USA	1:170/610
Joe Lindstrom	Calgary AB Canada	201:5500/55
John Carter	Burnaby BC	1:153/818
John Pyett	Hamilton, Ontario	1:244/125
Jon Morby	Solihull, Wm	2:253/153
Kathleen McDonald- Neal	Tempe AZ USA	1:114/110
Kazuyoshi Shinada	Shinjuku Tokyo Japan	6:730/9
Kelvin Goh		6:600/24
Ken Kavanagh	Port Coquitlam BC	1:153/7070
Kerry Atkinson	Vancouver BC	1:153/266
Kevin Coates	Dewitt, Ny	1:260/310
Lee Woofenden	Guemes Island, WA, USA	1:3401/101

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Lloyd Perna	Waltham, MA USA	1:101/480
Mark Evans	Austin, TX USA	1:382/90
Mark Kraml	LaSalle, Quebec, Canada	1:167/141
Michael Hughes	Pueblo CO USA	1:307/12
Michael Matson	Trinidad, CA USA	1:125/40
Mike Krejci	Lebanon OR USA	1:357/51
Mike Leenhouts	Battle Creek, MI USA	1:228/61
Mike Sylvestre	Kissimmee, FL USA	1:3633/0
MIke Thurlow	Hamilton, Ontario	26:1/100
Mike Tripp	Austin, TX	1:382/61
Paul Heywood	Whitefield, Manchester_UK	2:250/102
Pete Franchi	Droitwich, UK	2:253/157
Peter Tan	Toa Payoh Singapore Hong Kong	6:600/403
Phil Burden	Manchester England UK	2:250/101
Richard Swatsenbarg	Milton, FL USA	8:2040/1
Rick Wisckol	Ann Arbor, MI USA	1:2200/275
Robin Francis	Ottawa, ON	1:163/153
Ron Mainguth	Dane, WI USA	1:121/18
Rupa Schomaker	Houston, TX	1:106/1024
Russell Mennie	Delta, Bc	1:153/919
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Sandie Franchi	Droitwich Worcestershire UK	2:25/53
Steve Elliott	Leamington Spa - Warwickshire - United Kingdom	2:253/162
Steve Gooding	Dartford Kent England	2:440/51
Ted Sanft	St Paul, MN USA	1:282/1012
Teo Chee Kian	Singapore Singapore	6:600/600
The Mailman	Avon, CT USA	1:142/707
Todd Serulneck	Framingham MA USA	1:322/337
Tony Wagner	Portland OR USA	1:1/217
Vince Fletcher	Stockport Chesire England	2:253/410

My thanks to all who have register!!

Closing

That's all there is to Registering REC. Everything is completely automated, and once you are registered you will receive the benefits of being a registered user. All of these benefits are outlined in the Sysop doc's in the Registration section.

