# Chartist User's Manual: File Operations

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## Saving A Chart File

To save a chart, select the File Save... command. If the current chart does not yet have a file name, the Save As dialog box will be displayed. See the Save Chart As procedure below.

If the chart already has a file name, the chart will be saved into the existing file.

## Saving A Chart File As...

Select the File Save As... command. This option is also selected by the File Save command when the chart does not yet have a file name. The Save File As dialog box is displayed.

If there is no current name for the file, a wild card name is placed in the File Name edit field. The current directory path is shown below the File Name field.

Below that, a list box, showing .CHT files in the current directory is displayed. Other directories and drives are also shown in the list box. By selecting the other directories or drives and pressing Enter, or double clicking the mouse on the selection, the current path may be changed.

Once in the correct directory, enter the desired file name and click the Save button. If this new name would cause overwriting an existing file, a confirmation is requested. Once a name exists for the chart file, that name is displayed in the main window title bar.

## Opening A Chart File

Select the File Open... command. The Open File dialog box is displayed. This dialog is almost identical to the Save As dialog.

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Select the desired chart file from the directory list. You may double click the desired file, click on the Open button, or press Enter. Other directories may be browsed by selecting the sub-directories shown enclosed in square brackets. The chart file name may also be typed in if it is known.

## Printing A Chart

Select the File Print command. The Chartist Print dialog box will appear. When one or more symbols are selected, you may check Print Selection, printing only the selected symbols and connecting lines, justified to the top left corner of the printer page. Otherwise, the entire chart is printed.

After a print operation is started it may be canceled before completion via the dialog box that remains in view while Chartist is sending output to the printer. The currently selected printer is used. The number of pages printed is determined by the amount of information in the chart.

## **Setting Printer Options**

Choose the File Setup Printer... command to change the current printer and its settings. The Choose Printer dialog will be displayed. Select a printer from the list of installed printers and click on the OK button.

If different printer settings from the defaults are desired, click on the Setup... button. The printer driver dialog box will be displayed.

Depending upon the printer driver, changing the printer option settings may affect other applications. Similarly, other applications that change printer settings may affect the printer settings of Chartist. This interaction depends upon whether the printer driver is fully Windows 3.0 compliant.