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<u>Technical Support</u> <u>Newsletter</u> With RunFast you can open programs, files, and websites by entering commands into the RunFast box.

To open the RunFast box

- Press the hotkey (the default is Ctrl + R).
- Or click on the RunFast System Tray icon
 (located on the Taskbar by the clock).

To execute a command

To execute a command enter the command into the RunFast box and press the **Enter** key. For example, entering **notepad** into the RunFast box will open the Windows Notepad program.

To execute multiple commands at one time, separate them with the pipe character | (Shift + \ (forward slash)). Example: command1|command2

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To open the settings box

- Right-click on the RunFast System Tray icon
- 💯 (located on the Taskbar by the clock) and select **Settings**.
- Or right-click on the RunFast box title bar and select Settings.

Options

After a command is executed: Choose if you want the RunFast box to hide in the System Tray or stay open after a command is executed.

Start when Windows starts: Check this box to make RunFast automatically start when Windows starts.

Display icon in System Tray: Check this box to display the RunFast icon in the System Tray.

Always on Top: Check this box to make the RunFast box stay on top of all other windows.

Transparent: Check this box to make the RunFast box look transparent. Requires Windows 2000/XP.

HotKey: The key combination that can be pressed at any time to open the RunFast box.

Clear entered commands history: Clears the entered commands history from the RunFast box.

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Aliases are custom commands/shortcuts you can create to open programs, files, and websites.

This is one of the most powerful features of RunFast and will help you use your computer more efficiently. For example, you can create an alias with the name "mail" and with the command pointing to your email program. So every time you enter "mail" into the RunFast box it will open your email program.

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To create a new alias

- Open the settings box.
- Click the New button in the Aliases box.
- Or drag the program icon/file into the settings box.

Options

Name: The name of the new alias you are creating.

Command: The command that will be executed when the alias name is entered. This can be a program, file, or website.

Window: The window state of the program when it is opened.

Example: You can create an alias with the name "note" and with the command "notepad". Now when "note" is entered into the RunFast box, RunFast will open the Windows Notepad program.

RunFast comes with these pre-configured aliases to help you use your computer more efficiently and demonstrate the power of aliases:

mycomp: Opens My Computer.

mydocs: Opens My Documents.

cpanel: Opens Control Panel.

recbin: Opens Recycle Bin.

google: Searches the Google search engine with the specified search text. Example: google search

text.

yahoo: Searches the Yahoo search engine with the specified search text. Example: yahoo search

text.

email: Opens your default email program and creates a new message to the specified email address.

Example: email support@idiogensoftware.com.

You can export/import aliases so you can share them with other computers.

To export your aliases

- Open the settings box.
- Click the Export button in the Aliases box.

To import your aliases

- Open the settings box.
- Click the **Import** button in the **Aliases** box.

RunFast comes with these built-in commands:

?shutdown: Shuts down the computer.

?reboot: Restarts the computer.

?logoff: Logs off the current user.

?wait: Makes RunFast wait for the specified number of seconds. This command can be used to delay the execution of a command, for example, when executing multiple commands at one time. Example: **?wait 2**.

?settings: Opens the RunFast settings box.

?help: Opens the help manual.

?website: Opens the Idiogen Software website, where you can download the latest version and get technical support.

You can quickly create new aliases by dragging a program/file icon into the settings box.

You can quickly shutdown your computer by entering **?shutdown** into the RunFast box. <u>Other built-in</u> commands.

You can change the RunFast HotKey (the default is Ctrl + R) from the settings box.

You can quickly search the internet using the Google search engine by entering **google your search text** or using the Yahoo search engine by entering **yahoo your search text**. Other pre-configured aliases.

You can quickly create a new email message to a specified address by using the **email** alias. <u>Other preconfigured aliases.</u>

You can share aliases between different computers by using the export/import feature.

You can choose to keep the RunFast box always open from the settings box.

You can execute multiple commands at one time by separating them with the pipe character | (**Shift +** \ (forward slash)). Example: **command1**|**command2**. You can also create aliases to execute multiple commands, and you can also execute multiple aliases at one time.

When executing multiple commands at one time, you can make RunFast wait before executing another command by using the **?wait** command.

For example: **notepad|?wait 5|?shutdown** will open the Windows Notepad program, wait for 5 seconds, and then shutdown the computer. <u>Other built-in commands</u>.

You can receive update alerts and other news about RunFast by subscribing to the RunFast newsletter.

Technical support is available online at the Idiogen Software website:

www.idiogensoftware.com

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www.idiogensoftware.com/newsletter/runfast.php

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