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Overview

Run allows you launch an application with a single mouse click. You can Drag and Drop any executable files or folder on the Launch area. Use a right mouse click on the button to setup the application. You can also Drag and Drop non executable files on the associated application to launch the application with the file loaded. A left mouse click launches an application.

Run allows you to control your desktop. With it you can specify the startup position and size of any application. Adding an application to the Application Control database is as simple as selecting the application from a list of running applications and pushing the add button. You can also determine where non controlled application will start. You do this by defining a Confinement Area

The position of any on screen feature can be found by starting the Confinement Dialog from the Confinement menu item. The current cursor position is continuously displayed. This is useful to help choose a confinement area. Changes in the confinement area can also be made here.

Getting Started

Copy all files to a directory of your choice. All data and configuration files will be created there. To uninstall just delete the directory.

Drag any exe, com, bat, or pif file and drop it on a button in the launch area. The application can be launched by left clicking on the that button. To modify the command line or set several other parameters right click on the button. You can also drop a folder on the launch area. When clicked the folder will open.

The Run main window can be sized vertically and horizontally.

Suggestions:

Drag Explorer.exe and drop it onto the Launch area. Right click and modify the command line to be [c:\windows\explorer.exe /n,/e]. This will launch the explorer when pushed. Drive and directory should be changed to match your system.

Drag Control.exe and drop it onto the Launch area. This will launch the control panel when pushed. Drive and directory should be changed to match your system.

Drag Explorer.exe and drop it onto the Launch area. Right click and modify the command line to be [c:\windows\explorer.exe c:\recycled]. This will launch the wastebasket when pushed. Drive and directory should be changed to match your system.

Drag the programs folder and drop it on the Launch area.

Drag drive a:\ and drop it on the Launch area.

Shell32.dll, in the system directory, is a good source of icons.

System Menu

The system menu is accessed by left clicking on the system menu button of the main window.

Shutdown Windows - This will allow you to shutdown or restart Windows.

Application Control - This menu item starts the Application Control dialog. From here you can add and delete applications from the list of controlled applications.

Application Exceptions - This menu selection will start the Exceptions dialog. The exceptions dialog lists all the current running applications as well as all current exceptions. Applications can be added to or deleted from the exception list from this dialog.

Confinement - This menu selection will start the Confinement dialog. The confinement dialog shows the current screen resolution, the current cursor position and the current confinement settings. The confinement settings can be changed from this dialog.

Reload Icons - This will reload all of the Icons from the specified file.

Help Contents - This menu item starts the on-line help system.

About - Displays the About dialog.

Application Control

To control where and what size an application will start simply start the application, move and size it accordingly and then bring up the Run system menu and select Application Control. This will start the Application Control dialog. All running application will be listed in the upper pane. Select the application you wish to add and push the *ADD* button. An application can always be added again with a new size and position. To remove an application from the list simply select it from the bottom pane and then push the *Delete* button. You should occasionally review your list and remove entries that no longer apply. You should not add an application to the list that can remember where and what size to be on its' own, that is redundant.

Application Exceptions

When the confinement feature is turned on, non-controlled applications will be confined to a specified area of the screen. Any application can be excluded from confinement by adding it to the confinement exception list. To do this bring up the Run system menu and select the Application Exception menu. This will start the Application Exception dialog. All running application will be listed in the upper pane. Select the application you wish to add and push the *ADD* button. To remove an application from the list simply select it from the bottom pane and then push the *Delete* button.

Confinement Area

The Confinement Area is a user defined rectangle that can confine applications that have not been added to the Application Control Database. This confinement is specified in the *Confinement* dialog. The *Confinement* dialog is started by selecting the *Confinement* menu item on the system menu.

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Application Setup

The application setup dialog allows you to specify various parameters of the application. You can modify the title for the launch button, the command line, the startup directory and the location of the icon. You can have the application start when Run starts and you can have the application start minimized. You can also insert applications from here without using Drag and Drop.

You can move an application up or down the button bar by using the *Move Up* or *Move Down* buttons. To remove an application from the list you can use the *Remove Application* button.

You can change the icon displayed on the launch button by pushing the *View Icons* button. Use the *Next* and *Previous* buttons to navigate the available icons. Once an icon is chosen push the *Install Icon* button to install it.

