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Chapter 1

REQUESTOR

1.1 REQUESTOR V 2.0 © Stephan Kortleven

This file documents REQUESTOR, a FileREQUESTOR that automatises your mail system.

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REQUESTOR V2.0

a FileREQUESTOR that automatises your mail system.

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1.2 Preface

Preface

REQUESTOR is a Shareware program. The unregistered version will pop up requesters at the end of the program, and you will have to click some buttons with your mouse. Also, a few other functions are disabled in the unregistered version:

On the main Window :

- The ForceDecr checkbox is disabled in the unregistered version.
- The AppTimer button is disabled in the unregistered version.

At the Settings/Automatic Options window :

- Poll checkbox is disabled in the unregistered version.
So, the possibility to poll automatically when starting up REQUESTOR will not work.
- AutoSession checkbox is disabled in the unregistered version.
So, the possibility to poll automatically when starting up REQUESTOR and quitting automatically when everything is done will not work.
- Decrunch Diffs checkbox is disabled in the unregistered version.
So, automatic diff handling will not be possible.
- Decrunch Fileattach checkbox is disabled in the unregistered version.
So, incoming archives can not be automatically decrunched.
- Quit checkbox is disabled in the unregistered version.
After polling it will not be possible to quit automatically.

But still I have left you all a way to set all these unregistered options on. It's your job to find this way, OTHERWISE register yourself and you will receive a keyfile that enables all disabled options, so you can work like it's supposed to be.

1.3 Introduction

Introduction

This manual is a description of REQUESTOR. A FileRequester that automatises your mail system.

To use REQUESTOR you will need a good mailer. TrapDoor is suggested. You will need a good tosser too, Spot is suggested. Spot has been developped for use with TrapDoor and supports/uses many of TrapDoor's unique features. REQUESTOR V2.0 is specially developped for use with TrapDoor and Spot so you will get a unique family. ;-) REQUESTOR V2.0 supports now only these two best programs of their kind. It's developped to make a link (communication channel) with these two programs by arexx from program feed, no scripts.

REQUESTOR requires Workbench 2.0 or higher to run. It uses many 2.04 features and has been designed to be as user-friendly as possible.

1.4 Features

Features

- * Requires Kickstart 2.04 or higher.
- * Locale support.
- * Keyboard short-cuts for most menus and Gadtools gadgets.
- * Commanding Spot through arexx.
- * Commanding TrapDoor through arexx.
- * Multiple phonenumber calling uptill 10 numbers.
- * Mail backup.
- * Automatic delete mailbackup uptill 31 days.
- * Frequent filerequest uptill 100 days.
- * Early requested files check.
- * Automatic .Lha .Lzh .Run archive decrunching by Lha
- * Automatic .Zip archive decrunching
- * Automatic decrunching fileattach.
- * Automatic diff handling.
- * Automatic deleting unwanted files in archives.
- * Automatic deleting unwanted incoming files.
- * Automatic moving incoming files (by there extension) to there directory.
(.JPEG, .TIFF, ...)
- * Timer, to poll automatically at xx Hour, xx Minutes.
- * Aftersession part to run some extra batchs or programs on.
- * AppIcon to drop archives on to decrunch them automatically.
- * Multiple Config support (ASCII Format).
- * Support all screenformats, also public screens.
- * Complete TrapDoor session report.

Some of these features are only available in the registered version.

The program works with a personalised keyfile. So, if you like my work please send a donation of 300 Belgian Franks or 10 US Dollar. Therefore you will receive a keyfile and will be briefed when a new VERSION becomes available.

1.5 What can it do ?

What can it do ?

1\textdegree{} Program :

Run from Wb and CLI. Complete 2.0+ OS programming and look, menu and gadtools gadget support. The configuration can be set through the use of an ASCII configfile. You can select Custom or Public screens to displays. Locale support. Just put the catalog file in the REQUESTOR directory REQUESTOR/locale/catalog/languages/REQUESTOR.Catalog or in the locale:catalog/languages/REQUESTOR.Catalog and set your wb in the selected languages with the prefs/locale program.

2\textdegree{} Frequent File-requests :

Multiple file-requests that each can be set frequently.

Example: every 7 days request Amigafiles.lha... (uptill 100 days)

3\textdegree{} Multicall :

Multicall with separated time settings to wait for next call (TrapDoor Arexx connection with REQUESTOR). There are some arexx scripts to call multiple phonenumber. This program is 100% assembler code and will be faster than arexx scripts. So, you can remove all those old scripts.

4\textdegree{} Mail Backup :

Making a backup of your mail so you can restore it easily and import your mail again.

5\textdegree{} Mailbackup Delete :

With this option you can decide when the mail backup is old enough to delete (Uptill 31 days).

6\textdegree{} Making a backup of the filerequest that you just did. A simple menu click will restore your last request. ←

7\textdegree{} Request check :

Check which files you already requested and retain the possibility to remove or continue the item in this request. You will be prompted the time and date when you already requested this before.

8\textdegree{} Automatic mailimport :

Decrunch automatically the mail in Spot (Spot arexx connection REQUESTOR)

9\textdegree{} Automatic moving of files :

Sometimes you will receive files like .jpeg etc. These files should not be handled by REQUESTOR. So, if you like, you could tell REQUESTOR to move every file to a specified directory if the file is ending with .JPEG etc...

10\textdegree{} Automatic decrunching :

Decrunch automatically all received .lha, .lzh, .run, .zip files that have been requested. The destination directory for all decrunching can be set. Frequently requested files can be decrunched in an other selectable directory than those of the filerequest.

If the archive has :

- no directory
- a directory with some external files except the .icon-file itself
- multiple directories.

then REQUESTOR will put them together in one directory named after the lha-file without the .lha extension. This way you can be sure the directory structure will not be a mess and everything is well separated. If there is no iconfile for the directory it will be created. So, you

can access your filerequest from WB and test your newly received software. Even if the chosen directory already exists, REQUESTOR will create a new directory in the format of the file or directory and will before this renaming the old directory to name(.backup1...99) and then extract the archive.

Once an archive has been handled the archive bit will be set and not being handled anymore. Until, in the mainwindow the forcedecr checkbox is set to the ON state.

11\textdegree{} Fit on disk check :

HD check. When extracting to disk, REQUESTOR will check first if it will fit on your disk. If it doesn't fit, REQUESTOR will tell you this and the archive will be skipped. It stays in the inbound, so you can have it decrunched after making room on your device.

12\textdegree{} AppTimer :

If you click this button REQUESTOR will close itself and will be a appicon on the workbench. Dropping a icon of a archive on this appicon will wake up REQUESTOR and gives directly the command to decrunch these archives. On every session you can tell REQUESTOR to add a icon to the archive so it will be easier to use for dropping. When the appicon is active you could use the use timer option to let REQUESTOR poll at a given hour and minutes.

13\textdegree{} Afterssession :

This part leaves you the possibility to run some scripts or other programs after REQUESTOR has done its work.

14\textdegree{} Automatic diffhandling :

Nodelist and Amylist users could tell REQUESTOR to handle there diff files automatically. Example : NodeDiff.l?? or AmyDiff.z??. The "?" stands for the always changing format of these files. Normaly you get these files automatically by your bbs in a format like this NodeDiff.103. The "03" is changing every week and stands for the day of the year. REQUESTOR will let free any possible chars at the "?". It will automatically decrunch to the given directory of the nodelist and handled by TrapList to add to the complete list.

15\textdegree{} Complete TrapDoor report :

Through arrex you will get a complete TrapDoor session report of what has happened with the session. Some of these results are not correct when you work with a not registered version of TrapDoor. Example all send, received files by TrapDoor will allways be 0 in the unregistered TrapDoor version. Therefore I implanted the ForceImport Checkbox to force REQUESTOR to do a Spot mail Import after every poll. Use this if you are a not a registerd TrapDoor user.

16\textdegree{} Automatic deleting received files :

If your bbs sends every time a file you don't need or you don't want. You can set REQUESTOR to delete the file everytime it comes in.

17\textdegree{} Automatic deleting in received archives :

If bbs-info, placed in the archive by your local bbs, is killing your nerves, you can let REQUESTOR delete these files in the archive before extracting the archive.

1.6 Installation

Installation

You can install REQUESTOR very easily. Just move or copy the whole directory to the place you want to have it. Installation is completed !

REQUESTOR does not need any assigns. I have decided to set the default prefs regarding the mail: paths. Mail:inbound, Mail:outbound like TrapDoor and Spot.

'MAIL:' is required by most other FidoNet software, so if you have already installed TrapDoor or Spot this will already be assigned properly and you will get no error messages when starting up REQUESTOR for the first time.

There is just one thing to remember: REQUESTOR 's data-files, etc. have to be kept together in one directory called data. When REQUESTOR starts up for the first time, it will notice there is no data directory set. Therefore REQUESTOR creates its own directory (data) at the place the binaire code (the program itself) stands. This path can be changed later on at the settings/paths menu (Remember the data directory itself will be created automatically). To start iconify with or without the timer activated, just copy/move REQUESTOR and its icon to wb-startup. Create a config file for it, with the iconify option (and the timer option) on. You can point the name of the config file to use in the REQUESTOR icon tooltypes . CONFIG=PATH. If the specified config can't be found, automatically "DataPath/data/REQUESTORDef.config" will be taken. Another way to do this is simply to add the REQUESTOR program to your s:user-startup. Example : Dh0:bbs/REQUESTOR/REQUESTOR configname

Spot settings:

When you want to start from Spot you have to set these settings.

- 1\textdegree{} - Choose Spot menu 'Settings\System'
- 2\textdegree{} - If you have more than one pointnumber, select first in the ADDRESS listview which ADDRESS you want to set. ←
- 3\textdegree{} - Click in the stringbox after the word 'Poll'
- 4\textdegree{} - Type in path+REQUESTOR example: 'dh0:bbs/REQUESTOR/REQUESTOR'
- 5\textdegree{} - Set the Asynchronous switch on ! This is very important. If you don't set the Asynchronous switch on REQUESTOR will not be able to get arexx connection with Spot and will hang there doing nothing ! ←

Installation done.

REQUESTOR menu\settings:

The two most important parts of REQUESTOR settings are :

- Settings/Paths see Path
- Setting/BBS see BBS

These two parts have to be set or REQUESTOR can't do its job well.

See also make config it could reduce settingswork.

If you are at more than 1 bbs see also multiple pointsystem !

1.7 Multiple Pointsystem

Multiple Pointsystem

IF you have a multiple pointsystem you can add the next argument to tell REQUESTOR the difference between the bbs's, so use the next argument:

at cliprompt or at Spot menu 'Settings\System' stringgadget poll

REQUESTOR nightbreed.config

or

REQUESTOR alpha.config

1.8 Menus

Menus

Project

- Poll
- Decrunch
- About
- Guide
- User
- Quit

Settings

- General
- Paths
- BBS
- Frequently
- Auto Delete Files

Automatic Options

Timer

Config

Backup

Restore Backupmail

Restore Filerequest

1.9 Menu\Project\Poll

Poll

Keyboard short-cut: Right-Amiga P or P for Poll button.

What does it do ?

First I have to say that all these functions only work if you have set them on at the settings/options menu. They will work in the order they are numbered below.

- 1\textdegree{} OPTION Check Requested
First it will check your request for dupes.
 - 2\textdegree{} OPTION Delete Backupmail
This will delete all backupmail that is too old.
 - 3\textdegree{}~ This will be automatically done because you have asked to poll.
So, no option has to be on. In case you want to have a complete session directly when starting up REQUESTOR then the Poll or Autosession option has to be on. See below for further explanation about these two.
 - 4\textdegree{} OPTION Frequently Request
Now REQUESTOR will check if there is any of the frequently requested files coming in. So they can be unpacked.
 - 5\textdegree{} OPTION Backup Mail
At this point REQUESTOR will make a backup of all received mail.
 - 6\textdegree{} OPTION Import
It will command Spot to do an import.
Not registered TrapDoor users will have to read the ForceImport option.
 - 7\textdegree{} OPTION Delete In Archive
At this point REQUESTOR will try to delete all specified files in the received archives.
 - 8\textdegree{} OPTION Decrunch Filerequest
At this point every requested file will be decrunched.
 - 9\textdegree{} OPTION Decrunch Diffs
This will decrunch all received Diff files that are set.
 - 10\textdegree{} OPTION extension Move
This will move all files ending on the specified extensions.
 - 11\textdegree{}~OPTION Decrunch Fileattach
At this point every other received file will be act like it was a fileattach and decrunched.
 - 12\textdegree{} OPTION Aftersession
This will try to run all given commands set.
 - 13\textdegree{} OPTION Delete Source Archive
The received archive will be deleted when it's decrunched.
-

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14\textdegree{} OPTION  Add Icon On Archive
    At this point every received file will get a iconfile added.
15\textdegree{}~OPTION  Quit  or  AutoSession
    At this point REQUESTOR will try to quit.
    Further explanation below.
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Automating your configuration with Poll, Quit & Autosession.

If your are a registered user you will be able to set the poll or autosession checkbox at the settings/options menu.

When the poll checkbox is on REQUESTOR will poll your BBS when starting up. The quit checkbox will quit REQUESTOR after a poll session. These two checkboxes will work when running from WB or CLI but not at the same time. You can not set the Quit checkbox the same time the poll checkbox is active. Otherwise you will be never able to change your settings again. So the quit button will set off automatically when the poll checkbox is selected and otherwise.

For those people that still want a complete session :

Set the autosession checkbox to do these two things at the same time. (start,poll,do job,quit) But remember this will only work if you are running from cli or Spot.

You could still be playing false by setting the config file quit and poll options ON, now it will be possible to run a complete session from WB. But remember you only can change these settings by setting one of these options off again in the ASCII config file.

When none of these options are active you have to decide when you want to poll your boss. Polling your BBS can be done by selecting this menu item, the Poll shortcutkey Right Amiga P, the "P" key or the poll gadget.

1.10 Menu\Project\Decrunch

Decrunch

Keyboard short-cut: Right-Amiga D (D for Decrunch button)

What does it do ?

Look at the explanation at poll . The same steps will be made as in the poll menu except we will start now at point 6.

1.11 Menu\Project\About

About

Keyboard short-cut: Right-Amiga A

Some Copyright notes about REQUESTOR.

1.12 Menu\Project\Guide

GuideFile

Keyboard short-cut: Right-Amiga G

Selecting this menu will try to start amigaguide with this guidefile so there is always the possibility to get direct explanation of the program.

1.13 Menu\Project\User

User

Keyboard short-cut: Right-Amiga U

This menu item will only give you a registration message, if you are not a registered user. Otherwise it will give information about the registered person.

1.14 Menu\Project\Quit

Quit

Keyboard short-cut: Right-Amiga Q

I think you get the picture. ;-) This will quit the program and will first ask if it's necessary to save the changes that were made.

1.15 Menu\Settings\General

General

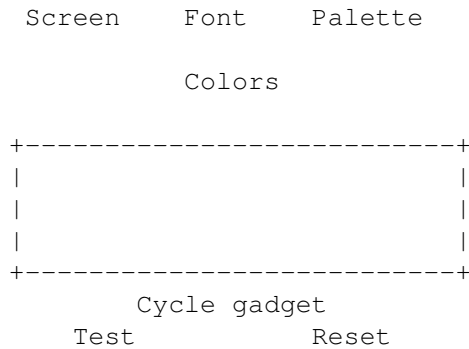
CLI Output

Output String

Screen

Public screen String

Cycle gadget



1.16 Output device

Output Device

At this stringgadget you can set which output device REQUESTOR has to use. On this device will all the unpacking etc be prompted. Some examples of legal device.

the format is

device:xpos/ypox/width/height/name/type

For no output use

NIL:

For standard output use

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Con:0/0/640/256/REQUESTOR
Con:0/150/640/50/REQUESTOR/AUTO
Con:0/200/640/50/REQUESTOR/CLOSE
Con:0/100/640/100/REQUESTOR/BACKDROP
Con:0/150/300/50/REQUESTOR/NOBORDER
Con:0/100/300/100/REQUESTOR/NODRAG
Con:0/150/640/50/REQUESTOR/NOSIZE
Con:0/150/640/50/REQUESTOR/SCREEN SPOT
Con:0/150/640/50/REQUESTOR/SIMPLE
Con:0/150/640/50/REQUESTOR/SMART
```

Or for kcon: users

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KCON:0/0/640/256/REQUESTOR
KCON:0/150/640/50/REQUESTOR/AUTO
KCON:0/200/640/50/REQUESTOR/CLOSE
KCON:0/100/640/100/REQUESTOR/BACKDROP
KCON:0/150/300/50/REQUESTOR/NOBORDER
KCON:0/100/300/100/REQUESTOR/NODRAG
KCON:0/150/640/50/REQUESTOR/NOSIZE
KCON:0/150/640/50/REQUESTOR/SCREEN SPOT
KCON:0/150/640/50/REQUESTOR/SIMPLE
KCON:0/150/640/50/REQUESTOR/SMART
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For explanation of these window types, look at your amigados references manual.

1.17 Public screen name

Public screen name

This string is used to set the public screen name in if you want to use a public screen. When typing in the cycle gadget beneath this will automatically cycle to public screen. Changing between public and custom screen is always possible with the beneath cyclegadget without changing the stringgadget. If the public screen is not found REQUESTOR takes automatically the workbench screen as public screen.

1.18 Public/custom Screen selector

Screen cycle gadget

With this cycle gadget you can always swap from public to custom screen and otherwise.

Possible positions :

- Public Screen
- Custom Screen

PS) if the public screen can not be found REQUESTOR uses automatically the workbench as public screen.

1.19 Screenmode requester

Screen mode requester

Clicking on this button will popup a reqtools screenmode requester with the possibility to change screen format, overscan, colors, etc...

It would be stupid to choose a screen format with more colors than 16. REQUESTOR has only the possibility to place 9 different colorpens, but still this can change in future. The default colors of a custom screen are 8.

1.20 Font requester

Font requester

Clicking on this button will popup a reqtools font requester with the possibility to change the font.

1.21 Palette requester

Palette requester

Clicking on this button will popup a reqtools font palette requester with the possibility to change from palette. REQUESTOR saves all Palette settings in AGA format even if you are working on a non AGA machine. This is done to make compatibility with other config files etc...

1.22 Colorpens

Cycle gadget color settings

Next screenpens could be set like you want. Clicking on above color will change the pencolor.

Possible positions :

- Gadget Text
- Shine
- Shadow
- Window Title Backg.
- Window Title Text
- Gadget Background
- Highlight
- Menu box
- Menus Background
- Menu Text
- Gadget Text

1.23 Color test

Color test

This button is added so you don't have to close your windows or REQUESTOR itself to see the changing. Pushing this button will close all windows and screens and reopen them so you can see the result of the colorchange.

1.24 Color reset

Colors Reset

When colors are selected in the wrong way it could be possible you can't read any text anymore. Clicking on this gadget will reset the colors to default colors.

1.25 Menu\Settings\Paths

Path settings

Lha	Stringgadget	@
Unzip	Stringgadget	@
Zip	Stringgadget	@
Spot	Stringgadget	@
TrapDoor	Stringgadget	@
TrapList	Stringgadget	@
Data	Stringgadget	@

1.26 Path StringGadget

Stringgadget paths

In this stringgadget you can put the complete path of the item marked before. If the path does not exist, it will change back to the old settings. There will be automatically a / or : added.

PS) If the paths are not set correctly REQUESTOR can't do its job like it should. Requester will put a message to check the path.

With Lha, Unzip, Zip, Spot, TrapDoor and TrapList we mean the executables of those programs. To avoid playing with other programs the names will be added internal so you will have only to select the directory.

The Data directory is the directory where all mailbackup, configs etc will be kept together. The directory data will be created in the selected directory. So do not select a existing REQUESTOR data directory or you will create an other data directory in it !

1.27 Path requester

Path requester

This will popup a reqtools path requester. Select the complete path of the

item marked before and click on the ok button.
 If the path does not exists it will change back to the old settings.
 There will be automatically a / or : added.

PS) If the paths are not set correctly REQUESTOR can't do its job like it would have to be. Requester will put then a message to check the path.

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1.28 Menu\Settings\BBS

BBS Settings

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      BBS Name      Stringgadget
    Your Node      Stringgadget
  Request File      Stringgadget      @
    Import Dir      Stringgadget      @
  Destination      Stringgadget      @
    Fileattach      Stringgadget      @
      +-----++
      | 10 016640099      ||
  Phonenumbers | 10 016640872      ||
      | 10 016640912      ||
      +-----++
  Phonenum      Stringgadget
    Delay x s    Slider gadget
  
```

1.29 Stringgadget BBS

Stringgadget BBS

In this stringgadget you have to put the name of the bbs this configfile is for. It's not nessecary but recommended for clearness.

1.30 Stringgadget NODE

Stringgadget NODE

In this stringgadget you have to put your nodename. The node name is the number you did receive from your local bbs to logon with. Without this

number your bbs does not accept your call.

1.31 Stringgadget Request File

Stringgadget Request File

In this stringgadget you can put the complete filepath of the file where you will request with. Normally this will in the format as your pointnumber or nodenumber. If your pointnumber will be 2:292/603.35 (it's mine.;-)) then you have to choose 2.292.603.0.REQ. A simple way to check you are right try to request a file with Spot and look in outbound: directory, this is the file you need. Don't forget to type in first which path, normally mail:outbound/ or outbound:.. If the path/file is not correct it will change back to the old settings.

1.32 Request File

Request File

This will popup a regtools file requester. Select the complete path of the file where you will request with. Normally this will in the format as your pointnumber or nodenumber. If your pointnumber will be 2:292/603.35 (it's mine.;-)) then you have to choose 2.292.603.0.REQ. A simple way to check you are right try to request a file with Spot and look in outbound: directory, this is the file you need. Don't forget to type in first which path, normally mail:outbound/ or outbound:.. If the path/file is not correct it will change back to the old settings.

1.33 Stringgadget Import Path

Stringgadget Import Path

In this stringgadget you can put the complete path where alle received files come in. This is normally inbound:

1.34 Import Path

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This will popup a regtools file requester. Select the complete path where all received file come in this is normally inbound:

1.35 Stringgadget Destination Path

Stringgadget Destination Path

In this stringgadget you can put the complete path where all received files go to after extracting (unpacking).

1.36 Destination Path

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This will popup a regtools file requester. Select the complete path where all received files go to after extracting (unpacking).

1.37 Stringgadget Fileattach Path

Stringgadget Fileattach Path

In this stringgadget you can put the complete path where all received files go to after extracting (unpacking). With Fileattach we have to keep in mind that we mean files that are received but not requested. So, no frequently requested files or diffs etc..

1.38 Fileattach Path

Fileattach Path

This will popup a regtools file requester. Select the complete path where all received files go to after extracting (unpacking). With Fileattach we have to keep in mind that we mean files that are received but not requested. So, No Frequently requested files or diffs etc..

1.39 StringGadget Phonenumbers

StringGadget Phonenumbers

At this point you can add phonenumbers by typing them in the stringgadget. They will be placed in the listview above. Clicking a phonenumber in the listview will place the phonenumber back to this stringgadget to change. Deleting all chars and pressing return afterwards will result in removing the phonenumber from the listview.

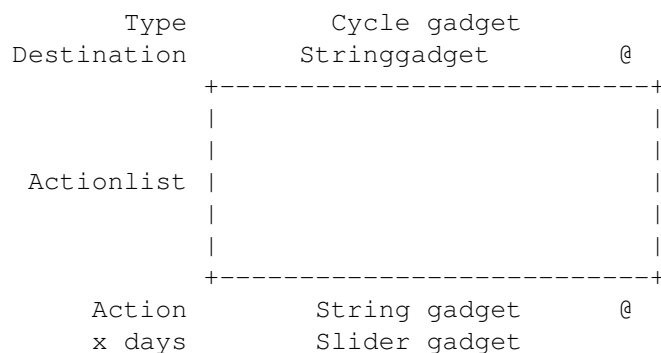
1.40 Slidergadget Time/Date

Slider Gadget Time/Date

By this slider gadget you can change the time/date by moving its position to the leftside = decrease or to the right side = increase. The result will be shown at the left side of the slider gadget.

1.41 Menu\Settings\Frequently

Frequently Settings



PS) Look at the cycle gadget which option has to be set for working !

1.42 Frequently type

Frequently type

Possible positions are :

Frequently	option has to be on for working !
Aftersession	option has to be on for working !
Diffs	option has to be on for working !
Extension Move	option has to be on for working !

1.43 Frequently

Frequently

At this point you can add at the action stringgadget which file you want to receive frequently. With the slider gadget you can always change the days before doing a new request. At the stringgadget path you can change the destination path of the frequently requested files. Only 1 destination is

allowed for all frequently files recently. The file requester at the actionstring is disabled and only of use when working on the aftersession. In the list view you will always see first a number, this stands for the couple of days you have specified to wait. Secondly you will see a date this will mark the day of the new frequently request of that file. And last but not least the file itself that will be put in your request.

Remember to set this option ON Frequently Request if you want to have this working !

1.44 Aftersession

Aftersession

At this point you can add executables or batches to start after we have done a session. The output will be prompted at the given cli-window. You could use the filerequester at the stringgadget action to select files to execute. For batch files use always first the execute command. For asynchronously running programs you will have to use the run command. Note : When using the run command the REQUESTOR cli window will not be closed until the last run command has finished its job. So notice this if your cliwindow is still open while REQUESTOR has finished. If the background task is finished the REQUESTOR cli window will be closed automatically too.

Examples :

```
Spot
execute s:checkfiles
run TrapDoor answer
```

Note !

Destination stringgadget, pathrequest and the days slidergadget will be disabled because they are of no use.

Remember to set this option ON Aftersession if you want to have this working !

1.45 Diffs

Diffs

At this point you can add which diff files has to be recognized. This can be done using a "?". Diff files always have another name because they use the 2 last chars as the 2 last chars from the number of week they exist.

example : NodeDiff 301 will be NodeDiff.z01
you type in NodeDiff.z??

Wrong ! Nodediff.???

REQUESTOR looks at the last .z?? chars to see if it's a zip archive or .l?? for .lha archive. In future version I plan to use the "WhatIs.library" or datatypes to see the differences between the archives. You may specify in which directory the decrunchd archives has to come with the string or pathrequester at destination. Only one destination can be selected for all diffs. Normally this will be Nodelist:. Afterwards REQUESTOR will run TrapList to do the job.

Note ! The filerequester after the stringgadget and the slider gadget are disabled because they are not of use.

To receive these Diff files you have to contact your bbs. They will send them to you. The first time you will receive a file from 3 meg with all network addresses in them. Afterwards you will receive every week an update called diff files from +/-50kb. With this nodelist (every week updated and processed by TrapList) you can use message/info from Spot to see where the message writer lives, and you can call his BBS's directly by his nodenumber instead of his phonenumber. See the TrapList manual for more details.

Remember to set this option ON Decrunch Diffs if you want to have this working !

1.46 Extension Move

Extension Move

At this point you can set which extension REQUESTOR has to recognize. If you put in at the action stringgadget ".jpeg". All files ending on .jpeg will be moved at the directory specified at destination stringgadget or path REQUESTOR. You select always first the directory and afterwards the extension so you could have always a different destination directory. Remember that the extension can only be 10 characters long. Everything greater then 10 characters will be cut down untill 10 characters.

If the file allready exist on the destination then it will be renamed to name.Backup(1..99) so the file can be moved.

Note !

Note ! The file requester after the stringgadget and the slider gadget are disabled because they are not of use.

Remember to set this option ON extension Move if you want to have this working !

1.47 Stringgadget Frequently paths

Stringgadget Frequently paths

In this stringgadget you can put the complete path of wanted directory.
 If the path does not exist, it will change back to the old settings.
 There will be automatically a / or : added.

PS) If the paths are not set correctly REQUESTOR will replace the old path back.

The paths are different for every cycle position.

- Frequently : Only one directory can be set for all frequently requested files. All unpacked archives are stored there. Remember when using Frequently files they will not be checked if they are kept in one directory and they will overwrite allways the previous file.
- Aftersession : Disabled, so not of use
- Diffs : Only one directory can be set for all selected diffs, this will normaly be nodelist:
- Extension Move : For every extension you choose a directory can be set. Every time you add an extension the path will be added after it in the listview. So remember to set first the destination directory and later on add the extension.

1.48 Frequently paths

Path requester

This will popup a regtools path requester. Select the complete wanted path and click on the ok button.

If the path does not exists it will change back to the old settings.
 There will be automaticly a / or : added.

PS) If the paths are not set correctly REQUESTOR will replace the old path back.

The paths are different for every cycle position.

- Frequently : Only one directory can be set for all frequently requested files. All unpacked archives are stored there. Remember when using Frequently files they will not be check the are kept in one directory and they will be overwrite allways the previous filed.
- Aftersession : Disabled, so not of use
- Diffs : Only one directory can be set for all sellected diffs, this will be normaly nodelist:
- Extension Move : For every extension you choose a directory can be set. Every time you add a extension the path will be added after it in the listview. So remeber to set first the destination directory and later on add the extension.

1.49 Frequently Action Stringgadget

Frequently Action Stringgadget

At this point you can give in which action there must be done. The action is specified by the position of the cycle gadget type . Everything added will be prompt at the listview above. Selecting an item at the listview will place the text back to the stringgadget for changing. Deleting all chars will result in removing that item.

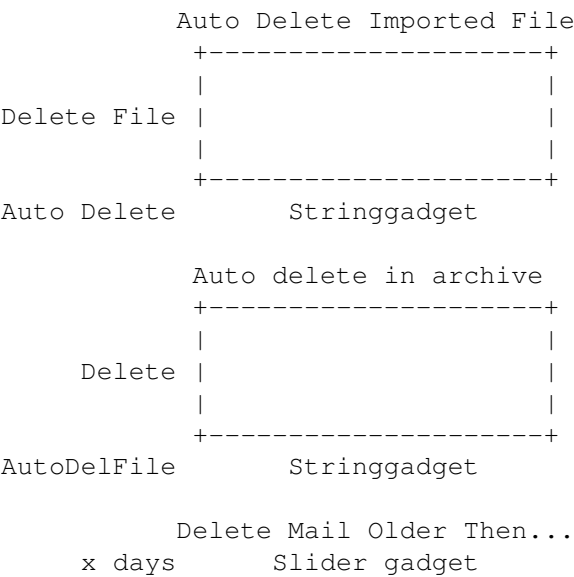
1.50 Filerequester

File requester

This filerequester will only work when the cycle gadget stands in the aftersession mode. It will be used for selecting executeables or scripts.

1.51 Menu\Settings\Auto Delete Files

Auto Delete Files



1.52 Delete Imported File

Delete Imported Files

Some BBS have always on a filerequest some external file they send too. This file could handle some advertising information you don't always want to see. At this point you can give at the delete file stringgadget which file

has to be deleted directly when coming in. Everything will be prompted in the above listview by pressing the return key. Clicking on a item in the listview will place the string back to the string gadget for changing. Removing all chars from the stringgadget will kill the item. All output from lha can be followed in the cli output window.

This has no option to turned off so if they are no files given in there will be no check taking place. If there were files they will be checked to be the same as the received one. If they are the same they will be deleted !

1.53 Delete Files in Archives

Delete Files in Archives

Some BBS put always in a archive some extra file they want you to see. This file could handle some bbs information you don't always want to to see. Normally this information will scramble the hole directory structure because you now have some internal files extra in the archive. REQUESTOR will see them as extra files and places always everything in a new called directory. When adding these files to this section they will first be removed from the archive before extracting. This is very interesting if you want to hold these archives by setting the option autodelete source archive off. All handled archives have now directly these unwanted files removed. You can give at the AutoDelFile stringgadget which file has to be deleted directly when extracting. Everything will be prompted in the above listview by pressing return. Clicking on an item in the listview will place the string back to the string gadget for changing. Removing all chars from the stringgadget wil kill the item. All output from lha can be followed in the cli output window.

Remember to set this option ON Delete In Archive if you want to have this working !

1.54 Delete Backupmail

Delete Backup Mail older then x days

By this slider gadget you can change the number of days the backupmail may be old. Its position to the leftside will decrease and moving to the right side will increase the number of days. The result will be shown at the left side of the slider gadget.

Remember to set this option ON Delete Backupmail if you want to have this working !

1.55 Menu\Settings\Automatic Options

Automatic Options

Check Requested	Decrunch Diffs
Frequently Request	Decrunch Fileattach
Delete Backupmail	Delete Source Archive
Poll	extension Move
Auto Session	Aftersession
Backup Mail	Quit
Import	Use timer
Force Import	Add Icon On Archive
Delete In Archive	Iconify
Decrunch Filerequest	

1.56 Check Requested

Check Requested

OPTION Check Requested ON

It will check your request for dupes. If so, you have the possibility to Remove the requested file by answring 'No' or continue the requested file by clicking 'Yes'.

An other possibility is to choose the 'All' button which defines you are sure that all the rest of requested files that have been earlier requested include this request. Clicking the 'Remove All' button will remove all the rest of the earlier requested files.

1.57 Frequently Request

Frequently Request

OPTION Frequently Request ON

REQUESTOR will check if there is any of the frequently requested files coming in. If so, it will decrunch these archives when possible and places these decrunched versions in the specified directory. No renaming or directory will be made. It will overwrite the old files. This is done to update regular files like bbs file list etc...

You can add Frequently Requested files at the Setting/Frequently menu.

1.58 Delete Backupmail

Delete Backupmail

OPTION Delete Backupmail ON

This will delete all backupmail that is older then the number of days specified with the slider gadget in the menu settings/auto delete files

1.59 Poll

Poll

OPTION Poll ON

When this option is set REQUESTOR handles everything automatically. When starting up REQUESTOR will start directly polling and doing every option that is set until it has done everything.

It will try to start TrapDoor at the path given in the settings/paths menu. If no path is given it will search in your C: directory for TrapDoor to start.

If it has no succes you will be prompted to check the path at the main window, listview status. If it manages to start TrapDoor, it starts TrapDoor in answer mode with your nodename added which is very important when you are a multiple bbs user. TrapDoor will now wait for any arexx command at its arexx port. The selected phonenumbers given in the listview of the settings/bbs menu will be sent to TrapDoor for calling.

Before calling the next phonenummer (or the same phonenummer again if no other has been given). REQUESTOR will wait before sending the next (or the same) phonenummer to TrapDoor. It will wait for the given seconds marked before the phonenummer in the listview of the settings/bbs menu.

The retries will be repeated as long as no connection is made. After the connection is made, it will send a command to TrapDoor to quit. If you use the unmodified TrapDoor.cfg you can always quit TrapDoor when it is trying to call (status line: calling....) by pressing the ESC key. You will hear a beep letting you know that TrapDoor is stopped. Pressing the ESC key while TrapDoor is waiting (status line: waiting x sec. before calling...). Will just initialize your modem again. A full report will be given by TrapDoor to REQUESTOR of what has happen. The poll option will unselect the quit option automatically and otherwise.

See also Auto Session

1.60 Auto Session

Auto Session

~OPTION AutoSession ON

AutoSession will do the same as the poll option except if everything is done it will quit REQUESTOR. Works only from cli or Spot. Why ? Very simple, otherwise you haven't anymore the possibility to set any option at all. Now you only have to run from wb to make changes. True wb REQUESTOR settings are always changeable because the poll and quit gadget can't be set the same time. You could always lie to the system by setting in the configfile poll and quit options to on position using a ASCII editor like golded. Then you will have also a complete session running from wb. But ! Don't forget to set them again to off position if you want to set some settings again. ;-)

1.61 Backup Mail

Backup Mail

OPTION Backup Mail ON

When this option is set REQUESTOR will make a backup of all received mail in the inbound directory. The backup is placed in the REQUESTOR data/ directory.

1.62 Import

Import

OPTION Import ON

It will try to start Spot, if it's not allready running. The path of Spot has to be set at settings/paths .

Then it will try Spot to command to do a import through arexx and Spot will import all received mail. It decides to command Spot to import if TrapDoor gives the result of more than one file received by TrapDoor.

If you are a not registered TrapDoor user look at the Force Import

1.63 Force Import

Force Import

OPTION ForceImport ON

Not registered TrapDoor users will always get as TrapDoor result of the

session 0 files received/0 file send.
So REQUESTOR will think there is no mail received and will not command Spot to import. With this option on Spot will be forced to import everytime TrapDoor has made a session even if there is no mail received.

1.64 Delete In Archive

Delete In Archive

OPTION Delete In Archive ON

At this point REQUESTOR will try to delete all specified files in the received archives. The archives will not be unpacked they stay in archive format. The specified files are set at the settings/auto delete files menu.

1.65 Decrunch Filerequest

Decrunch Filerequest

OPTION Decrunch Filerequest ON

At this point every requested file will be decrunched. What it will do when decrunching you could read at What can it do part of this guide item 10\textdegree{}. Every decrunched file will be placed at the destination directory set on the Settings/BBS menu, item "Destination"

1.66 Decrunch Diffs

Decrunch Diffs

OPTION Decrunch Diffs ON

This will decrunch all received Diff files that are set in the Setting/Frequently menu, Toggle Cycle gadget untill diffs viewbox. a "?" stands for A not known char or a always changing character in the filename. Example : AmyDiff.1??

1.67 Decrunch Fileattach

Decrunch Fileattach

~OPTION Decrunch Fileattach ON

At this point every other received file will be act like it was a fileattach and decrunched. What REQUESTOR will do when decrunching you could read at What can it do part of this guide item 10\textdegree{}. Every decrunched file will be placed at the destination directory set on the Settings/BBS menu, item "Fileattach".

1.68 Delete Source Archive

Delete Source Archive

OPTION Delete Source Archive ON

The received archive will be deleted when it's decrunched. So, you will keep the maximum room on your HD.

1.69 extension Move

Extension Move

OPTION Extension Move ON

This will move all files ending on the specified extensions in the listview at the given directory set by Setting/Frequently menu, Type extensionmove

1.70 Aftersession

Aftersession

OPTION Aftersession ON

This will try to run all given commands set at the listview in Setting/Frequently menu, toggle cycle gadget until aftersession. You can run a batch by using execute, a program by just typing the name in or a arexx prog by using the rx command. The programs are runned non asynchronous. So, if you want to run asynchronous you have to use the amigados run command.

1.71 Quit

Quit

OPTION Quit ON

The quit option will automatically quit REQUESTOR after a session is done. The quit option will unselect the poll option automatically and otherwise. Why this is done you can read at the Auto Session option.

1.72 Use timer

Use Timer

OPTION Use Timer ON

When this option is set, the time set at Settings Timer will be used when the icon is iconified. It will automatically do a complete poll session when the time is reached.

1.73 Add Icon On Archive

Add Icon On Archive

OPTION Add Icon On Archive ON

At this point every received file will get a iconfile added. This is done to drop later on on the REQUESTOR appicon or for WB usage.

1.74 Iconify

Iconify

OPTION Iconify ON

Selecting this option will startup REQUESTOR iconified. If the use timer option is selected REQUESTOR will popup from iconified and start his session when the time is reached that was been set at settings/timer. You can always double click the appicon to popup REQUESTOR again or drop a .lha or .zip archive on it for decrunching.

1.75 Menu\Settings\Timer

Settings Timer

x Hours	Slider gadget
x Mins	Slider gadget

1.76 Menu\Settings\Config

Menu Settings Config

Load
Save
Save As
Make As

1.77 Menu\Settings\Config\Load

Load Config

Keyboard short-cut: Right-Amiga L

When selecting this menu a reqtools file requester will be opened to load the config you want. Every setting will be changed to that of the new config. An other possibility to load the configs when starting up is from cli as argument or as icon tooltype with the keyword CONFIG="name"

REQUESTOR will always try to open REQUESTORDef.Config when starting up, if no configfile is given as argument or as icon tooltype.

PS) It would be smart not to change the path so that REQUESTOR can find its config directly. When using the argument or the icon tooltype the default REQUESTORs data/ directory will be used. So, including an other path will only result in errors.

1.78 Menu\Settings\Config\Save

Save Config

Keyboard short-cut: Right-Amiga S

Every setting that has been changed will be saved in the config file. The configfile is in ASCII format and can be found in the data/ directory. The default path of this data directory will be saved in the env: envarc: directory under the name REQUESTORPath. The configname will be always the name of the last loaded config file.

1.79 Menu\Settings\Config\Save As

Save Config As

Config:

Keyboard short-cut: Right-Amiga C

When selecting this menu a regtools file requester will be opened to save the config. The configname can be changed if you want. Every setting that has been changed will be saved in the config file. The configfile is in ASCII format and can be found in the data/ directory. The default path of this data directory will be saved in the env: envarc: directory under the name REQUESTORPath.

1.80 Menu\Settings\Config\Make

Make Config

Keyboard short-cut: Right-Amiga M

To easily make a config file is this option implanted. This menu will open the Spot prefs files and look for any information that could be useable for REQUESTOR.

Next four settings would be taken from the Spot prefs file. For each bbs you are recieving mail from, a separated config will be made with a name choosen by you for that bbs.

- BBS Name
- Your Node
- Request File
- Import Dir

PS) Al the rest of settings stay like they are. The last save config will be still in memory !

1.81 Restore Mail

Restore Mail

Restore last received mail. After an import by Spot all mail inbound/#?.pkt and #?.day files are deleted automatically. Normally you will not be able to get back deleted messages. REQUESTOR stores a backup of all received .pkt, .day-files when the mailbackup option is set.

Selecting this menu item popups a regtools requester asking how many days you want to restore from mail back to your mail:inbound/ directory. So you can import again in Spot or Decrunch in REQUESTOR.

See also option delete backupmail

1.82 Restore Request

Restore Request

Restore last saved request. A handy option to bring back what you did request last. Remember this will overwrite the recent request !

1.83 Buttons

Buttons

Sequence

Poll
Decrunch
Quit

Status

Cycle gadget
Erase

Session

AppTimer
Force

1.84 Poll

Poll

Keyboard short-cut: P

See menu-item Poll

1.85 gdecrunch

Decrunch

Keyboard short-cut: D

See menu-item Decrunch

1.86 Quit

Quit

I think you get the picture. ;-) This will quit the program and will first ask if its necessary to save the changes that were made.

1.87 Cycle Gadget Session

Cycle Gadget Session

With this cycle gadget it will be possible to set which type of result you want to see in the listview.

Possible positions of this cycle gadget wil be :

Actions
All Req
Request
Inbound

1.88 Actions Listview

Actions Listview

At this point you can see all what has happend in the listview. Selecting a text in the listview will do nothing.

1.89 All Requested Files Listview

All Requested Files Listview

At this point you can see all the files you did request earlier. You will be only able to see as far the list view goes. To go further in the list push the space bar to continu. This is done to save memory. This list could get megas long. It would be stupid to load them all in memory.

Selecting a earlier requested file from the listview will popup a reqtools requester that will be asking to add this request or not.

1.90 Request Listview

Request Listview

At this point you can see what you are going to request on next poll.
Selecting a request from the listview will do nothing.

1.91 Inbound Listview

Inbound Listview

At this point you can see what there will be in your inbound directory.
Selecting a file from the listview will popup a reqtools requester asking to
delete that file are not.

1.92 Erase Button

Erase Button

This button its job depends on the position of the cycle gadget.

Possible positions of this cycle gadget will be :

Actions
All Req
Request
Inbound

1.93 Erase Status Listview

Erase Status Listview

When selecting this erase button the listview will be cleared.

1.94 Erase Allready Requested Files Listview

Erase Allready Requested Files Listview

When selecting this button you will be asked to delete the entirely allready
requested filelist.

1.95 Erase Filerequest Listview

Erase Filerequested Listview

When selecting this button you will be asked to delete the entirely request.

1.96 Erase INBOUND: Listview

Erase INBOUND Listview

When selecting this button you will be asked to delete the entirely INBOUND: directory.

1.97 AppTimer

AppTimer

When pushing this button REQUESTOR will close all its screens and add a appicon to the workbench. When the appicon is active the clock can be used when this option is set on. Double clicking this appicon will reopen all screens and windows again ready to use. You can drop icons to on the appicon. This will reopen the screens and windows and starts unpacking from the dropped archives if possible.

1.98 Force decrunch

Force decrunch

You have to set this option when you want to decrunch allready decrunched archives in the inbound directory. Normaly after unpacking the archives there will be set an archive bit to the file so it will know the file is allready handled. When the force decrunch checkbox is set on the archive bit will be skipped and everything will be decrunched every time untill the checkbox is set off again.

1.99 Icon Tooltypes

Icon Tooltypes

Icon tooltypes settings.

Click on the iconfile and select information from the workbench menu.

Remove the brackets if you want to make a tooltype active.
I left you the possibility to change these settings because its default setting are kept low for memory saving. But every user could need more items then the default settings.

(CONFIG=Alpha.config)

Add the name of the configfile you want to use at startup after the keyword CONFIG=. This will only work if you are running from workbench, otherwise you have to use the cli arguments.

(ACTIONLIST=50) default 50

This will be the listview where you could see all actions that are been made by Requestor (main window). This could be in a range of 50 -> 500. If you request a lot, you will notice this has to be increased a little to see everything that has happened and scroll through it.

(PHONELIST=5) default 5

This will be the listview where you could see all phonenumbers that are added (Setting\BBS). This could be in a range of 5 -> 100.

(FREQUENTLYLIST=5) default 5

This will be the listview where you could see all frequently requested files that are added (Setting\Frequently\Frequently). This could be in a range of 5 -> 100.

(AFTERSESSIONLIST=5) default 5

This will be the listview where you could see all aftersession programs that are added (Setting\Frequently\Aftersession). This could be in a range of 5 -> 100.

(DIFFLIST=5) default 5

This will be the listview where you could see all diff files that are added (Setting\Frequently\Diffs). This could be in a range of 5 -> 100.

(EXTENTIONLIST=5) default 5

This will be the listview where you could see all extention files that requestor has to move (Setting\Frequently\Extention move). This could be in a range of 5 -> 100.

(DELIMPORTLIST=5) default 5

This will be the listview where you could see all the received files that have to be deleted (Setting\Delete files). This could be in a range of 5 -> 100.

(DELINARCHIVELIST=5) default 5

This will be the listview where you could see all the files that has to be deleted in the received archives (Setting\Delete files).

This could be in a range of 5 -> 100.

(DONOTWAIT)

This tooltype have to be added if Requestor runs from WBStartup !

1.100 CLI ARGUMENT

CLI Argument

Look at the Multiple Pointsystem section to have a explanation of the useable CLI arguments.

1.101 Config File

Config File

The config file is accessable in the data directory and can be changed with an ASCII text editor like Golded. It is very important to do everything the same way like you see at this explanation chapter ! When spaces are used they have to be used in all cases or REQUESTOR can't find its settings. When REQUESTOR did not found its settings the default settings will be used !

When you have not enough memory it will be always possible to do some tricks to save memory. Let say you will have REQUESTOR decrunching all your received diff files. But not the proccesing of the nodelist using TrapList, you have planned to do this after REQUESTOR has finished. Change the path of TrapList then to "" (<- Empty, Nothing or a directory that not exists). At this point REQUESTOR will not be able to run TrapList (you will get a little error message) and everything will be done except TrapList processing the diff files.

REQUESTOR PREFS 2.0	Config version
SCREEN	-> All screen settings
SCREENTYPE PUBLIC	-> Public screen
PUBSCREENNAME SPOT	-> PublicScreen Spot
SCREENWIDTH 702	-> Width of screen
SCREENHEIGHT 278	-> Height of screen
SCREENDEPTH 2	-> Depth (Depth^2=colors) of screen
SCREENMODE 167936	-> Do not change unless you know what it will be !
FONT topaz.font	-> Fontname
FONTHEIGHT 8	-> Fontheight
FONTSTYLE 0	-> Font style (not used, future development)
SCREENPENS	ColorPens
GADGETTEXT 1	-> Default 1, gadget color
SHINE 2	-> Default 2, gadget shine color
SHADOW 1	-> Default 1, gadget shadow color
WINDOWTITLEBACKGROUND 3	-> Default 3, color background window title
WINDOWTITLETEXT 1	-> Default 1, color text of window title
GADGETBACKGROUND 0	-> Default 0, color background gadget
HIGHLIGHT 1	-> Default 1, color selected gadget

SLIDERBACKGROUND	-> Default 0, color background slider gadgets
SLIDER	-> Default 1, color front slider gadgets
MENUTEXT 1	-> Default 1, color text menu
PALETTE	Palette = Colorregisters (in AGA format)
COLOR 0,160,160,160	-> First bitplane colors (non aga = 1/16)
COLOR 1,0,0,0	-> Next bitplane colors
COLOR 2,240,240,240	-> Next bitplane colors
COLOR 3,96,128,176	-> Next bitplane colors
WINDOW SIZE	Window Size
XPOS 0	-> x-position of window, on Public screen
YPOS 4	-> y-position of window, on Public screen
WIDTH 702	-> width of window, on Public screen
HEIGHT 224	-> height of window, on Public screen
OPTIONS	Options
AUTOPOLL OFF	-> Automatic polling on startup, off/on
AUTOQUIT OFF	-> Automatic quitting on startup, off/on
BACKUPMAIL ON	-> Make backup received mail, off/on
CHECKREQUESTED ON	-> Check for dupes, off/on
DELSOURCE OFF	-> Delete source after decrunching, off/on
AUTOIMPORT ON	-> Do automatic a Spot import, off/on
DECRFILEREQUEST ON	-> Automatic decrunch all requested files, off/on
DECRDIFFS ON	-> Automatic decrunch received diffs, off/on
DECRFILEATTACH ON	-> Automatic decrunching all requested files, off/on
AUTOSESSION OFF	-> Do a compete session on startup, off/on
DELINSIDEARCHIVE ON	-> Delete files in archive before decrunching off/on
FREQREQUEST ON	-> Frequently request off/on
AFTERSESSION ON	-> Aftersession programs off/on
EXTENTIONMOVE ON	-> Moving files by extentionmark off/on
USETIMER OFF	-> Use REQUESTOR internal clock to poll off/on
ICONADD ON	-> Add icon to all received archives off/on
ICONIFY OFF	-> Iconify when starting up off/on
DELBACKUPMAIL ON	-> Delete backupmail older then ...off/on
FORCEIMPORT OFF	-> Force Spot to import (for not registered TrapDoor users) off/on
PATHS	Path Settings
LHA Workbench:c2/	-> Lha Path (for unpacking)
UNZIP Workbench:c2/	-> Unzip Path (for exploding, unpacking)
SPOT Workbench:Spot/	-> Spot Path (for mail import)
TRAPDOOR Workbench:c2/	-> TrapDoor Path (for bbs communication)
TRAPLIST Workbench:c2/	-> TrapList Path (for nodelist handling)
ZIP Workbench:c2/	-> Zip Path (for viewing archives)
BBS	BBS Settings
BBSNAME Nightbreed	-> Name of bbs (not necessary)
NODE 2:292/603.35	-> Pointnumber (nodename)
REQFILE Outbound:2.292.603.0.REQ	-> FilePath file to do request with
IMPORTDIR Inbound:	-> Path where all files will be received
DESTINATIONDIR Workbench:bbs/New/	-> Path where all requested, decrunched files come to
FILEATTACHDIR Workbench:bbs/New/	-> Path where all other, decrunched files come to
PHONE LIST	Phone list
10 016640099	-> Time in seconds to wait, first phonenummer
10 016640872	-> Time in seconds to wait, next phonenummer
10 016640912	-> Time in seconds to wait, next

<p>FREQUENTLY DESTINATIONS</p> <p>TYPE 0 Dh0:Filelists/</p> <p>TYPE 1</p> <p>TYPE 2 Nodelist:</p> <p>TYPE 3 RAM:</p> <p>FREQUENTLY LIST</p> <p>7 29/01/1995 amigafiles.lha</p> <p>AFTERSSESSION LIST</p> <p>C:Dir Dh0:</p> <p>C:execute s:countsessions.batch</p> <p>C:Run VirusChecker</p> <p>DIFFFS LIST</p> <p>Nodediff.z??</p> <p>Amydiff.l??</p> <p>MOVE LIST</p> <p>.arj PC:MsDos/</p> <p>.tiff Pictures/tiff</p> <p>.jpeg Pictures/Jpeg</p> <p>DELETE FILES LIST</p> <p>BBSInfo</p> <p>DELETE INSIDE ARCHIVE</p> <p>+32-16-640099</p> <p>FILE_ID.DIZ</p> <p>+32-16-640872</p> <p>TIMER</p> <p>STARTHOUR 23</p> <p>STARTMINS 7</p> <p>SYSTEM</p> <p>DAYS 7</p> <p>DELAY 10</p> <p>LASTPENS 0</p> <p>LASTFREQTYPE 1</p> <p>DELBACKUPMAIL 1</p> <p>CLI con:0/300//50/test/screen Spot</p> <p>END OF CONFIG</p>	<p>phonenumber</p> <p>Destination dir frequently settings</p> <p>-> 0=Frequently requested files, Destination directory.</p> <p>-> 1=Not used</p> <p>-> 2=Nodelist, Destination directory.</p> <p>-> 3=Extention move, Destination directory.</p> <p>List of frequently requested files</p> <p>-> 7=days to wait, next request date, file to request</p> <p>List of aftersession progs</p> <p>-> Start c:dir argument dh0:</p> <p>-> Execute scriptfile</p> <p>-> Run in background</p> <p>NodeList Lists</p> <p>-> Nodediff.z (.z=zip archive / ??=unknown chars)</p> <p>-> Amydiff.l? (.l=lha archive / ??=unknown chars)</p> <p>Extention Move List</p> <p>-> Right side chars EQ chars, destination directory</p> <p>-> Right side chars EQ chars, destination directory</p> <p>-> Right side chars EQ chars, destination directory</p> <p>Deleting unwanted files list</p> <p>-> Delete BBSInfo file if received in Inbound:</p> <p>Deleting files inside archive</p> <p>-> Deleting unwanted information file in archive</p> <p>-> Deleting unwanted information file in archive</p> <p>-> Deleting unwanted information file in archive</p> <p>Internal Clock</p> <p>-> Hour to start REQUESTOR Poll session</p> <p>-> Minutes to start REQUESTOR Poll session</p> <p>REQUESTOR System files</p> <p>-> position days slider gadget</p> <p>-> position delay slider gadget</p> <p>-> Position colorpens cyclegadget</p> <p>-> Position Frequently cyclegadget</p> <p>-> Position slidergadget delete backupmail older then ...</p> <p>CLI output device</p> <p>Mark, end of config</p>
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1.102 Requestor Junior

Requestor Junior

Because Requestor will do so much for you it will take a lot of memory (see Acknowledgements). Therefore I created a reduced version of Requestor. All possibilities to change your settings are removed from Requestor.Junior. Everything else will be the same, this means Requestor.Junior takes 80kb less then Requestor. If you want to change some settings you have to run Requestor and for general usage you can use Requestor.Junior

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1.107 How To Register

How To Register

1. Print out the "REQUESTOR Software Registration Form". The registration form can be found in the REQUESTOR distribution archive as 'World'). You can use the 'Print.World' icon to print it out easily.
 2. Please print or write LEGIBLY...
 - a. Fill in your name and mailing address.
 - b. Your fidonet address (not required, but if present you will be notified when your copy is shipping).
 - c. Your private voice telephone number (not compulsory). If possible, use the form "+32-(16)-123456", where 32 is the country code and 16 is the area code.
 3. Tick...
 - a. Decide how to transfer the money. Cash (at your own risk), a postal money order, a wire bank transfer or a EuroCheck (only in BEF!) are suggested. Foreign checks are *NOT* accepted!
 - b. Decide which way you would like to receive your keyfile.
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4. Send the registration form to me. ;-)

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2800 Mechelen - Belgium

Bank account: 789-5646277-22
Bank: BAC, Oscar Van Kesbeekstraat 72 , 2800 Mechelen - Belgium

5. Wait for your key to be delivered. Thank you for registering!
You should receive your key within 8 days after the arrival of
your registration fee. But please allow up to eight weeks for
delivery, due to unforeseen circumstances.

6. A keyfile is proof of the personal license you have to use REQUESTOR.
You are not allowed to sell or give away the keyfile.

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Graphics.library
Nudos.library
Intuition.library
Dos.library
Exec.library
Gadtools.library
Mathffp.library
Mathtrans.library
Diskfont.library
Regtools.library
Icon.library
Rexxsyslib.library
Intuition.library
REXXSYSLIB.LIBRARY
Workbench.library
Asl.library

PS) don't worry if you don't have them, all of these librarys are internal
to your Rom chip or are included by your OS (Workbench). Otherwise they are
included to the REQUESTOR code. So you will not be needing any of them
externally or to add them.

* REQUESTOR uses one external program, but this is included to
your rom chip so you don't have to stay awake "worrying" about it.

Run

Next 6 programs are needed by REQUESTOR to do its work.

TrapDoor for modem communications

TrapList for handling nodelist, amylist etc..
Lha for unpacking archives
Zip for viewing archives
Unzip for unpacking archives
Spot for automatic mail handling

Important : REQUESTOR has been tested in combination with:

TrapDoor V 1.85
TrapList V 5.19
Lha V 1.38
Zip V 2.0.1
Unzip V 3.0
Spot V 1.3a

REQUESTOR completely installed takes +/- a 400.000 bytes of memory. Running the guidefile from it will take +/- 93.000 bytes more. So, if you are running from Spot remember you will need a minimum of 400.000 bytes free memory when Spot is running !

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1.111 Program History

Program History

Version 1.0

First release.

Version 1.01

- Display message on cli argument '?' added -> NODE=PointNumber
- Not registered users - About message 'compiled to:' removed
- Early requested files check : 'ALL OK' or 'REMOVE ALL'
Delay on 'found already requested files...' removed
- Early requested files check : 'REMOVE ALL' Bug fixed
- Crash 68000/68010 bug fixed

Version 1.02

- Crash on older Amiga's with only chipmem, bug removed.

Version 2.0

- Complete new restart of the program to get a user friendly gadtools interface.
- Supporting all screen formats
- lha, zip archiving/decrunching.
- Setting options
- deleting files,
- Locale support
- Enforcer Hits removed !
- etc... too many to tell !

1.112 Future plans

Future plans

- Other archivers...
- REQUESTOR screen changing to a Public Screen
- REQUESTOR starts up on a workbench a like screen
- REQUESTOR making SysIHack-friendly
- Catching TrapDoor failers which restart TrapDoor again for retries if wanted.
- Datatype or "WhatIs.library" support

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PS) Please write me in case the following happens:

- You have any suggestion on commands or ideas that would improve REQUESTOR.
- You have a description of any bugs you may encounter.
- You want to be a registered user.
- You have make/found new Requestor catalogs or translated docs.

We always look at the bright side of life....

1.114 How did I do that ?

How did I do that ?

Dear REQUESTOR user,

If you are wondering which programming language I used to make REQUESTOR you would be yelling. Oh no, not BASIC ! Yes, BlitzBasic2. You will see its fully AmigaDOS compatible. Blitz2 has even the possibility to program directly in assembler. All used commands are 100% pure Assembler when compiled. Blitz2 is the language of the future for Amiga in its kind. The whole operating system lies open for you to use. You don't need to open a library. Its recently the most beautiful language I ever saw of this format. The support is even beautiful. There are BBS's that support Aminet-areas for Blitz-users 'Blitz_amy'. Furthermore there is the possibility to go take a look at usenet called the Blitzlist. A close Blitz-user-group working on all kinds of programs and helping each other out of problems. Try it out some time. There should be a PD-version on every bbs. If you register, you won't believe what you get for little money. +/- monthly a new update with about 100 new commands.

I know the editor doesn't seem beautiful at first time but its the result you get from working with it that counts. And take it from me you will quickly get the virus, and will want some more.

Thanks Acid Software !

1.115 Possible failures

Possible failures

1\textdegree{} REQUESTOR tells on the status line to wait for importing mail

and stays waiting.

solution

reset your amiga and set Spot settings/system/Asynchronous switch on and leave Spot so you can click the save button.

2\textdegree{} TrapList diffprocessing takes al lot of memory. It wil be possible that you are running out of memory. ← ←

solution

Change the TrapList path to a directory TrapList can't be found ! So, REQUESTOR will not be able to run it. After REQUESTOR has finnisched you could always run TrapList with more avaible memory.

3\textdegree{} Requested files will be marked in the action listview as fileattach . ←

You have requested a magic-filename, some BBS use a system that can request files by a magic filename. Example : request Amiga, receive Amigafiles.lha. Requestor is developed to decrunch the same as requested so use the real name next time, Amigafiles.lha and not Amiga.

Known bugs !

I'm sorry to say there still are a couple of minor bugs in it. None of these bugs will harm your system so don't be afraid for it. ;-)

1\textdegree{} The reqtools save REQUESTORs could fail when you use 2 times a . in the filename ←

2\textdegree{} REQUESTOR is not SysIHack-friendly, if you don't known what this means don't worry about it, you will not need it then. ;-)

3\textdegree{} On OS 2.0 the gadtools colorboxes will not being disabled on a public screen. I have still to fix that ! ←

That's all folks, I know what to do...

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