

## **GEnie**

GEnie(tm), the General Electric Network for Information Exchange, is a very popular information service which provides a wide array of services, one of which is electronic mail. If you are not currently a subscriber, you can contact GEnie Client Services directly at 1-800-638-9636 to activate an account.

The Script File which *RFD Mail* uses to interact with GEnie is the file `genie.scr`. This script downloads and uploads mail using a simple ASCII file transfer protocol, which is very efficient but is not error-checked. It is therefore highly recommended that you use an error-correcting modem (MNP, v.42, etc.) to exchange mail using GEnie.

Another assumption by the script file is that your "break" character is set to ASCII 3, or Control-C. This is the default setting for all new GEnie accounts. If you have changed this setting in your GEnie User Profile, then you either need to change it back, or change all occurrences of the string "Control C" to "Control x" in `genie.scr`. where "x" is the value of your break character. Failing to do this results in the script aborting when attempting to upload a letter.

### **IMPORTANT:**

Avoid sending letters which have lines which begin with an asterisk ( \* ). These are assumed to be commands by GEnie, and at best will cause that line to be skipped, at worst will cause the entire letter not to be delivered. This is an idiosyncrasy of GEnie and is beyond the control of *RFD Mail*.