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Application Timer - Launches programs at a specified time or on a specified interval.

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Overview

AT.EXE program launches programs at a specified time, or on regular intervals. It can be used to automate backups, asynchronous communications, CPU intensive calculations, etc. It is an easy program to use. Just set the time, date and the program to be launched, and as long as the AT program is running, it will launch your program. It will launch DOS programs as well as Windows programs.

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The program is designed to run under Windows 3.0 and use a minimal amount of CPU time. You may set the frequency for which the computer checks for a program to launch. The recommended time is 100 (1 second). With the default setting, you will probably not notice any slowdown on the system. If your computer experiences any slowdown, or your operations are not time critical operations, you may want to increase the number.

Edit an entry

To edit an entry in the .AT file, select an entry, and choose Configure.Edit, or you may double-click on an entry. This will allow you to make any modifications you would like. The item that you are editing will be inactivated until you have made your modifications and hit OK.

Delete an entry

To delete an .AT file entry, select an entry, then choose Configure.Delete. You will not be asked for a confirmation.

Add an entry

To create an .AT file, choose Configure.Add, and fill in the time and date that you would like to have the program launched. If you would like the program to be launched on regular intervals, choose one of the intervals, and then set an ending time. For example: If you chose Daily interval, then the program will launch every day at the same time until it passes the Ending Time. You may specify an entire command line in the Run field. Be sure your system clock is correct because the AT program compares the time against your system clock.

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Exits the application. Programs will not be launched unless Application Timer is running.

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Save

Saves a previously named .AT file. This option will be disabled if a name has not been given to the file. Use Save As... the first time the file is saved.

Open...

Opens an AT file. The extension for Application Timer is .AT. Entries that have already expired will not be loaded from the file.

New

Clears all of the entries.

Paste

Will paste an entry which has been cut or copied from the private clipboard to the list of entries.

Copy

The selected entry will be placed in a private clipboard, and can be pasted (duplicated). It cannot be pasted to another instance of Application Timer.

Cut

Removes the selected entry from the list. It will be placed in a private clipboard, and can be pasted. It cannot be pasted to another instance of Application Timer.

Setup

If you plan to use AT.EXE for Daily or Weekly program launching, you should have the program automatically load when you run Windows. To have AT.EXE automatically load as an icon, first associate the .AT extension with the AT.EXE program. Then put your .AT file on the load= line of your win.ini file. Example: load= C:\AT\RUNAUTO.AT The program does not have to be the foreground task to launch applications.

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Requirements

To use the Application Timer program you must have computer running Windows 3.x or Windows NT. The program works best on a 386 or 486 computer running Windows NT or Windows 3.x in Enhanced Mode. If you have a 286, be aware that if you launch a DOS program, the DOS program will take control of the machine, and the Application Timer will not be able to launch other programs until the DOS program has been either iconized or exited. For those fortunate enough to have a 386 or 486 computer, the same thing is true for those programs that run in exclusive mode.

Register

The shareware version has been modified to launch programs unattended 90% of the time. For the other 10% it will show a confirmation message. This makes the shareware version unacceptable for unattended operation. AT.EXE is a copyrighted program, however, copies of the shareware version of the program may be distributed as long as all documentation, and copyright notices are kept with it. The program can be registered for a mere \$25.00 for personal use (more for business, site and unlimited licensing). To register the program, select the Register! option from the menu, fill in the information, and choose print. Enclose a check for the required amount (drawn on a US bank) and send it to:

Wintronix, Inc.
1001 S. 800 E.
SLC, UT 84105-1203

Settings...

Lets you change the frequency that Application Timer checks to see if something needs to be run. The number is in 1/100 second. It is initially set to one second. If it slows down your computer, you may move this number up. You may also want to move this number up if it is not important that your applications are run the second that they are supposed to.

Delete...

Deletes the entry that is selected.

Edit...

Edits an entry in list of entries. You may change the date and time that you would like the program to be launched. If you would like the program to be launched on regular intervals, choose one of the intervals, and then set an ending time. For example: If you chose Daily interval, then the program will launch every day at the same time until it passes the Ending Time. You may specify an entire command line in the Run field. Be sure your system clock is correct because the AT program compares the time against your system clock.

You may choose how you would like the program to run. You can have the program run as an Icon by choosing Minimized. You can have the program launch in the background by selecting Background.

Double clicking on an entry is the same as selecting the entry and choosing Configure.Edit.

Add...

Adds an entry to the list of entries. Enter the date and time that you would like the program to be launched. If you would like the program to be launched on regular intervals, choose one of the intervals, and then set an ending time. For example: If you chose Daily interval, then the program will launch every day at the same time until it passes the Ending Time.

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Allows you to search for the topic of interest.

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Calls the help file, and sets it to the beginning.

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Gives you a form to fill in. You may choose the type of licensing that you are interested in and print out the appropriate form. The licensing fee varies depending on the licensing type. You can send the form with a check (drawn on a US bank) and your fax number to receive a key. When you type the key into the program, it will "unlock" the program, remove the shareware reminder message, and remove the Register! menu option. The required items are Name, and Company. You may enter the information and save it so you do not have to enter the information again when you receive the key.

