

WELCOME TO REVEILLE TIMER !!!

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REVEILLE TIMER OVERVIEW

Reveille Timer will start up a program at a specified time each day (as long as Reveille Timer is running at that time). While Reveille Timer was designed primarily to demonstrate the use of command line parameters for running Reveille, it is capable of starting any other application at a set time, as well. In addition, Reveille Timer may be used to set the system clock's time.

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INSTALLATION

Note: Since Reveille Timer is written in Visual Basic V. 3.0, the VB 3.0 dynamic link library file, vbrun300.dll, must be available on your computer for the program to run. If you don't already have vbrun300.dll installed on your machine (for running some other VB 3.0 program), then you will have to obtain a copy of it; you can probably download it from the same BBS from which you obtained rvle-10.zip.

To install Reveille Timer (and Reveille), simply copy all of the files (except vbrun300.dll) over to any directory of your choosing (such as c:\reveille, perhaps). Unless you have a copy of vbrun300.dll in your Windows System directory (typically c:\windows\system) already, you should copy it over to there, so that it will be available to any program installed on your computer written in Visual Basic V. 3.0 (although it also may be placed directly in Reveille's directory, if you prefer). Run Reveille Timer from rvletimr.exe, and Reveille from reveille.exe, either from File Manager, or by adding their icons to Program Manager.

REVEILLE TIMER MAIN WINDOW

MAIN WINDOW OVERVIEW - Reveille Timer's main window displays the current time, as well as the time that the desired program is scheduled to start and the command line used to start it. The main window also includes access to the other Reveille Timer windows, as well as providing commands to minimize Reveille Timer to an icon, or to exit the program.

CURRENT TIME DISPLAY - The blue label at the top of Reveille Timer's main window shows the current system time.

SCHEDULED TIME DISPLAY - The green label just below the Current Time Display shows the time that the desired program is to start up.

COMMAND LINE DISPLAY - The label just below the Scheduled Time Display shows the command line that will be executed at the scheduled time in order to start the desired program. If the command line is fairly long, then only the beginning will be shown, but the entire command line may be viewed in the Set Command window.

SET TIME BUTTON - Clicking on the Set Time button (or menu item) will open up Reveille Timer's Set Scheduled Time window (in order to set the time that Reveille Timer is scheduled to start up Reveille) or to open up the Set System Time window (in order to set the system time). The Set Time button also may be invoked with the Alt+T key combination.

SET CMD BUTTON - Clicking on the Set Cmd button (or menu item) will open up Reveille Timer's Set Command Line window, in order to set the command line that Reveille Timer will run at the scheduled time. The Set Time button also may be invoked with the Alt+C key combination.

MINIMIZE BUTTON - Clicking on the Minimize button (or menu item) will reduce Reveille Timer to an icon as it continues to run in the background. Note that a scheduled time and a command line must both have been set before Reveille Timer is minimized. The Minimize button also may be invoked with the Alt+M key combination.

EXIT TIMER BUTTON - Clicking on the Exit Timer button (or menu item) will stop Reveille Timer. Note that the scheduled time and command line settings will be saved for the next time it starts, but that Reveille Timer will not be running after the Exit Timer button is pressed. The Exit Timer button also may be invoked with the Alt+X key combination.

SET REVEILLE COMMAND WINDOW

OVERVIEW - The Set Reveille Command window is used to enter the command line to be executed by Reveille Timer at the scheduled time, as well as to test the command line after entering it.

COMMAND LINE ENTRY BOX - The Command Line Entry Box is used to set the command line that Reveille Timer will run when the scheduled time is reached. Any executable program's command line (along with any parameters, if used) may be specified; if the program to be run is not located in the same directory as Reveille Timer, then the full path to the application must be provided.

TEST RUN BUTTON - Clicking on the Test Run button (or menu item) will allow for testing whether the entered command line setting will have the desired effect when Reveille Timer reaches the scheduled time. The Test Run button also may be invoked with the Alt+T key combination.

RESET BUTTON - Clicking on the Reset button (or menu item) will replace any command line change made with the previous command line setting. The Reset button also may be invoked with the Alt+R key combination.

ACCEPT BUTTON - Clicking on the Accept button (or menu item) will save the currently set command line, and then return Reveille Timer to its main window. The Accept button also may be invoked with the Alt+A key combination.

CANCEL BUTTON - Clicking on the Cancel button (or menu item) will return Reveille Timer to its main window without saving any command line changes made. The Cancel button also may be invoked with the Alt+C key combination.

REVEILLE COMMAND LINE SYNTAX - The command line syntax to be used for starting Reveille is as follows:

" reveille <conditions> <filename> <message> " (Do not include the parentheses.)

1. The conditions, filename, and message are all optional, though if a filename is used, then at least one condition must precede it, and if a message is used, then at least one condition and a filename (or asterisk) must both precede it.
2. Command line entries are not case-sensitive (except that the message should be typed exactly the way you wish it to appear).
3. Single spaces should be used to separate parts of the command line from each other.
4. Reveille.exe may be entered either as "reveille" or as "reveille.exe". Similarly, a filename may be specified either with or without the ".ply" extension.

COMMAND LINE CONDITIONS - These optional conditions may be specified in the command line used to start Reveille:

- m = start Reveille as a Minimized icon
- n = play Now, as soon as Reveille starts up
- 1 = play the Selected Tunes List 1 time
- 3 = play the Selected Tunes List 3 times
- 9 = play the Selected Tunes List 9 times
- i = play the Selected Tunes List Indefinitely
- x = eXit Reveille after play has stopped
- r = play "Reveille" as Reveille starts up
- d_ = play for a Duration of _ minutes and exit

Multiple conditions may be specified in any order, but there should be no spaces between multiple conditions. If the "d_" condition is specified, then most other conditions entered (except for the "m" or "r" conditions) will be ignored. If the "r" condition is specified, then the "n" condition would be redundant.

COMMAND LINE FILENAME - An optional ".ply" tune filename may be specified in the Reveille command line (if at least one condition has been specified before it) and it will be the tune displayed in the Selected Tunes List as Reveille starts; this tune will be played at start-up if the "n" condition has also been specified. The ".ply" extension in the filename is optional. If the filename to be specified is not in the same directory as Reveille, then the full path to the file must be stated for the filename. If an asterisk is entered for the filename, then the Selected Tunes List will be played instead (assuming that the "n" condition has also been used).

COMMAND LINE REMINDER MESSAGE - A reminder message may be specified as part of the command line used to start Reveille, and it will then be displayed in the Status Label at the bottom of the Reveille window. In order to display a reminder message, at least one condition parameter and the name of a ".ply" file (or an asterisk) must precede it in the command line (separated from it by a space). If a message has been specified, then the "m" parameter condition (if it is used) will be ignored, in order that the message will be displayed in the Status Label when Reveille starts up.

COMMAND LINE EXAMPLES - Some examples of Reveille command lines follow: (Do not include any parentheses.)

1. " reveille " will start up Reveille, without playing any tune or displaying any message.
2. " reveille nm3x wmtell " will start up Reveille as a minimized icon, while playing the "William Tell Overture" three times before exiting.
3. " reveille d2 * Don't forget your appointment !!! "will start Reveille, playing the Selected Tunes List repeatedly, and displaying this reminder message continuously, until exiting at the end of two minutes.
4. " reveille d10r * Stop at the store on the way home !!! " will start up Reveille, playing "Reveille"repeatedly, and displaying this reminder message continuously, until exiting at the end of ten minutes.

SET SCHEDULED TIME WINDOW

OVERVIEW - The Set Scheduled Time window is used to set the time each day that Reveille Timer will start a specified program. The Set Scheduled Time window also provides access through its Tasks menu to the Set System Time window.

SCHEDULED TIME ENTRY BOX - The time that you wish Reveille (or another program) to start should be entered into the Scheduled Time Entry Box. The time entered for the scheduled time must be in a format recognizable to Reveille Timer. Reveille Timer will accept times entered in 12-hour format (AM or PM), or in 24-hour ("military") format, though 24-hour time will be displayed in a 12-hour format. Times that are entered without the AM or PM will be assumed to be in 24-hour time. If used, the AM or PM may be entered as either upper- or lower-case, and may have a preceding space (but this is not required). It is not necessary to enter the seconds; if omitted, :00 seconds will be assumed.

SET NOW BUTTON - Clicking on the Set Now button (or menu item) will set the scheduled time to the current time, in order to have Reveille Timer start up Reveille at the same time

the next day Reveille Timer is run. The Set Now button also may be invoked with the Alt+N key combination.

RESET BUTTON - Clicking on the Reset button (or menu item) will replace any scheduled time change made with the previous scheduled time setting. The Reset button also may be invoked with the Alt+R key combination.

ACCEPT BUTTON - Clicking on the Accept button (or menu item) will save the currently set scheduled time, and then return Reveille Timer to its main window. The Accept button also may be invoked with the Alt+A key combination.

CANCEL BUTTON - Clicking on the Cancel button (or menu item) will return Reveille Timer to its main window without saving any scheduled time changes made. The Cancel button also may be invoked with the Alt+C key combination.

SET SYSTEM TIME COMMAND - The Set System Time command is used to change the system time (the time at which the computer's built-in clock is running). Clicking on the System menu item will open the Set System Time window.

SET SYSTEM TIME WINDOW

OVERVIEW - The Set System Time window is used to change the system time (the time at which the computer's built-in clock is running). Although the system clock also may be set through Windows Control Panel (or with the DOS Time command), Reveille Timer provides for it to be set conveniently from within itself, as well.

SET SYSTEM TIME ENTRY BOX - The desired system time should be typed into the Set System Time Entry Box. The time entered for the system clock must be in a format recognizable to Reveille Timer. Reveille Timer will accept times entered in 12-hour format (AM or PM), or in 24-hour ("military") format, though 24-hour time will be displayed in a 12-hour format. Times that are entered without the AM or PM will be assumed to be in 24-hour time. If used, the AM or PM may be entered as either upper- or lower-case, and may have a preceding space (but this is not required). It is not necessary to enter the seconds; if omitted, :00 seconds will be assumed.

ACCEPT BUTTON - Clicking on the Accept button (or menu item) will save the currently set system time, and then return Reveille Timer to its main window. A new system time must be entered before the Accept command may be used. The Accept button also may be invoked with the Alt+A key combination.

CANCEL BUTTON - Clicking on the Cancel button (or menu item) will return Reveille Timer to the Set Scheduled Time window without saving any system time changes made. The Cancel button also may be invoked with the Alt+C key combination.

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