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Chapter 1

PGS.MAC

1.1 Menus: Macros

Macros:

Start Learning
Begin recording a PageStream macro.

Stop Learning...
Stop recording a PageStream macro.

PageStream Macros...
Install and execute PageStream macros.

Execute ARexx Macro...
Execute an ARexx script.

Macro List
Execute a listed PageStream macro or ARexx script.

1.2 Macros/ Start Learning

Macros/ Start Learning

This command begins recording an internal PageStream macro. An asterisk will begin to flash in the top right corner of the screen, indicating that PageStream is in record mode. All menu, mouse and keyboard actions made after this command is chosen will be recorded as part of an internal macro script. The only commands which cannot be recorded are the Macros menu commands. (There is one exception: the

Execute ARexx Macro
command

can be recorded.)

The recording of the internal macro will be ended when you choose the

Stop Learning
command.

1.3 Macros/ Stop Learning...

Macros/ Stop Learning...

This command ends recording an internal PageStream macro. The Edit Macro requester will open so that you can view the macro you recorded. With this requester you can give it a name, assign it to a function key, and choose to list it in the Macros menu. Refer to the

PageStream Macros
command for more information on the Edit Macro requester.

1.4 Macros/ PageStream Macros...

Macros/ PageStream Macros...

This command creates new internal macros, changes existing ones, and loads macro files. It can also be used to save the default macro file for the next time you use PageStream. When you choose the PageStream Macros command, the PageStream Macros requester will open. This requester can also be opened by clicking on the macro in the Macro palette while holding down a Shift key.

PageStream Macros	Description
Macros	Choose a macro to edit, execute or export.
New	Click to create a new macro.
Edit	Click to edit the selected macro. This gadget opens the Edit Macro requester.
Delete	Click to delete the selected macro.
Load	Click to load a new set of macros. This gadget opens a file requester from which you can select a new macro file to load. All existing macros will be replaced by the ones in the file you select.
Append	Click to append a set of macros to the existing macros. This gadget opens a file requester from which you can select a macro file to load. If there are duplicate macro names, the new ones will have .1 appended to them.

Save	Click to save the current macros as the default. This gadget saves the macros to the PageStream3:Macros/PageStream3.macros file.
Save As	Click to save the current macros to a file that can be loaded or appended at a later time. This gadget opens a file requester to enter the filename and path of the macro file to save.
Export	Click to export the selected macro as an external ARexx macro. This gadget opens a file requester to enter the filename and path of the ARexx macro to create. The macro will have a comment and address command prepended to it as required by ARexx. The required quotation marks will be added in accordance with ARexx quoting conventions.
Edit Macro	Description
Name	Enter the macro name. Macro names may be up to 255 characters.
Macro Index	Click to open the online help system to the index of macro commands.
Script	Enter the commands for this macro.
Display in Macros menu	Check to add the macro name to the Macros menu.
Keyboard shortcut	Check to assign a function key to the macro. When an assigned function key is pressed, its macro will be executed.
Qualifier, Function key	Choose a qualifier and a function key. Eight qualifier combinations are allowed, for a total of eighty function key combinations. The assigned shortcut will be shown next to the macro name in the PageStream Macros requester and in the Macro palette.

1.5 Macros/ Execute ARexx Macro...

Macros/ Execute ARexx Macro...

This command executes an external ARexx macro.

When you choose the Execute ARexx Macro command, a file requester will open to select the ARexx macro script to execute. Select an ARexx macro and click on Ok.

ARexx must be loaded prior to starting PageStream to use this command.

1.6 Macros/ Macro List

Macros/ Macro List

If you assign macros to be displayed in the Macros menu with the

PageStream Macros

command, they will be listed below the Execute ARexx
Macro command.

Several macros are included with PageStream3. These are called
Flash macros.
