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### **Creating a startup sequence with wcStart**

*wcStart* is a utility program that allows you to start your *Wildcat!* Server and client programs in an orderly way. The startup sequence takes into account the time required for each module to start and begin communicating with *wcServer* and other client programs.

To start *wcStart* automatically every time you restart your PC and logon to Windows, you must configure your computer to start up and log on automatically *without* prompting you to type a user name and password.

If you run *wcOnline* or other *Wildcat!* client modules on other machines connected to the server, they can use *wcStart* also.

*wcServer* should only be started once, on your server machine - You can run client modules connected to that server machine on as many workstations as you like.

### **Adding programs**

To add a program to your startup sequence:

1. Click the **Add** button.
2. Type the program and additional information to be added.
3. Click **OK** to save your settings.
4. Your program will be added to the startup sequence.

The first program in the list should be *wcServer*. If your BBS will be receiving calls from modem users, you should start *wcOnline* as well.

### **Adding command line parameters**

To pass command line parameters to a program when it starts:

1. Open the **Edit Program Attributes** dialog box for the program to be changed.
2. Type the command line parameters to add in the **Arguments** field.
3. Click **OK** to save your changes.

You can find information on *wcStart* and other *Wildcat!* client programs in the *Reference Guide*.

### Starting *wcStart* automatically

Windows can start programs automatically if the program icons are dragged into the Startup folder (Windows 95) or Startup Group (Windows NT).

#### Windows 95

To add the *wcStart* icon to the Windows 95 Startup folder:

1. Click the **Start** button on the Windows 95 Taskbar. Select **Settings**, then click **Taskbar**.
2. On the **Taskbar** property sheet, select the **Start Menu Programs** tab.
3. Click **Add**, and then click **Browse** to go to your WILDCAT home directory (normally C:\WC5).
4. Select *wcSTART*.EXE from the Browse window and click **Open** to return to the **Create Shortcut** page.
5. In the **Command line** window, add

/RUN

to the end of the command line, to start *wcStart* and immediately start the specified programs. The command line should look like this:

6. Select the **StartUp** folder from the list of Start Menu icons.
7. On the **Select a Title** page, type the name you would like the *wcStart* icon to display, then click **Finish**.

The next time you start Windows 95, *wcStart* will be started automatically.

Use the **Remove** button on the **Start Menu Programs** tab to remove *wcStart* from your StartUp folder.

#### Windows NT

To add the *wcStart* icon to the Windows NT Startup program group:

1. Open the **Program Manager** icon.
2. Open the **Startup** program group.
3. From the **File menu**, select **New**.
4. Select **Program Item** from the **New Program Object** dialog box, and click **OK**.
5. Fill in the **Program Item Properties** dialog box. In the **Command line** window, add

/RUN

to the end of the command line, to start *wcStart* and immediately start the specified programs. The command line should look like this:

6. Click **OK** to save your settings.

The next time you start Windows NT, *wcStart* will be started automatically.

To remove *wcStart* from your Startup group, simply delete the *wcStart* icon.

Displays version number and information about *wcStart*.

Adds an executable program to be started.

Adds *wcOnline* to the startup process.



Type any command line arguments to be used when starting the program.

Displays the programs, drives, and directories to select from.

Removes the marked program from the list of programs to execute.

Closes *wcStart*.

Opens the help system.

Select or enter the program to execute.

Opens the **Edit program attributes** dialog box.

Executes the program startup defined in *wcStart*.



Opens the Scheduler command menu.

Enable this feature if the server is local and should be started first. If the server is on a different machine, this may not be possible, and the startup sequence must wait for the server to be started.

Select whether the program needs to run **Under Server** or **Under *wcOnline***.

Toggles the statusbar view on and off.

Toggles the toolbar view on and off.

Type or select the path of your *Wildcat!* 5 home directory (normally C:\WC5).

Type or select the name of the machine on which the server is running.

If you are not starting a local server, enable this option. The server you are connecting to must be running for this feature to function properly.



Select the proper directories and drives from the available list.

Accept your selections.

Discard you selections and close the current window.

The current status of the start-up procedure is displayed in written form.

Shows progress of start-up graphically.

Press to cancel an ongoing start-up procedure. Canceling will not halt any programs already started using *wcStart*. Closing programs already running must be done manually.

Select or enter the program to execute.

contains the command line arguments to be passed to program at start-up.



Select whether the program needs to run **Under Server** or **Under *wcOnline***. This command can be used to move a program in the tree under *either* when editing.

Select this option if the server to be started is on the same physical computer as *wcStart*. If the server is on a different machine, select **Server on another computer**. This is an either/or option.

Select this option if the server to be started is not on the same physical computer as *wcStart*. If the server is on the same machine, select **Server on this computer**. This is an either/or option. If you select this option, you will need to enter the computer name in the text area below.

