

WinPack Themes Editor

The Themes Editor allows you to create and edit themes for use when reading bulletins in WinPack. For more information on themes see [What Are Themes?](#)

When the Themes Editor starts up, an empty theme is loaded. You can create a new theme from this empty theme or you can load an existing theme using "File", "Load". You save a theme using "File", "Save". You can delete a theme using "File", "Delete".

Themes are identified by their description, they are saved in the WINPACK\BULLS\THEMES directory, with arbitrary, unique file names. The Themes Editor never refers to the actual file name.

The selection criteria used in a theme are classified in the same way as in the bulletin Selections List - [TO], [FROM], [AT] and [TITLE TEXT]. You can add selections by keying them into the single line text boxes and pressing <return> or you can copy them from your Selections List by either double clicking them in the list as displayed in the bottom part of the window, or by highlighting them and then pressing the 'Select' button.

You can delete selections by highlighting them and then pressing the Delete key.

Note that you cannot edit the Selections List from the Themes Editor, if you want to do that you should use the 'SelEdit' menu option to start the Selection List Editor. When you close the Selections List Editor, the Selections List in the Themes Editor will be automatically updated.

Not all selections in a theme need to be in the Selections List. You can use themes to list the bulletins associated with a particular subject, and then decide which you want to download. This is particularly useful if a subject tends to attract 7plus - you may not want to indiscriminately automatically download 7plus.

Select A Theme

This window allows you to select a theme from a list of themes you have already created, either to load it into the editor or so you can delete it.

You can select a theme by either double clicking it, highlighting it and pressing <return>, or highlighting it and then clicking the 'Select' button.

What Are Themes?

When you are reading bulletins in WinPack, you have filter buttons available which allow you to select all the bulls to a certain topic, all the bulls from a particular sender, etc.

Because of the way that people address messages, you often find that two or more different topic addresses will be used for the same subject and people send bulletins to ALL, or HELP about pretty much anything.

By creating a theme you can link several selection criteria together, so, when you select that theme when reading bulletins in WinPack, all messages meeting the selection criteria for the theme are displayed.

For example, you might create a theme called "WinPack", which contains the following selections.

**[TO]
WINPAC
WINPAK
WINP7**

**[TITLE TEXT]
WINPACK**

**[FROM]
G4IDE**

