

Launcher

[General Instructions](#)

[Commands](#)

[Procedures](#)

[Registration](#)

[Benefits to Registering](#)

[Distribution](#)

General Instructions

Launcher is a Windows application executive. You can enter a filename and its path in Launcher's command line. The command line is labeled Filename:. Hitting return or the Run button runs that application. You can enter drive, path, filename as well as wildcard information in the command line.

If you do not remember the file's path you can search for it using the listboxes. The "Directories:" list box contains path and drive information while the "Files:" listbox contains the files for the selected path. Selection can be done with the keyboard or the mouse.

Launcher can be used as a replacement for the Program Manager's File Run dialog box. Because it is a window and not a modal dialog box, it is always available with the addition feature of being able to let you search for files.

Launcher can also be a replacement for Program Manager.

Launcher supports file associations. Entering a file with an extension not equal to EXE causes Launcher to search the [Extensions] section of your WIN.INI file. In this section filename extensions are associated with a certain program. For example, a DOC extension might be associated with a word processor. In this example entering a DOC filename into Launcher will cause your word processor to be executed with the DOC file as a parameter. You can easily examine and or edit your WIN.INI file using the Windows supplied program SysEdit. For more information see your Window's User Guide.

Commands

File Menu Commands

Duplicate Launcher

Runs another instance of Launcher. This is especially useful if you found a program you wish to run again but want to use another copy of Launcher to launch another application.

Exit

Closes Launcher.

Help Commands

Index

Opens this WinHelp file.

About

Displays the Launcher About Dialog Box

Procedures

Using Wildcards

Searching for Files

Entering filenames directly

Registration

The use of Launcher is subject to the following terms and conditions:

Launcher is copyrighted material, protected by the copyright laws of the United States. You may not make any changes or modifications, decompile, disassemble, or otherwise reverse-engineer the software in any way.

Launcher can be used on a trial basis provided the user does not violate the protection afforded the licensed software by the copyright laws, and the user agrees to the terms of the license agreement. If the user continues to use Launcher past a 15 day evaluation period the user is obligated to purchase a license.

Launcher can be used on a Local Area Network provided that a license is obtained for the number of users that may concurrently use the software.

A license for the user of Launcher can be obtained by sending a \$15.00 registration fee to:

Beacon Hill Software
Box 8494
Boston, MA 02114

Please specify disk size when registering.

Benefits to Registering

Limited Warranty

Title to the licensed software is NOT transferred to the end user. The end user is granted an exclusive license to use the software on one computer at any given time.

Limited Warranty

Beacon Hill Software does not warrant that the licensed software will meet any requirements or that the operation of the software will be uninterrupted or error free. The warranty does not cover any media or documentation which has been subject to damage or abuse by you or others. The software warranty does not cover any copy of the licensed software which has been altered or changed in any way.

ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES INCLUDING ANY WARRANTIES OF MERCHANT ABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE ARE LIMITED TO THE TERM OF THE EXPRESS WARRANTIES. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

The warranties set forth above are in lieu of any and all other express or implied warranties, whether oral, written, or implied, and the remedies set forth above are the sole and exclusive remedies.

Beacon Hill Software is not responsible for any problems or damages caused by the licensed software that may result from using the licensed software. This includes, but is not limited to, computer hardware, computer software, operating systems, and any computer or computing accessories. End user agrees to hold Beacon Hill Software harmless for any problems arising from the user of the software.

Beacon Hill Software SHALL NOT IN ANY CASE BE LIABLE FOR ANY SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, INDIRECT OR OTHER SIMILAR DAMAGES ARISING FROM ANY BREACH OF THESE WARRANTIES EVEN IF Beacon Hill Software OR ITS AGENTS OR DISTRIBUTORS HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGE. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

In no case shall Beacon Hill Software's liability exceed the license fees paid for the right to use the licensed software.

Distribution

Users are granted a limited license to copy Launcher only for the trial use by others subject to the terms of this software license agreement described herein, and the conditions described below are met:

Launcher MUST be copied in and unmodified form and MUST contain the following files:

LAUNCHER.EXE
LAUNCHER.HLP
LAUNCHER.TXT
BHSCC.DLL

No fee, charge or other compensation may be accepted or requested by anyone without the express written permission of Beacon Hill Software.

Public Domain Disk Vendors, Shareware Disk Vendors and Distributors of public domain and user supported software may not charge a fee for Launcher itself. However, you may include Launcher on a diskette for which you charge a nominal distribution fee. The purchaser of said diskette must be informed in advance that the fee paid to acquire the diskette does NOT relieve said purchaser from paying the registration fee for Launcher if said purchaser uses Launcher.

Operators of electronic bulletin board systems may post Launcher for downloading by their users without written permission only as long as the above conditions are met. A fee may be charged for access to the bbs as long as no specific fee is charged for downloading Launcher files.

Program Manager Replacement

To replace the Program Manager with Launcher as your Windows shell. Edit your system.ini file. Search for "SHELL=PROGMAN.EXE". Replace PROGMAN.EXE with LAUNCHER.EXE. Also, make sure Launcher.exe and Launcher.hlp are in your Windows directory. Restart Windows. Launcher will now be your shell.

Launcher will call ExitWindows if it is the shell so all applications running have a chance to shut-down before Launcher exits Windows.

Wildcards

To use wildcards just enter them in the command line as if at a DOS prompt. Launcher will update it's listboxes to reflect your combination.

Searching

Use the listboxes to search for files. The Directories listbox lets you change drives as well as directories. The current Drive/Path is displayed next to the Drive:\Path: label.

The Files listbox lets you search through the files in a directory.

To change the types of files shown in the Files listbox enter a wildcard combination in the command line. For examples *.exe to show only exe files.

Entering Files Directly

You can enter a filename directly if Launcher is currently displaying the path that the file exists in, if the file is in your Windows directory or if it is along your path.

Six-Pack For Windows

Registering entitles you to a copy of Six-Pack For Windows which contains the latest version of Launcher.

Six-Pack For Windows contains the following:

Red Button Red Button lets you exit Windows quickly. Red Button runs as an icon that looks like a red button. When you double click on the red button you will exit Windows. An optional warning dialog is available.

Launcher An application launcher that allows you to easily traverse directories to find an application and run it.

Runner Runner mimics the Program Managers File/Run dialog. Since Runner is not a dialog you can have Runner available at any time to launch applications.

Walker A minimalist version of Runner. An edit box that accepts an application and it's path upon hitting the return key and runs it.

PayOff A loan payoff amount calculator for Windows.

SnapShot SnapShot is an easy to use screen capture program for Windows that allows you to capture a window, the entire screen or any portion of the screen by enabling the right mouse button as a shutter for SnapShot's screen capture function. Each captured image is made available to other applications via the Windows clipboard.