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Red Alert Game Channels

Command & Conquer:Red Alert (RedAlert) game channels are displayed in the channel list box with the dual Allies/Soveits symbols in the lefthand column. An RA game channel allows up to 2 players to gather, choose sides, choose colors, negotiate game options, and automatically start an Internet Command & Conquer:RA game.

Joining a RedAlert game channel

To join a RedAlert game channel, double click on the game channel name.   If Westwood Chat can find your copy of RedAlert, and there is room in the channel for you, Westwood Chat will join you to that channel.

Creating a RedAlert game channel

To create a RedAlert game channel, click on the Red Alert toolbar button (this button has the dual Allies/Soviets symbols).   If Westwood Chat can find your copy of RedAlert, this will bring up a dialog requesting specific information about the game channel you wish to create.   The game channel name is always "<your nickname>'s_Game", where <your nickname> is your Westwood Chat nickname. If you wish to include a game topic, enter it in the Game channel topic text box.   Finally, press the OK button.

Once in a RedAlert game channel

As soon as you have entered the game channel, the main chat dialog will update to include a list of the colors available for your player, the sides available for your player and the currently selected game options.   Only the game channel creator will be allowed to change game options, however each player can set his own color and side.   The User list will update to show each player's side (with an icon: Allies or Soviets), and color (their name will be in their chosen color).

Starting the game

At any time, the channel creator can start a game by clicking on the Start Game button. The Command & Conquer:Red Alert game will be launched automatically.
Network connection to each player in the Red Alert game will be made and the game will begin.

Remember, once game play has begun, you will automatically be disconnected from the Westwood chat server and will not be allowed to reconnect until the
game has completed.   Do not exit Westwood Chat while playing your game. It will be re-enabled when your game is complete and will re-join you to your game channel   for mission de-briefing and replay.

Tips

It's common courtesy to allow some haggling over game options, however, as the game channel creator is the only player who can set the options, he has the ultimate authority.   If you don't like the channel creator's game options, and he won't change them, create your own channel.