

## Re: Windows "Scheduled Task Wizard..."

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Ya&. The basic concepts are the same from MS DOS& Windows 3.X &. Windows for Workgroups& to Windows 200X&.

Do you know any links at Microsoft documents related to the batch file programming? As per the CommandName/? approach we need to know atleast command name to get started.

VB Script and any other Microsoft scripting languages have nice documentation. Even the new Windows Powershell has lots of resources.

Thank you,  
Smith

"Pegasus (MVP)" wrote:

Thanks for the feedback. The script example I gave you is a batch file. In its simplest form a batch file consists of a collection of commands such as copy, delete, move, ask the user for some input etc. Since Windows 2000, batch files have become a lot more intelligent. They can do simple mathematical and string operations. Your batch file contains an example. The command

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echo %date:~7,2%
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will take the current date (denoted by %date%) but will not write the whole date string to the screen (which would be Wed 09/26/2007) but only start at position 7, taking two characters from there. Note that counting starts at 0.

To get basic help, type help at the command prompt.  
To get help for each command, type

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xcopy /?
```

at the command prompt (for example). The advanced commands are  
set /?

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and  
for /?

Save them until later.

"SmithSmith001" <SmithSmith001@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
news:4194F201-50AF-4A18-BACA-941D0D9F38ED@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Pegasus,  
You are great. I have implemented the code as per your suggestion. It works for me.  
By the way... what is this script called? Is it simple DOS commands? Where I can learn more about this scripting language? Any link to this resource will be of great help.  
Thank you,  
Smith

"Pegasus (MVP)" wrote:

Do this:  
- Click Start / Run / notepad.exe  
c:\Windows\MyTask.bat{Enter}  
- Type these lines:  
@echo off  
echo The day of the month is %date:~7,2%  
if %date:~7,2% LSS 25 goto :eof  
c:\Tools\MonthLoad.exe  
- Save and close the file.  
- Test it.  
- Invoke it with the Task Scheduler.

The code is dependent on the country you live in. The second line (which is purely for debugging purposes) is supposed to show you the day number. If it does not, vary the number "7" until it does, both in lines 2 and in line 3.

"SmithSmith001"  
<SmithSmith001@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
news:890788AB-D43C-45D0-BEA6-9B2E200FCA27@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Thank you for the solution and suggestion.  
How to write the batch commands.  
Here is my pseudo code for  
MonthlyLoad.bat  
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get day of the month  
if day of the month > 25  
MonthLoad.exe
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Do not know how to write batch commands  
for the above.

Any advice is appreciated.

Should I use WSH. or will the vb script will  
do?

Thank you,  
Smith

"SmithSmith001" wrote:

Windows 2000 Professional.

How to schedule a job  
which runs from 25th of the  
month to the end of  
the  
month every day once at  
7.30 am?

I am not finding the way to  
schedule one job to meet the  
above  
requirement.

Alternatively, I am  
scheduling 7 jobs to run  
25th to the end of the  
month  
(31st).

Any suggestion?

Thank you,  
Smith

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