

Run PrintFile as a print spooler

It is possible to let PrintFile act as a print spooler, watching a specified directory for files. Whenever a file appears in this directory it is automatically printed and then deleted. This can e.g. be used to dedicate a PC running PrintFile to act as a print server for a network. Clients can then use ftp or LAN-manager services to send their files to the dedicated PrintFile spool directory. When the files arrive they will be printed automatically. When this function is activated no error dialogs will be displayed. Instead all error and warning messages will be sent to a log file in the Windows directory named *PrFile.log* unless the */l* qualifier is used on the [command line](#). This file contains time stamped messages.

When this function is activated PrintFile shows a different dialog box which always starts minimized.

The function is activated using the */s* a qualifier on the [command line](#) that starts PrintFile. The function must also first be enabled in the settings dialog. To facilitate the start of this function create a bat file or a shortcut with a contents like this:

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"C:\Program Files\PrintFile\prfile32.exe" /s:c:\spool\*.ps
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Note the quotes if the program is installed in a directory path containing spaces.

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DO NOT use this function unless you know exactly what you are doing. Please note that PrintFile actually DELETES the files after they have been successfully printed. It is therefore VERY IMPORTANT that the path parameter is valid and that possible wildcards do not expand more than you expect. However, if the */b* qualifier is used, a backup copy of the printed file will be made to the specified directory before it is deleted from the spool directory. Note though that if a file with the same name is already present in the backup directory, it will be overwritten. The file will also be deleted from the spool directory even if PrintFile fails to make a backup copy.