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AppleShare PC users have asked how to eliminate an unwanted Macintosh icon mapping -- for instance, an inadvertently-created "extra" DOS filename extension.

Actually, the number of extension mapping icons are static: they cannot be deleted. However, a file extension can be changed back to default, or to some other extension.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

AppleShare PC automatically sets a Macintosh file icon type for files created on file server volumes. These type assignments are based on the three-character DOS filename extension. DA also uses the file type and file extension information to recognize DOS text files and Macintosh file text files for potential conversion while copying.

Change Extension Mapping lets you select an icon type for a given file extension. This icon type will be assigned to all appropriate new files created on server volumes; existing files are not affected. For example, you can set all files that you created with the extension WXT to be file type Binary; whenever you create a file whose extension is WXT on the file server, it will automatically be assigned the Binary icon.

To see a list of already-mapped extensions (other than Binary), at the DOS prompt enter the command: ANET MAP

You type the extension of interest at the Extension prompt. (You don't type the initial period, and wildcards aren't allowed.) You press the Enter or Tab key to move the Type pane; then press the number of the type you want to associate with the extension you type. (You can also use the Up and Down Arrows keys to move through the list in Type pane.)

Icons for files on the server at the time you set the mapping remain unchanged.

You can change the icon type of an existing individual DOS file. Pressing F2 brings up an information window on the icon highlighted. You can change the file's type to any listed by pressing the number of the type you want to use. (Use the Up or Down Arrow key to scroll through all options.)

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