



Technical Bulletin

Sharing AutoPilot Configuration Files

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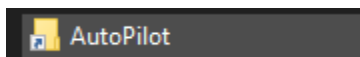
This document explains how to share AutoPilot configuration files across multiple AutoPilot installations, keeping the configuration synchronized across all workstations.

AutoPilot Configuration Files

AutoPilot manages a set of files stored at **C:\ProgramData\Burk Technology\AutoPilot** that is used to store Custom Views, reports, networks and other files used in the system. A symbolic link can be created on the local PCs running AutoPilot that will point to a shared network location, keeping all the AutoPilot workstations synchronized.

Creating a Symbolic Link Script


1. Close AutoPilot and back up the current AutoPilot program data folder located at **C:\ProgramData\Burk Technology**.
2. Create a copy of the AutoPilot program data folder on a shared network drive location. This will be the common point for AutoPilot installations to load program data.
3. Using a text editor, create a script file in **C:\ProgramData\BurkTechnology** with the following commands:
 - `rmdir /S /Q "C:\ProgramData\Burk Technology\AutoPilot"`
This will remove the current local AutoPilot program data folder.
 - `net use S: \\BURK-DB4\Share`
Replace **S: \\BURK-DB4\Share** with the drive letter and network path of your shared location that will store the AutoPilot program data files.
 - `mklink /D "C:\ProgramData\Burk Technology\AutoPilot" "S:\Burk Technology\AutoPilot"`
This line will create the symbolic link to the shared network location for the AutoPilot program data folder. Change **S:\Burk Technology\AutoPilot** to the network path where your AutoPilot program data files will be stored.
4. Save the script as a .bat file and close the editor.
5. Run the script file in administrator mode by right clicking on the script file created in step 3 and selecting **Run as Administrator**.
6. You should now have a shortcut to the AutoPilot folder.



AutoPilot is now ready to use a shared network link for reading and saving of the program data used in the AutoPilot configuration. Be sure to run this script file on each AutoPilot workstation that will be using the shared program data folder.

Restoring Stand-Alone Operation

If desired, the redirection established above can be easily removed as follows:

1. Delete the AutoPilot shortcut  AutoPilot that was created in directory: **C:\ProgramData\Burk Technology**.
2. Copy the original AutoPilot directory back into **C:\ProgramData\Burk Technology**. This will restore the existing configuration settings, networks, custom views, etc. If the original AutoPilot directory is not copied back to this location, AutoPilot will create a new directory when it is next launched, requiring manual re-configuration of the software.

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