

Opening Files of the Same Extension Using a Specified Program

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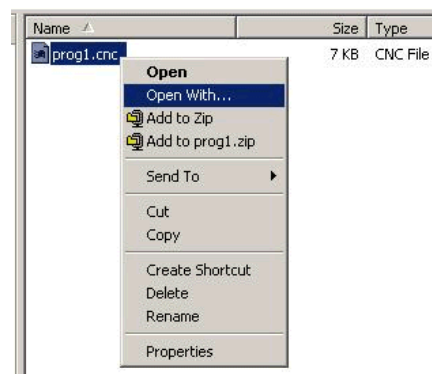
- Windows XP, 2000, and NT

SUMMARY

You can change which program should be used to open up files that have certain extensions.

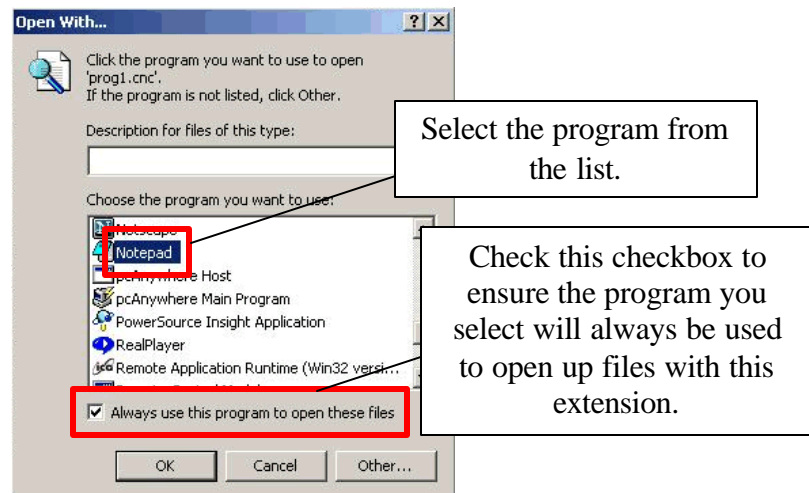
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For example, let's say we want to use Notepad to open up any files that have the extension **.cnc**. Right-click the mouse on a file that has the **.cnc** extension, and select the **Open With...** option. See the following diagram.



Note: If the **Open With...** option does not appear, press and hold down the Shift key before right-clicking on the file (this may be necessary in Windows NT).

In the **Open With...** dialog, select the program you wish to use to open the file. By checking the **Always use this program to open these files** checkbox, you will ensure that the next time you double-click the file, the program you specified will be used to open the file. See the following diagram.



In the above example, **Notepad** is selected. Thus double-clicking a **.cnc** file in the future will automatically launch Notepad to open the file.