**CSCI 360 8. Customizing TSO/ISPF**

When you first enter a TSO/ISPF session, you will find that panels display basic IBM defaults. This document covers some optional changes that you can make to customize your TSO/ISPF session. Be careful and do not become too enthusiastic to start. Perhaps it would be best to try a few things before making most or all of the changes suggested here.

Follow the instructions below to modify your screen display. Your new configuration and setup options will automatically be saved when you log off.

**Move the Command Line to the Top of the Screen**

1. Select the "Menu" action bar from the ISPF Primary Menu
2. Select "Settings" from the pull-down menu
3. Set the ISPF settings as follows:

\_ Command line at bottom

\_ Panel display CUA mode

\_ Long message in pop-up

\_ Tab to action bar choices

\_ Tab to point-and-shoot fields

/ Restore TEST/TRACE options

/ Session Manager mode

/ Jump from leader dots

\_ Edit PRINTDS Command

/ Always show split line

1. Press PF3 to exit

Tip: You can also type **Settings** from any screen to bring up the settings panel.

**Remove the PF-Key Display**

1. Select the "Menu" action bar from the ISPF Primary Menu
2. Select "Settings" from the pull-down menu
3. Select Function Keys from Settings action bar
4. Type "6" (Remove function key display)
5. Press Enter
6. Press PF3 to exit

Tip: You can also type PFSHOW from any screen to see Pfkey displays. You can modify your Pfkeys by typing ZKEYS from any screen.

**Remove Underscores on Panels**

1. Select the "Menu" action bar from the ISPF Primary Option Menu
2. Select "Settings" from the pull-down menu
3. Select Colors/CUA Attributes (2) from the Settings action bar
4. Scroll to the next page
5. Modify 'Normal Entry Field" by entering NONE in Highlight column
6. Press PF3 to exit

Tip: You can also type CUAATTR from any panel to go directly to CUA Attributes.

**Display the Calendar**

1. Select the "Status" action bar from the ISPF Primary Option Menu
2. Select Calendar (3) from the pull-down menu
3. Press Enter

All fields on the calendar are point-and-shoot fields that function as follows:

* Click the right bracket ( > ) and the months go forward
* Click the left bracket ( < ) and the months go backwards
* Click the month (e.g. February) and the Calendar Month pop-up lets you specify the month to be displayed
* Click the year (e.g., 1998) and the Calendar Year pop-up lets you specify the year to be displayed
* Click Saturday, Sunday, or Monday to specify the start day for your calendar week
* Click any Day (e.g., Mo, Tu, We) to display the Start-Day pop-up
* Click any number in the month and the Julian Date pop-up displays (but you cannot enter anything in this pop-up)
* Click "Time" to display the pop-up for 12 or 24 hour format
* Click "Day of Year" to translate the Julian Date to a standard date (ccyy/mm/dd)

The colors of the calendar can be changed, for example:

1. Select the Menu action bar.
2. Select Status Area (9) from the list.
3. Select the Options action bar (on the Status Area pop-up).
4. Select Calendar colors (2).
5. Select 2 (Red) for Heading Date and Current Day, then press Enter. You'll see your changes immediately on the sample calendar.
6. After modifying the colors, Press PF3 twice to exit the two pop-ups.
7. You must now exit the Main Menu for your color choices to be displayed. Go to another option and then return to the Main Menu.

**Change the View Entry panel (Option 1) to default to Browse**

1. Type **=1** and press Enter.
2. Scroll or tab down (press PF8).
3. Place a slash (/) in front of the "Browse Mode" option.

**Remove the Warning for Recovery**

The following sequence of commands will set RECOVERY OFF. With recovery set to off, the "UNDO not available" message will not be displayed.

1. Type **=2** and press Enter.
2. Edit any dataset or PDS member.
3. At the Command line type:  **rec off nowarn**
4. Press Enter.

**Set Log/List Defaults**

The Log dataset used by ISPF should be deleted at the end of each session. To delete the log:

1. Select the Menu action bar from the ISPF Primary Option Menu.
2. Select "Settings" from the pull-down list.
3. Select Log/List action bar from ISPF Settings panel.
4. Select "Log Data Set Defaults" (1) and enter:

Process option 2

SYSOUT class A

Local Printer ID blank

Lines per page 60

Primary pages 1

Secondary pages 1

Log Message ID blank

1. PF3 to exit.