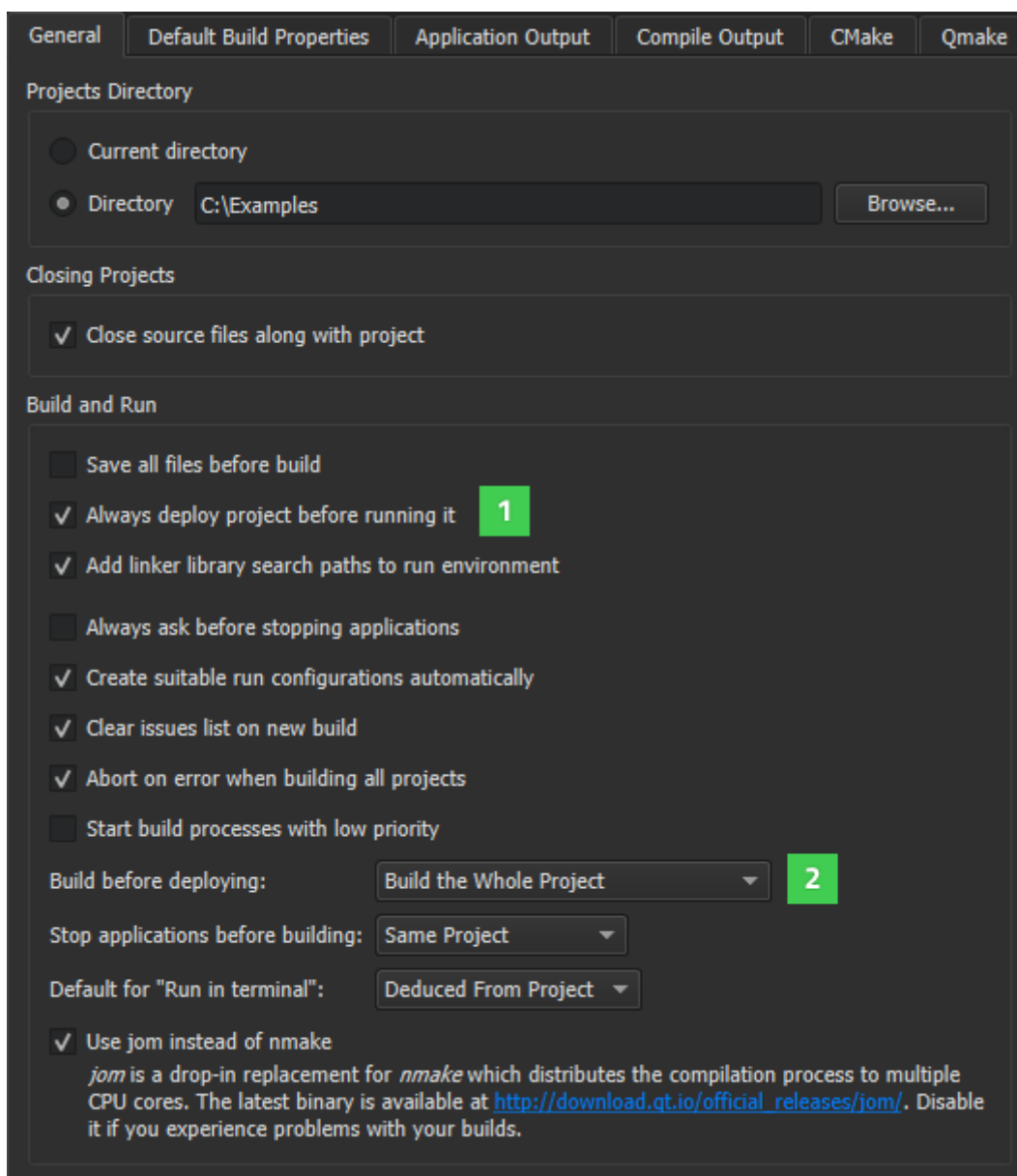


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To configure how projects are built, deployed, and run, select **Edit > Preferences > Build & Run > General**.



By default, the **Always deploy project before running it** (1) and **Build the Whole Project** (2) options are enabled. Therefore, when you select the **Run** function, Qt Creator checks for changes in the project files and also builds and deploys the project if necessary.

To deploy applications without building them or to just build the application that you want to run, select the appropriate options in the **Build before deploying** field.

current application, the applications in the same build directory, all applications, or no applications, select the appropriate option in the **Stop applications before building** field.

On Windows, you can use `jom` instead of `nmake` for building the project to distribute the compilation process to multiple CPU cores. You can download `jom` from [Qt Downloads](#). To use `jom`, select the **Use jom instead of nmake** check box. Deselect the check box if you experience build problems.

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