



SYSTEMS TechTip No.10

Netscape - Configuring Telnet for Netscape

In order to access Eulib or any other telnet application such as Bids from Netscape, you need to tell your Netscape browser where to look for your telnet software. You also need to have telnet software installed on your PC. The one we use here in the Library is called EWAN and should be installed on all machines running windows.

First you must Check EWAN on your PC to see where it lives on your hard disk

To do this:

Click once on the icon on your desktop for EWAN. This is normally in a window called "network", but it may be elsewhere. The icon is displayed on the top of this page.

Go to the program manager menu and choose **File, Properties**

A **Program Item Properties** box will appear. The second line down refers to the **Command Line** of the program (where it keeps its start-up file). Note down the whole of this line (or better still highlight it and use [ctrl]+[c] to copy it to the windows clipboard).

Start up Netscape and from the "**Options**" menu at the top of the screen, choose "**General Preferences**". Select "**Apps**" from the tabs along the top of the preferences box, then click the cursor in the "**Telnet application**" box. Type the **Command Line** for EWAN, or use [ctrl]+[v] to paste it into the box from the clipboard. When this is in the box, click on **OK** at the bottom of the box.

To check that the Ewan connection is working:

Start up netscape and go to the Library home page (www.lib.ed.ac.uk). Choose EULIB from the front menu. The EULIB opac should appear in a new window.

If the EWAN connection does not work:

Check the command line is correct

Check the EWAN window is not behind the netscape window. To do this hold down the [alt] key whilst repeatedly hitting [tab]. This will give a list of available windows.