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Displays or modifies file name extension associations. If used without parameters, **assoc** displays a list of all the current file name extension associations.

Note

This command is only supported within cmd.exe and is not available from PowerShell. Though you can use `cmd /c assoc` as

a workaround.

Syntax

```
assoc [<.[ext]>[=[<filetype>]]]
```

Parameters

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Parameter	Description
`<.ext>`	Specifies the file name extension.
`<filetype>`	Specifies the file type to associate with the specified file name extension.
/?	Displays help at the command prompt.

Remarks

- To make changes in associations, you need administrator privileges.
- To remove the file type association for a file name extension, add a white space after the equal sign by pressing the SPACEBAR.
- To associate files without extension to a file type, use just a dot (see the examples).
- To view current file types that have open command strings defined, use the **ftype** command.

- To redirect the output of **assoc** to a text file, use the `>` redirection operator.

Examples

To view the current file type association for the file name extension .txt, type:

```
assoc .txt
```

To remove the file type association for the file name extension .bak, type:

```
assoc .bak=
```

> **Note**
>
> Make sure you add a space after the equal sign.

To view the output of **assoc** one screen at a time, type:

```
assoc | more
```

To send the output of **assoc** to the file assoc.txt, type:

```
assoc>assoc.txt
```

Associate **.log** to text files:

```
assoc .log=txtfile
```

Associate files with no extension to text files:

```
assoc .=txtfile
```

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