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ADDUSERS Add or list users to/from a CSV file
   ADmodcmd Active Directory Bulk Modify
           Address Resolution Protocol
   ASSOC
           Change file extension associations.
   ASSOCIAT One step file association
           Schedule a command to run at a specific time
   ATTRIB
          Change file attributes
b
   BCDBOOT Create or repair a system partition
   BCDEDIT Manage Boot Configuration Data
   BITSADMIN Background Intelligent Transfer Service
   BOOTCFG Edit Windows boot settings
   BROWSTAT Get domain, browser and PDC info
            Change file permissions
            Call one batch program from another.
   CERTREQ Request certificate from a certification authority
   CERTUTIL Utility for certification authority (CA) files and services
           Change Directory - move to a specific Folder•
           Change Terminal Server Session properties
   CHANGE
   CHKDSK Check Disk - check and repair disk problems
   CHKNTFS Check the NTFS file system
   CHOICE Accept keyboard input to a batch file
   CIPHER Encrypt or Decrypt files/folders
   CleanMgr Automated cleanup of Temp files, recycle bin
   CLEARMEM Clear memory leaks
           Copy STDIN to the Windows clipboard
   CLIP
   CLS
           Clear the screen.
   CLUSTER Windows Clustering
   CMD
           Start a new CMD shell
   CMDKEY Manage stored usernames/passwords
   COLOR
           Change colors of the CMD window.
           Compare the contents of two files or sets of files
   COMP
   COMPACT Compress files or folders on an NTFS partition
   COMPRESS Compress individual files on an NTFS partition
   CON2PRT Connect or disconnect a Printer
   CONVERT
           Convert a FAT drive to NTFS
   COPY
           Copy one or more files to another location.
   CSCcmd Client-side caching (Offline Files)
   CSVDE
           Import or Export Active Directory data
           Display or set the date•
   DATE
   DEFRAG
          Defragment hard drive
           Delete one or more files.
   DELPROF Delete user profiles
   DELTREE Delete a folder and all subfolders
   DevCon Device Manager Command Line Utility
           Display a list of files and folders.
   DIRUSE
          Display disk usage
   DISKPART Disk Administration
   DISKSHADOW Volume Shadow Copy Service
   DNSSTAT DNS Statistics
          Edit command line, recall commands, and create macros
   DOSKEY
   DriverQuery Display installed device drivers
   DSACLs Active Directory ACLs
           Add items to active directory (user group computer)
   DSAdd
           View items in active directory (user group computer)
   DSQuery Search for items in active directory (user group computer)
   DSMod
           Modify items in active directory (user group computer)
   DSMove Move an Active directory Object
           Remove items from Active Directory
   DSRM
           Display message on screen.
   ENDLOCAL End localisation of environment changes in a batch file.
   ERASE
           Delete one or more files.
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EVENTCREATE Add a message to the Windows event log
           Quit the current script/routine and set an errorlevel.
   EXPAND
           Uncompress files
   EXTRACT Uncompress CAB files
f
           Compare two files
   FC
   FIND
           Search for a text string in a file
   FINDSTR Search for strings in files
          Loop command: against a set of files.
   FOR /F
           Loop command: against the results of another command.
           Loop command: all options Files, Directory, List.
   FORFILES Batch process multiple files
   FORMAT
           Format a disk
   FREEDISK Check free disk space (in bytes)
   FSUTIL File and Volume utilities
           File Transfer Protocol
   FTP
   FTYPE
           File extension file type associations.
           Display the Media Access Control (MAC) address
   GETMAC
           Display membership of global groups
   GLOBAL
           Direct a batch program to jump to a labelled line.
   GPRESULT Display Resultant Set of Policy information
   GPUPDATE Update Group Policy settings
            Online Help
   HELP
i
           Change file and folder permissions
   iCACLS
           Conditionally perform a command.
   IFMEMBER Is the current user a member of a Workgroup
   IPCONFIG Configure IP
   KILL
           Remove a program from memory
           Edit a disk label
   LABEL
           Display membership of local groups
   LOCAL
   LOGEVENT Write text to the event viewer
   LOGMAN Manage Performance Monitor
           Log a user off
   LOGOFF
   LOGTIME Log the date and time in a file
  MAPISEND Send email from the command line
  MBSAcli Baseline Security Analyzer
  MEM
           Display memory usage
           Create new folders •
  MKLINK Create a symbolic link (linkd) •
           Configure a system device
           Display output, one screen at a time
  MOUNTVOL Manage a volume mount point
        Move files from one folder to another.
  MOVEUSER Move a user from one domain to another
  MSG
           Send a message
  MSIEXEC Microsoft Windows Installer
  MSINFO32 System Information
  MSTSC
           Terminal Server Connection (Remote Desktop Protocol)
  MV
           Copy in-use files
           Manage network resources
   NETDOM
           Domain Manager
           Configure Network Interfaces, Windows Firewall & Remote access
   NETSH
   NETSVC
           Command-line Service Controller
   NBTSTAT Display networking statistics (NetBIOS over TCP/IP)
   NETSTAT Display networking statistics (TCP/IP)
           Display the current Date and Time
   NSLOOKUP Name server lookup
   NTBACKUP Backup folders to tape
   NTRIGHTS Edit user account rights
   OPENFILES Query or display open files
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   PATH
            Display or set a search path for executable files.
   PATHPING Trace route plus network latency and packet loss
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Suspend processing of a batch file and display a message.
          Show permissions for a user
  PERFMON Performance Monitor
         Test a network connection
  POPD
          Return to a previous directory saved by PUSHD.
  PORTORY Display the status of ports and services
   POWERCFG Configure power settings
  PRINT
          Print a text file
  PRINTBRM Print queue Backup/Recovery
  PRNCNFG Display, configure or rename a printer
   PRNMNGR Add, delete, list printers set the default printer
   PROMPT Change the command prompt•
           Execute process remotely
   PsExec
   PsFile
             Show files opened remotely
   PsGetSid Display the SID of a computer or a user
   PsInfo
             List information about a system
  PsKill
             Kill processes by name or process ID
             List detailed information about processes
  PsList
  PsLoggedOn Who's logged on (locally or via resource sharing)
  PsLogList Event log records
  PsPasswd Change account password
             Measure network performance
  PsService View and control services
   PsShutdown Shutdown or reboot a computer
   PsSuspend Suspend processes
          Save and then change the current directory.
  QGREP
           Search file(s) for lines that match a given pattern
  Query Process Display processes (TS/Remote Desktop)
                  Display all sessions (TS/Remote Desktop)
   Query Session
   Query TermServer List all servers (TS/Remote Desktop)
                   Display user sessions (TS/Remote Desktop)
   Query User
  RASDIAL Manage RAS connections
  RASPHONE Manage RAS connections
  RECOVER Recover a damaged file from a defective disk
  REG
           Registry: Read, Set, Export, Delete keys and values
  REGEDIT Import or export registry settings
  REGSVR32 Register or unregister a DLL
  REGINI Change Registry Permissions
           Record comments (remarks) in a batch file.
  REM
           Rename a file or files•
  REPLACE Replace or update one file with another
  Reset Session Delete a Remote Desktop Session
          Delete folder(s) •
  RMTSHARE Share a folder or a printer
  ROBOCOPY Robust File and Folder Copy
         Manipulate network routing tables
  RUN
          Start | RUN commands
  RUNAS
          Execute a program under a different user account
  RUNDLL32 Run a DLL command (add/remove print connections)
S
           Service Control
  SC
  SCHTASKS Schedule a command to run at a specific time
  SCLIST Display Services
           Display, set, or remove session environment variables.
   SETLOCAL Control the visibility of environment variables.
   SETX
           Set environment variables
           System File Checker
           List or edit a file share or print share
   ShellRunAs Run a command under a different user account
          Shift the position of batch file parameters.
  SHORTCUT Create a windows shortcut (.LNK file)
  SHOWGRPS List the Workgroups a user has joined
  SHOWMBRS List the Users who are members of a Workgroup
  SHUTDOWN Shutdown the computer
          Wait for x seconds
          Software Licensing Management (Vista/2008)
          Schedule a command to run in the near future
   SORT
           Sort input
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START
          Start a program, command or batch file.
           Switch User
   SUBINACL Edit file and folder Permissions, Ownership and Domain
   SUBST Associate a path with a drive letter
   SYSTEMINFO List system configuration
   TAKEOWN Take ownership of a file
   TASKLIST List running applications and services
   TASKKILL Remove a running process from memory
          Display or set the system time.
   TIMEOUT Delay processing of a batch file
           Set the window title for a CMD.EXE session•
   TITLE
   TLIST
            Task list with full path
            Change file timestamps
   TOUCH
   TRACERT Trace route to a remote host
           Graphical display of folder structure
   TREE
   TSSHUTDN Remotely shut down or reboot a terminal server
           Display the contents of a text file.
   TYPE
   TypePerf Write performance data to a log file
   USRSTAT List domain usernames and last login
V
   VER
           Display version information.
   VERIFY Verify that files have been saved.
   VOL
           Display a disk label•
   WAITFOR Wait for or send a signal
          Locate and display files in a directory tree
   WHERE
   WHOAMI
           Output the current UserName and domain
   WINDIFF Compare the contents of two files or sets of files
   WINMSDP Windows system report
   WINRM
           Windows Remote Management
           Windows Remote Shell
   WINRS
           WMI Commands
   WMIC
   WUAUCLT Windows Update
           Change file and folder permissions
   XCACLS
   XCOPY
           Copy files and folders
           Comment / Remark•
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Commands marked • are *Internal* commands only available within the CMD shell.
All other commands (not marked with •) are *external* commands.

External commands may be used under the CMD shell, PowerShell, or directly from START-RUN.

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