

# Services



maXbox Starter 145 - Get a Service.

"Natura abhorret vacuum - Spinoza.

Source: 1413 services5jcl.pas

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WinSvc has all the Windows API methods you need. You can create the unit below for an easy class interface:

FHandle:= OpenSCManager(Pointer(FMachineName), Pointer(FDatabaseName), FdesiredAccess);

But you can also use the unit file JclSvcCtrl.pas from JEDI Components Library (JCL), which I demonstrate next.

Also be aware the user must have proper rights to change service configurations. The best to run the script is to start maxbox with admin rights (Run as administrator) and you get the admission:

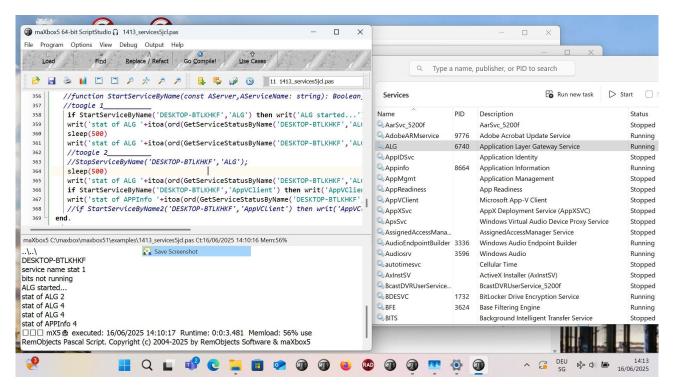
#### const

// Everyone in WinNT/2K or Authenticated users in WinXP EveryoneSCMDesiredAccess = SC MANAGER CONNECT or SC MANAGER ENUMERATE SERVICE or SC MANAGER QUERY LOCK STATUS or STANDARD RIGHTS READ; LocalSystemSCMDesiredAccess = SC MANAGER CONNECT or SC MANAGER ENUMERATE SERVICE or SC MANAGER MODIFY BOOT CONFIG or SC MANAGER QUERY LOCK STATUS or STANDARD RIGHTS READ;

AdministratorsSCMDesiredAccess = SC MANAGER ALL ACCESS; DefaultSCMDesiredAccess = EveryoneSCMDesiredAccess; DefaultSvcDesiredAccess = SERVICE ALL ACCESS;

You can use file JclSvcCtrl.pas from JEDI Components Library (JCL) direct with helper functions which encapsulates the objects. I have written a pseudo example script #1413 services5jcl.pas that you could use. However, be aware that I didn't test it just a short time. But in this way it should work (error checks omitted):!

<sup>1</sup> Nature recoils from emptiness -



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As you can see the start and stop a service called **ALG** which stands for Application Layer Gateway Service. The function is called:

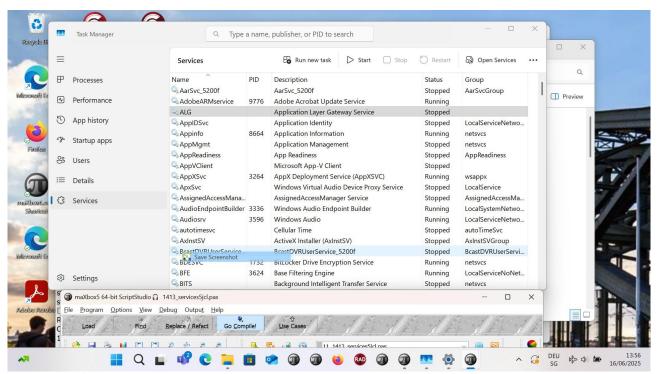
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function StartServiceByName (const AServer, AServiceName: String):Boolean;
var
  ServiceHandle,
  SCMHandle: SC HANDLE;
  P: PChar;
begin
  P:= nil;
  Result:= False;
  SCMHandle:= OpenSCManager(PChar(AServer), nil, SC MANAGER ALL ACCESS);
  if SCMHandle <> 0 then
  try
    ServiceHandle:= OpenService(SCMHandle, Pchar(AServiceName),
                                                      SERVICE ALL ACCESS);
    if ServiceHandle <> 0 then
      Result:= StartService(ServiceHandle, 0, P);
    CloseServiceHandle (ServiceHandle);
  finally
    CloseServiceHandle (SCMHandle);
  end;
end;
We call that from the main:
if StartServiceByName('DESKTOP-BTLKHKF','ALG') then
writ('ALG started...');
writ('stat of ALG '+
     itoa(ord(GetServiceStatusByName('DESKTOP-BTLKHKF','ALG'))));
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Between the two sleeps you can see two different states, namely 2 and 4:

```
//GetServiceStatusWaitingIfPending(ServiceHandle: SC HANDLE): DWORD;
 { (ssUnknown,
                      // Just fill the value 0
                       // SERVICE_STOPPED
    ssStopped,
    ssStartPending,
                       // SERVICE_START_PENDING
    ssStopPending,
                       // SERVICE STOP PENDING
    ssRunning,
                       // SERVICE RUNNING
    ssContinuePending, // SERVICE CONTINUE PENDING
    ssPausePending,
                       // SERVICE PAUSE PENDING
                       // SERVICE PAUSED }
    ssPaused);
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So it changes from ssStartPending 2 to ssRunning 4, on methods see first screenshot above.

Besides using the previous methods, if you need more control you can use WMI. With Win32\_Service class you have access to all information of the services installed on the machine and you can has access to methods: Start, Stop, Pause, Resume, Interrogate, Create, Delete, Change, ChangeStartMode...



1413 services mx5 screenshot.png

The User Account Control basically notifies you before changes are made to your PC - not all changes, but only those which require Administrator level permissions. These changes could have been initiated by the user, by the operation system, by genuine software - or even malware! Every

time such an administrator-level change is initiated, Windows UAC will prompt the user for approval or denial.

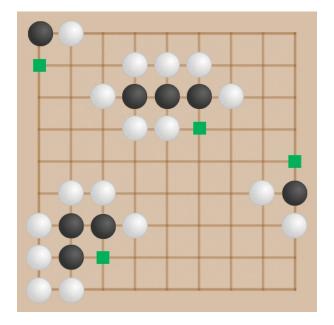
#### C:\Windows\System32\UserAccountControlSettings.exe

To start a service by its name in Delphi using the mentioned JCL (JEDI Code Library), you can use the TjclSvcController as an new customised class and TJclNtService classes provided by the JCL by your own steps beside the helper functions. Here's an not finished example of how to achieve this:

```
procedure DisableService(ServiceName: PChar);
var SM: TServiceManager;
begin
  SM:=TServiceManager.Create('0','0');
   try
     //SM.Connect('0','0');
     SM.OpenServiceConnection(ServiceName);
   //not working with TServiceManager as is
   //but its easy to fix, see below
   SM.DisableService;
   finally
    SM.Free;
   end;
end;
begin
  try
   StartServiceByName('YourServiceNameHere');
   Writeln('Service started successfully.');
  except
   on E: Exception do
     Writeln('Error: ', E.Message);
  end;
end.
A last and interesting call concerns the shell. If you are familiar with
the console just do a console call from the script:
ShellExecute(0, nil, 'cmd.exe', 'sc config "the service name"
                                       start=disabled', nil, SW HIDE);
ShellExecute(0, nil, 'cmd.exe', 'sc config "the service name"
                                       start=auto', nil, SW HIDE);
ShellExecute(0, nil, 'cmd.exe', 'sc config "the service name"
                                       start=demand', nil, SW HIDE);
RunDosInMemo('cmd.exe /C sc config "ALG" start= disabled', Memo2);
>>> [SC] ChangeServiceConfig SUCCESS
RunDosInMemo('cmd.exe /C sc query "ALG"', Memo2);
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The **sc config** command is a powerful tool in Windows that allows you to modify the configuration of a service. This command can change various parameters of a service, such as its start type, error control, binary path, dependencies, and more. It is particularly useful for system administrators who need to manage services on local or remote machines.

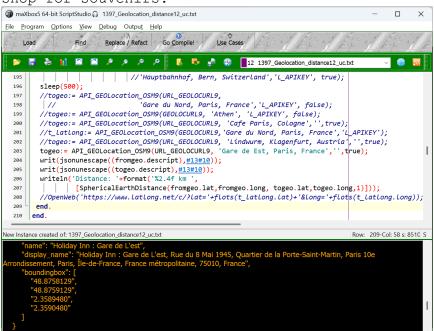
#### Another Appendix Page



In September, Brian Kleiner represented Switzerland in the 17th Korea Prime Minister Cup (KPMC), in Gwangju. There were players from 53 countries present, with 6 rounds over three days of play. The organisation from the hosts was excellent from start to finish, the late summer weather was ideal, and a good spirit reigned throughout. The long bus rides were rewarded with attractive views of the countryside, explanations from the guides, and several memorable visits - first

to a beautiful bamboo forest park, and then to a Baduk (Go) factory,

museum, and shop for souvenirs.



MaxMatrix Time/Space:

The multiplication of past x future is a vector with the function:= known = f(changeable) [y=f(x)] as distance over time, so **distance** is a function of time: d=f(t).

# Conclusion

The simple way is to use in unit file JclSvcCtrl.pas from JEDI Components Library (JCL) direct with helper functions which encapsulates the objects.

// helper functions

function GetServiceStatus(ServiceHandle: SC HANDLE): DWORD;

function StopServiceByName(const AServer, AServiceName: string): Boolean;

function StartServiceByName (const AServer, AServiceName: string): Boolean;

Replace "YourServiceNameHere" with the actual name of the service you want to start. Ensure you have the necessary permissions to start services on the system. The JCL library must be installed and properly configured in your Delphi environment, in maXbox it's precompiled and built on board.

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# Script:

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### References:

jcl/jcl/source/windows/JclSvcCtrl.pas at master · project-jedi/jcl

How to use the command 'sc' (with examples)

<u>delphi - How do I Enable a Windows Service using the JCL? - Stack</u> Overflow



Doc and Tool: maXbox5 - Manage Files at SourceForge.net

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