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## How to set in Visual Studio Startup Page in web config [Answered]

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Last post Sep 08, 2013 07:26 PM by [jats\\_ptl](#)

How to set in Visual Studio Startup Page in web config

Sep 08, 2013 08:27 AM | NoMoneyNojob

hi all,

I have my project web and I have to specify my start page in my web.config not in vs2010( by **right-click** on the page and selecting **Set As Start Page** option from the context menu)

i try with

```
<authentication mode="Forms" >  
    <forms name="Auth" path="/" loginUrl="Authentication.aspx" protection="All"  
    timeout="30" defaultUrl="Home.aspx">
```

</forms>

</authentication>

but when i try to debugging my project in VS 2010, another page will be loading ( not home.aspx nor Authentication.aspx)

**NB : I use vs 2010 server not IIS server**

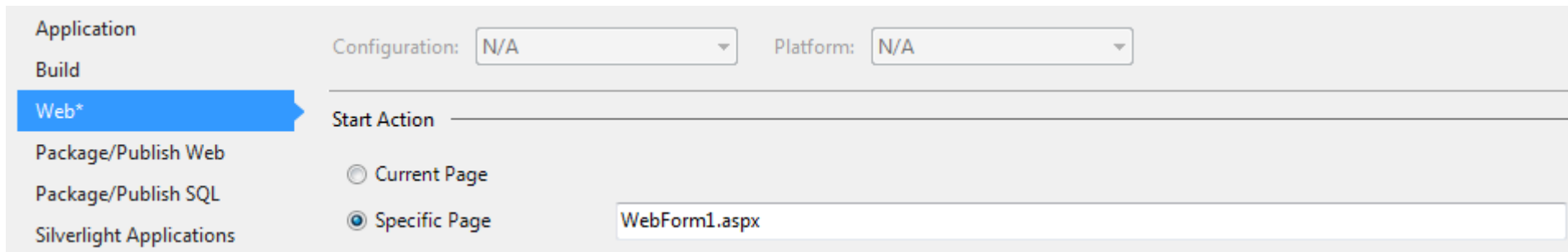
any ideas???

Re: How to set in Visual Studio Startup Page in web config

Sep 08, 2013 09:43 AM | Rion Williams

You can set a specific page to be run during start-up within your Application through the following steps :

- **Right-click your Project** within the Solution Explorer.
- Choose **Properties**.
- Select the **Web** tab on the left-hand side.
- Under the **Start Page** section, define the **Specific Page** you would like to default to when the application is launched.
- Save your changes.



Application Configuration: N/A Platform: N/A

Build

**Web\***

Package/Publish Web

Package/Publish SQL

Silverlight Applications

Start Action

☐ Current Page

☒ Specific Page WebForm1.aspx

(<http://imgur.com/i4cbnh1>)

## Targeting IIS / Web Server Method

You can also handle this through adding the following `<defaultDocument>` section into the `<system.webServer>` section of your web.config, although it does target the Web Server / IIS :

```
<system.webServer>
  <defaultDocument>
    <files>
      <clear />
      <add value="YourDefaultPage.aspx" />
    </files>
  </defaultDocument>
</system.webServer>
```

## Another Option : Create a HttpHandler to handle your Redirection

**This Stack Overflow discussion (<http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1913058/set-default-page-in-asp-net>)** on the topic mentions using an `HttpHandler` to specifically handle your initial redirection. (*This is untested*)

Basically it involves the following steps :

- Adding the following `<httpHandlers>` element to your `web.config` within `<system.Web>` :

```
<httpHandlers>
    <add verb="GET" path="default.aspx" type="RedirectHandler" />
</httpHandlers>
```

- **Right-click on your Project** and choose **Add > New ASP.NET Folder > App\_Code**.
- Within this newly created folder, **create a class file called `RedirectHandler`** (*Right-click the Folder > Add > Class and name it `RedirectHandler.cs`*)
- Copy the following code into that new file :

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Linq;
using System.Web;
```

```
/// <summary>
/// Summary description for RedirectHandler
/// </summary>
public class RedirectHandler : IHttpHandler
{
    public RedirectHandler()
    {
        //
        // TODO: Add constructor logic here
        //
    }

    #region IHttpHandler Members

    public bool IsReusable
    {
        get { return true; }
    }

    public void ProcessRequest(HttpContext context)
    {
```

```
//Your target URL here  
context.Response.Redirect("CreateThings.aspx");  
context.Response.End();  
  
}  
  
#endregion  
  
}
```

- You'll need to ensure that you do not have a file named default.aspx within your Project for this to work.

Re: How to set in Visual Studio Startup Page in web config

Sep 08, 2013 10:59 AM | oned\_gk

defaultUrl in your web.config mean after you login then redirect to home.aspx. If you open a page that need authentication, you will be redirected to Authentication.aspx, using FormsAuthentication.RedirectFromLoginPage method you will be redirected to target page by returnUrl querystring. But if you directly go to Authentication.aspx then login using FormsAuthentication.RedirectFromLoginPage, you will be redirected to home.aspx.

Re: How to set in Visual Studio Startup Page in web config

Sep 08, 2013 11:06 AM | NoMoneyNojob

thanks for reply.

but that's don't work for me:(

I tell yiu steps:

1 **right-click** defaultpage.aspx on the page and selecting **Set As Start Page**.

2

```
<system.webServer>
  <defaultDocument>
    <files>
      <clear/>
      <add value="Authentication.aspx"/>
    </files>
  </defaultDocument>
</system.webServer>
```

3 I launch my application (start debugging)

4 I have <http://localhost:51615/defaultpage.aspx> but i look for how to have <http://localhost:51615/Authentication.aspx> without selecting [Authentication.aspx](#) **Set As Start Page.**

any ideas???

Re: How to set in Visual Studio Startup Page in web config

Sep 08, 2013 11:18 AM | oned\_gk

It's not seem like windows application that have form as start page. When you start debug, your current page in vs will be opened, except you aren't editing a page.

Re: How to set in Visual Studio Startup Page in web config

Sep 08, 2013 11:25 AM | oned\_gk

Set deny users="?" to your home.aspx, when you go to home.aspx will be redirected to Authentication.aspx.

Re: How to set in Visual Studio Startup Page in web config

Sep 08, 2013 11:27 AM | NoMoneyNojob



I don't agree [oned\\_gk \(http://forums.asp.net/members/oned\\_gk.aspx\)](http://forums.asp.net/members/oned_gk.aspx) because You can set a specific page to be run during start-up within your Application through the following steps :

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- Choose **Properties**.
- Select the **Web** tab on the left-hand side.
- Under the **Start Page** section, define the **Specific Page** you would like to default to when the application is launched.
- Save your changes

All i need just do it in web.config? any ideas?

Re: How to set in Visual Studio Startup Page in web config

Sep 08, 2013 07:26 PM | jats\_ptl

Hi NoMoneyNojob,

Please try the following:

- **Setting the default page for ASP.NET (Visual Studio) server configuration**  
(<http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1125280/setting-the-default-page-for-asp-net-visual-studio-server-configuration>)

Hope this helps.

Thanks,

Jatin

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