



Host Enabler

What It Is

OnBase Host Enabler provides access to host applications (mainframe, UNIX, AS400, etc) directly through a terminal emulation window in the OnBase Client. Host Enabler allows you to conduct routine, host-related tasks such as data entry and retrieval, while providing access to OnBase document retrieval and indexing capabilities. Users working in a host application screen in the Host Enabler can retrieve or index documents in OnBase using screen fields as keywords simply by double-clicking on the field in the host screen. To the user, the integration between their host application screens and the OnBase Client appears to be seamless. There is no practical limit to the number of host application screens that may be integrated with OnBase using the Host Enabler.

How It Works

A user in the Host Enabler window can double-click on a field in the host application screen, causing the Host Enabler to "scrape" the contents of that field and pass it to OnBase as a keyword for document retrieval and display. Multiple screen fields may be configured as keywords for document retrieval within the Host Enabler. Clicking on any of those screen fields will cause documents to be retrieved from OnBase using the field contents as retrieval keywords.

Host Enabler also allows users to utilize data fields displayed in the terminal window to index a document through the OnBase Document Imaging interface. The same screen-scraping mechanism that is used for document retrieval is used to copy data fields from the host application screen to the keyword fields in the index dialog within the Document Imaging module. This mechanism saves user keystrokes, reduces data entry errors and ensures that keyword values on OnBase documents match data fields stored in legacy host systems.

Who Will Benefit

Anyone using sessions hosted on Mainframe, UNIX or other terminal based applications will benefit from the Host Enabler. All organizations will benefit because there is no custom programming required to integrate their host application screens with OnBase. If users need new screens, they can be "enabled" in minutes without API programming, and as a result, there is no need to customize your host application. Because there is no custom programming, Host Enabler has a low total cost of ownership. By using Host Enabler, organizations can create a central document repository integrated with a wide range of hosted sessions. Users will benefit because they get the documents they need from a user interface with which they are most familiar.

Technical Features

- NO API programming required
- Point-and-Click configuration
- Seamless integration based on new technology
- No limit to the screens you can configure
- Auto Indexing Support

Business Benefits

- Increase the value/functionality of existing software
- Create a central data repository for all applications
- Retrieve documents directly from your host application
- Virtually no user training required
- Reduce data entry by 50-percent
- Quickly respond to changing user requirements

System Requirements

- Host Enabler License
- Workstation or Concurrent User License
- One of the following packages:
 - NetManage Rumba2000 (AS/400 - 5250, Mainframe - 3270 & Unix)
 - IBM Client Access (AS/400-5250)
 - WRQ Reflections (ReGIS Graphics mode only – screen scraping not supported)
 - Attachmate

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