

Halcyon restricted tasks manager



The Halcyon Restricted Tasks Manager allows you to schedule, or submit to a job queue, any number of restricted state functions, such as SAVSYS, SAVLIB(*NONSYS), RCLSTG etc. to be performed in a completely unattended environment.

This can lead to overtime cost savings while ensuring essential system backups and housekeeping tasks are performed regularly.

For total peace of mind, you can be kept informed of progress, or be made aware of any problems, at any time before, during or after the system is in a restricted state.

Schedule restricted state tasks to be performed automatically on a weekly, monthly or ad hoc basis.

Submit restricted state tasks to a job queue so that they can become active as soon as other jobs, such as End-of-Day, have completed. This is very useful when there are tight time-windows and the Server is required to be up and running as quickly as possible.

Reduces the risk of disaster by encouraging more regular system backups without expensive overtime costs.

User-definable Tasks feature allows you to define any number of restricted state tasks, as well as other commands such as INZTAP etc. to be processed sequentially when the system is in a restricted state.

Unforeseen Problems? No problem! System inquiry messages can be given an automatic reply so that processing can continue. Alternatively, messages can be sent directly to your pager or phone, while the system remains in a restricted state awaiting your response.

Visits to remote sites where there are no operations personnel will be a thing of the past since restricted state tasks can be managed automatically.

Flexible design approach means that you can quickly and easily tailor any command parameter to suit your own environment. So even if you use proprietary tape backup software that uses its own backup commands, you should have no problems at all in interfacing to the Restricted Tasks Manager.

Used in conjunction with the Halcyon Enterprise Console, multiple iSeries servers can be controlled and monitored when in restricted state and you can be alerted instantly of any problems.

“Restricted Tasks Manager not only does what its name implies but a lot more besides and does it very well!”

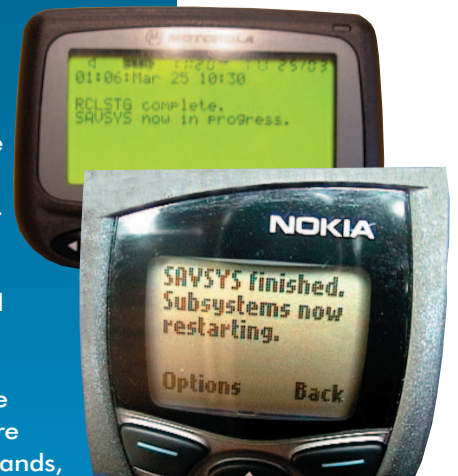
Complete system backups are now run every weekend unattended, previously this was a once-a-month attended process.

The cost of the Restricted Tasks Manager is soon recouped by saving in Operator overtime. The ability to group jobs is particularly useful.”

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features

- Run any number of restricted state tasks completely unattended and without risk
- Schedule restricted state tasks so they can be carried out on a regular and frequent basis
- Alternatively, submit restricted state tasks to a job queue to be processed as soon as possible after other jobs have completed
- System inquiry messages can be answered automatically so that any interrupted restricted state function can continue
- Status messages and error conditions can be sent out to mobile phones and pagers before, during and at the end of restricted state processing
- Active users are instructed to sign off at regular intervals before the system goes into a restricted state
- A facility is included for commands to be run before the system goes into restricted state and after it comes out
- All commands can be tailored to suit your own environment
- Interface easily with proprietary backup software
- Full history, diagnostics logs and audit trails available



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