

AUTOMATE™

Automated Run or Schedule Removal



Performing routine maintenance tasks can be time consuming and tedious. Nevertheless, they are necessary and crucial to the smooth running daily operation of any computerized system. The process of removing Runs and Schedules is one such maintenance task that is critical to the operation of PMC Software's MATE optimization programs - OPTIMATE™, WINDOWMATE™, WINDOWMATION™ and LINEALMATE™, since these systems must have available Run and Schedule numbers for processing.

To help reduce the bothersome clerical aspects of manually removing Runs and Schedules, PMC Software has developed AUTOMATE™, with Automated Run/Schedule Removal being the first task offered within this suite of automated task management tools.

AUTOMATE™ expedites the operation of PMC Software's MATE optimization systems by offering the flexibility to remove Runs and Schedules in the method best suited to your facility's operations.

Through AUTOMATE™'s definition grid, users control the removal of Runs and Schedules by entering retention times and intervals specific to table, glass thickness and glass color in the case of glass Runs or lineal material in the case of lineal Schedules.

Alternatively, you may choose to set up Run/Schedule removal definitions based only on retention time and interval, for all glass or lineal material.

If your facility is either using PMC Software's SCOREMATE™ or Lineal HMI™ to control your glass or lineal cutting machinery, AUTOMATE™ can be set to use the date the file is downloaded to the cutting machinery. Otherwise, the release to production date is used.

Once Run or Schedule removal definitions are set, AUTOMATE™ can be scheduled to remove Runs or Schedules at regularly scheduled intervals (daily, weekly, etc.) through the use of Microsoft® Corporation's Scheduled Task utility. Once defined through Microsoft® Scheduled Task, Run or Schedule removal occurs automatically with no need for user intervention.

"Simply set it and forget it!"

If the need arises, you have the option to initiate a single, one-time only processing of PMC Software's Automated Run or Schedule Removal task via the command line used to launch the program.

AUTOMATE™ analyzes your system data to determine which Runs or Schedules can be safely removed from the system and only those meeting AUTOMATE™'s strict specifications are removed, ensuring data integrity.

Maximum efficiency

- Run or Schedule removal is customized to your unique plant specifications
- Retention times and intervals may be set specifically for cutting table, glass color and glass thickness or lineal material, as necessary
- Data is carefully analyzed to determine safe removal of Runs or Schedules

Increased productivity

- Eliminates manual Run/Schedule removal
- Increases processing time by removing un-needed files from the system
- Frees employees of routine, time consuming maintenance tasks

Ease of use

- Microsoft® Corporation's Scheduled Task wizard makes setup easy
- AUTOMATE™'s definition grid simplifies entry of Run and Schedule removal definitions



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