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Subject: Re: Launching IDL App. From Icon  
Posted by [Randall Skelton](#) on Tue, 24 Apr 2001 18:08:30 GMT  
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Randall

On 24 Apr 2001, Aaron Birenboim wrote:

> Date: 24 Apr 2001 16:16:39 GMT  
> From: Aaron Birenboim <aaron@shimi.swcp.com>  
> Newsgroups: comp.lang.idl-pvwave  
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> Aaron Birenboim  
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Subject: Re: Launching IDL App. From Icon  
Posted by [davidf](#) on Thu, 26 Apr 2001 01:13:52 GMT  
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Cheers,

David

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Subject: Re: Launching IDL App. From Icon

Posted by [Aaron Birenboim](#) on Sat, 28 Apr 2001 22:18:49 GMT

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Randall Skelton <[rhskelto@atm.ox.ac.uk](mailto:rhskelto@atm.ox.ac.uk)> wrote:

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This says you can associate a \*.sav file with a runtime license program.

Was one of these delivered with my IDL development license?

Can I use my development license somehow?

Can I just set Windows to open \*.sav files with idlde.exe ?

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