

Networking

Server settings

Running Links over a network or using the Internet server requires a network copy of Links.

The software consists of the Equinox server software (Eqserver) which resides on the main server and the local network version of Equinox (Equinet) on each network station.

Eqserver is the link between the software modules and the remote machines and controls access to these modules.

The number of users who can be simultaneously connected to any module depends on the number of network licenses you have – the maximum is 12.

To set up the Eqserver double click `c:\eqserver\eqsvc.exe` to start the Equinox Service Manager (On Vista right click the icon and “Run as Administrator”. The default settings will be shown and generally these will not need to be changed.

If you do need to change the settings double click Links and edit the settings as follows:-

- Use the Browse function to locate the Eqserver directory (normally `c:\eqserver`).
- Use the Find APP button to find golf APP (e.g. `c:\eqserver\links\golf\golf.app`).
- The Description is Links.
- Set Startup to Automatic
- The Port Number is 4242.
- The Web Server Port is normally 80.

Once you have set up the service you must start it by clicking on the Green traffic light.

Once a service has been started it can be stopped by clicking the Red traffic light (you will need to do this in order to back up the program or disconnect users who have not logged out properly).

You next have to configure the workstations.

Workstation settings

A copy of equinox must be installed on each work station. Double click the “Equinet.ini” in the Equinox folder and verify the settings as follows:-

The default settings are

```
[applications]
Links=Golf,Server:4242

[Computer name]
HintType=0
NoviceHint=1
ExpertHint=0
UpgradeHint=0
PrintWindow=1280 1024 1369 161 640 512
PreviewFit=0
Left=-4
Top=-4
Right=1284
Bottom=998
Iconic=0
Zoomed=1
Width=1280
Height=1024
TipOfTheDay=0
username=links
Application=Golf.APP
ApplicationDescription=Links
Choose=1
```

Notes

Server is the name of the server (alternative you can use the IP address of the server e.g. 192.0.0.1).

Computer name is the name of the local computer and is generated by default.

Username is the logon name for this computer (links is the supervisor). See Get started for more settings.

Wide area network

With Links it is possible to access the data across the internet from a remote location e.g. some one working from home, head office or some agency.

The setup for the remote computer is just like a workstation except the equinet.ini file has to point to the static IP address of the server.

```
[applications]
Links=Golf,IP address:4242
```

Internet server

The Internet is basically another user on your network except that the information presented to it varies considerably from what you see.

In order to display data on the internet you must have a broadband connection and a static IP address (a static IP address is like your phone number – it is how internet users connect to you).

If you are unable to get a static address from your Internet provider then you can lease a dns2go service which gives you a presence on the Internet along the lines of www.yourname.dns2go.com.

What data you display and how you present it is done through ESP files – these Equinox Server Pages are specially written by Links to blend with your own website.

If you display data on the internet or want to take bookings or enquiries then this service has to be running 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

It goes without saying that if you use the Internet you must have all necessary protections in place.

To connect to Links via the internet you need to put a link in your website point to

Members - <http://myclub/memindex.htm>

Visitors - <http://my club/>

My club is your fixed IP address or DNS2go. If you are not using port 80 then you must add the port number being used as follows:-

<http://myclub:81/memindex.htm>