

EZReader EZWinBar Application

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The icons of both windows can be replaced with icons corresponding to the applications found on the Windows TaskBar. When Windows TaskBar icons are displayed the windows are both referred to as EZWinBar.



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From EZWinBar, the user clicks on an icon to run the indicated application. When the mouse hovers over an icon, a large font popup tip is shown as a reminder of which application the icon represents.

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The third icon on the EZTaskbar or EZCenterBar (top row) is used to toggle display of the EZWinBar. Note that on EZTaskBar the user may have chosen not to show the EZWinBar icons, in which case the icon in EZCenterBar must be used to display the EZWinBar.

Using EZWinbar

There are several way in which to work with EZWinBar.

- Click App Icon - click an app icon to start the app
- Hover Over Icon - hovering over an app displays a tooltip
- Right Click - right click anywhere to close EZWinBar
- Right Click Exception - Right click Exit to show Selection dialog

- Right Click Exception - Right click CenterBar icon to minimize width of EZWinBar

The blank spaces on EZWinBar provide 3 functions:

- Drag - drag on a space to reposition EZWinBar
- Focus - click on a space to give focus to EZWinBar (enables keyboard shortcuts)
- Position - double-click on a space to return it to its default position

The EZWinBar Exit button gives the user a visual clue on whether EZWinBar has keyboard focus. Keyboard shortcuts are applied to the window that has keyboard focus.

If the Exit icon has a short vertical bar, then EZWinBar does not have focus. If the Exit icon has a long vertical bar, then EZWinBar does have focus.

Pressing the ESC key also close EZWinBar.

If you hover the mouse over one of the EZWinBar icons for 1-2 seconds, a popup message will be displayed, giving a short description of the function the icon performs.



Moving EZWinBar

The EZWinBar can be moved to a new location by dragging it with a

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Icons:

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application not covered by the icon library, EZWinBar will default to showing the magnified 32x32 icon.

To add an icon for use on EZWinBar, simply place the 128x128 icon in the "freeicon" subfolder and give it the name "app.ico", where "app" is the EXE name that the TaskBar shortcut points to. For example, the "freeicon" folder already contains the "excel.ico" icon, which is the icon corresponding to the pinned app shortcut of "excel.exe".

Limitations:

Applications displayed by EZWinBar are found in a special Windows folder which lists the applications pinned to the Taskbar. Some pinned applications are not kept in that folder and so are not shown by EZTaskBar. Future updates to EZTaskBar may display pinned applications that are not listed in that special folder. The Ctrl-F keyboard shortcut can be used to open the folder containing pinned applications.

EZWinBar does not show System Tray applications. These also may be added in future versions of EZTaskBar.

Starting an EZReader Session

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