

# Defining actions for your Task

After you define triggers for your task, you can define actions to be performed when the task runs.

To add an action, in the **Actions** section of the **Add Task** wizard, click **New**. SQL Enterprise Job Manager opens the **New Action** dialog window.

## What type of actions can you set for your task?

There are three types of actions you can set for your task: **Start a program**, **Send an e-mail**, and **Display a message**. These options are available in the **Action** drop-down list.

Each type of action contains specific settings. The next sections explain in detail the settings for these actions.

### Start a program

When you select to start a program as the action for your task, you have to specify a program or script to execute.

In the **Program/script** field, type the name of the program or script to execute.

Additionally, you can define the following optional parameters:

- **Add arguments** - if your program or script takes command line arguments, you can type them in this field
- **Start in** - you can specify the working directory for the command line that executes the program or script. Type the path to the program or script file.

### Send an e-mail

You can select to send an e-mail when the task runs. If you select this action, specify the following settings:

- **From** - type the e-mail address from where the e-mail will be sent
- **To** - type the email address to where the e-mail will be sent
- **Subject** - type the subject of your e-mail
- **Text** - type the body of your message
- **Attachment** - type files paths to be attached in your email
- **SMTP server** - specify the SMTP server to use to send the e-mail

### Display a message

Use this option to show a message on the desktop when the task runs. You can specify the following settings:

- **Title** - type the title for the message box
- **Message** - type the content body of your message.

## What other options are available in the Actions section?

After you create your actions, you can also use any of the following options:

- **Edit** - select one of created actions to edit/change its settings
- **Remove** - use this option to delete actions

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