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FTSpooler Setup

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Filters

This option allows addition or removal of filter(s), and management of the filter's properties such as name, description, path and input/output type. Filters MUST deliver a modified version of the input file back as output, otherwise you will get a Spooler error **Filtering: empty output file produced by process [C:\Program Files\TCGIS\FTLabelPrint\FTLabPrt.exe] with arguments ...**

Note: Do not register FTLabelPrint as a filter, it is an Application.

To add a filter:

- Click the **New** button
- Name** the filter and provide a brief **Description**.
- Enter the **Path** to the filter. **Path** could be in absolute form, or relative to the FTSpooler's **Installation Directory** (%ftinst%) or any other directory specified by the 'PATH' System environment variable. For the purpose of maximum portability it is recommended to place all executables in the %ftinst% directory and specify just the executable name (without path).
- Enter the command line **Arguments**. If you are not using the standard input and output devices (**Use standard input/output** checkbox) the input and output files are specified in the command line using "%1" and "%2" parameters. You are responsible for correctly quoting the command line arguments.
- Initial directory** is usually left empty. In this case it defaults to the executable's location.
- Choose the **Input type** and **Output type** from the dropdown menu.
- Check other options if applicable:
 - Check status
 - Require output
 - Use standard input/output
 - Hide console (will fail for GUI application)
 - Hide GUI window (will fail for console)
- Click the **Save** button.

To delete a filter:

- Select on the filter to be deleted.
- Click the **Delete** button.
- Confirmation dialog box pops up.
- Click **Yes** to finish.

The screenshot shows the 'Filters' section of the FTSpooler Setup application. On the left, a list of 'Available filters' is displayed, with 'Find PROJECT replace with Std S' selected. The main panel, titled 'Properties of Find PROJECT replace with Std Spelling', contains the following fields and options:

- Name:** Find PROJECT replace with Std Spelling
- Description:** This is the TCG replace.exe program finding and replacing one occurrence of 'PROJECT:' (in various spellings) in Estimates with the standard spelling ~~~project:
- Path:** replace.exe
- Arguments:** - -PROJECT
- Initial directory:** (empty)
- Input type:** txt
- Output type:** txt
- ☒ Check status
- ☒ Require output
- ☒ Use standard input/output
- ☐ Hide console (will fail for GUI application)
- ☐ Hide GUI window (will fail for console)
- Save** button

 Note: The PostScript to PDF filter includes the Compatibility Level required, this is supplied as 1.3 but can be changed to 1.4 as shown.

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