

Add Manual

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A [manual page](#) allows documentation in an [ecf script](#) to be viewable in [ecflow_ui](#).

The manual page is the concatenation of all the text within the %manual and %end [directives](#).

Modify **t2.ecf** to have the following:

\$HOME/course/test/f1/t2.ecf

```
%manual
  Manual for task t2
  Operations: if this task fails, set it to complete and report next working day
  Analyst:    Check something ?
%end

%include <head.h>
echo "I am part of a suite that lives in %ECF_HOME%"
%include <tail.h>

%manual
  There can be multiple manual pages in the same file.
  When viewed they are simply concatenated.
%end
```

A manual page can also be added to a family and suite node.

Create a file called **f1.man** in **\$HOME/course/test** as the FAMILY man page

\$HOME/course/test/f1.man (FAMILY MAN PAGE)

```
This manual is for family %FAMILY%
It can have any text and will also have variable substitution
Notice that this does not have manual..end since the whole file is a manual page.
```

Now create the file **test.man** in **\$HOME/course** as the SUITE man page

\$HOME/course/test.man (SUITE MAN PAGE)

```
%manual
This is the manual page for the %SUITE% suite.
It lives in %ECF_HOME%
%end
This text is not visible in the man page since it is out side of the %manual..%end
```

Notice that for family and suite nodes that the addition %manual..%end is not strictly necessary. However by adding %manual..%end you can decide what parts are made visible to the GUI.

What to do

1. Modify **\$HOME/course/test/f1/t2.ecf** script
2. Add the file **\$HOME/course/test/f1.man**
3. Add the file **\$HOME/course/test.man**
4. View the [manual page](#) for **task test/f1/t2** in [ecflow_ui](#)
5. View the [manual page](#) for family **test/f1** in [ecflow_ui](#)
6. View the [manual page](#) for suite **test** in [ecflow_ui](#)

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