



# Desktop event trigger

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# Desktop event trigger

Desktop event triggers allow users to start or trigger flows in response to specific events that occur on their desktop.

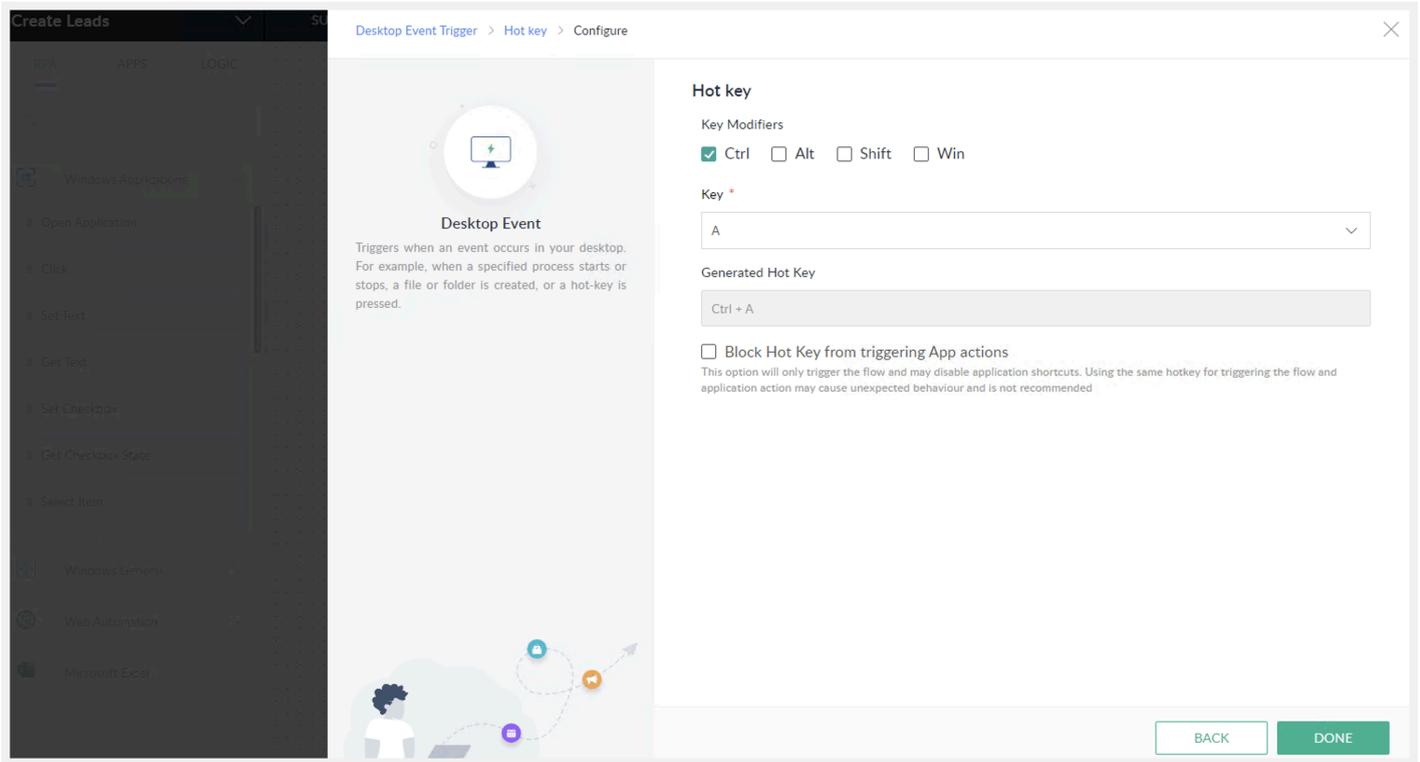
## 1. Hotkey pressed

When a user presses a hotkey, the flow can be started or triggered.

### How to configure:

1. In the *My Flows* section of Zoho RPA, click + **Create**, then click **Create flow**.
2. Enter the flow name and optionally a description.
3. Click **Create**.

#### 4. Click **Configure** in the *Desktop event trigger* box.



5. In the *Choose your desktop event* window, select **Hotkey** and click **Next**.
6. Select the key modifiers (Ctrl, Alt, Shift, or Win) and then select a key from the list.
7. Your generated hotkey combination will appear in the *Generated hotkey* box.
8. You can use the Block hotkey from triggering the app actions checkbox to stop this hotkey combination from making any changes to the app. This option will only trigger the flow and may disable application shortcuts.

**Note:** Using the same hotkey for triggering the flow and an application action may cause unexpected behaviour and is not recommended.

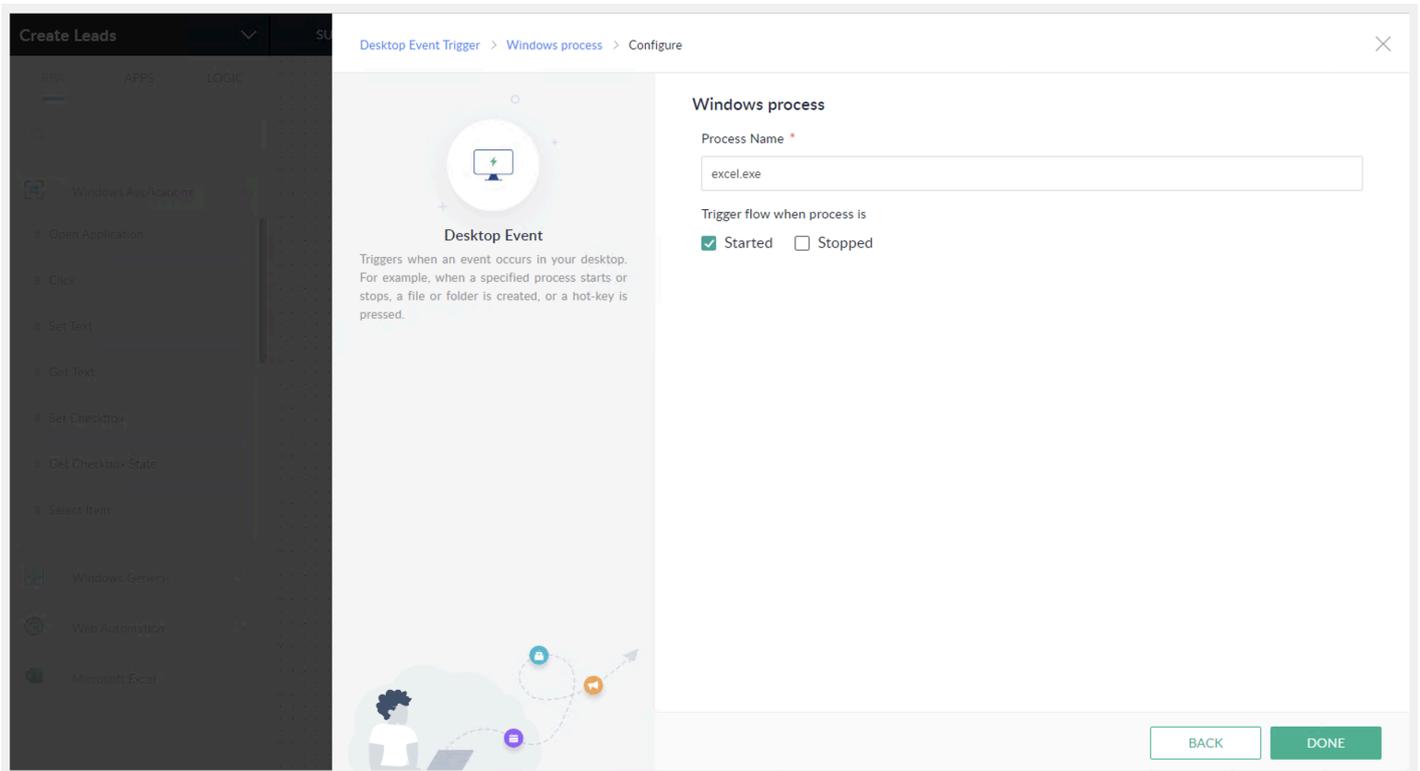
## 2. Windows process

Allows users to configure a flow to be triggered when a Windows process is started or stopped.

### How to configure:

1. In the *My Flows* section of Zoho RPA, click + **Create**, then click **Create flow**.
2. Enter the flow name and an optional description.
3. Click **Create**.

4. Click **Configure** in the Desktop event trigger box.



5. In the *Choose your desktop event* window, select **Windows process** and click **Next**.

6. In the *Process name* field, enter the name of the Windows process that you want to monitor.

7. In the *Trigger on* field, select **Started** or **Stopped** to indicate when you want the flow to be triggered.

8. Click **Done**.

### 3. File or folder event

Allows users to configure a flow to be started based on file or folder event. For example, you can trigger a flow when a new file is added to a folder.

#### How to configure:

1. In the *My Flows* section of Zoho RPA, click + **Create**, then click **Create flow**.

2. Enter the flow name and an optional description.

3. Click **Create**.

#### 4. Click **Configure** in the *Desktop event trigger* box

Desktop Event Trigger > File or folder events > Configure

**Desktop Event**

Triggers when an event occurs in your desktop. For example, when a specified process starts or stops, a file or folder is created, or a hot-key is pressed.

**File or folder events**

Folder Path \*

"C:\Users\test\Desktop\NewInventoryStock\newStock1.xlsx" **BROWSE**

Include subfolders

Trigger flow when \*

File

**File**

Event \*

Created Modified

Trigger option

Any File  Specific File

File Name \*

You can type a file name like abc.xlsx to look for all files starting with "abc" and have .xlsx extension, or \*.xlsx to look for all files with .xlsx extension.

addStock.xlsx

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5. In the *Choose your desktop event* window, select **File or folder event** and click **Next**.
6. In the *Folder path* field, enter the folder that you want to monitor.
7. If you want to monitor subfolders within the given path, check the **Include subfolders** box.
8. In the *Trigger flow when* field, select the event that you want to monitor: **File** or **Folder**, or **Select All**.
9. In the *File event* field, select the event that you want to monitor: **Created**, **Modified**, **Renamed**, or **Deleted**.
10. In the *Folder event* field, select the event that you want to monitor: **Created**, **Modified**, **Renamed**, or **Deleted**.
11. In the *Trigger option* field, select **Specific file/folder** or **All files/folders**.
12. In the *Specific files or folders* field, enter the name of the file or folder that you want to monitor. You can use wildcards to match multiple files or folders. For example, you could enter **abc\*.xls** to match all files starting with **abc** and having the **.xls** extension.
13. Click **Done**.