Manually installing Unofficial patch 1.04

This tutorial covers how to manually install a mod for Kane's Wrath without using the Mod Launcher.

Basics

When starting up the game, the config file **CNC3EP1_english_1.2.SkuDef** will determine which files are loaded. This SkuDef file is a textfile and can be edited with a usual text editor (like Notepad or Editor).

By default, your SkuDef file will look like this:

> *set-exe RetailExe\1.2\cnc3ep1.dat*
> *add-config Lang-english\1.2\config.txt*
> *add-config EnglishAudio\1.2\config.txt*
> *add-config Core\1.2\config.txt*
> *add-config Meta\1.2\config.txt*
> *add-config RetailExe\1.2\config.txt*
> *add-config Movies\1.0\config.txt*
> *add-search-path big:*

Manually launching a mod

The Mod Launcher will start a mod by adding the mod files to the SkuDef file, so when the game starts, the additional files from the mod will also start. To start a mod, all you need to do is add another line which adds the contents of the mod to the game:

> *add-config C:\Users\You\Documents\Command & Conquer 3 Kane's Wrath\Mods\Unofficial Patch 1.04\Unofficial Patch 1.04_0.4.skudef*

Note that you **must not add the big files**, but instead you must add the SkuDef file of the mod. The result should look something like this:

> *add-config C:\Users\You\Documents\Command & Conquer 3 Kane's Wrath\Mods\Unofficial Patch 1.04\Unofficial Patch 1.04_0.4.skudef*
> *set-exe RetailExe\1.2\cnc3ep1.dat*
> *add-config Lang-english\1.2\config.txt*
> *add-config EnglishAudio\1.2\config.txt*
> *add-config Core\1.2\config.txt*
> *add-config Meta\1.2\config.txt*
> *add-config RetailExe\1.2\config.txt*
> *add-config Movies\1.0\config.txt*
> *add-search-path big:*

Finally, start up the game like you would normally do. Now, the mod should start. Note that **you should make a backup of your unmodified SkuDef file**. This backup is necessary to remove the mod and revert to the vanilla game if you want.

Troubleshooting

For several reasons, the specified mod might not run when you did the steps mentioned above. If you saved your SkuDef file and launched the game, but the mod did not start try the following steps below.

Use another directory

Some users could solve their problems by choosing a different path to store their mod. The most promising solution usually is to make a mod folder within your game's main directory and save the mod files in there.

In other words, make a directory named "Unofficial Patch 1.04" in your game's main directory and put the mod files in there. Then, edit your SkuDef file and add the following line:

add-config Unofficial Patch 1.04\Unofficial Patch 1.04_0.4.skudef

Now, your game should start Unofficial Patch 1.04 when you start the game normally.

Alternatively, use a different path that is not on the C drive (since that drive may cause problems with accessing rights). A suggestion would be to make a mod folder in your D drive (if available).

add-config D:\mods\Unofficial Patch 1.04_0.4.skudef

Alternative languages

Note that if you don't use the English version of the game, you should not change the "CNC3EP1_english_1.2.SkuDef" file. Instead, use the other "…1.2.SkuDef" file that is placed in your game's main directory.