Connecting to a terminal server without using ACP ThinManager requires the configuration of each connection to each terminal server on each client PC.

Launch the Remote Desktop Connection wizard by selecting **Start > Programs > Accessories > Communications > Remote Desktop Connection**.

Select the **Options>>** button to open the configuration wizard.
The Remote Desktop Connection wizard has several tabs for configuring the settings.

Once the connection has its desired settings it can be saved to the desktop using the Save As button on the General tab.

Remote Desktop Connection – Display Tab
A user needs to click on the connection icon to start the RDP connection to the appropriate terminal server. The PC will connect to the terminal server and start according to the configuration.

**Failover**

If a terminal server fails the session will quit functioning. Eventually a message box will be displayed telling the user to reconnect.

![Remote Desktop Disconnected](image)

When the session is closed the desktop will be displayed.

To failover to a backup terminal server the user will need to manually select another connection icon and launch the connection to a backup terminal server.
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