

# Kinect SDK Reference



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# Kinect SDK Reference

## WindowsPreview.Kinect Namespace

Contains the types and members in the WindowsPreview.Kinect namespace.

### Classes

Name	Description
<a href="#">AudioBeam</a>	Represents an audio beam.
<a href="#">AudioBeamFrame</a>	Represents an audio beam frame.
<a href="#">AudioBeamFrameArrivedEventArgs</a>	Arguments for the audio related FrameReady events.
<a href="#">AudioBeamFrameList</a>	Represents a list of audio beam frames.
<a href="#">AudioBeamFrameReader</a>	Represents an audio beam frame reader.
<a href="#">AudioBeamFrameReference</a>	Represents an audio frame reference.
<a href="#">AudioBeamSubFrame</a>	Represents an audio beam sub frame.
<a href="#">AudioBodyCorrelation</a>	Represents a correlation between an audio frame and a unique body tracking id.
<a href="#">AudioSource</a>	Represents an audio frame source.

<a href="#">Body</a>	Represents a body.
<a href="#">BodyFrame</a>	Represents a frame that contains all the computed real-time tracking information about people that are in view of the sensor.
<a href="#">BodyFrameArrivedEventArgs</a>	Represents the arguments for a body frame reader's FrameArrived event.
<a href="#">BodyFrameReader</a>	Represents a reader for body frames.
<a href="#">BodyFrameReference</a>	Represents a reference to an actual body frame.
<a href="#">BodyFrameSource</a>	Represents a source of body frames from a KinectSensor.
<a href="#">BodyIndexFrame</a>	Represents a frame that indicates which depth or infrared pixels belong to tracked people and which do not.
<a href="#">BodyIndexFrameArrivedEventArgs</a>	Represents the arguments for a body index frame reader's FrameArrived event.
<a href="#">BodyIndexFrameReader</a>	Represents a reader for body index frames.
<a href="#">BodyIndexFrameReference</a>	Represents a reference to an actual body index frame.
<a href="#">BodyIndexFrameSource</a>	Represents a source of body index frames from a KinectSensor.
<a href="#">ColorCameraSettings</a>	Represents the settings of the color camera.
<a href="#">ColorFrame</a>	Represents a color frame from the ColorFrameSource of a KinectSensor.
<a href="#">ColorFrameArrivedEventArgs</a>	Represents the arguments for a color frame reader's FrameArrived event.
<a href="#">ColorFrameReader</a>	Represents a reader for color frames.
<a href="#">ColorFrameReference</a>	Represents a reference to an actual color frame.
<a href="#">ColorFrameSource</a>	Represents a source of color frames from a KinectSensor.

<a href="#">CoordinateMapper</a>	Represents the mapper that provides translation services from one type of point to another.
<a href="#">CoordinateMappingChangedEventArgs</a>	Represents the arguments for a coordinate mapping's <code>CoordinateMappingChanged</code> event.
<a href="#">DepthFrame</a>	Represents a frame where each pixel represents the distance (in millimeters) of the closest object seen by that pixel.
<a href="#">DepthFrameArrivedEventArgs</a>	Represents the arguments for a depth frame reader's <code>FrameArrived</code> event.
<a href="#">DepthFrameReader</a>	Represents a reader for depth frames.
<a href="#">DepthFrameReference</a>	Represents a reference to an actual depth frame.
<a href="#">DepthFrameSource</a>	Represents a source of depth frames from a <code>KinectSensor</code> .
<a href="#">FrameCapturedEventArgs</a>	Represents the arguments for a frame source's <code>FrameCaptured</code> event.
<a href="#">FrameDescription</a>	Represents the properties of an image frame from the <code>KinectSensor</code> .
<a href="#">InfraredFrame</a>	Represents a frame that provides a view of the scene that looks just like a black and white photograph, but is actively lit, so brightness is consistent regardless of location and room brightness.
<a href="#">InfraredFrameArrivedEventArgs</a>	Represents the arguments for an infrared frame reader's <code>FrameArrived</code> event.
<a href="#">InfraredFrameReader</a>	Represents a reader for infrared frames.
<a href="#">InfraredFrameReference</a>	Represents a reference to an actual infrared frame.
<a href="#">InfraredFrameSource</a>	Represents a source of infrared frames from a <code>KinectSensor</code> .
<a href="#">IsAvailableChangedEventArgs</a>	Represents the arguments for a <code>KinectSensor</code> 's <code>IsAvailableChanged</code> event.

<a href="#">KinectSensor</a>	Represents a KinectSensor device.
<a href="#">LongExposureInfraredFrame</a>	Represents a long exposure infrared frame.
<a href="#">LongExposureInfraredFrameArrivedEventArgs</a>	Represents the arguments for a long exposure infrared frame reader's FrameArrived event.
<a href="#">LongExposureInfraredFrameReader</a>	Represents a reader for long exposure infrared frames.
<a href="#">LongExposureInfraredFrameReference</a>	Represents a reference to an actual long exposure infrared frame.
<a href="#">LongExposureInfraredFrameSource</a>	Represents a source of long exposure infrared frames from a Kinect sensor.
<a href="#">MultiSourceFrame</a>	Represents a multi source frame from the KinectSensor.
<a href="#">MultiSourceFrameArrivedEventArgs</a>	Represents the arguments for a multi source frame reader's FrameArrived event.
<a href="#">MultiSourceFrameReader</a>	Represents a reader for multi source frames.
<a href="#">MultiSourceFrameReference</a>	Represents a reference to an actual multi source frame.

## Structures

Name	Description
<a href="#">CameraIntrinsics</a>	Represents the calibration data for the depth camera.
<a href="#">CameraSpacePoint</a>	Represents a 3D point in camera space (in meters). The origin point (0,0,0), of the coordinate system is the camera position.
<a href="#">ColorSpacePoint</a>	Represents a 2D point in color space, expressed in pixels.
<a href="#">DepthSpacePoint</a>	Represents pixel coordinates within a depth image.
<a href="#">Joint</a>	Represents the position of a joint of a body.
<a href="#">JointOrientation</a>	Represents the orientation of a joint of a body.

Vector4	Represents a 4D vector.
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## Enumerations

Name	Description
Activity	The activity in which a body may be engaged.
Appearance	Appearance characteristics a body may exhibit.
AudioBeamMode	Types of audio beam angle determination.
ColorImageFormat	The available color image formats.
DetectionResult	Gesture detection result options.
Expression	User expressions. Expression functionality is not supported for Kinect for Windows apps. This enumeration is included to support cross-compilation with the Xbox SDK.
FrameCapturedStatus	Captured frame status options.
FrameEdges	Identifies if the user's body is visible by indicating any portion of the user that is not in the camera's field of view.
FrameSourceTypes	The types frame sources for a MultiSourceReader.
HandState	Possible hand states.
JointType	Joint types in a skeleton.
KinectAudioCalibrationState	Specifies the Kinect for Windows sensor audio calibration states.
KinectCapabilities	Capabilities of the Kinect sensor.
TrackingConfidence	Specifies the confidence level of a body's tracked attribute.
TrackingState	The state of tracking a body or body's attribute.



# ColorFrame Class

Represents a color frame from the ColorFrameSource of a KinectSensor.

## Syntax

C#

```
public sealed class ColorFrame : IDisposable
```

## Members

**ColorFrame** has the following members.

## Properties

Name	Description
<a href="#">ColorCameraSettings</a>	Gets the color camera settings of the color frame.
<a href="#">ColorFrameSource</a>	Gets the source of the color frame.
<a href="#">FrameDescription</a>	Gets the description of the color frame.
<a href="#">RawColorImageFormat</a>	Gets the format of the color frame data.
<a href="#">RelativeTime</a>	Gets the timestamp of the color frame.

## Methods

Name	Description
<a href="#">Close</a>	Releases system resources associated with the color frame.
<a href="#">CopyConvertedFrameDataToArray</a>	Converts the raw format into the requested format and copies the data into the array provided.
<a href="#">CopyConvertedFrameDataToBuffer</a>	

	Converts the raw format into the requested format and copies the data into the memory location provided.
<a href="#">CopyRawFrameDataToArray</a>	Copies the raw frame data into the array provided.
<a href="#">CopyRawFrameDataToBuffer</a>	Copies raw frame data into the memory location provided.
<a href="#">CreateFrameDescription</a>	Creates a FrameDescription object for the ColorFrame of the requested format.
<a href="#">LockRawImageBuffer</a>	Gives an app access to the underlying buffer used by the system to store this frame's data.

## Requirements

**Namespace:** WindowsPreview.Kinect

**Metadata:** windowspreview.kinect.winmd

## See also

### Reference

[WindowsPreview.Kinect Namespace](#)

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# ColorFrameReader Class

Represents a reader for color frames.

## Syntax

**C#**

```
public sealed class ColorFrameReader : IDisposable,
    INotifyPropertyChanged
```

# Members

**ColorFrameReader** has the following members.

## Properties

Name	Description
<a href="#">ColorFrameSource</a>	Represents a source of color frames from a KinectSensor.
<a href="#">IsPaused</a>	Gets or sets whether the color frame reader is paused.

## Methods

Name	Description
<a href="#">AcquireLatestFrame</a>	Gets the most recent color frame.
<a href="#">Close</a>	Closes and releases system resources associated with the color frame reader.

## Events

Name	Description
<a href="#">FrameArrived</a>	Event that fires whenever a frame is captured.
<a href="#">PropertyChanged</a>	Occurs when a property of the <a href="#">ColorFrameReader</a> class changes.

## Requirements

**Namespace:** WindowsPreview.Kinect

**Metadata:** windowspreview.kinect.winmd

## See also

### Reference

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# ColorFrameSource Class

Represents a source of color frames from a KinectSensor.

## Syntax

C#

```
public sealed class ColorFrameSource : INotifyPropertyChanged
```

## Members

**ColorFrameSource** has the following members.

## Properties

Name	Description
<a href="#">FrameDescription</a>	Gets the description of the color frames.
<a href="#">IsActive</a>	Gets whether the color frame source is active.
<a href="#">KinectSensor</a>	Gets the Kinect sensor of the color frame source.

## Methods

Name	Description
<a href="#">CreateFrameDescription</a>	Creates a FrameDescription object for the ColorFrame of the requested format.

[OpenReader](#)

Creates a frame reader for the color frame source.

## Events

Name	Description
<a href="#">FrameCaptured</a>	Event that is raised when the next color frame is ready to be delivered to subscribed readers.
<a href="#">PropertyChanged</a>	Occurs when a property of the <a href="#">ColorFrameSource</a> class changes.

## Requirements

**Namespace:** WindowsPreview.Kinect

**Metadata:** windowspreview.kinect.winmd

## See also

### Reference

[WindowsPreview.Kinect Namespace](#)

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# DepthFrame Class

Represents a frame where each pixel represents the distance (in millimeters) of the closest object seen by that pixel.

## Syntax

**C#**

```
public sealed class DepthFrame : IDisposable
```

# Members

**DepthFrame** has the following members.

## Properties

Name	Description
<a href="#">DepthFrameSource</a>	Gets the source of the depth frame.
<a href="#">DepthMaxReliableDistance</a>	Gets the maximum reliable depth of the depth frame, in millimeters.
<a href="#">DepthMinReliableDistance</a>	Gets the minimum reliable depth of the depth frame, in millimeters.
<a href="#">FrameDescription</a>	Gets the description of the depth frame.
<a href="#">RelativeTime</a>	Gets the timestamp of the depth frame.

## Methods

Name	Description
<a href="#">Close</a>	Releases system resources associated with the depth frame.
<a href="#">CopyFrameDataToArray</a>	Copies the depth frame data into the array provided.
<a href="#">CopyFrameDataToBuffer</a>	Copies the depth frame data into the memory location provided.
<a href="#">LockImageBuffer</a>	Gives an app access to the underlying buffer used by the system to store this frame's data.

## Remarks

The data for this frame is stored as 16-bit unsigned integers, where each value represents the distance in millimeters. The maximum depth distance is 8 meters, although reliability starts to

degrade at around 4.5 meters. Developers can use the depth frame to build custom tracking algorithms in cases where the [BodyFrame](#) isn't enough.

## Requirements

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## See also

### Reference

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# DepthFrameReader Class

Represents a reader for depth frames.

## Syntax

C#

```
public sealed class DepthFrameReader : IDisposable,  
INotifyPropertyChanged
```

## Members

**DepthFrameReader** has the following members.

## Properties

Name	Description
<a href="#">DepthFrameSource</a>	Gets the source of the depth frames.
<a href="#">IsPaused</a>	Gets or sets whether the depth frame reader is paused.

## Methods

Name	Description
<a href="#">AcquireLatestFrame</a>	Gets the most recent depth frame.
<a href="#">Close</a>	Closes and releases system resources associated with the depth frame reader.

## Events

Name	Description
<a href="#">FrameArrived</a>	Event that fires whenever a frame is captured.
<a href="#">PropertyChanged</a>	Occurs when a property of the <a href="#">DepthFrameReader</a> class changes.

## Requirements

**Namespace:** WindowsPreview.Kinect

**Metadata:** windowspreview.kinect.winmd

## See also

### Reference

[WindowsPreview.Kinect Namespace](#)

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# DepthFrameSource Class

Represents a source of depth frames from a KinectSensor.



# Syntax

C#

```
public sealed class DepthFrameSource : INotifyPropertyChanged
```

## Members

**DepthFrameSource** has the following members.

## Properties

Name	Description
<a href="#">DepthMaxReliableDistance</a>	Gets the maximum reliable depth of the depth frames, in millimeters.
<a href="#">DepthMinReliableDistance</a>	Gets the minimum reliable depth of the depth frames, in millimeters.
<a href="#">FrameDescription</a>	Gets the frame description for the format.
<a href="#">IsActive</a>	Gets whether the depth frame source is active.
<a href="#">KinectSensor</a>	Gets the KinectSensor of the depth frame source.

## Methods

Name	Description
<a href="#">OpenReader</a>	Creates a frame reader for the depth frame source.

## Events

Name	Description

<a href="#">FrameCaptured</a>	Event that is raised when the next depth frame is ready to be delivered to subscribed readers.
<a href="#">PropertyChanged</a>	Occurs when a property of the <a href="#">DepthFrameSource</a> class changes.

## Requirements

**Namespace:** WindowsPreview.Kinect

**Metadata:** windowspreview.kinect.winmd

## See also

### Reference

[WindowsPreview.Kinect Namespace](#)

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# KinectSensor Class

Represents a KinectSensor device.

## Syntax

**C#**

```
public sealed class KinectSensor : INotifyPropertyChanged
```

## Members

**KinectSensor** has the following members.

## Properties

Name	Description
<a href="#">AudioSource</a>	Gets the source for audio frames.

<a href="#">BodyFrameSource</a>	Gets the source for body frames.
<a href="#">BodyIndexFrameSource</a>	Gets the source for body index frames.
<a href="#">ColorFrameSource</a>	Gets the source for color frames.
<a href="#">CoordinateMapper</a>	Gets the coordinate mapper.
<a href="#">DepthFrameSource</a>	Gets the source for depth frames.
<a href="#">InfraredFrameSource</a>	Gets the source for infrared frames.
<a href="#">IsAvailable</a>	Gets whether the Kinect sensor is available and able to retrieve frames.
<a href="#">IsOpen</a>	Gets whether or not the KinectSensor is open.
<a href="#">KinectCapabilities</a>	Gets the capabilities of the KinectSensor.
<a href="#">LongExposureInfraredFrameSource</a>	Gets the source for long exposure infrared frames.
<a href="#">Sensors</a>	Gets the list of available sensors.
<a href="#">UniqueKinectId</a>	Gets the unique ID for the KinectSensor.

## Methods

Name	Description
<a href="#">Close</a>	Closes and releases system resources associated with the Kinect Sensor.
<a href="#">GetDefault</a>	Gets the default sensor.
<a href="#">Open</a>	Opens the KinectSensor for use.
<a href="#">OpenMultiSourceFrameReader</a>	Creates a frame reader for the multiple frame sources.

## Events

Name	Description
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<a href="#">IsAvailableChanged</a>	This event fires when the IsAvailable property changes.
<a href="#">PropertyChanged</a>	Occurs when a property of the <a href="#">KinectSensor</a> class changes.

## Requirements

**Namespace:** WindowsPreview.Kinect

**Metadata:** windowspreview.kinect.winmd

## See also

### Reference

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