

# Support: Create Support and Assign Support to Node(s)

## Support

## Functions

afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixed</b> () Creates a fully fixed support.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::CreateSupportPinned</b> () Creates a pinned support (i.e., free to rotate about local y and z axis, fixed in all other degrees of freedom).
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixedBut</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varReleaseSpec, const VARIANT FAR &varSpringSpec) Creates fixed support with releases in specified directions or a spring support with spring constants in specified directions.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::AssignSupportToNode</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varnNodeNo, const VARIANT FAR &varnSupportNo) Assigns the specified support to node(s).
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::GetSupportName</b> (const VARIANT FAR &nSupportNo) Get support string name.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::GetSupportUniqueID</b> (const VARIANT FAR &nSupportNo) Get unique ID GUID string for a support item.
afx_msg void	<b>OSSupportUI::SetSupportUniqueID</b> (const VARIANT FAR &nSupportNo, const VARIANT FAR &szName) Set unique ID for a support item.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::RemoveSupportFromNode</b> (const VARIANT FAR &nNodeNo) Removes support assignment from a node.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::DeleteSupport</b> (const VARIANT FAR &nSupportNo) Removes support items used in the model.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::CreateInclinedSupport</b> (const VARIANT FAR &varInclinedType, const VARIANT FAR &varType, const VARIANT FAR &vaRefNode, const VARIANT FAR &vaCoord, const VARIANT FAR &varReleaseSpec, const VARIANT FAR &varSpringSpec) Creates inclined fixed support with releases in specified directions or a spring support with spring constants in specified directions.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::CreateElasticMat</b> (const VARIANT FAR &nDir, const VARIANT FAR &nSubgrade, const VARIANT FAR &nPrint, const VARIANT FAR &nSpringType) Creates elastic mat support in specified direction and returns the support reference Id.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::RemoveElasticMat</b> (const VARIANT FAR &supportid) Remove elastic mat support for a specific support Id.
afx_msg VARIANT	<b>OSSupportUI::RemoveElasticMatFromNode</b> (const VARIANT FAR &nodeid)

Remove elastic mat support from a specific node.

afx\_msg VARIANT **OSSupportUI::AssignSupportToEntityList** (const VARIANT FAR &supportid, const VARIANT FAR &entitylist)

Assigns the specified support to entitylist.

afx\_msg VARIANT **OSSupportUI::CreatePlateMat** (const VARIANT FAR &varDirection, const VARIANT FAR &varSubgrade, const VARIANT FAR &varPrint, const VARIANT FAR &varSpringType)

Creates plate mat support in specified direction and returns the support reference Id.

afx\_msg VARIANT **OSSupportUI::RemovePlateMat** (const VARIANT FAR &varnPlateMatNo)

Remove plate mat support for a specific support Id.

afx\_msg VARIANT **OSSupportUI::RemovePlateMatFromPlate** (const VARIANT FAR &varPlateNo)

Remove elastic mat support from a specific node.

afx\_msg VARIANT **OSSupportUI::CreateElasticFooting** (const VARIANT FAR &length, const VARIANT FAR &width, const VARIANT FAR &dir, const VARIANT FAR &subgrade)

Creates elastic footing support in specified direction and returns the support reference Id.

afx\_msg VARIANT **OSSupportUI::RemoveElasticFooting** (const VARIANT FAR &supportid)

Remove elastic footing support for a specific support Id.

afx\_msg VARIANT **OSSupportUI::RemoveElasticFootingFromNode** (const VARIANT FAR &nodeid)

Remove elastic footing support from a specific node.

## Detailed Description

These functions are related to create support at node(s). @{@}

## Function Documentation

### ◆ AssignSupportToEntityList()

```
VARIANT OSSupportUI::AssignSupportToEntityList ( const VARIANT FAR & supportid,
                                                const VARIANT FAR & entitylist )
```

Assigns the specified support to entitylist.

### Parameters

[in] **supportid** (Type: Long).

[in] **entitylist** Entitylist should contain plate numbers for PlateMat or node numbers for rest of support types (Type: Long).

### Return values

**TRUE** Successful.

**FALSE** Unsuccessful.

### Example: VBA

Option Explicit

```
Sub Main
    Dim objOpenStaad As Object
    Dim stdFile As String
    Dim list(1) As Long
    Dim supportId As Long
    Dim Res As Boolean

    Set objOpenStaad = GetObject(,"StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")
    objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFile stdFile, "TRUE"
    list(0) = 41
    list(1) = 42
    supportId = 3
    Res = objOpenStaad.support.AssignSupportToEntityList(supportId,list)
End Sub
```

### ◆ AssignSupportToNode()

VARIANT OSSupportUI::AssignSupportToNode ( const VARIANT FAR & varnNodeNo,  
const VARIANT FAR & varnSupportNo )

Assigns the specified support to node(s).

### Parameters

[in] **varnNodeNo** The node number ID(s) VARIANT array.

[in] **varnSupportNo** Support Reference number ID.

### Return values

0 OK.

-1 General error.

### Example: VBA

```
Sub AssignSupport()
    Dim objOpenSTAAD As Object
    Dim SelNodesNo As Long
    Dim varnNodeNo() As Long
    Dim varnSupportNo As Long
    Dim assignSupport As Variant
    Dim I As Integer

    'Launch OpenSTAAD Object
    Set objOpenSTAAD = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

    'Get no. of selected nodes
    SelNodesNo = objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetNoOfSelectedNodes

    'Create Fixed Support
    varnSupportNo = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportFixed

    If (SelNodesNo > 0) Then
        ReDim varnNodeNo(SelNodesNo - 1) As Long

        'Get selected nodes
        objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetSelectedNodes varnNodeNo, 1

        'Assign Support to nodes
        For I = 0 To UBound(varnNodeNo)
            assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(varnNodeNo(I),
                varnSupportNo)
        Next

        'Create a new view
        objOpenSTAAD.View.CreateNewViewForSelections
    Else
        MsgBox "No nodes are currently selected.", vbOKOnly
    End If

    Set objOpenSTAAD = Nothing
End Sub
```

End Sub

◆ CreateElasticFooting()

```
VARIANT OSSupportUI::CreateElasticFooting ( const VARIANT FAR & length,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & width,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & dir,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & subgrade )
```

Creates elastic footing support in specified direction and returns the support reference Id.

### Parameters

- [in] **length** Length of footing (Type: Double)  
 [in] **width** Width of footing (Type: Double)  
 [in] **dir** Direction of the resistance of the spring supports (Type: Long):

Value	Direction
0	X Direction
1	Y Direction
2	Z Direction
3	X Only Direction
4	Y Only Direction
5	Z Only Direction

[in] **subgrade** Subgrade Modulus of the soil (Type: Double)

### Return values

<Val> Support reference ID.

0 General error.

### Example: VBA

```
Option Explicit

Sub Main
    Dim objOpenStaad As Object
    Dim stdFile As String
    Dim Result As Long
    Dim Length As Double
    Dim Width As Double
    Dim Direction As Long
    Dim Subgrade As Double

    Set objOpenStaad = GetObject(,"StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")
    objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFile stdFile, "TRUE"
    If stdFile="" Then
        MsgBox"Bad"
        Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
        Exit Sub
    End If

    Length = 5
    Width = 6
```

```
Direction = 2
Subgrade = 20
Result = objOpenStaad.Support.CreateElasticFooting(Length, Width, Direction,
Subgrade)

If Result > 0 Then
    MsgBox"Elastic footing created."
Else
    MsgBox"Elastic footing not created."
End If

Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
End Sub
```

## ◆ CreateElasticMat()

```
VARIANT OSSupportUI::CreateElasticMat ( const VARIANT FAR & nDir,
                                         const VARIANT FAR & nSubgrade,
                                         const VARIANT FAR & nPrint,
                                         const VARIANT FAR & nSpringType )
```

Creates elastic mat support in specified direction and returns the support reference Id.

### Parameters

[ in ] **nDir** (Type: Long):

Value	Inclined Type
0	X Direction
1	Y Direction
2	Z Direction
3	X Only Direction
4	Y Only Direction
5	Z Only Direction

[ in ] **nSubgrade** Subgrade Modulus (Type: Double)

[ in ] **nPrint** (Type: Long)

Value	Print Influence
0	Not Checked
1	Checked

[ in ] **nSpringType** Generate Compression (Type: Long)

Value	Spring Type
0	None
1	Compression Only
2	Multi-Linear

### Return values

<Val> Support Reference number ID.

0 General error.

### Example: VBA

```
Option Explicit
```

```
Sub Main
    Dim objOpenStaad As Object
    Dim stdFile As String
    Dim Result As Long
    Dim nDir As Long
```



```
Dim nSub As Double
Dim nPrint As Long
Dim nSpring As Long

nDir = 5
nSub = 20
nPrint = 0
nSpring = 1
Set objOpenStaad = GetObject(,"StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")
objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFile stdFile, "TRUE"
Result = objOpenStaad.Support.CreateElasticMat(nDir,nSub,nPrint,nSpring)
End Sub
```

### ◆ CreateInclinedSupport()

```
VARIANT OSSupportUI::CreateInclinedSupport ( const VARIANT FAR & varInclinedType,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & varType,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & vaRefNode,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & varCoord,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & varReleaseSpec,
                                             const VARIANT FAR & varSpringSpec )
```

Creates inclined fixed support with releases in specified directions or a spring support with spring constants in specified directions.

### Parameters

[ in ] **varInclinedType** Type of the Inclined support (Fixed, Pinned, FixedBut):

Value	Inclined Type
1	Pinned
2	Fixed
3	FixedBut
4	Enforced
5	EnforcedBut

[ in ] **varType** Type of the reference point define:

Value	Table Type
0	<b>fRefX, fRefY, fRefZ</b> global distances from the joint to the reference point.
1	<b>fRefX, fRefY, fRefZ</b> global coordinates of the reference point.
2	a joint number ( <b>vaRefNode</b> ) whose x, y, z global coordinates is the reference point.

[ in ] **vaRefNode** The reference node number ID.

[ in ] **varCoord** Distance or coordinate in (X,Y,Z) direction.

[ in ] **varReleaseSpec** Degrees of freedom: Fixed (= 0) or Release (= 1) for FX, FY, FZ, MX, MY and MZ.  
(Type: Double)

[ in ] **varSpringSpec** The variable spring constants: KFX, KFY, KFZ, KMX, KMY and KMZ.(Type: Double)

### Return values

<Val> Support Reference number ID.

-1 General error.

-2001 Cannot find Node **vaRefNode**.

### Example: VBA

```

Sub CreateInclinedSupport()
    Dim objOpenSTAAD As Object
    Dim SelNodesNo As Long
    Dim SelNodes() As Long
    Dim InclinedSupport As Variant
    Dim assignSupport As Variant
    Dim I As Integer

'Launch OpenSTAAD Object
    Set objOpenSTAAD = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

'Get no. of selected nodes
    SelNodesNo = objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetNoOfSelectedNodes

'Create Inclined Support
    Dim varReleaseSpec(5) As Double
    Dim varSpringSpec(5) As Double
    varReleaseSpec(0) = 0    'FX
    varReleaseSpec(1) = 1    'FY
    varReleaseSpec(2) = 0    'FZ
    varReleaseSpec(3) = 0    'MX
    varReleaseSpec(4) = 0    'MY
    varReleaseSpec(5) = 0    'MZ
    varSpringSpec(0) = 0.01 'FX
    varSpringSpec(1) = 0.02 'FY
    varSpringSpec(2) = 0    'FZ
    varSpringSpec(3) = 0    'MX
    varSpringSpec(4) = 0    'MY
    varSpringSpec(5) = 0    'MZ
    Dim varCoord(2) As Double
    varCoord(0) = 0
    varCoord(1) = 0
    varCoord(2) = 0
    InclinedSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateInclinedSupport(2, 2, 1, varCoord,
        varReleaseSpec, varSpringSpec)

    If (SelNodesNo > 0) Then
        ReDim SelNodes(SelNodesNo - 1) As Long

        'Get selected nodes
            objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetSelectedNodes SelNodes, 1

        'Assign Inclined support to nodes
            For I = 0 To UBound(SelNodes)
                assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(SelNodes(I),
                    InclinedSupport)
            Next

        'Create a new view
            objOpenSTAAD.View.CreateNewViewForSelections
    Else
        MsgBox "No nodes are currently selected.", vbOKOnly
    End If

    Set objOpenSTAAD = Nothing
End Sub

```

## ◆ CreatePlateMat()

```
VARIANT OSSupportUI::CreatePlateMat ( const VARIANT FAR & varDirection,
                                     const VARIANT FAR & varSubgrades,
                                     const VARIANT FAR & varPrint,
                                     const VARIANT FAR & varSpringType )
```

Creates plate mat support in specified direction and returns the support reference Id.

### Parameters

[in] **nDir** (Type: Long):

Value	Inclined Type
0	X Direction
1	Y Direction
2	Z Direction
3	X Only Direction
4	Y Only Direction
5	Z Only Direction
6	All Direction

[in] **varSubgrades** Subgrade Modulus value(s), If All Direction set, varSubgrades is (Array of Double), otherwise it should be a double value.(Type: Double)

[in] **varPrint** (Type: Long)

Value	Print Influence
0	Not Checked
1	Checked

[in] **varSpringType** Generate Compression (Type: Long)

Value	Spring Type
0	None
1	Compression Only
2	Multi-Linear

### Return values

<Val> Support Reference number ID.

0 General error.

### Example: VBA

```
Option Explicit
Sub Main
    Dim objOpenStaad As Object
    Dim stdFile As String
```

```
Set objOpenStaad = GetObject("StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")
objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFile stdFile, "TRUE"
If stdFile="" Then
    MsgBox"Bad"
    Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
    Exit Sub
End If
Dim plateMatId As long
Dim nDir As Long
Dim nSub(2) As Double
Dim nPrint As Long
Dim nSpring As Long
nDir = 2
nSub(0) = 20
nSub(1) = 30
nSub(2) = 40
nPrint = 0
nSpring = 1
plateMatId = objOpenStaad.Support.CreatePlateMat(nDir,nSub,nPrint,nSpring)
If plateMatId> 0 Then
    MsgBox"Successful"
Else
    MsgBox"Error"
End If
Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
End Sub
```

### ◆ CreateSupportFixed()

**VARIANT OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixed ( )**

Creates a fully fixed support.

**Return values**

<Val> Support Reference number ID.

-1 General error.

**Example: VBA**

```
Sub CreateFixedSupport()
    Dim objOpenSTAAD As Object
    Dim SelNodesNo As Long
    Dim SelNodes() As Long
    Dim fixedSupport As Long
    Dim assignSupport As Variant
    Dim I As Integer

    'Launch OpenSTAAD Object
    Set objOpenSTAAD = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

    'Get no. of selected nodes
    SelNodesNo = objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetNoOfSelectedNodes

    'Create Fixed Support
    fixedSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportFixed

    If (SelNodesNo > 0) Then
        ReDim SelNodes(SelNodesNo - 1) As Long

        'Get selected nodes
        objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetSelectedNodes SelNodes, 1

        'Assign Fixed support to nodes
        For I = 0 To UBound(SelNodes)
            assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(SelNodes(I),
            fixedSupport)
        Next

        'Create a new view
        objOpenSTAAD.View.CreateNewViewForSelections
    Else
        MsgBox "No nodes are currently selected.", vbOKOnly
    End If

    Set objOpenSTAAD = Nothing
End Sub
```

**See also**

[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixedBut](#)

## ◆ CreateSupportFixedBut()



VARIANT OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixedBut ( const VARIANT FAR & varReleaseSpec,  
const VARIANT FAR & varSpringSpec )

Creates fixed support with releases in specified directions or a spring support with spring constants in specified directions.

### Parameters

[in] **varReleaseSpec** Degrees of freedom: Fixed (= 0) or Release (= 1) for FX, FY, FZ, MX, MY and MZ.  
(Type : Double)

[in] **varSpringSpec** The variable spring constants: KFX, KFY, KFZ, KMX, KMY and KMZ.(Type :  
Double)

### Return values

<Val> Support Reference number ID.

-1 General error.

### Example: VBA

```
Sub CreateFixedButSupport()
    Dim objOpenSTAAD As Object
    Dim SelNodesNo As Long
    Dim SelNodes() As Long
    Dim fixedButSupport As Long
    Dim assignSupport As Variant
    Dim I As Integer

    'Launch OpenSTAAD Object
    Set objOpenSTAAD = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

    'Get no. of selected nodes
    SelNodesNo = objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetNoOfSelectedNodes

    'Create FixedBut Support
    Dim varReleaseSpec(5) As Double
    Dim varSpringSpec(5) As Double
    varReleaseSpec(0) = 0 'FX
    varReleaseSpec(1) = 1 'FY
    varReleaseSpec(2) = 0 'FZ
    varReleaseSpec(3) = 0 'MX
    varReleaseSpec(4) = 0 'MY
    varReleaseSpec(5) = 0 'MZ
    varSpringSpec(0) = 0.01 'FX
    varSpringSpec(1) = 0.02 'FY
    varSpringSpec(2) = 0 'FZ
    varSpringSpec(3) = 0 'MX
    varSpringSpec(4) = 0 'MY
    varSpringSpec(5) = 0 'MZ
    fixedButSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportFixedBut(varReleaseSpec,
        varSpringSpec)

    If (SelNodesNo > 0) Then
        ReDim SelNodes(SelNodesNo - 1) As Long
    End If
End Sub
```

```
'Get selected nodes
  objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetSelectedNodes SelNodes, 1

'Assign FixedBut support to nodes
  For I = 0 To UBound(SelNodes)
    assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(SelNodes(I),
fixedButSupport)
  Next

'Create a new view
  objOpenSTAAD.View.CreateNewViewForSelections
Else
  MsgBox "No nodes are currently selected.", vbOKOnly
End If

Set objOpenSTAAD = Nothing
End Sub
```

**See also**[\*\*OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixed\*\*](#)**◆ CreateSupportPinned()**

**VARIANT OSSupportUI::CreateSupportPinned ( )**

Creates a pinned support (i.e., free to rotate about local y and z axis, fixed in all other degrees of freedom).

**Return values**

<Val> Support Reference number ID.

-1 General error.

**Example: VBA**

```
Sub CreatePinnedSupport()
    Dim objOpenSTAAD As Object
    Dim SelNodesNo As Long
    Dim SelNodes() As Long
    Dim pinnedSupport As Long
    Dim assignSupport As Variant
    Dim I As Integer

    'Launch OpenSTAAD Object
    Set objOpenSTAAD = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

    'Get no. of selected nodes
    SelNodesNo = objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetNoOfSelectedNodes

    'Create Pinned Support
    pinnedSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportPinned

    If (SelNodesNo > 0) Then
        ReDim SelNodes(SelNodesNo - 1) As Long

        'Get selected nodes
        objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetSelectedNodes SelNodes, 1

        'Assign Pinned support to nodes
        For I = 0 To UBound(SelNodes)
            assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(SelNodes(I),
                pinnedSupport)
        Next

        'Create a new view
        objOpenSTAAD.View.CreateNewViewForSelections
    Else
        MsgBox "No nodes are currently selected.", vbOKOnly
    End If

    Set objOpenSTAAD = Nothing
End Sub
```

◆ **DeleteSupport()**

**VARIANT OSSupportUI::DeleteSupport ( const VARIANT FAR & nSupportNo )**

Removes support items used in the model.

**Parameters**

[in] **nSupportNo** The support item number. Removing the support will also remove the assignment of the support

**Return values**

0 OK.

-1 General error.

**Example: VBA**

```
Sub DeleteSupport()
    Dim SelNodesNo As Long
    Dim SelNodes() As Long
    Dim pinnedSupport As Long
    Dim assignSupport As Variant
    Dim i As Integer

    'Launch OpenSTAAD Object
    Set objOpenSTAAD = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

    'Get no. of selected nodes
    SelNodesNo = objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetNoOfSelectedNodes

    'Create pinned support
    pinnedSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportPinned

    If (SelNodesNo > 0) Then
        ReDim SelNodes(SelNodesNo - 1) As Long

        'Get selected nodes
        objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetSelectedNodes SelNodes, 1

        'Assign pinned support to nodes
        For i = 0 To UBound(SelNodes)
            assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(SelNodes(i),
                pinnedSupport)
        Next

        'Get Support Count: Before Delete
        MsgBox objOpenSTAAD.Support.GetSupportCount, vbOKOnly

        'Delete Support
        Dim delSupport As Variant
        delSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.DeleteSupport(pinnedSupport)

        'Get Support Count: After Delete
        MsgBox objOpenSTAAD.Support.GetSupportCount, vbOKOnly

        'Create a new view
        objOpenSTAAD.View.CreateNewViewForSelections
    Else

```

```
        MsgBox "No nodes are currently selected.", vbOKOnly
    End If

    Set objOpenSTAAD = Nothing
End Sub
```

**See also**[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixed](#)[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportPinned](#)[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixedBut](#)

◆ [GetSupportName\(\)](#)

**VARIANT OSSupportUI::GetSupportName ( const VARIANT FAR & nSupportNo )**

Get support string name.

**Parameters**

[in] **nSupportNo** The support node number.

**Returns**

The support name string.

**Example: VBA**

```

Sub GetSupportName()
    Dim SelNodesNo As Long
    Dim SelNodes() As Long
    Dim fixedSupport As Long
    Dim pinnedSupport As Long
    Dim fixedButSupport As Long
    Dim assignSupport As Variant
    Dim supportName As Variant
    Dim i As Integer

    'Launch OpenSTAAD Object
    Set objOpenSTAAD = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

    'Get no. of selected nodes
    SelNodesNo = objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetNoOfSelectedNodes

    'Create fixed support
    fixedSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportFixed

    'Create pinned support
    pinnedSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportPinned

    'Create FixedBut support
    Dim release(5) As Double
    Dim spring(5) As Double
    fixedButSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportFixedBut(release, spring)

    If (SelNodesNo > 0) Then
        ReDim SelNodes(SelNodesNo - 1) As Long

        'Get selected nodes
        objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetSelectedNodes SelNodes, 1

        'Assign pinned support to nodes
        For i = 0 To UBound(SelNodes)
            assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(SelNodes(i),
                pinnedSupport)
        Next

        'Get Support Name
        supportName = objOpenSTAAD.Support.GetSupportName(fixedSupport)
        MsgBox supportName, vbInformation + vbOKOnly

        'Create a new view
        objOpenSTAAD.View.CreateNewViewForSelections
    
```

```
Else
    MsgBox "No nodes are currently selected.", vbOKOnly
End If

Set objOpenSTAAD = Nothing
End Sub
```

## ◆ GetSupportUniqueID()

**VARIANT OSSupportUI::GetSupportUniqueID ( const VARIANT FAR & nSupportNo )**

Get unique ID GUID string for a support item.

**Parameters**

[in] **nSupportNo** The support item number.

**Returns**

The support GUID string.

**Example: VBA**

```

Sub GetandSetSupportUniqueID()
    Dim SelNodesNo As Long
    Dim SelNodes() As Long
    Dim fixedSupport As Long
    Dim pinnedSupport As Long
    Dim fixedButSupport As Long
    Dim assignSupport As Variant
    Dim supportName As Variant
    Dim getSupportID As Variant
    Dim i As Integer

    'Launch OpenSTAAD Object
    Set objOpenSTAAD = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

    'Get no. of selected nodes
    SelNodesNo = objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetNoOfSelectedNodes

    'Create fixed support
    fixedSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportFixed

    'Create pinned support
    pinnedSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportPinned

    'Create FixedBut support
    Dim release(5) As Double
    Dim spring(5) As Double
    fixedButSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportFixedBut(release, spring)

    If (SelNodesNo > 0) Then
        ReDim SelNodes(SelNodesNo - 1) As Long

        'Get selected nodes
        objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetSelectedNodes SelNodes, 1

        'Assign pinned support to nodes
        For i = 0 To UBound(SelNodes)
            assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(SelNodes(i),
                pinnedSupport)
        Next

        'Assign pinned support to nodes
        'assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(SelNodes,
            pinnedSupport)

        'Get Support Count
    
```



```
MsgBox objOpenSTAAD.Support.GetSupportCount, vbOKOnly

'Get Support Name
supportName = objOpenSTAAD.Support.GetSupportName(fixedSupport)
MsgBox supportName, vbInformation + vbOKOnly

'Set Support Unique ID
objOpenSTAAD.Support.SetSupportUniqueID fixedButSupport, "B9863808-2111-46d9-
A9D0-811E7166EA5A"

'Get Support Unique ID
getSupportID = objOpenSTAAD.Support.GetSupportUniqueID(fixedButSupport)
MsgBox getSupportID, vbInformation + vbOKOnly

'Create a new view
objOpenSTAAD.View.CreateNewViewForSelections
Else
MsgBox "No nodes are currently selected.", vbOKOnly
End If

Set objOpenSTAAD = Nothing
End Sub
```

**See also**[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixed](#)[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportPinned](#)[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixedBut](#)**◆ RemoveElasticFootring()**

**VARIANT OSSupportUI::RemoveElasticFooting ( const VARIANT FAR & supportid )**

Remove elastic footing support for a specific support Id.

**Parameters**

[ in ] **supportid** Support reference ID (Type: Long).

**Return values**

**1** if the method is successful.

**0** if the method is unsuccessful.

**Example: VBA**

```
Option Explicit

Sub Main
    Dim objOpenStaad As Object
    Dim stdFile As String

    Set objOpenStaad = GetObject(,"StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")
    objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFile stdFile, "TRUE"
    If stdFile="" Then
        MsgBox"Bad"
        Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
        Exit Sub
    End If

    Dim Result As Long
    Result = objOpenStaad.Support.RemoveElasticFooting(3)
    If Result = 1 Then
        MsgBox"Elastic footing removed."
    Else
        MsgBox"Elastic footing not removed."
    End If

    Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
End Sub
```

◆ **RemoveElasticFootingFromNode()**

**VARIANT OSSupportUI::RemoveElasticFootingFromNode ( const VARIANT FAR & nodeid )**

Remove elastic footing support from a specific node.

**Parameters**

[ in ] **nodeid** Node Id (Type: Long).

**Return values**

**1** if the method is successful.

**0** if the method is unsuccessful.

**Example: VBA**

```
Option Explicit

Option Explicit

Sub Main
    Dim objOpenStaad As Object
    Dim stdFile As String

    Set objOpenStaad = GetObject(,"StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")
    objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFile stdFile, "TRUE"
    If stdFile="" Then
        MsgBox"Bad"
        Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
        Exit Sub
    End If

    Dim Result As Long
    Result = objOpenStaad.Support.RemoveElasticFootingFromNode(2)
    If Result = 1 Then
        MsgBox"Elastic footing removed."
    Else
        MsgBox"Elastic footing not removed."
    End If

    Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
End Sub
```

◆ **RemoveElasticMat()**

**VARIANT OSSupportUI::RemoveElasticMat ( const VARIANT FAR & supportid )**

Remove elastic mat support for a specific support Id.

**Parameters**

[in] **supportid** (Type: Long).

**Return values**

**TRUE** Successful.

**FALSE** Unsuccessful.

**Example: VBA**

Option Explicit

Sub Main

Dim objOpenStaad As Object

Dim stdFile As String

Dim supportId As Long

Dim Result1 As Boolean

Set objOpenStaad = GetObject(,"StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFile stdFile, "TRUE"

supportId = 4

Result1 = objOpenStaad.support.RemoveElasticMat(supportId)

End Sub

**◆ RemoveElasticMatFromNode()**

**VARIANT OSSupportUI::RemoveElasticMatFromNode ( const VARIANT FAR & nodeid )**

Remove elastic mat support from a specific node.

**Parameters**

[in] **nodeid** (Type: Long).

**Return values**

**TRUE** Successful.

**FALSE** Unsuccessful.

**Example: VBA**

Option Explicit

Sub Main

Dim objOpenStaad As Object

Dim stdFile As String

Dim nodeid As Long

Dim Result As Boolean

Set objOpenStaad = GetObject(,"StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFile stdFile, "TRUE"

nodeid = 7

Result = objOpenStaad.support.RemoveElasticMatFromNode(nodeid)

End Sub

**◆ RemovePlateMat()**

**VARIANT OSSupportUI::RemovePlateMat ( const VARIANT FAR & supportId )**

Remove plate mat support for a specific support Id.

**Parameters**

[in] **supportid** (Type: Long).

**Return values**

**TRUE** Successful.

**FALSE** Unsuccessful.

**Example: VBA**

Option Explicit

Sub Main

Dim objOpenStaad As Object

Dim stdFile As String

Dim supportId As Long

Dim Result1 As Boolean

Set objOpenStaad = GetObject(,"StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFile stdFile, "TRUE"

supportId = 4

Result1 = objOpenStaad.support.RemovePlateMat(supportId)

End Sub

**◆ RemovePlateMatFromPlate()**

**VARIANT OSSupportUI::RemovePlateMatFromPlate ( const VARIANT FAR & varPlateNo )**

Remove elastic mat support from a specific node.

**Parameters**

[in] **nodeid** (Type: Long).

**Return values**

**TRUE** Successful.

**FALSE** Unsuccessful.

**Example: VBA**

```
Option Explicit
Sub Main
    Dim objOpenStaad As Object
    Dim stdFile As String
    Set objOpenStaad = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")
    objOpenStaad.GetSTAADFile stdFile, "TRUE"
    If stdFile="" Then
        MsgBox "Bad"
        Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
        Exit Sub
    End If
    Dim plateId As Long
    plateId = 56
    Dim resVal As Boolean
    resVal = objOpenStaad.Support.RemovePlateMatFromPlate(plateId)
    If(resVal)Then
        MsgBox "successful"
    Else
        MsgBox "Error"
    End If
    Set objOpenStaad = Nothing
End Sub
```

## ◆ RemoveSupportFromNode()

## VARIANT OSSupportUI::RemoveSupportFromNode ( const VARIANT FAR & nNodeNo )

Removes support assignment from a node.

### Parameters

[in] **nNodeNo** The node number.

### Return values

**1/TRUE** OK.

**0/FALSE** General error.

### Example: VBA

```
Sub RemoveSupportFromNode()
    Dim SelNodesNo As Long
    Dim SelNodes() As Long
    Dim pinnedSupport As Long
    Dim assignSupport As Variant
    Dim i As Integer

    'Launch OpenSTAAD Object
    Set objOpenSTAAD = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

    'Get no. of selected nodes
    SelNodesNo = objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetNoOfSelectedNodes

    'Create pinned support
    pinnedSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportPinned

    If (SelNodesNo > 0) Then
        ReDim SelNodes(SelNodesNo - 1) As Long

        'Get selected nodes
        objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetSelectedNodes SelNodes, 1

        'Assign pinned support to nodes
        For i = 0 To UBound(SelNodes)
            assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(SelNodes(i),
                pinnedSupport)
        Next

        'Removes support assignment from node #2
        Dim rmvSupport As Variant
        rmvSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.RemoveSupportFromNode(2)
        MsgBox objOpenSTAAD.Support.GetSupportCount, vbOKOnly

        'Create a new view
        objOpenSTAAD.View.CreateNewViewForSelections
    Else
        MsgBox "No nodes are currently selected.", vbOKOnly
    End If

    Set objOpenSTAAD = Nothing
End Sub
```



**See also**[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixed](#)[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportPinned](#)[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixedBut](#)◆ [SetSupportUniqueID\(\)](#)

```
void OSSupportUI::SetSupportUniqueID ( const VARIANT FAR & nSupportNo,
                                       const VARIANT FAR & szName )
```

Set unique ID for a support item.

### Parameters

[in] **nSupportNo** The support item number.

[in] **szName** A GUID string

### Example: VBA

```
Sub GetandSetSupportUniqueID()
    Dim SelNodesNo As Long
    Dim SelNodes() As Long
    Dim fixedSupport As Long
    Dim pinnedSupport As Long
    Dim fixedButSupport As Long
    Dim assignSupport As Variant
    Dim supportName As Variant
    Dim getSupportID As Variant
    Dim i As Integer

    'Launch OpenSTAAD Object
    Set objOpenSTAAD = GetObject(, "StaadPro.OpenSTAAD")

    'Get no. of selected nodes
    SelNodesNo = objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetNoOfSelectedNodes

    'Create fixed support
    fixedSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportFixed

    'Create pinned support
    pinnedSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportPinned

    'Create FixedBut support
    Dim release(5) As Double
    Dim spring(5) As Double
    fixedButSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.CreateSupportFixedBut(release, spring)

    If (SelNodesNo > 0) Then
        ReDim SelNodes(SelNodesNo - 1) As Long

        'Get selected nodes
        objOpenSTAAD.Geometry.GetSelectedNodes SelNodes, 1

        'Assign pinned support to nodes
        For i = 0 To UBound(SelNodes)
            assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(SelNodes(i),
                pinnedSupport)
        Next

        'Assign pinned support to nodes
        'assignSupport = objOpenSTAAD.Support.AssignSupportToNode(SelNodes,
            pinnedSupport)

        'Get Support Count
```

```
MsgBox objOpenSTAAD.Support.GetSupportCount, vbOKOnly

'Get Support Name
supportName = objOpenSTAAD.Support.GetSupportName(fixedSupport)
MsgBox supportName, vbInformation + vbOKOnly

'Set Support Unique ID
objOpenSTAAD.Support.SetSupportUniqueID fixedButSupport, "B9863808-2111-46d9-
A9D0-811E7166EA5A"

'Get Support Unique ID
getSupportID = objOpenSTAAD.Support.GetSupportUniqueID(fixedButSupport)
MsgBox getSupportID, vbInformation + vbOKOnly

'Create a new view
objOpenSTAAD.View.CreateNewViewForSelections
Else
MsgBox "No nodes are currently selected.", vbOKOnly
End If

Set objOpenSTAAD = Nothing
End Sub
```

**See also**[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixed](#)[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportPinned](#)[OSSupportUI::CreateSupportFixedBut](#)

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