

# Ensure a form stays in the background

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The following code ensures that a form always stays in the background, even when it has focus. It is done by making the form a child of the Windows desktop.

First place the following method declaration in your form's protected section:

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protected  
...  
procedure CreateParams(var Params: TCreateParams); override; </div>  
...
```

and implement the method as follows:

```
procedure TForm.CreateParams(var Params: TCreateParams);  
begin  
  inherited CreateParams(Params);  
  if Assigned(Application.MainForm) then  
    begin  
      Params.WndParent := GetDesktopWindow;  
      Params.Style := WS_CHILD;  
    end;  
end;
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