

The 'RECT' Resource

You use the 'RECT' resource to describe the size and shape of the area taken up by your controls. In assigning coordinates to your controls, assume that the origin (that is, the upper-left corner) of the local coordinate system for your dialog items is at (0,0). (In this coordinate system, the Options dialog items displayed by the Monitors control panel would have a right edge at 319 and a negative top coordinate.) The Monitors control panel expands the Options dialog box, placing the rectangle defined by your 'RECT' resource so that its upper edge starts immediately below the standard controls put in the Options dialog box by the Monitors control panel. In the figure given in [The 'DITL' Resource](#), for example, the OK and Cancel buttons and the Select monitor type box are standard controls, and the screen-saver control has been added by a Monitors extension.

Because the Monitors control panel transforms the coordinates of your controls to the coordinate system that it uses for the Options dialog box, you must use the [GetDlgItem](#) procedure (described in the [Dialog Manager](#)) to get the true locations of your dialog items.