
Format Marks

Each format has its own mark. The mark indicates the next position of a read or write operation. Initially, a mark automatically defaults to 0. After reading or writing data, the format mark is set past the last position written to or read from. The mark is similar to the **File Manager**'s current read or write position marker for a data fork. Any time that an edition is open (after calling the **OpenEdition** or the **OpenNewEdition** function), any of the marks for each format can be queried or set.

To set the current mark for a section format to a new location, use the **SetEditionFormatMark** function.

```
err = SetEditionFormatMark (whichEdition, whichFormat, setMarkTo);
```

To find where a current mark is for a format in an edition file, use the **GetEditionFormatMark** function.

```
err = GetEditionFormatMark (whichEdition, whichFormat,  
                             currentMark);
```