"SIZE' Resource

Every application executing under System 7.0+, as well as every application executing under **MultiFinder**, should contain a 'SIZE' resource. One of the principal functions of the 'SIZE' resource is to inform the Operating System about the memory size requirements for the application (hence the name 'SIZE') so that the Operating System can set up an appropriately sized partition for the application. The 'SIZE' resource is also used to indicate certain scheduling options to the Operating System, such as whether the application can run in the background, whether it can accept suspend and resume events, and so forth. The 'SIZE' resource in System 7.0+ contains additional information indicating whether the application is 32-bit clean, whether the application wishes to receive notification of the termination of any applications it has launched, and whether the application wishes to receive high-level events.

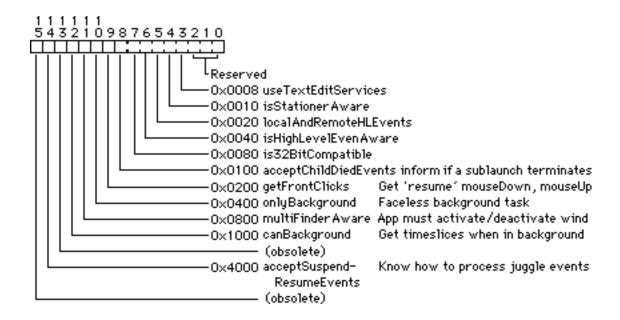
This section explains the structure of a 'SIZE' resource and the meaning of each of its fields. It also shows how to specify the Rez input for a 'SIZE' resource. You are responsible for creating the information in this resource.

A 'SIZE' resource consists of a 16-bit flags field, followed by two 32-bit size fields. The flags field specifies operating characteristics of the application, and the size fields indicate the minimum and preferred partition sizes for the application. The **minimum partition size** is the actual limit below which your application will not run. The **preferred partition size** is the memory size at which your application can run most effectively and which the Operating System attempts to secure upon launch of the application. If that amount of memory is unavailable, the application is placed into the largest contiguous block available, provided that it is larger than the specified minimum size.

Note: If the amount of available memory is between the minimum and the preferred sizes, the **Finder** displays a dialog box asking if the user wants to run the application using the amount of memory available. If your application does not have a 'SIZE' resource, it is assigned a default partition size of 512 KB.

When you define a 'SIZE' resource, you should give it a resourceID of -1. A user can modify the preferred size in the Finder's information window for your application. If the user does alter the partition size, the Operating System creates a new 'SIZE' resource having a resourceID of zero (0). At application launch time, the <u>Launch</u> function looks for a 'SIZE' resource with ID 0; if this resource is not found, it uses your original 'SIZE' resource with ID -1. This new 'SIZE' resource is also created when the user modifies any of the other settings in the resource.

The bits of the 'SIZE' resource are formatted as follows:



The following Rez template shows the structure of the 'SIZE' resource.

A template for a 'SIZE' resource

type 'SIZE' {

Boolean reserved;

//reserved

Boolean ignoreSuspendResumeEvents;

//ignores suspend-resume events

Boolean acceptSuspendResumeEvents;

//accepts suspend-resume events

Boolean reserved;

//reserved

Boolean cannotBackground;

//does no background processing

Boolean canBackground;

//can use background null events

<u>Boolean</u> needsActivateOnFGSwitch;

//needs activate event

Boolean doesActivateOnFGSwitch;

//needs no activate event

Boolean backgroundAndForeground;

//app has a user interface

Boolean onlyBackground;

//app has no user interface

Boolean dontGetFrontClicks;

//no mouse events on resume

Boolean getFrontClicks;

//get mouse events on resume

Boolean ignoreAppDiedEvents;

//applications use this

Boolean acceptAppDiedEvents;

//app launchers use this

Boolean not32BitCompatible;

//works with 24-bit addr

Boolean is32BitCompatible;

//works with 24- or 32-bit addr

Boolean notHighLevelEventAware;

//can't use high-level events

Boolean isHighLevelEventAware;

//can use high-level events

Boolean onlyLocalHLEvents;

//only local high-level events

Boolean localAndRemoteHLEvents;

//also remote high-level events

<u>Boolean</u> notStationeryAware;

//can't use stationery documents

Boolean isStationeryAware;

//can use stationery documents

Boolean dontUseTextEditServices;

//can't use inline services

Boolean useTextEditServices:

//can use inline services

Boolean reserved:

//reserved

Boolean reserved;

//reserved

Boolean reserved;

//reserved

long //memory sizes in bytes

<u>long</u> //preferred memory size

long //minimum memory size

};

The nonreserved bits in the flags field have the following meanings.

Flag descriptions

acceptSuspendResumeEvents When set, indicates that your application can

> process suspend and resume events (which the Operating System sends to your application before sending it into the background or when bringing it into the foreground). In this way, your application

knows when to process the global scrap.

When set, indicates that your application wants to receive null event processing time while in the background. If your application has nothing to do in

the background, you should not set this flag.

doesActivateOnFGSwitch When set, indicates that your application takes

responsibility for activating and deactivating any windows in response to a suspend or resume event. If the acceptSuspendResumeEvents flag is set, if the doesActivateOnFGSwitch flag is not set, and if the application is suspended, then the application receives an activate event. However, if you set the doesActivateOnFGSwitch flag, then your application won't receive activate events, and you must take care of activation and deactivation when it receives the corresponding suspend or resume event. This means that if the application's window is frontmost, the suspend event should be treated as though a deactivate event were received as well (assuming that both the doesActivateOnFGSwitch and acceptSuspendResumeEvents flags are set). For example, scroll bars should be deactivated, blinking insertion points should be hidden, and selected text should be deselected if your application moves to the back-ground. If you do not

force the activate and deactivate events to occur. When set, indicates that your application runs only in the background. Usually this is because it does not have a user interface and cannot run in the

set this flag, then a window must be created to

When set, indicates that your application is to

foreground.

receive the mouseDown and mouseUp events that are used to bring your application into the foreground when the user clicks in your application's frontmost window. Typically, the user simply wants to bring your application into the foreground, so it is usually not desirable to receive the mouse events (which would probably

move the insertion point or start drawing immediately, depending on the application). The

canBackground

onlyBackground

getFrontClicks

Finder is one application, however, that has the

getFrontClicks flag set.

acceptAppDiedEvents When set, indicates that your application is to be

notified that an application launched by this application has terminated or crashed. See the Process Manager description for more information about launching applications and

receiving application-died events.

is32BitCompatible When set, indicates that your application can be

run with the 32-bit <u>Memory Manager</u>. You should not set this flag unless you have thoroughly tested your application on a 32-bit system (such as a Macintosh Ilci running System 7.0+ in

32-bit mode, or under A/UX).

The following flags have meaning only under System 7 or later.

isHighLevelEventAware When set, indicates that your application can send

and receive high-level events. If this flag is not set, the **Event Manager** does not give your application high-level events when you call **WaitNextEvent**. There is no way to mask out types of high-level events; if his flag is set, you will receive all types of high-level events sent to

your application.

localAndRemoteHLEvents When set, indicates that your application is to be

visible to applications running on other computers on a network (in addition to applications running on the local machine). If this flag is not set, your application does not receive high-level events

across a network.

isStationeryAware When set, indicates that your application can

recognize stationery documents. If this flag is not set and the user opens a stationery document, the Finder duplicates the document and prompts the user for a name for the duplicate document.

useTextEditServices When set, indicates that your application can use

the inline text services provided by <u>TextEdit</u>. See the <u>TextEdit</u> description for information about

the inline input capabilities of **TextEdit**.

Note: If you set the acceptSuspendResumeEvents flag, you should also set the doesActivateOnFGSwitch flag.

The <u>modifiers</u> field in the <u>EventRecord</u> now contains additional information about a <u>mouseDown</u> event. In System 7.0+, the <u>activeFlag</u> modifier flag in the <u>modifiers</u> field of a <u>mouseDown</u> event record is set to indicate that the <u>mouseDown</u> event caused a foreground switch. Your application can use this flag to determine whether to process the <u>mouseDown</u> event (probably depending on whether the clicked item was visible before the foreground switch). This modifier is set for all <u>mouseDown</u> events that cause a foreground switch, regardless of whether your application's getFrontClicks flag is set or whether the mouse click was in your application's front window. In system

versions prior to 7.0, this flag is never set for <u>mouseDown</u> events, and your application cannot tell if the mouse click caused a foreground switch. As a result, your application should always process a <u>mouseDown</u> event if its getFrontClicks flag is set.

The following program shows the input for a sample 'SIZE' resource.

The Rez input for a sample 'SIZE' resource

```
resource 'SIZE' (-1)
{
   reserved, //reserved
   acceptSuspendResumeEvents, //accepts suspend-resume events
   reserved, //reserved
   canBackground, //can use background null events
   doesActivateOnFGSwitch,
                              //needs no activate event
   backgroundAndForeground, //app has a user interface
   dontGetFrontClicks, //no mouse events on resume
   ignoreAppDiedEvents,
                           //applications use this
   is32BitCompatible,
                           //works with 24- or 32-bit addr
   isHighLevelEventAware, //can use high-level events
   localAndRemoteHLEvents, //also remote high-level events
   isStationeryAware, //can use stationery documents
   dontUseTextEditServices, //can't use inline input services
   reserved, //reserved
   reserved, //reserved
   reserved, //reserved
   kPrefSize * 1024,
                       //preferred memory size
   kMinSize * 1024 //minimum memory size
};
```

This resource specification indicates, among other things, that the application is 32-bit clean, can handle stationery documents, and accepts both local and network high-level events. You are responsible for defining the constants kPrefSize and kMinSize; for example, if you set kPrefSize to 50, the preferred partition size will be 50 KB.