

ClickBlocks\Core\Delegate

General information

Inheritance	no
Child classes	no
Interfaces	ClickBlocks\Core\IDelegate
Source	Framework/core/delegate.php

Delegate class extends the concept of a callback function in php. Instead, the notion of a delegate that represents the object class **Delegate** or a string in a certain format, which is a description of the plan call a function or a class method.

A delegate is a kind of alias some method of a class or function. You can work with it in the same way as with the function it describes.

There are seven basic types of lines delegate:

1. **function** - function call.
2. **class::method** - call of a class static method.
3. **class->method** - call of a class non-static method. The class has constructor without mandatory parameters.
4. **class[]** - call of a class constructor that has no mandatory parameters.
5. **class[n]** - call of a class constructor that has **n** mandatory parameters.
6. **class[n]->method** - call of a class non-static method. Class constructor has **n** mandatory parameters.
7. **class@cid->method** - call of non-static method of some web-control.

Here. **function** - name of some function, **class** - name of some class, **method** - class method name, **n** - number of mandatory parameters of a class constructor, **cid** - unique or logical identifier of some web-control.

Besides of these basic types of delegates, there are two context-dependent cases of delegates:

- **::method** - if the page class is defined (variable `ClickBlocks\MVC\Page::$page`), then a delegate is similar to calling the appropriate static method of paging class. If the page class is not defined, the appropriate method of class **CB** will be called.
- **->method** - like the first case, only applied to non-static methods.

Public non-static methods

__construct()

```
public void __construct(mixed $callback)
```

\$callback	mixed	delegate or any callable object.
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Class constructor. Parses a delegate string and prepare a delegate to invoking.

__toString()

```
public string __toString()
```

Returns a string representation of the delegate. If a closure is used instead of a delegate, the method returns the string "Closure".

__invoke()

```
public mixed __invoke(mixed $arg1, mixed $arg2, ...)
```

Allows to call an object of delegate as a class method or function.

The method takes parameters of function or method that are invoked by delegate.

Example:

```
// Creates delegate for method "foo" of class "Test".
// Class constructor takes two parameters.
$d = new Delegate('Test[2]->foo');
// Invokes method "foo" and passes parameter 'test' to it.
// Passes parameters 'a' and 'b' to the class constructor.
$d('a', 'b', 'test');
```

call()

```
public mixed call(array $args = null)
```

\$args

array

array of parameters of delegated method or function.

Calls delegated method of a class or a function. Example:

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// Class constructor takes two parameters.
$d = new Delegate('Test[2]->foo');
// Invokes method "foo" and passes parameter 'test' to it.
// Passes parameters 'a' and 'b' to the class constructor.
$d->call(['a', 'b', 'test']);
```

isPermitted()

```
public function isPermitted(array $permissions)
```

\$permissions

array

permissions to call the delegate.

Checks whether or not the delegate can be invoked according to permissions. Permissions array have the following structure:

```
[
    'permitted' => ['regex1', 'regex2', ... ],
    'forbidden' => ['regex1', 'regex2', ...]
]
```

If string representation of the delegate matches at least one of **permitted** regular expressions and none of **forbidden** regular expressions, the method returns TRUE. Otherwise it returns FALSE.

isCallable()

```
public boolean isCallable(boolean $autoload = true)
```

\$autoload

boolean

determines whether to include delegated class if it is not defined.

The method returns TRUE, if the delegate can be called and FALSE otherwise.

getInfo()

```
public array getInfo()
```

Returns the full details of the delegate. The format of the returned array is as follows:

```
['class' => ... [string] ...,
```

```
'method' => ... [string] ...,
'static'  => ... [boolean] ...,
'numargs'=> ... [integer] ...,
'type'    => ... [string] ...,
'cid'     => ... [string] ...]
```

here, **class** - class name of delegated method, **method** - name of delegated method or function, **static** - sign of static method, **numargs** - number of mandatory parameters of constructor of delegated class, **type** - delegate type, **cid** - unique or logical identifier of web-control.

getClass()

```
public string getClass()
```

Returns name of delegated class.

getMethod()

```
public string getMethod()
```

Returns name of delegated class method or function.

getType()

```
public string getType()
```

Returns delegate type. It can be one of the following values: "function", "closure", "class" or "control".

getParameters()

```
public array|boolean getParameters()
```

Returns array of parameters of delegated class method, function or closure or FALSE on failure.

getClassObject()

```
public object getClassObject(array $args = null)
```

\$args	array	array of arguments of constructor of the delegated class.
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Returns object of the delegated class. If delegate type is "function" the method returns NULL. For delegate type "control" the method returns object of a web-control (or FALSE, if control with such ID does not exist).

Protected non-static properties

callback

```
protected string $callback
```

String representation of the delegate.

class

```
protected string $class
```

Name of delegated class.

method

```
protected string $method
```

Name of delegated class method.

static

```
protected boolean $static
```

Contains TRUE, if the delegated method is static. If delegate type is "function" or "closure", then the value of the property is NULL.

numargs

```
protected integer $numargs
```

Number of mandatory parameters of constructor of delegated class. For delegate type "function" or "closure" property value is NULL.

cid

```
protected string $cid
```

Unique or logical identifier of delegated web-control.

type

```
protected string $type
```

Type of the delegate.