

IComparable

What

- › The System.IComparable interface has a method called "CompareTo", which determines order of two objects i.e. current object and parameter object.
- › It can be implemented in the class to make the objects sortable.
- › It is useful to invoke **List.Sort** method to sort the collection of objects.

interface System.IComparable

```
public interface IComparable
{
    int CompareTo(object obj);
}
```

Return value

- › 0 : "this" object and parameter object occur in the same position (unchanged).
- › <0 : "this" object comes first; parameter object comes next.
- › >0 : parameter object comes first; "this" object comes next.

Implementation of IComparable interface

```
public class ClassName : IComparable
{
    public int CompareTo(object obj)
    {
        if (this.field1 == other.field1)
            return 0; //equal
        else if (this.field1 < other.field1)
            return -1; //"this" object comes first.
        else
            return 1; //parameter object comes first.
    }
}
```