



**Clarion**

# **Advanced Topics and Reference Guide**

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# Advanced Topics

## General Topics

This section presents miscellaneous topics that are geared to the more advanced developer, and provides a potpourri of information:

## Clarion 7 Migration Tips

This topic is designed as a quick reference for developers and programmers who are migrating applications to Clarion 7 from prior versions.

The following are changes in that were originally documented in the Clarion 6 versions that need to be reviewed by all developers, particularly those migrating applications *prior* to Clarion 6 directly to the Clarion 7 environment:



### Change of EVALUATE Error Codes

The error codes posted by the EVALUATE statement have been modified in Clarion 6:

1010 - formerly 800: Bad expression syntax

1011 - formerly 801: Unknown identifier in the expression

1012 - formerly 802: Mismatched POPBIND



### Default Splash Procedure Icon

Loading a C55 application into Clarion 6 that uses the default splash screen will produce a link error that says 'C55.GIF' not found.

The best workaround is to simply change the icon, or just delete the old splash procedure and add a new one using the Clarion 6 default.



### DLL Initialization

Enforcement of threaded variables in multi-DLL applications is critical in Clarion 6. In older versions, if your file definitions are set to "open in current thread" in the dictionary (the THREAD attribute is set in the FILE definition), your file definitions in your DLLs must match that definition. To ensure this, examine each application's global file control section, and make sure that all of your files are set to 'ALL THREADED' in the **Threaded** drop list.

Regarding files that are defined across multiple DLLs (e.g., a Customer file defined in a data DLL and again in another DLL), **you CANNOT mix thread and non-threaded attributes on the same files in a multi-dll application**. Although this programming style was permitted in earlier versions of Clarion, the initialization of preemptive threads will not allow this in Clarion 6.

You can use *either* setting, thread or non-threaded, as long as it's consistent across all DLLs and your executable. And, of course, mixing the threaded and non-threaded attributes among different files is still permitted.





## Embedding code when closing a Process procedure

The Process procedure used with the ABC templates calls `ThisProcess.Close()` after `ThisWindow.Kill` has fully completed. Consequently, any object created in the scope of the process window which is called inside `ThisProcess.Close()` will cause a GPF since the destructor for that object will already have completed during `ThisWindow.Kill`.

In Clarion 6, the `ViewManager` class destructor used with the `ProcessClass` is now calling `ThisProcess.Close()` to make sure that the VIEW is closed. This was not needed in previous versions of Clarion because local VIEWS were automatically closed when a procedure exited. With the new threading model, local VIEWS are now not automatically closed until the thread is destroyed.

There is a distinct chance that any call to a local object inside `ThisWindow.Close()` will cause a GPF when exiting the process procedure, because it has already been disposed by the time the final `ThisProcess.Close()` call happens.

Anyone embedding source code in the `ThisWindow.Close()` method needs to add some kind of condition surrounding any call to a local object that stops it happening after `ThisWindow.Kill()` has occurred.



## General Rules regarding your data and the new Thread Model

1. Use the `THREAD` attribute on global Data (file, class, group, queue or simple types).
2. Use the `THREAD` attribute on module Data (file, class, group, queue or simple types).
3. Avoid the use of static variables.
4. Don't pass the address of anything within a `START` command - this was a common trick used by people to communicate between threads.

If you do any of the above you must make them thread safe. Refer to the *Multi Threaded Programming* PDF for detailed information on this process.

Local data (including classes that are normally instantiated locally) is automatically threaded (unless you put the `STATIC` attribute on it).



## Global EIP Classes

Some applications that use edit-in-place in prior versions will migrate to Clarion 6 with the *EditClass* defined as the default edit-in-place class. In Clarion 6, this class needs to be changed to the *EditEntryClass*. To do this, access the *Global Properties* in the Application Generator. In the **Classes** tab, press the Browser button and change the default edit in place class from *EditClass* to *EditEntryClass*.



## Global Pools and GROUPs

In Clarion versions prior to 5.5H, if a GROUP were defined in the dictionary's Global Pool without using a prefix, the prefix of the Global Pool (which is required) would be used in its place.

For example:

```
GLOB:GROUPONE GROUP,PRE() !`GLOB' is the prefix of the Global Pool
GLOB:STRING1    STRING(20)
GLOB:STRING2    STRING(20)

END
```

With Clarion 6, this same group will be generated without the Global prefix, and would appear as follows:

```
GLOB:GROUPONE GROUP,PRE() !`GLOB' is the prefix of the Global Pool
STRING1    STRING(20)
STRING2    STRING(20)

END
```

Since it is possible to define multiple Global Pools in your dictionary, a second Global Pool could be created as follows:

```
GLO2:GROUPTWO GROUP,PRE() !`GLO2' is the prefix of the 2nd Global Pool
GLO2:STRING1    STRING(20)
GLO2:STRING2    STRING(20)

END
```

Which in Clarion 6 will be generated as follows:

```
GLO2:GROUPTWO GROUP,PRE() !`GLO2' is the prefix of the 2nd Global Pool
STRING1    STRING(20)
STRING2    STRING(20)

END
```

This will cause the compiler to generate "Duplicate Label" warnings when migrating your applications. The solution to this is to add a prefix to each of your GROUPs that share common label names across Global Pools.

For example:

```
GLOB:GROUPONE GROUP,PRE(GLOB) !`GLOB' is the prefix of the 1st GROUP
STRING1    STRING(20)
STRING2    STRING(20)

END
```

```
GLO2:GROUPTWO GROUP,PRE(GLO2) !`GLO2' is the prefix of the 2nd GROUP
STRING1    STRING(20)
STRING2    STRING(20)

END
```



## Heap Overflow Error when migrating applications

During the early testing phase of Clarion 6, it was noted that some applications would post a "Heap Overflow" error when attempting to load applications of prior Clarion versions into the Clarion 6 IDE.

In nearly all cases, the solution is to first export the application to a text file (TXA), and then import it as text into the Clarion 6 environment.



## ISAM File Access Performance

Some users have reported that if there is any experience of slow file accesses when using ISAM files, switching off the **Defer opening files until accessed** in the application's *Global Properties - File Control* will improve the performance.



## Large WINDOW structures

In each control that is populated in a WINDOW structure in Clarion 6, there is now extra information for each control that takes about 10 extra bytes per control. This may cause some large and complex windows to not import properly from prior versions.

You may need to shorten some use variables or remove controls and create/destroy them at runtime or redesign the window to make it a bit more efficient.



## Migrating Large Dictionaries and Data Paths

One of the nice new features of this release is a new system property: `SYSTEM{PROP:DataPath}`.

With this, you can set your data file names in the dictionary to have no path in them, and then set the data path once in the program start up. From there, each file will inherit the common data path.

With that in mind, dictionaries created in a prior version will continue to work. The only issue is where file names and structures are stored exclusively in a DLL and referenced from the EXE. In prior versions, you had to define these objects in the EXE as EXTERNAL, and did not care if the files in this object were threaded or not. In this release, any objects that contain threaded data must add the THREAD attribute to the object definition.

Mixing threaded and non-threaded data in an object is dangerous and likely to cause problems.



## Migration of hand coded project files

All projects compiled in Clarion 6 are 32-bit. Prior to loading older project files (.PR or .PRJ) into the Clarion 6 environment, load them into your favorite text editor and make sure that the following pragma entry is set properly:

**#system win32**

You can also load the project into the project editor. When you press OK to close the project, the #system pragma will be automatically updated.



## POINTER(File) and POSITION(File)

The behavior of POINTER(File) is different for different file systems. For example, the first record in a TopSpeed file doesn't have a pointer value of 1.

It may still be safe to use for certain file systems, but for code portability, POSITION(File) is the way to go.



## Remove MDI attribute from dockable toolbar windows

In Clarion 6, the MDI attribute is no longer permitted on any toolbar window that is dockable (windows with the DOCK and TOOLBOX attributes).



## RTF Text Control and RTF Control Templates

To all developers that used the RTF Control template in prior versions of Clarion, this template has been deprecated, and is now replaced by the new RTF Text Control template.

The RTF Control template is still included for users who wish to migrate their applications to Clarion 6, and avoid unnecessary template warnings or errors. Upon migration to Clarion 6, you will notice a message in the **Actions** tab of the control's properties that notifies you that this template should be replaced. You will also see a warning at source generation time that notifies you that this template has been deprecated.



## TXA Comparison Technique

If you are having troubles with applications converted to Clarion 6 using DLLs, there is a possibility that the DLL that was converted contained hidden information (like a third party library) that was not detected by the conversion process.

To confirm this, try the following:

Export the old DLL application to TXA format (Export Text)

Export a new Clarion 6 DLL application to TXA format (Export Text)

Next, compare the TXA's up through the first procedure (i.e., the program/global area). This might give you some ideas regarding information converted from an old application that may not be compatible, or does not exist in Clarion 6.



## Use of Error Managers during DLL Initialization

A change has also been made in the DLL initialization of ABC-based applications. During initialization, the DLL uses a LocalErrors Class rather than the Global executable's GlobalErrors Class.

For example, in a multi DLL application and during initialization of the DLL containing Global data, if errors need to be posted to the error manager, they will be posted to the DLL's local error manager (LocalErrors) instead of the application's global error manager. The reason for this is that the DLL's error manager is not set to use the application's error manager until *after* initialization of the DLL. *During* initialization, the DLL uses the LocalErrors Manager rather than the executable's GlobalErrors Manager. Inside the DLL *Init* procedure, extra code is generated to assign GlobalErrors, and also assign the passed error manager to the already initialized file managers and relation managers.

Developers who modified the global error manager in their applications using DLLs will now need to be aware of the new local error managers that are applied.



### Use of ABC Classes with Clarion template based applications

This release of Clarion includes many new template features that are now supported in the Clarion template chain, but rely on the use of the ABC Library Classes. Examples of this are the support for RTF Text Controls, Pop-up Calendars, and the new enhanced edit-in-place.

The linking of the ABC class support requires the following default pragmas settings to be included in the project system:

```
_ABCDllMode_=>0  
_ABCLinkMode_=>1
```

Template support to automatically include these pragmas can be found in the *Global Properties* **Classes** tab by checking the **Enable the use of ABC Classes** check box.

## Commonly Used Equates

The following topic displays the common EQUATES used by the Clarion IDE, as listed in the EQUATES.CLW and TPLEQU.CLW files.

### Template Equates

Event numbers - Field-specific

Event numbers - Field-independent

Standard Window Equates

**! Event numbers**

Field-specific events (FIELD() returns field number)

EVENT:Accepted	EQUATE (01H)
EVENT:NewSelection	EQUATE (02H)
EVENT:ScrollUp	EQUATE (03H)
EVENT:ScrollDown	EQUATE (04H)
EVENT:PageUp	EQUATE (05H)
EVENT:PageDown	EQUATE (06H)
EVENT:ScrollTop	EQUATE (07H)
EVENT:ScrollBottom	EQUATE (08H)
EVENT:Locate	EQUATE (09H)

EVENT:MouseDown	EQUATE (01H)
EVENT:MouseUp	EQUATE (0aH)
EVENT:MouseIn	EQUATE (0bH)
EVENT:MouseOut	EQUATE (0cH)
EVENT:MouseMove	EQUATE (0dH)
EVENT:AlertKey	EQUATE (0fH)
EVENT:PreAlertKey	EQUATE (10H)
EVENT:Dragging	EQUATE (11H)
EVENT:Drag	EQUATE (12H)
EVENT:Drop	EQUATE (13H)
EVENT:ScrollDrag	EQUATE (14H)
EVENT:TabChanging	EQUATE (15H)
EVENT:Expanding	EQUATE (16H)
EVENT:Contracting	EQUATE (17H)
EVENT:Expanded	EQUATE (18H)

```

EVENT:Contracted    EQUATE (19H)
EVENT:Rejected      EQUATE (1AH)
EVENT:DroppingDown  EQUATE (1BH)
EVENT:DroppedDown   EQUATE (1CH)
EVENT:ScrollTrack   EQUATE (1DH)
EVENT:ColumnResize  EQUATE (1EH)
EVENT:Selecting     EQUATE (1FH)

```

```

EVENT:Selected      EQUATE (101H)

```

Field-independent events (FIELD() returns 0)

```

EVENT:CloseWindow   EQUATE (201H)
EVENT:CloseDown     EQUATE (202H)
EVENT:OpenWindow    EQUATE (203H)
EVENT:OpenFailed    EQUATE (204H)
EVENT:LoseFocus     EQUATE (205H)
EVENT:GainFocus     EQUATE (206H)

```

```

EVENT:Timer         EQUATE (20BH)
EVENT:DDErequest    EQUATE (20CH)
EVENT:DDEadvise     EQUATE (20DH)
EVENT:DDEdata       EQUATE (20EH)
EVENT:DDEcommand    EQUATE (20FH)    ! same as DDEexecute
EVENT:DDEexecute    EQUATE (20FH)
EVENT:DDEpoke       EQUATE (210H)
EVENT:DDEclosed     EQUATE (211H)

```

```

EVENT:Move          EQUATE (220H)
EVENT:Size          EQUATE (221H)
EVENT:Restore       EQUATE (222H)
EVENT:Maximize      EQUATE (223H)
EVENT:Iconize       EQUATE (224H)
EVENT:Completed     EQUATE (225H)
EVENT:Moved         EQUATE (230H)
EVENT:Sized         EQUATE (231H)
EVENT:Restored      EQUATE (232H)
EVENT:Maximized     EQUATE (233H)
EVENT:Iconized      EQUATE (234H)
EVENT:Docked        EQUATE (235H)

```

EVENT:Undocked        EQUATE (236H)

EVENT:BuildFile       EQUATE (240H)

EVENT:BuildKey        EQUATE (241H)

EVENT:BuildDone       EQUATE (242H)

! User-definable events

EVENT:User            EQUATE (400H)

EVENT:Last            EQUATE (0FFFH)

STD:WindowList       EQUATE (1)

STD:TileWindow       EQUATE (2)

STD:CascadeWindow    EQUATE (3)

STD:ArrangeIcons     EQUATE (4)

STD:HelpIndex        EQUATE (5)

STD:HelpOnHelp       EQUATE (6)

STD:HelpSearch       EQUATE (7)

STD:Help             EQUATE (8)

STD:Cut              EQUATE (10)

STD:Copy             EQUATE (11)

STD:Paste            EQUATE (12)

STD:Clear            EQUATE (13)

STD:Undo             EQUATE (14)

STD:Close            EQUATE (15)

STD:PrintSetup       EQUATE (16)

STD:TileHorizontal   EQUATE (17)

STD:TileVertical     EQUATE (18)

CURSOR:None          EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,00H,00H>')

CURSOR:Arrow         EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,01H,7FH>')

CURSOR:IBeam         EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,02H,7FH>')

CURSOR:Wait          EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,03H,7FH>')

CURSOR:Cross         EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,04H,7FH>')

CURSOR:UpArrow       EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,05H,7FH>')

CURSOR:Size          EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,81H,7FH>')

CURSOR:Icon          EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,82H,7FH>')

CURSOR:SizeNWSE      EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,83H,7FH>')

CURSOR:SizeNESW      EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,84H,7FH>')

CURSOR:SizeWE        EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,85H,7FH>')

CURSOR:SizeNS        EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,86H,7FH>')

CURSOR:DragWE        EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,01H,7FH>')

CURSOR:Drop          EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,02H,7FH>')



```

CURSOR:NoDrop      EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,03H,7FH>')
CURSOR:Zoom        EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,04H,7FH>')
ICON:None          EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,00H,00H>')
ICON:Application   EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,01H,7FH>')
ICON:Hand          EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,02H,7FH>')
ICON:Question      EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,03H,7FH>')
ICON:Exclamation   EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,04H,7FH>')
ICON:Asterisk      EQUATE ('<0FFH,01H,05H,7FH>')
ICON:Pick          EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,01H,7FH>')
ICON:Save          EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,02H,7FH>')
ICON:Print         EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,03H,7FH>')
ICON:Paste         EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,04H,7FH>')
ICON:Open          EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,05H,7FH>')
ICON:New           EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,06H,7FH>')
ICON:Help          EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,07H,7FH>')
ICON:Cut           EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,08H,7FH>')
ICON:Copy          EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,09H,7FH>')
ICON:Child         EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,0AH,7FH>')
ICON:Frame         EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,0BH,7FH>')
ICON:Clarion       EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,0CH,7FH>')
ICON:NoPrint       EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,0DH,7FH>')
ICON:Zoom          EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,0EH,7FH>')
ICON:NextPage      EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,0FH,7FH>')
ICON:PrevPage      EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,10H,7FH>')
ICON:JumpPage      EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,11H,7FH>')
ICON:Thumbnail     EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,12H,7FH>')
ICON:Tick          EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,13H,7FH>')
ICON:Cross         EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,14H,7FH>')
ICON:Connect       EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,15H,7FH>')
ICON:Print1        EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,16H,7FH>')
ICON:Ellipsis      EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,17H,7FH>')

ICON:VCRtop        EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,81H,7FH>')
ICON:VCRrewind     EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,82H,7FH>')
ICON:VCRback       EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,83H,7FH>')
ICON:VCRplay       EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,84H,7FH>')
ICON:VCRfastforward EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,85H,7FH>')
ICON:VCRbottom     EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,86H,7FH>')
ICON:VCRlocate     EQUATE ('<0FFH,02H,87H,7FH>')

```

```

BEEP:SystemDefault EQUATE (0000H)

```

```

BEEP:SystemHand      EQUATE (0010H)
BEEP:SystemQuestion  EQUATE (0020H)
BEEP:SystemExclamation EQUATE (0030H)
BEEP:SystemAsterisk  EQUATE (0040H)
REJECT:RangeHigh     EQUATE(1)  ! Above top range on SPIN
REJECT:RangeLow       EQUATE(2)  ! below bottom range ditto
REJECT:Range          EQUATE(3)  ! Other range error
REJECT:Invalid        EQUATE(4)  ! Invalid input

```

```

INCLUDE 'property.clw'

```

```

COLOR:NONE           EQUATE (-1)
COLOR:SCROLLBAR       EQUATE (80000000H)
COLOR:BACKGROUND      EQUATE (80000001H)
COLOR:ACTIVECAPTION   EQUATE (80000002H)
COLOR:INACTIVECAPTION EQUATE (80000003H)
COLOR:MENU            EQUATE (80000004H)
COLOR:WINDOW          EQUATE (80000005H)
COLOR:WINDOWFRAME     EQUATE (80000006H)
COLOR:MENUTEXT        EQUATE (80000007H)
COLOR:WINDOWTEXT      EQUATE (80000008H)
COLOR:CAPTIONTEXT     EQUATE (80000009H)
COLOR:ACTIVEBORDER    EQUATE (8000000AH)
COLOR:INACTIVEBORDER  EQUATE (8000000BH)
COLOR:APPWORKSPACE    EQUATE (8000000CH)
COLOR:HIGHLIGHT       EQUATE (8000000DH)
COLOR:HIGHLIGHTTEXT   EQUATE (8000000EH)
COLOR:BTNFACE         EQUATE (8000000FH)
COLOR:BTNSHADOW       EQUATE (80000010H)
COLOR:GRAYTEXT        EQUATE (80000011H)
COLOR:BTNTEXT         EQUATE (80000012H)
COLOR:INACTIVECAPTIONTEXT EQUATE (80000013H)
COLOR:BTNHIGHLIGHT    EQUATE (80000014H)

```

```

COLOR:Black          EQUATE (0000000H)
COLOR:Maroon          EQUATE (0000080H)
COLOR:Green           EQUATE (0008000H)
COLOR:Olive           EQUATE (0008080H)
COLOR:Navy            EQUATE (0800000H)
COLOR:Purple          EQUATE (0800080H)
COLOR:Teal            EQUATE (0808000H)
COLOR:Gray            EQUATE (0808080H)

```

COLOR:Silver	EQUATE (0C0C0C0H)
COLOR:Red	EQUATE (00000FFH)
COLOR:Lime	EQUATE (000FF00H)
COLOR:Yellow	EQUATE (000FFFFH)
COLOR:Blue	EQUATE (0FF0000H)
COLOR:Fuschia	EQUATE (0FF00FFH)
COLOR:Aqua	EQUATE (0FFFF00H)
COLOR:White	EQUATE (0FFFFFFFH)

! Parameter to CREATE / Return value from PROP:type

CREATE:ssstring	EQUATE (1)	
CREATE:string	EQUATE (2)	
CREATE:image	EQUATE (3)	
CREATE:region	EQUATE (4)	
CREATE:line	EQUATE (5)	
CREATE:box	EQUATE (6)	
CREATE:ellipse	EQUATE (7)	
CREATE:entry	EQUATE (8)	
CREATE:button	EQUATE (9)	
CREATE:prompt	EQUATE (10)	
CREATE:option	EQUATE (11)	
CREATE:check	EQUATE (12)	
CREATE:group	EQUATE (13)	
CREATE:list	EQUATE (14)	
CREATE:combo	EQUATE (15)	
CREATE:spin	EQUATE (16)	
CREATE:text	EQUATE (17)	
CREATE:custom	EQUATE (18)	
CREATE:menu	EQUATE (19)	
CREATE:item	EQUATE (20)	
CREATE:radio	EQUATE (21)	
CREATE:menubar	EQUATE (22)	! return value only
CREATE:application	EQUATE (24)	! return value only
CREATE>window	EQUATE (25)	! return value only
CREATE:report	EQUATE (26)	! return value only
CREATE:header	EQUATE (27)	
CREATE:footer	EQUATE (28)	
CREATE:break	EQUATE (29)	
CREATE:form	EQUATE (30)	
CREATE:detail	EQUATE (31)	
CREATE:ole	EQUATE (32)	

CREATE:droplist	EQUATE (33)
CREATE:dropcombo	EQUATE (34)
CREATE:progress	EQUATE (35)
CREATE:sheet	EQUATE (37)
CREATE:tab	EQUATE (38)
CREATE:panel	EQUATE (39)
CREATE:rtf	EQUATE (40)
CREATE:sublist	EQUATE (CREATE:list + 0100H) ! list part of a DROP or COMBO
CREATE:toolbar	EQUATE (128)
FONT:thin	EQUATE (100)
FONT:regular	EQUATE (400)
FONT:bold	EQUATE (700)
FONT:weight	EQUATE (07FFH)
FONT:fixed	EQUATE (0800H)
FONT:italic	EQUATE (01000H)
FONT:underline	EQUATE (02000H)
FONT:strikeout	EQUATE (04000H)
FONT:Screen	EQUATE (0)
FONT:Printer	EQUATE (1)
FONT:Both	EQUATE (2)
FONT:TrueTypeOnly	EQUATE (4)
FONT:FixedPitchOnly	EQUATE (8)
CHARSET:ANSI	EQUATE ( 0)
CHARSET:DEFAULT	EQUATE ( 1)
CHARSET:SYMBOL	EQUATE ( 2)
CHARSET:MAC	EQUATE ( 77)
CHARSET:SHIFTJIS	EQUATE (128)
CHARSET:HANGEUL	EQUATE (129)
CHARSET:JOHAB	EQUATE (130)
CHARSET:GB2312	EQUATE (134)
CHARSET:CHINESEBIG5	EQUATE (136)
CHARSET:GREEK	EQUATE (161)
CHARSET:TURKISH	EQUATE (162)
CHARSET:HEBREW	EQUATE (177)
CHARSET:ARABIC	EQUATE (178)
CHARSET:BALTIC	EQUATE (186)
CHARSET:CYRILLIC	EQUATE (204)

```

CHARSET:THAI           EQUATE (222)
CHARSET:EASTEUROPE     EQUATE (238)
CHARSET:OEM            EQUATE (255)
PEN:solid              EQUATE (0)
PEN:dash               EQUATE (1)
PEN:dot                EQUATE (2)
PEN:dashdot            EQUATE (3)
PEN:dashdotdot         EQUATE (4)
PEN:null               EQUATE (5)
PEN:insideframe        EQUATE (6)

```

```

FALSE                  EQUATE (0)
TRUE                   EQUATE (1)
LISTZONE:field         EQUATE (0)
LISTZONE:right         EQUATE (1)
LISTZONE:header        EQUATE (2)
LISTZONE:expandbox     EQUATE (3)
LISTZONE:tree          EQUATE (4)
LISTZONE:icon          EQUATE (5)
LISTZONE:nowhere       EQUATE (6)

```

```

BUTTON:OK              EQUATE (01H)
BUTTON:YES              EQUATE (02H)
BUTTON:NO               EQUATE (04H)
BUTTON:ABORT            EQUATE (08H)
BUTTON:RETRY            EQUATE (10H)
BUTTON:IGNORE           EQUATE (20H)
BUTTON:CANCEL           EQUATE (40H)
BUTTON:HELP             EQUATE (80H)

```

!DDE link types

```

DDE:auto               EQUATE (0)
DDE>manual              EQUATE (-1)
DDE:remove              EQUATE (-2)

```

! Types

```

    OMIT('***',_WIDTH32_)
SIGNED                  EQUATE (SHORT)
UNSIGNED                EQUATE (USHORT)
_nopos                  EQUATE (08000H)

```

```
***
  COMPILE('***',_WIDTH32_)
SIGNED          EQUATE (LONG)
UNSIGNED        EQUATE (LONG)
_nopos          EQUATE (080000000H)
***
BOOL            EQUATE (SIGNED)
```

!DIRECTORY equates & TYPEs

!Old 8.3 filename support

```
ff_:NORMAL      EQUATE (0)
ff_:READONLY    EQUATE (1)
ff_:HIDDEN      EQUATE (2)
ff_:SYSTEM      EQUATE (4)
ff_:DIRECTORY   EQUATE (10H)
ff_:ARCHIVE     EQUATE (20H)
ff_:LFN         EQUATE (80H)
```

```
ff_:queue       QUEUE,PRE(ff_),TYPE
name            string(13)
date            long
time            long
size            long
attrib          byte
                END
```

!full filename support

```
FILE:MaxFileName EQUATE (256)
FILE:MaxFilePath EQUATE (260)
```

```
FILE:Queue      QUEUE,PRE(FILE),TYPE
Name            STRING(FILE:MaxFileName)
ShortName       STRING(13)
Date            LONG
Time            LONG
Size            LONG
```

```
Attrib          BYTE
                END
```

```
oleQ            QUEUE,TYPE
name            CSTRING(64)
clsid           CSTRING(64)
progid          CSTRING(64)
                END
```

!FileDialog/FileDialogA equates

```
FILE:Save       EQUATE(1)
FILE:KeepDir    EQUATE(2)
FILE:NoError    EQUATE(4)
FILE:Multi      EQUATE(8)
FILE:LongName   EQUATE(10H)
FILE:Directory  EQUATE(20H)
FILE:CreatePrompt EQUATE(40H)
FILE:AddExtension EQUATE(80H)
```

```
OCX:default     EQUATE(0)
OCX:16bit       EQUATE(1)
OCX:32bit       EQUATE(2)
OCX:1632bit     EQUATE(3)
DOCK:Left       EQUATE(1)
DOCK:Top        EQUATE(2)
DOCK:Right      EQUATE(4)
DOCK:Bottom     EQUATE(8)
DOCK:Float      EQUATE(16)
```

```
DOCK:All        EQUATE(31)
```

!TopSpeed File Flags

```
TPSREADONLY     EQUATE(1)
```

!Match Flag Values

```
Match:Simple    EQUATE(0)
Match:Wild       EQUATE(1)
Match:Regular    EQUATE(2)
```

Match:Soundex      EQUATE(3)  
 Match:NoCase      EQUATE(10H)      ! May be added to Simple,Wild and Regular

PAPER:LETTER	EQUATE(1)	! Letter 8 1/2 x 11 in
PAPER:LETTERSMALL	EQUATE(2)	! Letter Small 8 1/2 x 11 in
PAPER:TABLOID	EQUATE(3)	! Tabloid 11 x 17 in
PAPER:LEDGER	EQUATE(4)	! Ledger 17 x 11 in
PAPER:LEGAL	EQUATE(5)	! Legal 8 1/2 x 14 in
PAPER:STATEMENT	EQUATE(6)	! Statement 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 in
PAPER:EXECUTIVE	EQUATE(7)	! Executive 7 1/4 x 10 1/2 in
PAPER:A3	EQUATE(8)	! A3 297 x 420 mm
PAPER:A4	EQUATE(9)	! A4 210 x 297 mm
PAPER:A4SMALL	EQUATE(10)	! A4 Small 210 x 297 mm
PAPER:A5	EQUATE(11)	! A5 148 x 210 mm
PAPER:B4	EQUATE(12)	! B4 250 x 354
PAPER:B5	EQUATE(13)	! B5 182 x 257 mm
PAPER:FOLIO	EQUATE(14)	! Folio 8 1/2 x 13 in
PAPER:QUARTO	EQUATE(15)	! Quarto 215 x 275 mm
PAPER:10X14	EQUATE(16)	! 10x14 in
PAPER:11X17	EQUATE(17)	! 11x17 in
PAPER:NOTE	EQUATE(18)	! Note 8 1/2 x 11 in
PAPER:ENV_9	EQUATE(19)	! Envelope #9 3 7/8 x 8 7/8
PAPER:ENV_10	EQUATE(20)	! Envelope #10 4 1/8 x 9 1/2
PAPER:ENV_11	EQUATE(21)	! Envelope #11 4 1/2 x 10 3/8
PAPER:ENV_12	EQUATE(22)	! Envelope #12 4 1/2 x 11
PAPER:ENV_14	EQUATE(23)	! Envelope #14 5 x 11 1/2
PAPER:CSHEET	EQUATE(24)	! C size sheet
PAPER:DSHEET	EQUATE(25)	! D size sheet
PAPER:ESHEET	EQUATE(26)	! E size sheet
PAPER:ENV_DL	EQUATE(27)	! Envelope DL 110 x 220mm
PAPER:ENV_C5	EQUATE(28)	! Envelope C5 162 x 229 mm
PAPER:ENV_C3	EQUATE(29)	! Envelope C3 324 x 458 mm
PAPER:ENV_C4	EQUATE(30)	! Envelope C4 229 x 324 mm
PAPER:ENV_C6	EQUATE(31)	! Envelope C6 114 x 162 mm
PAPER:ENV_C65	EQUATE(32)	! Envelope C65 114 x 229 mm
PAPER:ENV_B4	EQUATE(33)	! Envelope B4 250 x 353 mm
PAPER:ENV_B5	EQUATE(34)	! Envelope B5 176 x 250 mm
PAPER:ENV_B6	EQUATE(35)	! Envelope B6 176 x 125 mm
PAPER:ENV_ITALY	EQUATE(36)	! Envelope 110 x 230 mm
PAPER:ENV_MONARCH	EQUATE(37)	! Envelope Monarch 3.875 x 7.5 in
PAPER:ENV_PERSONAL	EQUATE(38)	! 6 3/4 Envelope 3 5/8 x 6 1/2 in



```

PAPER:FANFOLD_US      EQUATE(39)      ! US Std Fanfold 14 7/8 x 11 in
PAPER:FANFOLD_STD_GERMAN EQUATE(40)    ! German Std Fanfold 8 1/2 x 12 in
PAPER:FANFOLD_LGL_GERMAN EQUATE(41)    ! German Legal Fanfold 8 1/2 x 13 in
PAPER:LAST            EQUATE(41)
PAPER:USER            EQUATE(256)

```

```
! File Driver Function equates for use with file{PROP:SupportsOp,DriverOp:n}
```

```
ITEMIZE(1),PRE(DriverOp)
```

```

ADD                EQUATE
BOF                EQUATE
BUILDfile          EQUATE
APPEND             EQUATE
BUILDdyn           EQUATE
BUILDkey           EQUATE
CLOSE              EQUATE
COMMIT             EQUATE
COPY              EQUATE
CREATE             EQUATE
DELETE            EQUATE
DUPLICATE          EQUATE
EMPTY             EQUATE
EOF               EQUATE
GETfilekey         EQUATE
GETfileptr         EQUATE
GETkeyptr          EQUATE
HOLD              EQUATE
LOCK              EQUATE(20)
LOGOUT            EQUATE(22)
NAME              EQUATE
NEXT              EQUATE
OPEN              EQUATE
PACK              EQUATE
POINTERfile        EQUATE
POINTERkey         EQUATE
FLUSH             EQUATE
PUT               EQUATE
PREVIOUS          EQUATE
RECORDSfile        EQUATE
RECORDSkey         EQUATE
BUILDdynfilter     EQUATE

```

RELEASE	EQUATE (36)
REMOVE	EQUATE
RENAME	EQUATE
ROLLBACK	EQUATE (40)
SETfile	EQUATE
SETfilekey	EQUATE
SETfileptr	EQUATE
SETkey	EQUATE
SETkeykey	EQUATE
SETkeyptr	EQUATE
SETkeykeyptr	EQUATE
SHARE	EQUATE
SKIP	EQUATE
UNLOCK	EQUATE
ADDlen	EQUATE
BYTES	EQUATE
GETfileptrlen	EQUATE
PUTfileptr	EQUATE
PUTfileptrlen	EQUATE
STREAM	EQUATE
DUPLICATEkey	EQUATE
WATCH	EQUATE
APPENDlen	EQUATE
SEND	EQUATE
POSITIONfile	EQUATE
POSITIONkey	EQUATE
RESETfile	EQUATE
RESETkey	EQUATE
NOMEMO	EQUATE
REGETfile	EQUATE
REGETkey	EQUATE
NULL	EQUATE
SETNULL	EQUATE
SETNONNULL	EQUATE
SETproperty	EQUATE
GETproperty	EQUATE
GETblobdata	EQUATE (75)
PUTblobdata	EQUATE
BLOBSIZE	EQUATE
SETblobproperty	EQUATE
GETblobproperty	EQUATE

```

BUFFER            EQUATE
SETviewfields     EQUATE
CLEARfile         EQUATE
RESETviewfile     EQUATE
BUILDevent        EQUATE
SETkeyproperty    EQUATE
GETkeyproperty    EQUATE
DOproperty        EQUATE (88)
DOkeyproperty     EQUATE
DOblobproperty    EQUATE
VIEWSTART         EQUATE (92)
VIEWSTOP          EQUATE
GETNULLS          EQUATE (96)
S                EQUATE
GETSTATE          EQUATE
RESTORESTATE      EQUATE
CALLBACK          EQUATE
FREESTATE         EQUATE (102)
DESTROY           EQUATE (104)
END

```

```
! Data Type Equates for use with file{PROP:SupportsType, DataType:n}
```

```

ITEMIZE(1) ,PRE(DataType)
BYTE            EQUATE
SHORT           EQUATE
USHORT          EQUATE
DATE            EQUATE
TIME            EQUATE
LONG            EQUATE
ULONG           EQUATE
SREAL           EQUATE
REAL            EQUATE
DECIMAL         EQUATE
PDECIMAL        EQUATE
BFLOAT4         EQUATE (13)
BFLOAT8         EQUATE
STRING          EQUATE (18)
CString         EQUATE
PSTRING         EQUATE
MEMO            EQUATE

```

```
BLOB                EQUATE (27)

END
```

```
! These equates are to be used as the first parameter to the DELETEREG,
! GETREG and PUTREG statements
```

```
REG_CLASSES_ROOT    EQUATE (80000000h)
REG_CURRENT_USER     EQUATE (80000001h)
REG_LOCAL_MACHINE    EQUATE (80000002h)
REG_USERS            EQUATE (80000003h)
REG_PERFORMANCE_DATA EQUATE (80000004h)
REG_CURRENT_CONFIG   EQUATE (80000005h)
REG_DYN_DATA         EQUATE (80000006h)
```

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```
! Template Equates
```

```
!Template Defined Action Values
```

```
InsertRecord EQUATE (1) ! Add a record to table
```

```
ChangeRecord EQUATE (2) ! Change the current record
DeleteRecord EQUATE (3) ! Delete the current record
SelectRecord EQUATE (4) ! Select the current record
ProcessRecord EQUATE (5) ! Process the current record
ViewRecord EQUATE (6) ! View the current record
RequestCompleted EQUATE (1) ! Update Completed
RequestCancelled EQUATE (2) ! Update Aborted
```

!Template Defined Record Status Flags

```
Record:OK EQUATE(0) ! Record passes range and filter
Record:OutOfRange EQUATE(1) ! Record fails range test
Record:Filtered EQUATE(2) ! Record fails filter tests
```

!File Access Modes

```
ReadOnly EQUATE (0H)
WriteOnly EQUATE (1H)
ReadWrite EQUATE (2H)
```

```
AnyAccess EQUATE (0H)
DenyAll EQUATE (10H)
DenyWrite EQUATE (20H)
DenyRead EQUATE (30H)
DenyNone EQUATE (40H)
```

!Constant field equate values for Toolbar browse control

```
TBarBrwFirst EQUATE(2000)
TBarBrwInsert EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst)
TBarBrwChange EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+1)
TBarBrwDelete EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+2)
TBarBrwSelect EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+3)
TBarBrwBottom EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+4)
TBarBrwTop EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+5)
TBarBrwPageDown EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+6)
TBarBrwPageUp EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+7)
TBarBrwDown EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+8)
TBarBrwUp EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+9)
TBarBrwLocate EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+10)
```

```
TBarBrwHistory EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+11)
TBarBrwHelp EQUATE(TBarBrwFirst+12)
TBarBrwLast EQUATE(TBarBrwHelp)

!Form VCR Request Codes

VCRForward EQUATE(TBarBrwDown)
VCRBackward EQUATE(TBarBrwUp)
VCRPageForward EQUATE(TBarBrwPageDown)
VCRPageBackward EQUATE(TBarBrwPageUp)
VCRFirst EQUATE(TBarBrwTop)
VCRLast EQUATE(TBarBrwBottom)
VCRInsert EQUATE(TBarBrwInsert)
VCRNone EQUATE(0)

!Tool bar navigation modes

FormMode EQUATE(1)
BrowseMode EQUATE(2)
TreeMode EQUATE(3)

!Resize strategies

Resize:LockWidth EQUATE(01b) !locks width of control
Resize:LockHeight EQUATE(10b) !locks height of control

!Positional Strategies
!Horizontal
Resize:LockXPos EQUATE(0000000000000001b) !locks XPos of control

!fixes XPos offset of control to right of window:
Resize:FixRight EQUATE(0000000000000010b)

!fixes XPos offset of control to left of window:
Resize:FixLeft EQUATE(0000000000000100b)

!fixes XPos offset of control relative to centre
Resize:FixXCentre EQUATE(000000000001000b)

!fixes to nearest window side - derived strategy:
```

```
Resize:FixNearestX EQUATE(0000000000010000b)

!Vertical
Resize:LockYPos EQUATE(0000000100000000b) !locks YPos of control

!fixes YPos offset of control to bottom of window
Resize:FixBottom EQUATE(0000001000000000b)

!fixes YPos offset of control to top of window:
Resize:FixTop EQUATE(0000010000000000b)

!fixes YPos offset of control relative to center:
Resize:FixYCentre EQUATE(0000100000000000b)

!fixes to nearest, window top of bottom = derived strategy
Resize:FixNearestY EQUATE(0001000000000000b)

!Application Resize Strategies

AppStrat:Resize EQUATE(1) !Resizes & moves all controls

!Resizes 'surface' controls moves others using Resize:FixNearestX+Resize:FixNearestY:
AppStrat:Spread EQUATE(2)

!Template Warnings

Warn:InvalidFile EQUATE (1)
Warn:InvalidKey EQUATE (2)
Warn:RebuildError EQUATE (3)
Warn:CreateError EQUATE (4)
Warn:CreateOpenError EQUATE (5)
Warn:ProcedureToDo EQUATE (6)
Warn:BadKeyedRec EQUATE (7)
Warn:OutOfRangeHigh EQUATE (8)
Warn:OutOfRangeLow EQUATE (9)
Warn:OutOfRange EQUATE (10)
Warn:NotInFile EQUATE (11)
Warn:RestrictUpdate EQUATE (12)
Warn:RestrictDelete EQUATE (13)
```

```
Warn:InsertError EQUATE (14)
Warn:RIUpdateError EQUATE (15)
Warn:UpdateError EQUATE (16)
Warn:RIDeleteError EQUATE (17)
Warn>DeleteError EQUATE (18)
Warn:InsertDisabled EQUATE (19)
Warn:UpdateDisabled EQUATE (20)
Warn>DeleteDisabled EQUATE (21)
Warn:NoCreate EQUATE (22)
Warn:ConfirmCancel EQUATE (23)
Warn:DuplicateKey EQUATE (24)
Warn:AutoIncError EQUATE (25)
Warn:FileLoadError EQUATE (26)
Warn:ConfirmCancelLoad EQUATE (27)
Warn:FileZeroLength EQUATE (28)
Warn:EndOfAsciiQueue EQUATE (29)
Warn:DiskError EQUATE (30)
Warn:ProcessActionError EQUATE (31)
Warn:StandardDelete EQUATE (32)
Warn:SaveOnCancel EQUATE (33)
Warn:LogoutError EQUATE (34)
Warn:RecordFetchError EQUATE (35)
Warn:ViewOpenError EQUATE (36)
Warn:NewRecordAdded EQUATE (37)
Warn:RIFormUpdateError EQUATE (38)
```

!Browse Related Equates

```
ScrollSort:Alpha EQUATE(' AFANATB BFBNBTC CFCNCT'|
&'D DFDNDTE EFENETF FFFNFT'|
&'G GFGNGTH HFGNHTI IFINIT'|
&'J JFJNJTK KFKNKTL LFLNLT'|
&'M MEMNMTN NFNNTTO OFONOT'|
&'P PFPNPTQ QNR RFRNRTS SF'|
&'SNSTT TFTNTTU UFUNUTV VF'|
&'VNVTW WFWNWTX XFXNXTY YF'|
&'YNYTZ ZN')
```

```
ScrollSort:Name EQUATE(' ALBAMEARNBAKBATBENBIABOBBRA'|
&'BROBUACACCARCENCHRCOECONCORCRU'|
&'DASDELADIADONDURELDEVEFELFISFLO'|
```



```
&'FREFUTGARGIBGOLGOSGREGUTHAMHEM'|
&'HOBHOTINGJASJONKAGKEAKIRKORKYO'|
&'LATLEOLIGLOUMACMAQMARMAUMCKMER'|
&'MILMONMORNATNOLOKEPAGPAUPETPIN'|
&'PORPULRAUREYROBROSRUBSALSCASCH'|
&'SCRSHASIGSKISNASOUSTESTISUNTAY'|
&'TIRTUCVANWACWASWEIWIEWIMWOLYOR')
```

```
ScrollSort:AllowAlpha EQUATE(1)
ScrollSort:AllowAlt EQUATE(2)
ScrollSort:AllowNumeric EQUATE(4)
ScrollSort:CaseSensitive EQUATE(8)
```

```
SortRequest:SelectSort EQUATE(1)
SortRequest:Reset EQUATE(2)
SortRequest:LocateRecord EQUATE(3)
```

```
SortResult:Changed EQUATE(1)
SortResult:OK EQUATE(2)
LocateOnPosition EQUATE(1)
LocateOnValue EQUATE(2)
LocateOnEdit EQUATE(3)
FillBackward EQUATE(1)
FillForward EQUATE(2)
RefreshOnPosition EQUATE(1)
RefreshOnQueue EQUATE(2)
RefreshOnTop EQUATE(3)
RefreshOnBottom EQUATE(4)
RefreshOnCurrent EQUATE(5)
```

!Report Related Equates

```
EVENT:Preview:Print EQUATE (401H)
EVENT:Preview:Cancel EQUATE (402H)
EVENT:Preview:Zoom EQUATE (403H)
EVENT:Preview:NextPage EQUATE (404H)
EVENT:Preview:PrevPage EQUATE (405H)
EVENT:Preview:Jump EQUATE (406h)
EVENT:Preview:ChangeDisplay EQUATE (407H)
EVENT:Preview:DisableNext EQUATE (450h)
EVENT:Preview:EnableNext EQUATE (451h)
```

EVENT:Preview:DisablePrev EQUATE (452h)

EVENT:Preview:EnablePrev EQUATE (453h)

EVENT:Preview:DirectZoom EQUATE (454h)

EVENT:Preview:DirectUnzoom EQUATE (455h)

Preview:OutOfPagesText EQUATE ('There are no more pages to display')

Preview:OutOfPagesHead EQUATE ('End of Report')

Preview:DisplayText EQUATE (1)

Preview:DisplayIcons EQUATE (2)

Preview:DisplayAll EQUATE (3)

## Keycode Equates List

Keycode equate labels assign mnemonic labels to Clarion keycodes. The keycode equates file (KEYCODES.CLW) is a Clarion source file which contains an EQUATE statement for each keycode. This file is located in the install \LIBSRC directory.

It may be merged into a source PROGRAM by placing the following statement in the global data section:

```
INCLUDE ( 'KEYCODES.CLW' )
```

This file contains EQUATE statements for most of the keycodes supported by Windows. These keycode EQUATES are used for greater code readability wherever you need to set or compare keyboard input.

```
Key0 EQUATE (0030H) !0 Key
Key1 EQUATE (0031H) !1 Key
Key2 EQUATE (0032H) !2 Key
Key3 EQUATE (0033H) !3 Key
Key4 EQUATE (0034H) !4 Key
Key5 EQUATE (0035H) !5 Key
Key6 EQUATE (0036H) !6 Key
Key7 EQUATE (0037H) !7 Key
Key8 EQUATE (0038H) !8 Key
Key9 EQUATE (0039H) !9 Key
```

```
AKey EQUATE (0041H) !A Key
BKey EQUATE (0042H) !B Key
CKey EQUATE (0043H) !C Key
DKey EQUATE (0044H) !D Key
EKey EQUATE (0045H) !E Key
FKey EQUATE (0046H) !F Key
GKey EQUATE (0047H) !G Key
HKey EQUATE (0048H) !H Key
IKey EQUATE (0049H) !I Key
JKey EQUATE (004AH) !J Key
KKey EQUATE (004BH) !K Key
LKey EQUATE (004CH) !L Key
MKey EQUATE (004DH) !M Key
NKey EQUATE (004EH) !N Key
OKey EQUATE (004FH) !O Key
PKey EQUATE (0050H) !P Key
QKey EQUATE (0051H) !Q Key
RKey EQUATE (0052H) !R Key
```

```
SKey EQUATE(0053H) !S Key
TKey EQUATE(0054H) !T Key
UKey EQUATE(0055H) !U Key
VKey EQUATE(0056H) !V Key
WKey EQUATE(0057H) !W Key
XKey EQUATE(0058H) !X Key
YKey EQUATE(0059H) !Y Key
ZKey EQUATE(005AH) !Z Key
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F1Key EQUATE(0070H) !F1 Key
F2Key EQUATE(0071H) !F2 Key
F3Key EQUATE(0072H) !F3 Key
F4Key EQUATE(0073H) !F4 Key
F5Key EQUATE(0074H) !F5 Key
F6Key EQUATE(0075H) !F6 Key
F7Key EQUATE(0076H) !F7 Key
F8Key EQUATE(0077H) !F8 Key
F9Key EQUATE(0078H) !F9 Key
F10Key EQUATE(0079H) !F10 Key
F11Key EQUATE(007AH) !F11 Key
F12Key EQUATE(007BH) !F12 Key
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AstKey EQUATE(006AH) !Asterisk Key
BSKey EQUATE(0008H) !Backspace Key
CapsLockKey EQUATE(0014H) !CapsLock Key
DecimalKey EQUATE(006EH) !Decimal Key
DeleteKey EQUATE(002EH) !Delete Key
DownKey EQUATE(0028H) !Cursor Down Key
EndKey EQUATE(0023H) !End Key
EnterKey EQUATE(000DH) !Enter Key
EscKey EQUATE(001BH) !Esc Key
HomeKey EQUATE(0024H) !Home Key
InsertKey EQUATE(002DH) !Insert Key
LeftKey EQUATE(0025H) !Cursor Left Key
MinusKey EQUATE(006DH) !Minus Key
PauseKey EQUATE(0013H) !Pause Key
PgDnKey EQUATE(0022H) !PgDn Key
PgUpKey EQUATE(0021H) !PgUp Key
PlusKey EQUATE(006BH) !Plus Key
PrintKey EQUATE(002CH) !PrintScreen Key
RightKey EQUATE(0027H) !Cursor Right Key
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SlashKey EQUATE(006FH) !Slash Key
SpaceKey EQUATE(0020H) !Spacebar
TabKey EQUATE(0009H) !Tab Key
UpKey EQUATE(0026H) !Cursor Up Key

KeyPad0 EQUATE(0060H) !0 on numeric keypad
KeyPad1 EQUATE(0061H) !1 on numeric keypad
KeyPad2 EQUATE(0062H) !2 on numeric keypad
KeyPad3 EQUATE(0063H) !3 on numeric keypad
KeyPad4 EQUATE(0064H) !4 on numeric keypad
KeyPad5 EQUATE(0065H) !5 on numeric keypad
KeyPad6 EQUATE(0066H) !6 on numeric keypad
KeyPad7 EQUATE(0067H) !7 on numeric keypad
KeyPad8 EQUATE(0068H) !8 on numeric keypad
KeyPad9 EQUATE(0069H) !9 on numeric keypad

MouseLeft EQUATE(0001H) !Left mouse button
MouseRight EQUATE(0002H) !Right mouse button
MouseCenter EQUATE(0003H) !Middle mouse button
MouseLeft2 EQUATE(0005H) !Left mouse double-click
MouseRight2 EQUATE(0006H) !Right mouse double-click
MouseCenter2 EQUATE(0007H) !Middle mouse double-click
MouseLeftUp EQUATE(0081H) !Left mouse button release
MouseRightUp EQUATE(0082H) !Right mouse button release
MouseCenterUp EQUATE(0083H) !Middle mouse button release

Alt0 EQUATE(0430H) !Alt-0 Key
Alt1 EQUATE(0431H) !Alt-1 Key
Alt2 EQUATE(0432H) !Alt-2 Key
Alt3 EQUATE(0433H) !Alt-3 Key
Alt4 EQUATE(0434H) !Alt-4 Key
Alt5 EQUATE(0435H) !Alt-5 Key
Alt6 EQUATE(0436H) !Alt-6 Key
Alt7 EQUATE(0437H) !Alt-7 Key
Alt8 EQUATE(0438H) !Alt-8 Key
Alt9 EQUATE(0439H) !Alt-9 Key

AltA EQUATE(0441H) !Alt-A Key
AltB EQUATE(0442H) !Alt-B Key
AltC EQUATE(0443H) !Alt-C Key
AltD EQUATE(0444H) !Alt-D Key
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AltE EQUATE(0445H) !Alt-E Key  
AltF EQUATE(0446H) !Alt-F Key  
AltG EQUATE(0447H) !Alt-G Key  
AltH EQUATE(0448H) !Alt-H Key  
AltI EQUATE(0449H) !Alt-I Key  
AltJ EQUATE(044AH) !Alt-J Key  
AltK EQUATE(044BH) !Alt-K Key  
AltL EQUATE(044CH) !Alt-L Key  
AltM EQUATE(044DH) !Alt-M Key  
AltN EQUATE(044EH) !Alt-N Key  
AltO EQUATE(044FH) !Alt-O Key  
AltP EQUATE(0450H) !Alt-P Key  
AltQ EQUATE(0451H) !Alt-Q Key  
AltR EQUATE(0452H) !Alt-R Key  
AltS EQUATE(0453H) !Alt-S Key  
AltT EQUATE(0454H) !Alt-T Key  
AltU EQUATE(0455H) !Alt-U Key  
AltV EQUATE(0456H) !Alt-V Key  
AltW EQUATE(0457H) !Alt-W Key  
AltX EQUATE(0458H) !Alt-X Key  
AltY EQUATE(0459H) !Alt-Y Key  
AltZ EQUATE(045AH) !Alt-Z Key

AltF1 EQUATE(0470H) !Alt-F1 Key  
AltF2 EQUATE(0471H) !Alt-F2 Key  
AltF3 EQUATE(0472H) !Alt-F3 Key  
AltF4 EQUATE(0473H) !Alt-F4 Key  
AltF5 EQUATE(0474H) !Alt-F5 Key  
AltF6 EQUATE(0475H) !Alt-F6 Key  
AltF7 EQUATE(0476H) !Alt-F7 Key  
AltF8 EQUATE(0477H) !Alt-F8 Key  
AltF9 EQUATE(0478H) !Alt-F9 Key  
AltF10 EQUATE(0479H) !Alt-F10 Key  
AltF11 EQUATE(047AH) !Alt-F11 Key  
AltF12 EQUATE(047BH) !Alt-F12 Key

AltAst EQUATE(046AH) !Alt-Asterisk Key  
AltBS EQUATE(0408H) !Alt-Backspace Key  
AltDecimal EQUATE(046EH) !Alt-Decimal Key  
AltDelete EQUATE(042EH) !Alt-Delete Key  
AltDown EQUATE(0428H) !Alt-Cursor Down Key

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AltEnd EQUATE(0423H) !Alt-End Key
AltEnter EQUATE(040DH) !Alt-Enter Key
AltEsc EQUATE(041BH) !Alt-Esc Key
AltHome EQUATE(0424H) !Alt-Home Key
AltInsert EQUATE(042DH) !Alt-Insert Key
AltLeft EQUATE(0425H) !Alt-Cursor Left Key
AltMinus EQUATE(046DH) !Alt-Minus Key
AltPause EQUATE(0413H) !Alt-Pause Key
AltPgDn EQUATE(0422H) !Alt-PgDn Key
AltPgUp EQUATE(0421H) !Alt-PgUp Key
AltPlus EQUATE(046BH) !Alt-Plus Key
AltPrint EQUATE(042CH) !Alt-PrintScreen Key
AltRight EQUATE(0427H) !Alt-Cursor Right Key
AltSlash EQUATE(046FH) !Alt-Slash Key
AltSpace EQUATE(0420H) !Alt-Spacebar
AltTab EQUATE(0409H) !Alt-Tab Key
AltUp EQUATE(0426H) !Alt-Cursor Up Key

AltPad0 EQUATE(0460H) !Alt-0 on numeric keypad
AltPad1 EQUATE(0461H) !Alt-1 on numeric keypad
AltPad2 EQUATE(0462H) !Alt-2 on numeric keypad
AltPad3 EQUATE(0463H) !Alt-3 on numeric keypad
AltPad4 EQUATE(0464H) !Alt-4 on numeric keypad
AltPad5 EQUATE(0465H) !Alt-5 on numeric keypad
AltPad6 EQUATE(0466H) !Alt-6 on numeric keypad
AltPad7 EQUATE(0467H) !Alt-7 on numeric keypad
AltPad8 EQUATE(0468H) !Alt-8 on numeric keypad
AltPad9 EQUATE(0469H) !Alt-9 on numeric keypad

AltMouseLeft EQUATE(0401H) !Alt-Left mouse button
AltMouseRight EQUATE(0402H) !Alt-Right mouse button
AltMouseCenter EQUATE(0403H) !Alt-Middle mouse button
AltMouseLeft2 EQUATE(0405H) !Alt-Left mouse double-click
AltMouseRight2 EQUATE(0406H) !Alt-Right mouse double-click
AltMouseCenter2 EQUATE(0407H) !Alt-Middle mouse double-click

Ctrl0 EQUATE(0230H) !Ctrl-0 Key
Ctrl1 EQUATE(0231H) !Ctrl-1 Key
Ctrl2 EQUATE(0232H) !Ctrl-2 Key
Ctrl3 EQUATE(0233H) !Ctrl-3 Key
Ctrl4 EQUATE(0234H) !Ctrl-4 Key
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Ctrl5 EQUATE(0235H) !Ctrl-5 Key  
Ctrl6 EQUATE(0236H) !Ctrl-6 Key  
Ctrl7 EQUATE(0237H) !Ctrl-7 Key  
Ctrl8 EQUATE(0238H) !Ctrl-8 Key  
Ctrl9 EQUATE(0239H) !Ctrl-9 Key

CtrlA EQUATE(0241H) !Ctrl-A Key  
CtrlB EQUATE(0242H) !Ctrl-B Key  
CtrlC EQUATE(0243H) !Ctrl-C Key  
CtrlD EQUATE(0244H) !Ctrl-D Key  
CtrlE EQUATE(0245H) !Ctrl-E Key  
CtrlF EQUATE(0246H) !Ctrl-F Key  
CtrlG EQUATE(0247H) !Ctrl-G Key  
CtrlH EQUATE(0248H) !Ctrl-H Key  
CtrlI EQUATE(0249H) !Ctrl-I Key  
CtrlJ EQUATE(024AH) !Ctrl-J Key  
CtrlK EQUATE(024BH) !Ctrl-K Key  
CtrlL EQUATE(024CH) !Ctrl-L Key  
CtrlM EQUATE(024DH) !Ctrl-M Key  
CtrlN EQUATE(024EH) !Ctrl-N Key  
CtrlO EQUATE(024FH) !Ctrl-O Key  
CtrlP EQUATE(0250H) !Ctrl-P Key  
CtrlQ EQUATE(0251H) !Ctrl-Q Key  
CtrlR EQUATE(0252H) !Ctrl-R Key  
CtrlS EQUATE(0253H) !Ctrl-S Key  
CtrlT EQUATE(0254H) !Ctrl-T Key  
CtrlU EQUATE(0255H) !Ctrl-U Key  
CtrlV EQUATE(0256H) !Ctrl-V Key  
CtrlW EQUATE(0257H) !Ctrl-W Key  
CtrlX EQUATE(0258H) !Ctrl-X Key  
CtrlY EQUATE(0259H) !Ctrl-Y Key  
CtrlZ EQUATE(025AH) !Ctrl-Z Key

CtrlF1 EQUATE(0270H) !Ctrl-F1 Key  
CtrlF2 EQUATE(0271H) !Ctrl-F2 Key  
CtrlF3 EQUATE(0272H) !Ctrl-F3 Key  
CtrlF4 EQUATE(0273H) !Ctrl-F4 Key  
CtrlF5 EQUATE(0274H) !Ctrl-F5 Key  
CtrlF6 EQUATE(0275H) !Ctrl-F6 Key  
CtrlF7 EQUATE(0276H) !Ctrl-F7 Key  
CtrlF8 EQUATE(0277H) !Ctrl-F8 Key



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CtrlF9 EQUATE(0278H) !Ctrl-F9 Key
CtrlF10 EQUATE(0279H) !Ctrl-F10 Key
CtrlF11 EQUATE(027AH) !Ctrl-F11 Key
CtrlF12 EQUATE(027BH) !Ctrl-F12 Key

CtrlAst EQUATE(026AH) !Ctrl-Asterisk Key
CtrlBS EQUATE(0208H) !Ctrl-Backspace Key
CtrlDecimal EQUATE(026EH) !Ctrl-Decimal Key
CtrlDelete EQUATE(022EH) !Ctrl-Delete Key
CtrlDown EQUATE(0228H) !Ctrl-Cursor Down Key
CtrlEnd EQUATE(0223H) !Ctrl-End Key
CtrlEnter EQUATE(020DH) !Ctrl-Enter Key
CtrlEsc EQUATE(021BH) !Ctrl-Esc Key
CtrlHome EQUATE(0224H) !Ctrl-Home Key
CtrlInsert EQUATE(022DH) !Ctrl-Insert Key
CtrlLeft EQUATE(0225H) !Ctrl-Cursor Left Key
CtrlMinus EQUATE(026DH) !Ctrl-Minus Key
CtrlPause EQUATE(0213H) !Ctrl-Pause Key
CtrlPgDn EQUATE(0222H) !Ctrl-PgDn Key
CtrlPgUp EQUATE(0221H) !Ctrl-PgUp Key
CtrlPlus EQUATE(026BH) !Ctrl-Plus Key
CtrlPrint EQUATE(022CH) !Ctrl-PrintScreen Key
CtrlRight EQUATE(0227H) !Ctrl-Cursor Right Key
CtrlSlash EQUATE(026FH) !Ctrl-Slash Key
CtrlSpace EQUATE(0220H) !Ctrl-Spacebar
CtrlTab EQUATE(0209H) !Ctrl-Tab Key
CtrlUp EQUATE(0226H) !Ctrl-Cursor Up Key

CtrlPad0 EQUATE(0260H) !Ctrl-0 on numeric keypad
CtrlPad1 EQUATE(0261H) !Ctrl-1 on numeric keypad
CtrlPad2 EQUATE(0262H) !Ctrl-2 on numeric keypad
CtrlPad3 EQUATE(0263H) !Ctrl-3 on numeric keypad
CtrlPad4 EQUATE(0264H) !Ctrl-4 on numeric keypad
CtrlPad5 EQUATE(0265H) !Ctrl-5 on numeric keypad
CtrlPad6 EQUATE(0266H) !Ctrl-6 on numeric keypad
CtrlPad7 EQUATE(0267H) !Ctrl-7 on numeric keypad
CtrlPad8 EQUATE(0268H) !Ctrl-8 on numeric keypad
CtrlPad9 EQUATE(0269H) !Ctrl-9 on numeric keypad

CtrlMouseLeft EQUATE(0201H) !Ctrl-Left mouse button
CtrlMouseRight EQUATE(0202H) !Ctrl-Right mouse button
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CtrlMouseCenter EQUATE(0203H) !Ctrl-Middle mouse button
CtrlMouseLeft2 EQUATE(0205H) !Ctrl-Left mouse double-click
CtrlMouseRight2 EQUATE(0206H) !Ctrl-Right mouse double-click
CtrlMouseCenter2 EQUATE(0207H) !Ctrl-Middle mouse double-click
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Shift0 EQUATE(0130H) !Shift-0 Key
Shift1 EQUATE(0131H) !Shift-1 Key
Shift2 EQUATE(0132H) !Shift-2 Key
Shift3 EQUATE(0133H) !Shift-3 Key
Shift4 EQUATE(0134H) !Shift-4 Key
Shift5 EQUATE(0135H) !Shift-5 Key
Shift6 EQUATE(0136H) !Shift-6 Key
Shift7 EQUATE(0137H) !Shift-7 Key
Shift8 EQUATE(0138H) !Shift-8 Key
Shift9 EQUATE(0139H) !Shift-9 Key
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ShiftA EQUATE(0141H) !Shift-A Key
ShiftB EQUATE(0142H) !Shift-B Key
ShiftC EQUATE(0143H) !Shift-C Key
ShiftD EQUATE(0144H) !Shift-D Key
ShiftE EQUATE(0145H) !Shift-E Key
ShiftF EQUATE(0146H) !Shift-F Key
ShiftG EQUATE(0147H) !Shift-G Key
ShiftH EQUATE(0148H) !Shift-H Key
ShiftI EQUATE(0149H) !Shift-I Key
ShiftJ EQUATE(014AH) !Shift-J Key
ShiftK EQUATE(014BH) !Shift-K Key
ShiftL EQUATE(014CH) !Shift-L Key
ShiftM EQUATE(014DH) !Shift-M Key
ShiftN EQUATE(014EH) !Shift-N Key
ShiftO EQUATE(014FH) !Shift-O Key
ShiftP EQUATE(0150H) !Shift-P Key
ShiftQ EQUATE(0151H) !Shift-Q Key
ShiftR EQUATE(0152H) !Shift-R Key
ShiftS EQUATE(0153H) !Shift-S Key
ShiftT EQUATE(0154H) !Shift-T Key
ShiftU EQUATE(0155H) !Shift-U Key
ShiftV EQUATE(0156H) !Shift-V Key
ShiftW EQUATE(0157H) !Shift-W Key
ShiftX EQUATE(0158H) !Shift-X Key
ShiftY EQUATE(0159H) !Shift-Y Key
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ShiftZ EQUATE(015AH) !Shift-Z Key

ShiftF1 EQUATE(0170H) !Shift-F1 Key

ShiftF2 EQUATE(0171H) !Shift-F2 Key

ShiftF3 EQUATE(0172H) !Shift-F3 Key

ShiftF4 EQUATE(0173H) !Shift-F4 Key

ShiftF5 EQUATE(0174H) !Shift-F5 Key

ShiftF6 EQUATE(0175H) !Shift-F6 Key

ShiftF7 EQUATE(0176H) !Shift-F7 Key

ShiftF8 EQUATE(0177H) !Shift-F8 Key

ShiftF9 EQUATE(0178H) !Shift-F9 Key

ShiftF10 EQUATE(0179H) !Shift-F10 Key

ShiftF11 EQUATE(017AH) !Shift-F11 Key

ShiftF12 EQUATE(017BH) !Shift-F12 Key

ShiftAst EQUATE(016AH) !Shift-Asterisk Key

ShiftBS EQUATE(0108H) !Shift-Backspace Key

ShiftDecimal EQUATE(016EH) !Shift-Decimal Key

ShiftDelete EQUATE(012EH) !Shift-Delete Key

ShiftDown EQUATE(0128H) !Shift-Cursor Down Key

ShiftEnd EQUATE(0123H) !Shift-End Key

ShiftEnter EQUATE(010DH) !Shift-Enter Key

ShiftEsc EQUATE(011BH) !Shift-Esc Key

ShiftHome EQUATE(0124H) !Shift-Home Key

ShiftInsert EQUATE(012DH) !Shift-Insert Key

ShiftLeft EQUATE(0125H) !Shift-Cursor Left Key

ShiftMinus EQUATE(016DH) !Shift-Minus Key

ShiftPause EQUATE(0113H) !Shift-Pause Key

ShiftPgDn EQUATE(0122H) !Shift-PgDn Key

ShiftPgUp EQUATE(0121H) !Shift-PgUp Key

ShiftPlus EQUATE(016BH) !Shift-Plus Key

ShiftPrint EQUATE(012CH) !Shift-PrintScreen Key

ShiftRight EQUATE(0127H) !Shift-Cursor Right Key

ShiftSlash EQUATE(016FH) !Shift-Slash Key

ShiftSpace EQUATE(0120H) !Shift-Spacebar

ShiftTab EQUATE(0109H) !Shift-Tab Key

ShiftUp EQUATE(0126H) !Shift-Cursor Up Key

ShiftPad0 EQUATE(0160H) !Shift-0 on numeric keypad

ShiftPad1 EQUATE(0161H) !Shift-1 on numeric keypad

ShiftPad2 EQUATE(0162H) !Shift-2 on numeric keypad

ShiftPad3 EQUATE(0163H) !Shift-3 on numeric keypad  
ShiftPad4 EQUATE(0164H) !Shift-4 on numeric keypad  
ShiftPad5 EQUATE(0165H) !Shift-5 on numeric keypad  
ShiftPad6 EQUATE(0166H) !Shift-6 on numeric keypad  
ShiftPad7 EQUATE(0167H) !Shift-7 on numeric keypad  
ShiftPad8 EQUATE(0168H) !Shift-8 on numeric keypad  
ShiftPad9 EQUATE(0169H) !Shift-9 on numeric keypad

ShiftMouseLeft EQUATE(0101H) !Shift-Left mouse button  
ShiftMouseRight EQUATE(0102H) !Shift-Right mouse button  
ShiftMouseCenter EQUATE(0103H) !Shift-Middle mouse button  
ShiftMouseLeft2 EQUATE(0105H) !Shift-Left mouse double-click  
ShiftMouseRight2 EQUATE(0106H) !Shift-Right mouse double-click  
ShiftMouseCenter2 EQUATE(0107H) !Shift-Middle mouse double-click

AltShift0 EQUATE(0530H) !Alt-Shift-0 Key  
AltShift1 EQUATE(0531H) !Alt-Shift-1 Key  
AltShift2 EQUATE(0532H) !Alt-Shift-2 Key  
AltShift3 EQUATE(0533H) !Alt-Shift-3 Key  
AltShift4 EQUATE(0534H) !Alt-Shift-4 Key  
AltShift5 EQUATE(0535H) !Alt-Shift-5 Key  
AltShift6 EQUATE(0536H) !Alt-Shift-6 Key  
AltShift7 EQUATE(0537H) !Alt-Shift-7 Key  
AltShift8 EQUATE(0538H) !Alt-Shift-8 Key  
AltShift9 EQUATE(0539H) !Alt-Shift-9 Key

AltShiftA EQUATE(0541H) !Alt-Shift-A Key  
AltShiftB EQUATE(0542H) !Alt-Shift-B Key  
AltShiftC EQUATE(0543H) !Alt-Shift-C Key  
AltShiftD EQUATE(0544H) !Alt-Shift-D Key  
AltShiftE EQUATE(0545H) !Alt-Shift-E Key  
AltShiftF EQUATE(0546H) !Alt-Shift-F Key  
AltShiftG EQUATE(0547H) !Alt-Shift-G Key  
AltShiftH EQUATE(0548H) !Alt-Shift-H Key  
AltShiftI EQUATE(0549H) !Alt-Shift-I Key  
AltShiftJ EQUATE(054AH) !Alt-Shift-J Key  
AltShiftK EQUATE(054BH) !Alt-Shift-K Key  
AltShiftL EQUATE(054CH) !Alt-Shift-L Key  
AltShiftM EQUATE(054DH) !Alt-Shift-M Key  
AltShiftN EQUATE(054EH) !Alt-Shift-N Key

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AltShiftO EQUATE(054FH) !Alt-Shift-O Key
AltShiftP EQUATE(0550H) !Alt-Shift-P Key
AltShiftQ EQUATE(0551H) !Alt-Shift-Q Key
AltShiftR EQUATE(0552H) !Alt-Shift-R Key
AltShiftS EQUATE(0553H) !Alt-Shift-S Key
AltShiftT EQUATE(0554H) !Alt-Shift-T Key
AltShiftU EQUATE(0555H) !Alt-Shift-U Key
AltShiftV EQUATE(0556H) !Alt-Shift-V Key
AltShiftW EQUATE(0557H) !Alt-Shift-W Key
AltShiftX EQUATE(0558H) !Alt-Shift-X Key
AltShiftY EQUATE(0559H) !Alt-Shift-Y Key
AltShiftZ EQUATE(055AH) !Alt-Shift-Z Key
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AltShiftF1 EQUATE(0570H) !Alt-Shift-F1 Key
AltShiftF2 EQUATE(0571H) !Alt-Shift-F2 Key
AltShiftF3 EQUATE(0572H) !Alt-Shift-F3 Key
AltShiftF4 EQUATE(0573H) !Alt-Shift-F4 Key
AltShiftF5 EQUATE(0574H) !Alt-Shift-F5 Key
AltShiftF6 EQUATE(0575H) !Alt-Shift-F6 Key
AltShiftF7 EQUATE(0576H) !Alt-Shift-F7 Key
AltShiftF8 EQUATE(0577H) !Alt-Shift-F8 Key
AltShiftF9 EQUATE(0578H) !Alt-Shift-F9 Key
AltShiftF10 EQUATE(0579H) !Alt-Shift-F10 Key
AltShiftF11 EQUATE(057AH) !Alt-Shift-F11 Key
AltShiftF12 EQUATE(057BH) !Alt-Shift-F12 Key
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AltShiftAst EQUATE(056AH) !Alt-Shift-Asterisk Key
AltShiftBS EQUATE(0508H) !Alt-Shift-Backspace Key
AltShiftDecimal EQUATE(056EH) !Alt-Shift-Decimal Key
AltShiftDelete EQUATE(052EH) !Alt-Shift-Delete Key
AltShiftDown EQUATE(0528H) !Alt-Shift-Cursor Down Key
AltShiftEnd EQUATE(0523H) !Alt-Shift-End Key
AltShiftEnter EQUATE(050DH) !Alt-Shift-Enter Key
AltShiftEsc EQUATE(051BH) !Alt-Shift-Esc Key
AltShiftHome EQUATE(0524H) !Alt-Shift-Home Key
AltShiftInsert EQUATE(052DH) !Alt-Shift-Insert Key
AltShiftLeft EQUATE(0525H) !Alt-Shift-Cursor Left Key
AltShiftMinus EQUATE(056DH) !Alt-Shift-Minus Key
AltShiftPause EQUATE(0513H) !Alt-Shift-Pause Key
AltShiftPgDn EQUATE(0522H) !Alt-Shift-PgDn Key
AltShiftPgUp EQUATE(0521H) !Alt-Shift-PgUp Key
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AltShiftPlus EQUATE(056BH) !Alt-Shift-Plus Key
AltShiftPrint EQUATE(052CH) !Alt-Shift-PrintScreen Key
AltShiftRight EQUATE(0527H) !Alt-Shift-Cursor Right Key
AltShiftSlash EQUATE(056FH) !Alt-Shift-Slash Key
AltShiftSpace EQUATE(0520H) !Alt-Shift-Spacebar
AltShiftTab EQUATE(0509H) !Alt-Shift-Tab Key
AltShiftUp EQUATE(0526H) !Alt-Shift-Cursor Up Key
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AltShiftPad0 EQUATE(0560H) !Alt-Shift-0 on numeric keypad
AltShiftPad1 EQUATE(0561H) !Alt-Shift-1 on numeric keypad
AltShiftPad2 EQUATE(0562H) !Alt-Shift-2 on numeric keypad
AltShiftPad3 EQUATE(0563H) !Alt-Shift-3 on numeric keypad
AltShiftPad4 EQUATE(0564H) !Alt-Shift-4 on numeric keypad
AltShiftPad5 EQUATE(0565H) !Alt-Shift-5 on numeric keypad
AltShiftPad6 EQUATE(0566H) !Alt-Shift-6 on numeric keypad
AltShiftPad7 EQUATE(0567H) !Alt-Shift-7 on numeric keypad
AltShiftPad8 EQUATE(0568H) !Alt-Shift-8 on numeric keypad
AltShiftPad9 EQUATE(0569H) !Alt-Shift-9 on numeric keypad
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AltShiftMouseLeft EQUATE(0501H) !Alt-Shift-Left mouse button
AltShiftMouseRight EQUATE(0502H) !Alt-Shift-Right mouse button
AltShiftMouseCenter EQUATE(0503H) !Alt-Shift-Middle mouse button
AltShiftMouseLeft2 EQUATE(0505H) !Alt-Shift-Left mouse double-click
AltShiftMouseRight2 EQUATE(0506H) !Alt-Shift-Right mouse double-click
AltShiftMouseCenter2 EQUATE(0507H) !Alt-Shift-Middle mouse double-click
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CtrlShift0 EQUATE(0330H) !Ctrl-Shift-0 Key
CtrlShift1 EQUATE(0331H) !Ctrl-Shift-1 Key
CtrlShift2 EQUATE(0332H) !Ctrl-Shift-2 Key
CtrlShift3 EQUATE(0333H) !Ctrl-Shift-3 Key
CtrlShift4 EQUATE(0334H) !Ctrl-Shift-4 Key
CtrlShift5 EQUATE(0335H) !Ctrl-Shift-5 Key
CtrlShift6 EQUATE(0336H) !Ctrl-Shift-6 Key
CtrlShift7 EQUATE(0337H) !Ctrl-Shift-7 Key
CtrlShift8 EQUATE(0338H) !Ctrl-Shift-8 Key
CtrlShift9 EQUATE(0339H) !Ctrl-Shift-9 Key
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CtrlShiftA EQUATE(0341H) !Ctrl-Shift-A Key
CtrlShiftB EQUATE(0342H) !Ctrl-Shift-B Key
CtrlShiftC EQUATE(0343H) !Ctrl-Shift-C Key
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CtrlShiftD EQUATE(0344H) !Ctrl-Shift-D Key
CtrlShiftE EQUATE(0345H) !Ctrl-Shift-E Key
CtrlShiftF EQUATE(0346H) !Ctrl-Shift-F Key
CtrlShiftG EQUATE(0347H) !Ctrl-Shift-G Key
CtrlShiftH EQUATE(0348H) !Ctrl-Shift-H Key
CtrlShiftI EQUATE(0349H) !Ctrl-Shift-I Key
CtrlShiftJ EQUATE(034AH) !Ctrl-Shift-J Key
CtrlShiftK EQUATE(034BH) !Ctrl-Shift-K Key
CtrlShiftL EQUATE(034CH) !Ctrl-Shift-L Key
CtrlShiftM EQUATE(034DH) !Ctrl-Shift-M Key
CtrlShiftN EQUATE(034EH) !Ctrl-Shift-N Key
CtrlShiftO EQUATE(034FH) !Ctrl-Shift-O Key
CtrlShiftP EQUATE(0350H) !Ctrl-Shift-P Key
CtrlShiftQ EQUATE(0351H) !Ctrl-Shift-Q Key
CtrlShiftR EQUATE(0352H) !Ctrl-Shift-R Key
CtrlShiftS EQUATE(0353H) !Ctrl-Shift-S Key
CtrlShiftT EQUATE(0354H) !Ctrl-Shift-T Key
CtrlShiftU EQUATE(0355H) !Ctrl-Shift-U Key
CtrlShiftV EQUATE(0356H) !Ctrl-Shift-V Key
CtrlShiftW EQUATE(0357H) !Ctrl-Shift-W Key
CtrlShiftX EQUATE(0358H) !Ctrl-Shift-X Key
CtrlShiftY EQUATE(0359H) !Ctrl-Shift-Y Key
CtrlShiftZ EQUATE(035AH) !Ctrl-Shift-Z Key
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CtrlShiftF4 EQUATE(0373H) !Ctrl-Shift-F4 Key
CtrlShiftF5 EQUATE(0374H) !Ctrl-Shift-F5 Key
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CtrlShiftF7 EQUATE(0376H) !Ctrl-Shift-F7 Key
CtrlShiftF8 EQUATE(0377H) !Ctrl-Shift-F8 Key
CtrlShiftF9 EQUATE(0378H) !Ctrl-Shift-F9 Key
CtrlShiftF10 EQUATE(0379H) !Ctrl-Shift-F10 Key
CtrlShiftF11 EQUATE(037AH) !Ctrl-Shift-F11 Key
CtrlShiftF12 EQUATE(037BH) !Ctrl-Shift-F12 Key
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CtrlShiftBS EQUATE(0308H) !Ctrl-Shift-Backspace Key
CtrlShiftDecimal EQUATE(036EH) !Ctrl-Shift-Decimal Key
CtrlShiftDelete EQUATE(032EH) !Ctrl-Shift-Delete Key
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CtrlShiftDown EQUATE(0328H) !Ctrl-Shift-Cursor Down Key  
CtrlShiftEnd EQUATE(0323H) !Ctrl-Shift-End Key  
CtrlShiftEnter EQUATE(030DH) !Ctrl-Shift-Enter Key  
CtrlShiftEsc EQUATE(031BH) !Ctrl-Shift-Esc Key  
CtrlShiftHome EQUATE(0324H) !Ctrl-Shift-Home Key  
CtrlShiftInsert EQUATE(032DH) !Ctrl-Shift-Insert Key  
CtrlShiftLeft EQUATE(0325H) !Ctrl-Shift-Cursor Left Key  
CtrlShiftMinus EQUATE(036DH) !Ctrl-Shift-Minus Key  
CtrlShiftPause EQUATE(0313H) !Ctrl-Shift-Pause Key  
CtrlShiftPgDn EQUATE(0322H) !Ctrl-Shift-PgDn Key  
CtrlShiftPgUp EQUATE(0321H) !Ctrl-Shift-PgUp Key  
CtrlShiftPlus EQUATE(036BH) !Ctrl-Shift-Plus Key  
CtrlShiftPrint EQUATE(032CH) !Ctrl-Shift-PrintScreen Key  
CtrlShiftRight EQUATE(0327H) !Ctrl-Shift-Cursor Right Key  
CtrlShiftSlash EQUATE(036FH) !Ctrl-Shift-Slash Key  
CtrlShiftSpace EQUATE(0320H) !Ctrl-Shift-Spacebar  
CtrlShiftTab EQUATE(0309H) !Ctrl-Shift-Tab Key  
CtrlShiftUp EQUATE(0326H) !Ctrl-Shift-Cursor Up Key

CtrlShiftPad0 EQUATE(0360H) !Ctrl-Shift-0 on numeric keypad  
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CtrlShiftPad2 EQUATE(0362H) !Ctrl-Shift-2 on numeric keypad  
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CtrlShiftPad6 EQUATE(0366H) !Ctrl-Shift-6 on numeric keypad  
CtrlShiftPad7 EQUATE(0367H) !Ctrl-Shift-7 on numeric keypad  
CtrlShiftPad8 EQUATE(0368H) !Ctrl-Shift-8 on numeric keypad  
CtrlShiftPad9 EQUATE(0369H) !Ctrl-Shift-9 on numeric keypad

CtrlShiftMouseLeft EQUATE(0301H) !Ctrl-Shift-Left mouse button  
CtrlShiftMouseRight EQUATE(0302H) !Ctrl-Shift-Right mouse button  
CtrlShiftMouseCenter EQUATE(0303H) !Ctrl-Shift-Middle mouse button  
CtrlShiftMouseLeft2 EQUATE(0305H) !Ctrl-Shift-Left mouse double-click  
CtrlShiftMouseRight2 EQUATE(0306H) !Ctrl-Shift-Right mouse double-click  
CtrlShiftMouseCenter2 EQUATE(0307H) !Ctrl-Shift-Middle mouse double-click

CtrlAlt0 EQUATE(0630H) !Ctrl-Alt-0 Key  
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CtrlAlt2 EQUATE(0632H) !Ctrl-Alt-2 Key



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CtrlAlt3 EQUATE(0633H) !Ctrl-Alt-3 Key
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CtrlAlt5 EQUATE(0635H) !Ctrl-Alt-5 Key
CtrlAlt6 EQUATE(0636H) !Ctrl-Alt-6 Key
CtrlAlt7 EQUATE(0637H) !Ctrl-Alt-7 Key
CtrlAlt8 EQUATE(0638H) !Ctrl-Alt-8 Key
CtrlAlt9 EQUATE(0639H) !Ctrl-Alt-9 Key
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CtrlAltH EQUATE(0648H) !Ctrl-Alt-H Key
CtrlAltI EQUATE(0649H) !Ctrl-Alt-I Key
CtrlAltJ EQUATE(064AH) !Ctrl-Alt-J Key
CtrlAltK EQUATE(064BH) !Ctrl-Alt-K Key
CtrlAltL EQUATE(064CH) !Ctrl-Alt-L Key
CtrlAltM EQUATE(064DH) !Ctrl-Alt-M Key
CtrlAltN EQUATE(064EH) !Ctrl-Alt-N Key
CtrlAltO EQUATE(064FH) !Ctrl-Alt-O Key
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CtrlAltT EQUATE(0654H) !Ctrl-Alt-T Key
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CtrlAltV EQUATE(0656H) !Ctrl-Alt-V Key
CtrlAltW EQUATE(0657H) !Ctrl-Alt-W Key
CtrlAltX EQUATE(0658H) !Ctrl-Alt-X Key
CtrlAltY EQUATE(0659H) !Ctrl-Alt-Y Key
CtrlAltZ EQUATE(065AH) !Ctrl-Alt-Z Key
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CtrlAltF1 EQUATE(0670H) !Ctrl-Alt-F1 Key
CtrlAltF2 EQUATE(0671H) !Ctrl-Alt-F2 Key
CtrlAltF3 EQUATE(0672H) !Ctrl-Alt-F3 Key
CtrlAltF4 EQUATE(0673H) !Ctrl-Alt-F4 Key
CtrlAltF5 EQUATE(0674H) !Ctrl-Alt-F5 Key
CtrlAltF6 EQUATE(0675H) !Ctrl-Alt-F6 Key
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CtrlAltF7 EQUATE(0676H) !Ctrl-Alt-F7 Key  
CtrlAltF8 EQUATE(0677H) !Ctrl-Alt-F8 Key  
CtrlAltF9 EQUATE(0678H) !Ctrl-Alt-F9 Key  
CtrlAltF10 EQUATE(0679H) !Ctrl-Alt-F10 Key  
CtrlAltF11 EQUATE(067AH) !Ctrl-Alt-F11 Key  
CtrlAltF12 EQUATE(067BH) !Ctrl-Alt-F12 Key

CtrlAltAst EQUATE(066AH) !Ctrl-Alt-Asterisk Key  
CtrlAltBS EQUATE(0608H) !Ctrl-Alt-Backspace Key  
CtrlAltDecimal EQUATE(066EH) !Ctrl-Alt-Decimal Key  
CtrlAltDelete EQUATE(062EH) !Ctrl-Alt-Delete Key  
CtrlAltDown EQUATE(0628H) !Ctrl-Alt-Cursor Down Key  
CtrlAltEnd EQUATE(0623H) !Ctrl-Alt-End Key  
CtrlAltEnter EQUATE(060DH) !Ctrl-Alt-Enter Key  
CtrlAltEsc EQUATE(061BH) !Ctrl-Alt-Esc Key  
CtrlAltHome EQUATE(0624H) !Ctrl-Alt-Home Key  
CtrlAltInsert EQUATE(062DH) !Ctrl-Alt-Insert Key  
CtrlAltLeft EQUATE(0625H) !Ctrl-Alt-Cursor Left Key  
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CtrlAltPlus EQUATE(066BH) !Ctrl-Alt-Plus Key  
CtrlAltPrint EQUATE(062CH) !Ctrl-Alt-PrintScreen Key  
CtrlAltRight EQUATE(0627H) !Ctrl-Alt-Cursor Right Key  
CtrlAltSlash EQUATE(066FH) !Ctrl-Alt-Slash Key  
CtrlAltSpace EQUATE(0620H) !Ctrl-Alt-Spacebar  
CtrlAltTab EQUATE(0609H) !Ctrl-Alt-Tab Key  
CtrlAltUp EQUATE(0626H) !Ctrl-Alt-Cursor Up Key

CtrlAltPad0 EQUATE(0660H) !Ctrl-Alt-0 on numeric keypad  
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CtrlAltPad4 EQUATE(0664H) !Ctrl-Alt-4 on numeric keypad  
CtrlAltPad5 EQUATE(0665H) !Ctrl-Alt-5 on numeric keypad  
CtrlAltPad6 EQUATE(0666H) !Ctrl-Alt-6 on numeric keypad  
CtrlAltPad7 EQUATE(0667H) !Ctrl-Alt-7 on numeric keypad  
CtrlAltPad8 EQUATE(0668H) !Ctrl-Alt-8 on numeric keypad  
CtrlAltPad9 EQUATE(0669H) !Ctrl-Alt-9 on numeric keypad

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CtrlAltMouseLeft EQUATE(0601H) !Ctrl-Alt-Left mouse button
CtrlAltMouseRight EQUATE(0602H) !Ctrl-Alt-Right mouse button
CtrlAltMouseCenter EQUATE(0603H) !Ctrl-Alt-Middle mouse button
CtrlAltMouseLeft2 EQUATE(0605H) !Ctrl-Alt-Left mouse double-click
CtrlAltMouseRight2 EQUATE(0606H) !Ctrl-Alt-Right mouse double-click
CtrlAltMouseCenter2 EQUATE(0607H) !Ctrl-Alt-Middle mouse double-click
```

## Dictionary Class

The new Clarion threading model dictates that the existing File and Relation Managers use threaded objects (i.e. a new instance on every thread).

One of the effects of this is that the traditional ABC code that initializes both File and Relation Managers (contained in the DctInit generated procedure) now has to be executed whenever a new thread is started. Likewise, the Managers' kill code (traditionally contained in DctKill) must be called whenever a thread is terminated.

To facilitate this, a small globally defined class called **Dictionary** will be generated into every ABC template based application that does not have its global data defined external to the application. (i.e. the File and Relation managers compiled locally). The Dictionary object contains only construct and destruct methods but, more important, it is a *threaded object*.

### Example:

```
Dictionary CLASS,THREAD
Construct    PROCEDURE
Destruct    PROCEDURE
            END
```

```
Dictionary.Construct PROCEDURE
CODE
DctInit()
```

```
Dictionary.Destruct PROCEDURE
CODE
DctKill()
```

This means that the Construct method will be called whenever a new thread comes into existence and the Destruct method will be called whenever a thread is terminated. The constructor calls DctInit and the destructor calls DctKill. Therefore, DctInit is called whenever a thread is started and DctKill is now called whenever a thread is terminated; thus ensuring that threaded File and Relation managers are created and destroyed correctly.

## FileCallbackInterface and DriverOps

The FileCallbackInterface methods are called before and after each file operation. For every FileCallbackInterface registered with a FILE or VIEW the **FileCallbackInterface.FunctionCalled** method is called before the operation (opcode) is performed. If any of these methods return FALSE, then the operation is not executed. After the operation has been called, or would have been called if **FileCallbackInterface.FunctionCalled** did not return FALSE, **FileCallbackInterface.FunctionDone** is called for every registered interface (See CALLBACK).

If either **FileCallbackInterface.FunctionCalled** or **FileCallbackInterface.FunctionDone** returns FALSE:

1. ERRORCODE() will be set to TRIGGERERROR (100)
2. FILEERRORCODE() will be set to the **FileErrCode** parameter of the first method that returned FALSE
3. FILEERROR() will be set to the **FileErrMsg** parameter of the first method that returned FALSE.

A **CSTRING(81)** is passed in FileErrCode and a **CSTRING(256)** is passed in FileErrMsg.

Both of the FileCallbackInterface methods receive an **opCode** and **Parameters**. Parameters are set up to offer different values depending on the particular opCode passed to the method.

The EQUATES.CLW file found in LIBSRC defines valid opCodes using the following format:

### DriverOp:Action

<u>Action</u>	<u>Invoking Statement</u>	<u>Valid Parameters</u>
SEND	SEND(file, str)	Params.Text = str
COPY	COPY(file, str)	Params.Text = str
RENAME	RENAME(file,str)	Params.Text = str
SETNULLS	SETNULLS(file,str)	Params.Text = str
SETProperty	file{property,index} = value	Params.Text = value Params.Property =property Params.Index = index

SETBlobProperty	blob{property} = value	Params.Index = blob number in file definition (1 based) Params.Text = value Params.Property = property
SETKeyProperty	key{property,index} = value	Params.Text = value Params.Property = property Params.Key1 = key Params.Index = index
DOPROPERTY	file{property, index}	
GetProperty	x = file{property,index}	
DOBlobProperty	blob{property}	Params.Index =blob number in file definition (1 based) Params.Property = property
GetBlobProperty	x = blob{property}	Params.Index = blob number in file definition (1 based) Params.Property = property
DOKeyProperty	Key{property, index}	Params.Property = property Params.Key1 = key Params.Index = index
GetKeyProperty	x = key{property}	Params.Property = property Params.Key1 = key Params.Index = index
BUILDdyn	BUILD(INDEX, field_list)	Params.FieldList = field_list Params.Key1 = INDEX
BUILDdynfilter	BUILD(INDEX,	Params.FieldList = field_list Params.Text = filter

	field_list, filter)	Params.Key1 = INDEX
REGETfile	REGET(file,buffer)	Params.Position = buffer
RESETfile	RESET(file,buffer)	Params.Position = buffer
REGETkey	REGET(key,buffer)	Params.Position = buffer Params.Key1 = key
RESETkey	RESET(key,buffer)	Params.Position = buffer Params.Key1 = key
ADDfilelen	ADD(file,length)	Params.Len = length
APPENDlen	APPEND(file,length)	Params.Len = length
BUFFER	BUFFER(file,pagesize, behind, ahead, timeout)	Params.Buffer = pagesize Params.Behind = behind Params.Ahead = ahead Params.TimeOut = timeout
BUILDkey	BUILD(key)	Params.Key1 = key
DUPLICATEkey	DUPLICATE(key)	Params.Key1 = key
GETfilekey	GET(file,key)	Params.Key1 = key
POINTERkey	x = POINTER(key)	Params.Key1 = key

POSITIONkey	x = POSITION(key)	Params.Key1 = key
RECORDSkey	x = RECORDS(key)	Params.Key1 = key
SETfilekey	SET(file,key)	Params.Key1 = key
SETkey	SET(key)	Params.Key1 = key
OPEN	OPEN(file, mode)	Params.OpenMode = mode
SHARE	SHARE(file, mode)	Params.OpenMode = mode
GETfileptrlen	GET(file, pointer, length)	Params.Pointer = pointer Params.Len = length
PUTfileptrlen	PUT(file, pointer, length)	Params.Pointer = pointer Params.Len = length
GETfileptr	GET(file, pointer)	Params.Pointer = pointer
PUTfileptr	PUT(file, pointer)	Params.Pointer = pointer
SETfileptr	SET(file, pointer)	Params.Pointer = pointer
GETkeyptr	GET(key, pointer)	Params.Key1 = key Params.Pointer = pointer



SETkeyptr	SET(key, pointer)	Params.Key1 = key Params.Pointer = pointer
HOLDfilesec	HOLD(file, seconds)	Params.Seconds = seconds
LOCKfilesec	LOCK(file, seconds)	Params.Seconds = seconds
SETkeykeyptr	SET(key1, key2, pointer)	Params.Key1 = key1 Params.Key1 = key2 Params.Pointer = pointer
SETkeykey	SET(key1, key2)	Params.Key1 = key1 Params.Key1 = key2
SKIP	SKIP(file, records)	Params.Records = records
NULL	x = NULL(field)	Params.Field = ADDRESS(field) Params.Len = SIZE(field)
SETNULL	SETNULL(field)	Params.Field = ADDRESS(field) Params.Len = SIZE(field)
SETNONNULL	SETNONNULL(field)	Params.Field = ADDRESS(field) Params.Len = SIZE(field)
CLEARfile	CLEAR(file, n)	Params.Index = n
DESTROY	called on termination of application or thread	Params.Index = THREAD()
GETblobdata	x = blob[s : e]	Params.Index = blob number in file definition (1 based) Params.Start = s Params.Stop = e

SETblobdata	blob[s : e] = x	Params.Index = blob number in file definition (1 based) Params.Start = s Params.Stop = e
BLOBSIZE	x = SIZE(blob)	Params.Index =blob number in file definition (1 based)
SETviewfields	SET(view, fields = 0)	Params.Fields = fields
RESETviewf	RESET(view, file)	Params.File = file
RESTORESTATE	RESTORESTATE(file, state, restorebuffer)	Params.State = state Params.RestoreBuffer = restorebuffer
FREESTATE	FREESTATE(file, state)	Params.State = state
VIEWSTART	internal operation	Params.TransactionOpCode = operation starting or stopping
VIEWEND	internal operation	Params.TransactionOpCode = operation starting or stopping

**Note:**

VIEWSTART and VIEWEND are called by the ISAM View Engine when it executes NEXT, PREV, POSITIONfile, REGETfile, RESETfile, GETfileptr, RECORDSfile,and SKIP.

STARTTRAN	internal operation	Params.TransactionOpCode = operation starting or stopping
ENDTRAN	internal operation	Params.TransactionOpCode = operation starting or stopping

**Note:**

The runtime library will call the file driver once when starting a transaction statement (LOGOUT, COMMIT, or ROLLBACK) with an opCode of **DriverOps:STARTTRAN** and once when ending the transaction statement with an opCode of **DriverOps:ENDTRAN**. If a callback has been registered with the first file in the logout file list, then it will be called with opCode set to **DriverOps:STARTTRAN** at the start of the transaction command and **DriverOps:ENDTRAN** at the end of the transaction command. In this case `Parameters.TransactionOpCode` will be set to either **DriverOps:LOGOUT**, **DriverOps:COMMIT** or **DriverOps:ROLLBACK**.

## API Calls and Advanced Resources

### Prototypes and Declarations

Clarion includes files with prototypes, declarations, and headers that you can use to let Clarion "talk" to Windows, C/C++, Modula-2, and vice versa.

#### Clarion to C/C++ Standard Library

To call the standard C library functions from Clarion applications, include \CLIB.CLW in the "Inside the Global Map" embed point.

```
INCLUDE ( 'CLIB.CLW' )
```

This file contains Clarion prototypes for various string handling functions, integer math, character type functions, and low level file manipulation functions. Refer to your C/C++ Library Reference for more information on individual functions.

#### Clarion to Windows API

To call Windows API functions from Clarion applications, you must include the functions' prototypes in your application's MAP structure, and any standard EQUATEs or data structures that the functions need in your Global data declarations.

Clarion contains the WINAPI.EXE utility program that creates the file you need to include in your application. This program, by default, creates the WINAPI.CLW file which has two sections: the "Equates" section containing all EQUATE statements and any data structures needed by the functions you choose, and the "Prototypes" section containing the Clarion language prototypes of Windows API functions you choose to use.

Include the Equates section of WINAPI.CLW in the "After Global INCLUDEs" embed point:

```
INCLUDE ( 'WINAPI.CLW' , 'Equates' )
```

Include the Prototypes section of WINAPI.CLW in the "Inside the Global Map" embed point:

```
INCLUDE ( 'WINAPI.CLW' , 'Prototypes' )
```

Refer to your Windows API reference for more information on the individual API functions available to you in categories such as:

- Creating Windows
- Window Support
- Message Processing
- Memory Management
- Bitmaps and Icons
- Color Palette Control
- Sound
- Character Sets and Strings
- Communications
- Metafiles
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### **Modula-2 to Clarion**

#### **Clarion's Runtime Library**

To call the Clarion runtime library procedures create a definition file (.DEF) that contains Modula-2 declarations for various Clarion Language procedures, as well as the many standard C library functions that are found in the Clarion Runtime Library. The available functions are documented in the Clarion's Runtime Library Functions section of this section.

#### **Clarion's File Driver Procedures**

To call the Clarion database file driver procedures create a definition file (.DEF) that contains Modula-2 declarations for Clarion's FILE, RECORD, KEY, INDEX, MEMO, and BLOB handling procedures, including a complete description of Clarion's file control block.

### **C/C++ to Clarion**

#### **Clarion's Runtime Library**

To call the Clarion runtime library procedures create a header file (.H) that contains C/C++ prototypes for various Clarion Language procedures, as well as many standard C library functions that are found in the Clarion Runtime Library. The available functions are documented below in the Clarion's Runtime Library Functions section.

#### **Clarion's File Driver Procedures**

To call the Clarion database file driver procedures create a header file (.H) that contains contains C/C++ prototypes for Clarion's FILE, RECORD, KEY, INDEX, MEMO, and BLOB handling procedures, including a complete description of Clarion's file control block.

## Accessing Clarion's Runtime Library from C/C++ or Modula-2 Code

Following is a list of Clarion runtime library procedures, data structures, and variables that you may use at run time in your C/C++ or Modula-2 code.

### Structures and Data Type Definitions

#### **COLORREF**

C++: typedef unsigned long COLORREF;  
Modula-2: TYPE COLORREF = LONGINT;

### Run-Time Variables

The following variables are available for interrogation at run-time:

**Cla\$DOSerror** An unsigned integer containing the last DOS error code.

**Cla\$FILEERRCODE** An integer containing the last Clarion error code.

**Cla\$FILEERRORMSG** A character array of 80 char's containing the last Clarion error message.

**WSL@AppInstance** An unsigned short containing the instance ID of the application.

### Clarion Built-in Procedures

The following list of procedures are those internal Clarion procedures that are 'safe' to call at run-time. Unless otherwise stated, assume that these procedures have been given external C linkage.

**Cla\$ACOS** The Clarion ACOS() procedure. Returns the inverse cosine of the val parameter.

C++: double Cla\$ACOS(double val)  
Modula-2: Cla\$ACOS(val :LONGREAL):LONGREAL;

val: A numeric expression describing an angle in radians.

**Cla\$ARC** The Clarion ARC statement. Places an arc of an ellipse on the current window or report, bounded by the rectangle defined by the x, y, wd and ht parameters.

C++: void Cla\$ARC(int x, int y, int wd, int ht, int start, int end)  
Modula-2: Cla\$ARC(x,y,wd,ht,start,end: INTEGER);

x: An integer specifying the horizontal position of the starting point.

y: An integer specifying the vertical position of the starting point.

wd: An integer specifying then width.

ht: An integer specifying then height.

start: An integer specifying the start of the arc in 10th's of a degree.

end: An integer specifying the end of the arc in 10th's of a degree.

**Cla\$ASIN** The Clarion ASIN() procedure. Returns the inverse sine of the val parameter.

C++: double Cla\$ASIN(double val)

Modula-2: Cla\$ASIN(val LONGREAL): LONGREAL;

val: A numeric expression describing an angle in radians.

**Cla\$ATAN** The Clarion ATAN() procedure. Returns the inverse tangent of the val parameter.

C++: double Cla\$ATAN(double val)

Modula-2: Cla\$ATAN(val: LONGREAL): LONGREAL;

val: A numeric expression describing an angle in radians.

**Cla\$BOX** The Clarion BOX statement. This procedure draws a box of the color specified by the COLORREF structure, starting at position x, y of the width and height specified on the current window or report.

C++: void Cla\$BOX(int x, int y, int wd, int ht, COLORREF fillcolor)

Modula-2: Cla\$BOX(x, y, wd, ht: INTEGER; fillcolor: COLORREF);

x: An integer specifying the horizontal start position.

y: An integer specifying the vertical start position.

wd: An integer specifying the width.

ht: An integer specifying the height.

fillcolor: A COLORREF structure.

**Cla\$BSHIFT** The Clarion BSHIFT() procedure. This procedure returns the result of bit shifting val by count binary positions. If count is positive, val is shifted left, if count is negative val is shifted right.

C++: long Cla\$BSHIFT(long val, int count)

Modula-2: Cla\$BSHIFT(val: LONGINT; count: INTEGER): LONGINT;

val: A numeric expression.

count: A numeric expression.

**Cla\$CHORD** The Clarion CHORD statement. Draws a closed sector ellipse on the current window or report inside the box specified by the x, y, wd and ht parameters and in the color provided in the COLORREF structure. The start and end parameters specify which part of the ellipse to draw.

C++: void Cla\$CHORD(int x, int y, int wd, int ht, int start, int end, COLORREF fillcolor)

Modula-2: Cla\$CHORD(x, y, wd, ht, start, end: INTEGER; fillcolor: COLORREF);

x: An integer specifying the horizontal start position.

y: An integer specifying the vertical start position.

wd: An integer specifying the width.

ht: An integer specifying the height.

start: An integer expressing the string of the chord in 10th's of a degree.

end: An integer expressing the end of the chord in 10th's of a degree.

fillcolor: A COLORREF structure.

**Cla\$CLOCK** The Clarion CLOCK() procedure. Returns the system time in the form of a Clarion standard time.

C++: long Cla\$CLOCK(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$CLOCK(): LONGINT;

**Cla\$COS** The Clarion COS() procedure. Returns the cosine of the val parameter.

C++: double Cla\$COS(double val)

Modula-2: Cla\$COS(val: LONGREAL): LONGREAL;

val: A numeric expression describing an angle in radians.

**Cla\$DATE** The Clarion DATE() procedure. Returns a Clarion standard date value from the component day, month and year parameters.

C++: long Cla\$DATE(unsigned mn, unsigned dy, unsigned yr)

Modula-2: Cla\$DATE(mn, dy, yr: CARDINAL): LONGINT;

mn: A numeric expression for the month in the range 1 to 12.

dy: A numeric expression for the day in the range 1 to 31.

yr: A numeric expression for the year in the range 1801 to 2099.

**Cla\$DAY** The Clarion DAY() procedure. Returns the day in the range 1 to 31 from the Clarion standard date parameter.

C++: long Cla\$DAY(long dt)

Modula-2: Cla\$DAY(dt: LONGINT): LONGINT;

dt: A numeric expression for Clarion standard date.

**Cla\$ELLIPSE** The Clarion ELLIPSE statement. Draws an ellipse on the current window or report, of the color specified in the COLORREF structure, inside the area bounded by the x, y, wd and ht parameters.

C++: void Cla\$ELLIPSE(int x, int y, int wd, int ht, COLORREF fillcolor)

Modula-2: Cla\$ELLIPSE(x, y, wd, ht: INTEGER; fillcolor: COLOREF);

x: An integer expression.

y: An integer expression.

wd: An integer expression.

ht: An integer expression.

fillcolor: A COLORREF structure.

**Cla\$INT** The Clarion INT() procedure. Returns the integer portion of the val parameter. The value is truncated at the decimal point and no rounding is performed.

C++: double Cla\$INT(double val)

Modula-2: Cla\$INT(val: LONGREAL): LONGREAL;

val: A numeric expression.



**Cla\$LOG10** The Clarion LOG10() procedure. Returns the base 10 logarithm of the val parameter.

C++: double Cla\$LOG10(double val)

Modula-2: Cla\$LOG10(val: LONGREAL): LONGREAL;

val: A numeric expression.

**Cla\$LOGE** The Clarion LOGE() procedure. Returns the natural logarithm of the val parameter.

C++: double Cla\$LOGE(double val)

Modula-2: Cla\$LOGE(val: LONGREAL): LONGREAL;

val: A numeric expression.

**Cla\$MONTH** The Clarion MONTH() procedure. Returns the month from a Clarion standard date in the range 1 to 12.

C++: long Cla\$MONTH(long dt)

Modula-2: Cla\$MONTH(dt: LONGINT): LONGINT;

dt: A numeric expression containing a Clarion standard date.

**Cla\$MOUSEX** The Clarion MOUSEX() procedure. Returns the horizontal position of the mouse.

C++: int Cla\$MOUSEX(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$MOUSEX(): INTEGER;

**Cla\$MOUSEY** The Clarion MOUSEY() procedure. Returns the horizontal position of the mouse.

C++: int Cla\$MOUSEY(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$MOUSEY(): INTEGER;

**Cla\$NUMERIC** The Clarion NUMERIC() procedure. Returns 1 (true) if str contains a valid representation of a number, otherwise returns 0 (false).

C++: unsigned Cla\$NUMERIC(char \*str, unsigned slen)

Modula-2: Cla\$NUMERIC(VAR str: ARRAY OF CHAR; slen: CARDINAL): CARDINAL;

str: A pointer to a string.

slen: Length of the str parameter.

**Cla\$RANDOM** The Clarion RANDOM() procedure. Returns a pseudo-random number whose value will be between the low and high bound values.

C++: long Cla\$RANDOM(long low, long high)

Modula-2: Cla\$RANDOM(low, high: LONGINT): LONGINT;

low: A numeric value specifying the lower bound.

high: A numeric value specifying the upper bound.

**Cla\$ROUND** The Clarion ROUND() procedure. Returns the val parameter rounded to power of 10 specified by the ord parameter.

C++: double Cla\$ROUND(double val, double ord)

Modula-2: Cla\$ROUND(val, ord: LONGREAL): LONGREAL;

val: A numeric expression.

ord: A numeric expression equal to a power of 10 (e.g. .001, .0, 1, 10, 100 etc...).

**Cla\$SETCLOCK**

The Clarion SETCLOCK statement. Sets the system clock to the time contained in the dt parameter.

C++: void Cla\$SETCLOCK(long dt)

Modula-2: Cla\$SETCLOCK(dt: LONGINT);

dt: A numeric expression representing a Clarion standard time.

**Cla\$SETTODAY**

The Clarion SETTODAY statement. Sets the DOS system date to that contained in the dt parameter.

C++: void Cla\$SETTODAY(long dt)

Modula-2: Cla\$SETTODAY(dt: LONGINT);

dt: A numeric expression containing a Clarion standard date.

**Cla\$SIN** The Clarion SIN() procedure. Returns the sine of the val parameter.

C++: double Cla\$SIN(double val)

Modula-2: Cla\$SIN(val: LONGREAL): LONGREAL;

val: A numeric expression describing an angle in radians.

**Cla\$SQRT** The Clarion SQRT() procedure. Returns the square root of the val parameter.

C++: double Cla\$SQRT(double val)

Modula-2: Cla\$SQRT(val: LONGREAL): LONGREAL;

val: A numeric expression.

**Cla\$TAN** The Clarion TAN() procedure. Returns the tangent of the val parameter.

C++: double Cla\$TAN(double val)

Modula-2: Cla\$TAN(val: LONGREAL): LONGREAL;

val: A numeric expression describing an angle in radians.

**Cla\$TODAY** The Clarion TODAY() procedure. Returns the system date in Clarion standard date format.

C++: long Cla\$TODAY(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$TODAY(): LONGINT;

**Cla\$YEAR** The Clarion YEAR() procedure. Extracts the year from a Clarion standard date, in the range 1801 to 2099.

C++: long Cla\$YEAR(long dt)

Modula-2: Cla\$YEAR(dt: LONGINT): LONGINT;

dt: A numeric expression describing a Clarion standard date.

### Clarion String Stack Handling Procedures

The following section describes the use Clarion internal run-time string handling procedures available to 3GL code. Clarion uses a LISP like approach to string handling whereby, parameters are pushed onto the top of the string stack, with operations being performed on the topmost entries. Assume, unless otherwise documented, that the procedures remove (or Pop) items off the stack that they have used.

Please note that some of the following procedures require pointers to null terminated strings, to be passed as parameters. Modula-2 programmers should use the Modula library procedure Str.StrToC to convert strings to null terminated equivalents. Also, the pragma call(o\_a\_size=>off,o\_a\_copy=>off) must be issued to prevent the passing of array size information to the run-time procedures.

**Cla\$PopCString** Takes the topmost item off the stack and copies it to the string pointed to by s; len contains the length of the string copied to s.

C++: void Cla\$PopCString(char \*s, unsigned len)

Modula-2: Cla\$PopCString(s: POINTER TO CHAR; len: CARDINAL);

s: A pointer to a null terminated string

len: The length of string s

**Cla\$PopPString** Takes the topmost item off the stack and copies it to the string pointed to by s; len contains the length of the string copied to s. The string is converted to a Pascal style string (i.e. first byte is string length) during copy.

C++: void Cla\$PopPString(char \*s, unsigned len)

Modula-2: Cla\$PopPString(VAR s: ARRAY OF CHAR; len: CARDINAL);

s: A pointer to a string

len: The length of string s

**Cla\$PopString** Pops the uppermost stack item and copies it to the string s.

C++: void Cla\$PopString(char \*s, unsigned len)

Modula-2: Cla\$PopString(VAR s: ARRAY OF CHAR; len: CARDINAL);

s: A pointer to a null terminated string

len: The length of string s

**Cla\$PushCString** Pushes s onto the top of the stack.

C++: void Cla\$PushCString(char \*s)

Modula-2: Cla\$PushCString(VAR s: ARRAY OF CHAR);

s: A pointer to a null terminated string

**Cla\$PushString** Pushes the string s onto the top of the stack. Len specifies the length of string s.

C++: void Cla\$PushString(char \*s, unsigned len)

Modula-2: Cla\$PushString(VAR s: ARRAY OF CHAR; len: CARDINAL);

s: A pointer to a string

len: The length of string s

**Cla\$StackALL** The Clarion ALL() procedure. Pops the top item of the stack and replaces it by a string containing the original string replicated as many times as necessary to produce a string of length len.

C++: void Cla\$StackALL(unsigned len)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackALL(len: CARDINAL);

len: An unsigned integer

**Cla\$StackCENTER** The Clarion CENTER() procedure. Pops the topmost item of the stack and replaces it with a string padded with leading spaces so as to center the text in a string of length len.

C++: void Cla\$StackCENTER(unsigned len)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackCENTER(len: CARDINAL);

len: An unsigned integer

**Cla\$StackCLIP** The Clarion CLIP() procedure. Removes trailing spaces from the top most item on the stack.

C++: void Cla\$StackCLIP(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackCLIP();

**Cla\$StackCompare** Compares the top item on the stack (s1) with the 2nd item on the stack (s2) and returns one of the following values:

-1: if s1 < s2

0: if s1 = s2

1: if s1 > s2

After the compare instruction, s1 and s2 are removed from the stack automatically.

C++: int Cla\$StackCompare(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackCompare(): INTEGER;

**Cla\$StackCompareN** Compares the topmost item on the stack to null. Returns true if the topmost item is null, otherwise returns false.

C++: int Cla\$StackCompareN(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackCompareN(): INTEGER;

**Cla\$StackConcat** Pops the top two items off the stack, concatenates them together and pushes the resulting string back onto the stack.

C++: void Cla\$StackConcat(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackConcat();

**Cla\$StackINSTRING** The Clarion INSTRING() procedure. Searches the topmost item on the stack, for any occurrence of the second item on the stack. The search starts at character position start and increments the start position by step until the end of the string is reached. Returns the iteration count required to find the search string, or 0 if not found.

C++: unsigned Cla\$StackINSTRING(unsigned step, unsigned start)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackINSTRING(step, start: CARDINAL): CARDINAL;

step: An unsigned integer, the search increment

start: An unsigned integer, the start position of the search

**Cla\$StackLEFT** The Clarion LEFT() procedure. Replaces the topmost string on the stack with its left justified equivalent. The replacement string will have a length of len.

C++: void Cla\$StackLEFT(unsigned len)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackLEFT(len: CARDINAL);

len: An unsigned integer

**Cla\$StackLen** Returns the length of the topmost item on the stack. Does not pop the item off the stack.

C++: unsigned Cla\$StackLen(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackLen(): CARDINAL;

**Cla\$StackLen2** Returns the length of the topmost item on the stack. Pops the item off the stack after getting its length.

C++: unsigned Cla\$StackLen2(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackLen2(): CARDINAL;

**Cla\$StackLOWER** The Clarion LOWER() procedure. Replaces the topmost string on the stack with its lower case equivalent.

C++ void Cla\$StackLOWER(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackLOWER();

**Cla\$STACKpop** Pops the top item off the stack.

C++: void Cla\$STACKpop(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$STACKpop();

**Cla\$StackNUMERIC** Returns true if the topmost string on stack contains a valid numeric representation, otherwise returns false.

C++: unsigned Cla\$StackNUMERIC(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackNUMERIC(): CARDINAL;

**Cla\$StackPRESS** The Clarion PRESS statement. Pushes every character in the topmost string of the stack into the Windows keyboard buffer.

C++: void Cla\$StackPRESS(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackPRESS();

**Cla\$StackRIGHT** The Clarion RIGHT() procedure. Replaces the topmost item on the stack with its right justified equivalent. The replacement string will have a length of len characters.

C++: void Cla\$StackRIGHT(unsigned len)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackRIGHT(len: CARDINAL);

len: An unsigned integer

**Cla\$StackSUB** The Clarion SUB() procedure. Replaces the topmost string on the stack with a sub slice of the string starting at character position pos and of length len.

C++: void Cla\$StackSUB(unsigned pos, unsigned len)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackSUB(pos, len: CARDINAL);

pos: An unsigned integer; the start position of the sub string

len: An unsigned integer; the length of the sub string

**Cla\$StackVAL** The Clarion VAL() procedure. Returns the ANSI value of the first character of the topmost string of the stack.

C++: unsigned char Cla\$StackVAL(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackVAL(): BYTE;

**Cla\$StackUPPER** Replace the topmost string on the stack with its uppercase equivalent.

C++: void Cla\$StackUPPER(void)

Modula-2: Cla\$StackUPPER();

## Standard C Functions in Clarion's Runtime Library

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The following functions comprise a sub-set of the standard SoftVelocity library that you can call from your Clarion, C/C++, or Modula-2 code. All of these functions are fully documented in the SoftVelocity C Library Reference manual (or in any ANSI-standard C library reference) and so, are not documented here. Unless otherwise indicated, assume that the functions operate exactly as documented.

The purpose of this list is simply to let you know what C standard library functions are available and the correct prototypes for each language.

### Conversion Functions

Please note that some of the following functions require pointers to null terminated strings as parameters. Modula-2 programmers should use the Modula library procedure Str.StrToC to convert strings to null terminated equivalents. Also, the pragma call(o\_a\_size=>off, o\_a\_copy=>off) must be issued to prevent the passing of array size information to the run-time procedures.

**atof** Convert string to floating point.

C++: `double atof(const char *_nptr)`

Modula-2: `atof( VAR _nptr: ARRAY OF CHAR): LONGREAL;`

Clarion: `AToF(*cstring),real,raw,name('_atof')`

**atoi** Convert string to integer.

C++: `int atoi(const char *_nptr)`

Modula-2: `atoi(VAR _nptr: ARRAY OF CHAR): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `AToI(*cstring),short,raw,name('_atoi')`

**atol** Convert string to long.

C++: `long atol(const char *_nptr)`

Modula-2: `atol( VAR _nptr: ARRAY OF CHAR): LONGINT;`

Clarion: `AToL(*cstring),long,raw,name('_atol')`

**atoul** Convert string to unsigned long.

C++: unsigned long atoul(const char \*\_nptr)

Modula-2: atoul(VAR \_nptr: ARRAY OF CHAR): LONGCARD;

Clarion: AToUL(\*cstring),ulong,raw,name('\_atoul')

## **Integer Math**

**abs** Integer absolute value.

C++: int abs(int \_num)

Modula-2: abs(\_num: INTEGER): INTEGER;

Clarion: API\_Abs(short),short,name('\_abs') !Renamed to avoid conflict with Builtins.Clw

**labs** Long integer absolute value.

C++: long labs(long \_j)

Modula-2: labs(\_j: LONGINT): LONGINT;

Clarion: LAbs(long),long,name('\_labs')

## **Char Type Functions**

The following functions have only been tested when implemented as functions. We do not advise defining \_CT\_MTF to implement the functions as macros.

**toupper** Test and convert if lowercase.

C++: int toupper(int c)

Modula-2: toupper(c: INTEGER): INTEGER;

Clarion: ToUpper(short),short,name('\_toupper')

**Tolower** Test and convert if uppercase.

C++: int tolower(int c)

Modula-2: tolower(c: INTEGER): INTEGER;

Clarion: ToLower(short),short,name('\_tolower')

**isascii** ASCII test function.

C++: int isascii(int c)

Modula-2: isascii(c: INTEGER): INTEGER;

Clarion: IsAscii(short),short,name('\_isascii')



**isctrl** Control character test function.

C++: `int isctrl(int c)`

Modula-2: `isctrl(c: INTEGER): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `IsCtrl(short),short,name('_isctrl')`

**isdigit** Numerics test function.

C++: `int isdigit(int c)`

Modula-2: `isdigit(c: INTEGER): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `IsDigit(short),short,name('_isdigit')`

**isprint** Printable including space test function.

C++: `int isprint(int c)`

Modula-2: `isprint(c: INTEGER): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `IsPrint(short),short,name('_isprint')`

**ispunct** Punctuation character test function.

C++: `int ispunc(int c)`

Modula-2: `ispunc(c: INTEGER): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `IsPunct(short),short,name('_ispunct')`

**isspace** Whitespace test function.

C++: `int isspace(int c)`

Modula-2: `isspace(c: INTEGER): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `IsSpace(short),short,name('_isspace')`

**isxdigit** Hex digit test function.

C++: `int isxdigit(int c)`

Modula-2: `isxdigit(c: INTEGER): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `IsXDigit(short),short,name('_isxdigit')`

## **Utility Functions**

**rand** Return pseudorandom integer.

C++: `int rand(void)`

Modula-2: `rand(): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `Rand(),short,name('_rand')`

**randomize** Set pseudorandom seed with system time.

C++: void randomize(void)

Modula-2: randomize()

Clarion: Randomize(),name('\_randomize')

**srand** Set pseudorandom seed with specified number.

C++: void srand(unsigned \_seed)

Modula-2: srand(\_seed: CARDINAL);

Clarion: SRand(ushort),name('\_srand')

## **String Functions**

**strcat** Concatenate two strings.

C++: char \*strcat(char \*\_dest, const char \*\_source)

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: StrCat(\*cstring,\*cstring),cstring,raw,name('\_strcat')

**strcmp** Compare two strings.

C++: int strcmp(const char \*\_s1, const char \*\_s2)

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: StrCmp(\*cstring,\*cstring),short,raw,name('\_strcmp')

**chrncmp** Compare two characters

C++: int chrncmp(char \_c1, char \_c2)

Modula-2: chrncmp(\_c1,\_c2: CHAR): INTEGER;

Clarion: ChrCmp(byte,byte),short,name('\_chrncmp')

**strequ**

C++: int strequ(const char \*\_s1, const char \*\_s2)

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: StrEqu(\*cstring,\*cstring),short,raw,name('\_strequ')

**strcpy** Copy one string to another, return destination address.

C++: char \*strcpy(char \*\_dest, const char \*\_source)

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: StrCpy(\*cstring, \*cstring), cstring, raw,| name('\_strcpy')

**strlen** Return string length.

C++: `unsigned strlen(const char *_s)`

Modula-2: `strlen(VAR _s: ARRAY OF CHAR): CARDINAL;`

Clarion: `StrLen(*cstring),ushort,raw,name('_strlen')`

**strchr** Find character in string.

C++: `char *strchr(const char *_s, int _c)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrChr(*cstring,short),cstring,raw,name('_strchr')`

**strcspn** Finds one of a set of characters in string.

C++: `unsigned strcspn(const char *_s1, const char *_s2)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrCSpn(*cstring, *cstring), ushort, raw,| name('_strcspn')`

**strspn** Find first character with no match in given character set.

C++: `unsigned strspn(const char *_s1, const char *_s2)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrSpn(*cstring,*cstring),ushort,raw,name('_strspn')`

**strstr** Find first occurrence of substring in a string.

C++: `char *strstr(const char *_s1, const char *_s2)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrStr(*cstring,*cstring),cstring,raw,name('_strstr')`

**strtok** Find next token in string.

C++: `char *strtok(char *_s1, const char *_s2)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrTok(*cstring,*cstring),cstring,raw,name('_strtok')`

**strpbrk** Find first occurrence of character.

C++: `char *strpbrk(const char *_s1, const char *_s2)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrPBrk(*cstring, *cstring), cstring, raw,| name('_strpbrk')`

**strrchr** Find last occurrence of character.

C++: `char *strrchr(const char *_s, int _c)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrRChr(*cstring,short),cstring,raw,name('_strchr')`

**strlwr** Convert to lower case.

C++: `char *strlwr(char *_s)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrLwr(*cstring),cstring,raw,name('_strlwr')`

**strupr** Convert to upper case.

C++: `char *strupr(char *_s)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrUpr(*cstring),cstring,raw,name('_strupr')`

**strdup** Duplicate string.

C++: `char *strdup(const char *_s)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrDup(*cstring),cstring,raw,name('_strdup')`

**strrev** Reverse string.

C++: `char *strrev(char *_s)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrRev(*cstring),cstring,raw,name('_strrev')`

**strncat** Concatenate n characters.

C++: `char *strncat(char *_dest, const char *_source, unsigned _n)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrNCat(*cstring, *cstring, ushort), cstring, raw,| name('_strncat')`

**strncmp** Compare n characters.

C++: `int strncmp(const char *_s1, const char *_s2, unsigned _n)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrNCmp(*cstring, *cstring, ushort), short, raw,| name('_strncmp')`

**strncpy** Copy n characters.

C++: `char * strncpy(char *_dest, const char *_source, unsigned _n)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrNCpy(*cstring, *cstring, ushort), cstring, raw, | name('_strncpy')`

**strnicmp** Compare n characters regardless of case.

C++: `int stricmp(const char *_s1, const char *_s2, unsigned _n)`

Modula-2: Not available

Clarion: `StrNICmp(*cstring, *cstring, ushort), short, raw, | name('_strnicmp')`

## Low-Level File Manipulation

**access** checks whether the file (or directory) specified by the path parameter exists, and (if not a directory) whether it can be accessed in the specified mode. The function returns 0 if access is permitted using the specified mode, -1 if it fails the check. Mode of 0 checks for existence, mode of 2 checks for write permission, mode of 4 checks for read permission, and 6 checks for read/write.

C++: `int _access(const char *path, int access)`

Modula-2: `_access(VAR path: ARRAY OF CHAR; access: INTEGER): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `Access(*cstring, short), short, raw, name('_access')`

**chmod** Set file's access mode.

C++: `int _chmod(const char *path, int mode)`

Modula-2: `_chmod(VAR path: ARRAY OF CHAR; mode: INTEGER): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `ChMod(*cstring, short), short, raw, name('_chmod')`

**remove** Deletes the file specified by the path parameter.

C++: `int _remove(const char *_path)`

Modula-2: `_remove(VAR _path: ARRAY OF CHAR): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `API_Remove(*cstring), short, raw, name('_remove')`

!Renamed to avoid conflict with Builtins.Clw

**rename** Changes the name of the file or directory specified by the oldname parameter.

C++: `int _rename(const char *_oldname, const char *_newname)`

Modula-2: `_rename(VAR _oldname, VAR _newname: ARRAY OF CHAR): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `API_Rename(*cstring, *cstring), short, raw, | name('_rename')`

!Renamed to avoid conflict with Builtins.Clw

**fnmerge** Builds a complete path name from its component parts -- drive, directory, filename, and extension.

C++: `void _fnmerge(char *_path, const char *_drive, const char *_dir, const char *_name, const char *_ext)`

Modula-2: `_fnmerge(VAR _path, VAR _drive, VAR _dir, VAR _name, VAR _ext: ARRAY OF CHAR);`

Clarion: `FnMerge(*cstring, *cstring, *cstring, *cstring, | *cstring), raw, name('_fnmerge')`

**Note:** fnmerge is actually called using PathMerge in the prototypes in CWUTIL.INC

**fnsplit** This function breaks a complete path name into its component parts -- drive, directory, filename, and extension.

C++: `int _fnsplit(const char *_path, char *_drive, char *_dir, char *_name, char *_ext)`

Modula-2: `_fnsplit(VAR _path, VAR _drive, VAR _dir, VAR _name, VAR _ext: ARRAY OF CHAR): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `FnSplit(*cstring, *cstring, *cstring, *cstring, | *cstring), short, raw, name('_fnsplit')`

**Note:** fnsplit is actually called using PathSplit using the prototypes in CWUTIL.INC.

**mkdir** Creates a new directory with the name passed in the path parameter.

C++: `int _mkdir(const char *_path)`

Modula-2: `_mkdir(VAR _path: ARRAY OF CHAR): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `MkDir(*cstring), short, raw, name('_mkdir')`

Equivalent to CreateDirectory

**rmdir** removes the directory specified in the path parameter.

C++: `int _rmdir(const char *_path)`

Modula-2: `_rmdir(VAR _path: ARRAY OF CHAR): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `RmDir(*cstring), short, raw, name('_rmdir')`

Equivalent to RemoveDirectory

**chdir** Change directory.

C++: `int _chdir(const char *_path)`

Modula-2: `_chdir(VAR _path: ARRAY OF CHAR): INTEGER;`

Clarion: `ChDir(*cstring), short, raw, name('_chdir')`



## Clarion Language Utilities

The Clarion Language Utilities refers to a set of prototypes designed to give your existing applications extra functions and flexibility.

These utilities are included as source in the Clarion \LIBSRC folder. To add the prototypes described below to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

Each utility is described in more detail in its own separate help topic. Use the links below to reference the following utilities:

[BeginUnique](#)

[BLOBToFile](#)

[ByteToHex](#)

[CreateDirectory](#)

[EndUnique](#)

[FileExists](#)

[FileToBLOB](#)

[FullDrag](#)

[GetFileDate](#)

[GetFileTime](#)

[GetReg](#)

[GetTempFileName](#)

[GetTempPath](#)

[GetUserName](#)

[IsTermServer](#)

[LongToHex](#)

[OSVersion](#)

[PutReg](#)

[RemoveDirectory](#)

[ShortToHex](#)

[ValidateOLE](#)

[WindowExists](#)



## BeginUnique (Set Application to Run in a Single Process)

**BeginUnique**( *applicationname* )

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**BeginUnique**    Sets an application to run as a single process

*applicationname*    A string constant or variable that specifies name of your application. Example:  
e                    'INVOICE.EXE'

**BeginUnique** returns FALSE if the program specified in *applicationname* is already running (active). If not running, **BeginUnique** returns an event number specified by Windows. This event number can be used by the **EndUnique** statement to terminate the single process mode.

To add this function to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**    LONG

**Example:**

```
IF NOT BeginUnique (GLO:ApplicationName)
  MESSAGE (CLIP (GLO:ApplicationName) & ' already running.')
  RETURN
ELSE
  RUN (GLO:ApplicationName)
END
```

**See Also:**

EndUnique

## BLOBTOFILE (Copy Data from BLOB Field to File)

**BLOBTOFILE**( *bloblabel*, *filename* )

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**BLOBTOFILE** Copy the contents of a BLOB field to an external file.  
**E**

*bloblabel*      The fully qualified label of the BLOB field. (Example: *Customer.BlobImage*)

*filename*      A string constant or variable that names the output file where the BLOB will be copied.

**BLOBTOFILE** is used to copy the contents of a BLOB to an external file. If the copy fails for any reason, **BLOBTOFILE** returns the **ERRORCODE** posted.

**BLOBTOFILE** (and **FILETOBLOB**) are simply binary-to-binary operations.

If you need to save images to a BLOB, and later restore them to an output file, the type of image should also be saved in the database (JPG, GIF, BMP, etc.). Using **BLOBTOFILE** to save to a different extension can produce unpredictable results.

To add this function to your existing applications, you need only include the **CWUTIL.INC** file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ('CWUTIL.INC') ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**    **SIGNED**

**Example:**

```
IF BLOBTOFILE(CUS:ImageBlob, 'imagename.jpg') !returns an ERRORCODE if copy fails
    MESSAGE('BLOB did not copy due to the following ERRORCODE: ' & ERRORCODE())
END
```

**See Also:**

**FILETOBLOB**

**BLOB**

## BYTETOHEX (convert a BYTE to Hexadecimal)

**BYTETOHEX**( *number*, *flag* )

---

**BYTETOHEX** Convert a BYTE value to its Hexadecimal equivalent.

*number*        A BYTE variable or constant

*flag*            A BYTE used to designate a lower or upper case HEX symbol (A,B,C,D,E)

**BYTETOHEX** is used to convert a *number* to its Hexadecimal equivalent. If the *flag* variable is non-zero, any non-numeric Hexadecimal symbols are returned in lowercase. If zero (default), the non-numeric digits are returned in uppercase.

To add this function to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**    STRING

**Example:**

```
BYTETOHEX (255,0)        !returns 'FF'  
BYTETOHEX (255,1)        !returns 'ff'
```

**See Also:**

SHORTTOHEX

LONGTOHEX

## CreateDirectory (Create a directory)

**CREATEDIRECTORY**( *directoryname* )

---

**CREATEDIRECTORY** Create a new directory

*directoryname*            A string constant or variable that stores the directory name

**CREATEDIRECTORY** creates a new directory with the name passed in the *directoryname* parameter. **CREATEDIRECTORY** returns zero (0) if successful, and non-zero if not. You can query the **ERRNO** built-in function to trap for the following error codes:

3 – Path not found (One of the higher path components in *directoryname*)

5 – Access Denied (Possible Security Rights)

183 – Directory Already Exists

### Note:

On some Windows versions, any attempt to create multiple levels of directories (For example, 'C:\dir1\dir2\dir3') will fail, but the error code will not be returned correctly. **CREATEDIRECTORY** will still post a non-zero value, which you can use to trap and post a generic "Directory Not Created" error.

To add this function to your existing applications, you need only include the **CWUTIL.INC** file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**    **BYTE**

**Example:****PROGRAM**

```
GLO:NewDirectoryName    STRING(200)
```

**MAP**

```
INCLUDE('CWUTIL.INC'),ONCE
```

```
MODULE('')
```

```
    errno(),*SIGNED,NAME('__errno__')    !prototype built-in error flag
```

```
END
```

```
END
```

```
!Make sure project define has _ABCLinkMode_=>1
```

**CODE**

```
GLO:NewDirectoryName = CLIP('C:\Temp')
```

```
IF CreateDirectory(GLO:NewDirectoryName)
```

```
    CASE Errno()
```

```
    OF 3
```

```
        MESSAGE('Path Not Found')
```

```
    OF 5
```

```
        MESSAGE('Access Denied')
```

```
    OF 183
```

```
        MESSAGE('Directory Already Exists')
```

```
    END
```

```
END
```

**See Also:**

RemoveDirectory

## EndUnique (Close an application's event handle)

**EndUnique**( *eventnumber* )

---

**EndUnique**    Closes an application's event number

*eventnumber*    A numeric constant or variable that uniquely identifies an application event.

**EndUnique** is used to invalidate the specified application event handle. This is useful where a function using **BeginUnique** was no longer valid, and you need to override the single event process when subsequent applications are started.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Example:**

```
EndUnique (GLO:AppEventNumber)
```

**See Also:**

**BeginUnique**

## FileExists (Confirm file existence)

**FILEEXISTS**( *filename* )

---

**FILEEXISTS** Confirm the existence of a file

*filename*      A string constant or variable containing the name of the file (and path, if applicable)

**FILEEXISTS** confirms the existence of a file. If **FILEEXISTS** returns TRUE (1), the file exists. If **FILEEXISTS** returns FALSE (0), the file specified in the *filename* parameter does not exist.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ('CWUTIL.INC') ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:** BYTE

**Example:**

```
IF NOT FILEEXISTS(GLO:NewFile)      !If the file does not exist
  DO CreateFile                     !Call the ROUTINE to create it
END

IF NOT FILEEXISTS('C:\INVOICE\Config.dat') !Does the config file exists
  InitConfig                         !Call init procedure
END
```

## FILETOBLOB (Copy data from a file to a BLOB field)

**FILETOBLOB**( *filename*, *bloblabel* )

---

**FILETOBLOB** Copy the contents of a file to a BLOB field.  
**B**

*filename*        A string constant or variable that names the input file to copy to a BLOB field.

*bloblabel*      The fully qualified label of the BLOB field. (Example: *Customer.BlobImage*)

**FILETOBLOB** is used to copy the contents of a file to a BLOB field. If the copy was unsuccessful, FILETOBLOB returns the ERRORCODE posted.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**    SIGNED

**Example:**

```
IF FILETOBLOB(GLO:ImageFilename, CUS:ImageBlob) !returns an ERRORCODE if copy fails
    MESSAGE(CLIP(GLO:ImageFilename) & ' was not copied - ERRORCODE: ' & ERRORCODE())
END
```

**See Also:**

BLOBTOFILE

BLOB



## FullDrag (Query/Change Window Drag Setting)

**FULLDRAG**( < *setdragflag* > )

---

**FULLDRAG**    Query and/or change the full window drag settings

*setdragflag*    A BYTE variable or constant. TRUE (1) or FALSE (0)

**FULLDRAG** returns the current window drag setting. If the optional *setdragflag* is set to TRUE (1), full window dragging is enabled. If the optional *setdragflag* is set to FALSE (0), full window dragging is disabled and only the window frame will appear when dragging a window.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**    LONG

**Example:**

```
IF NOT FULLDRAG()           !If full window dragging is OFF
    FULLDRAG(1)             !Enable it
END
```

## GetFileDate (Get the file date)

**GETFILEDATE**( *filename* )

---

**GETFILEDATE** Return the date stamp of a file

*filename*            A string constant or variable containing the name of the file (and path, if applicable)

**GETFILEDATE** returns the date stamp of the file specified by the *filename* parameter. The date is returned as a LONG that is reformatted and returned in an @D2 picture format. If the file is invalid or does not exist, **GETFILEDATE** returns a zero (0).

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**    LONG

**Example:**

```
Filedate = GETFILEDATE(LOC:Filename)
```

## GetFileTime (Get the file time)

**GETFILETIME**( *filename* )

---

**GETFILETIME** Returns the time stamp of a file

*filename*      A string constant or variable containing the name of the file (and path, if applicable)

**GETFILETIME** returns the time stamp of the file specified by the *filename* parameter. The time is returned as a LONG that is reformatted and returned in an @T4 picture format. If the file is invalid or does not exist, **GETFILETIME** returns a zero (0).

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**    LONG

**Example:**

```
Filetime = GETFILETIME(LOC:Filename)
```

## GETREG(get Windows registry entry)

**GETREG**(*root*, *keyname* [, *valuename*] [, *\*? valuetype*] ),STRING

---

<b>GETREG</b>	Gets the value of a specific key and/or value from the system registry.
<i>Root</i>	A LONG integer, variable or expression that contains the root section of the registry from which to obtain the value. Valid values for this are defined in equates.clw and are as follows:  <b>REG_CLASSES_ROOT</b>  <b>REG_CURRENT_USER</b>  <b>REG_LOCAL_MACHINE</b>  <b>REG_USERS</b>  <b>REG_PERFORMANCE_DATA</b>  <b>REG_CURRENT_CONFIG</b>  <b>REG_DYN_DATA</b>
<i>keyname</i>	A STRING constant, variable or expression that contains the key name of the key whose value is to be queried. This may contain a path separated by backslash '\ ' characters.
<i>valuename</i>	A STRING constant, variable or expression that contains the name of the value to be queried, if omitted, the value associated directly with the key is returned.
<i>valuetype</i>	An optional integer variable that receives the type of value. It can be used for correct interpreting of the returned <i>valuename</i> .  Supported types are:  <b>REG_NONE</b> - value is ignored  <b>REG_SZ</b> - value is a string  <b>REG_EXPAND_SZ</b> - value is a string that can contain unexpanded environment variables  <b>REG_MULTI_SZ</b> - value is a string that consists of substrings separated with '<0>' characters; last substring is terminated with two consecutive '<0>'

characters. NOTE: this value result can not be assigned to a CSTRING

**REG\_DWORD** - value is a 32 bit number

**REG\_DWORD\_LITTLE\_ENDIAN** - value is a 32 bit number

**REG\_DWORD\_BIG\_ENDIAN** - value is a 32 bit number

**REG\_QWORD** - value is a 64 bit number

**REG\_QWORD\_LITTLE\_ENDIAN** - value is a 64 bit number

**REG\_BINARY** - value string is a binary data of any form

The REG\_\* constants are declared in EQUATES.CLW

The **GETREG** function returns the value of named entry in the system registry as a Clarion string. If the requested entry does not exist, an empty string is returned.

### Vista and Clarion Built-in Registry Functions

On Vista, a (non-elevated) app can READ the registry key HKLM (local machine) with no problems, but as far as writing to the Registry it needs to use HKCU (current user).

If you code sign your executable and run with elevated priveleges then you can write to HKLM

**Return Data Type:**   STRING

### Example:

```
PROGRAM

MAP

END

INCLUDE ('EQUATES')
CurrentPath CSTRING(100)
ColorScheme CSTRING(100)

CODE
CurrentPath =|
GETREG(REG_LOCAL_MACHINE,'SOFTWARE\SoftVelocity\Clarion7','root')
!Returns root directory of Clarion 7 install
ColorScheme =|
GETREG(REG_CURRENT_USER,'Control Panel\Current','Color Schemes')
!get the current user's color scheme
```

**See Also:**

PUTREG, DELETREG

## GetTempFileName (Generate a temporary file)

**GETTEMPFILENAME**( *prefix*, <*pathname*> )

**GETTEMPFILENAME** Returns the name of a temporary file

*prefix* A string constant or variable naming the prefix (first three letters) of the temporary file. If blank, the default prefix used is '\$\$\$'

*pathname* A string constant or variable naming the location of the temporary file. If omitted, the system TEMP or TMP directory path is used.

**GETTEMPFILENAME** is used to generate a temporary file. If the *pathname* specified is invalid, **GETTEMPFILENAME** returns an empty string.

**Note:**

Make sure to remove your temporary files that you create after use. The Windows system will not automatically remove these files.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ('CWUTIL.INC') ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:** STRING

**Example:**

```
!Note ## represents a random number assigned to the temporary file name
message (GETTEMPFILENAME('bob','d:\help'))    !created 'bob##.tmp' in D:\help
message (GETTEMPFILENAME(''))                 !created '$$$##.tmp' in
                                              !C:\WINNT\TEMP (my TEMP path)
```

## GetTempPath (Return TMP or TEMP environment path)

**GETTEMPPATH()**

---

**GETTEMPPATH** Returns the name of the path specified by the Windows Environment variables

**GETTEMPPATH** is used to return the full path designated by the TMP or TEMP Windows Environment settings. **GETTEMPPATH** returns the first Environment setting it finds.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**   STRING

**Example:**

```
GLO:TempPath = GETTEMPPATH( )   !return environment path
```



## GetUserName (Return Network User Name)

**GETUSERNAME()**

---

**GETUSERNAME** Returns the current default user name

**GETUSERNAME** is used to retrieve the current default user name, or the user name used to establish a network connection. **GETUSERNAME** returns a blank string if an error is encountered.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ('CWUTIL.INC') ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**   STRING

**Example:**

```
GLO:LoginName = GETUSERNAME()   !return a unique login name
```

## IsTermServer (Verify Terminal Server Usage)

**ISTERMSERVER( )**

---

### **ISTERMSERVER** Detects Terminal Server usage

It is a good practice for applications to detect whether they are running in a Terminal Services Client session in order to optimize performance. For example, when an application is running on a remote session, it should eliminate unnecessary graphic effects. If a user is running the application directly on the terminal, it is not necessary for the application to optimize its behavior.

**ISTERMSERVER** is used to detect Terminal Server usage by returning the status of the System Metrics SM\_REMOTESESSION flag. **ISTERMSERVER** returns TRUE if an application is running in a Terminal Services Client session, and FALSE if the application is running on the console.

This function is only valid for Windows 2000 or later.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**   BYTE

**Example:**

```
GLO:RemoteSessionActive = ISTERMSERVER() !is a remote session active?
```

## LONGTOHEX (convert an unsigned LONG to Hexadecimal)

**LONGTOHEX**( *number*, *flag* )

---

**LONGTOHEX** Convert a ULONG value to its Hexadecimal equivalent.  
**X**

*number*        A ULONG variable or constant

*flag*            A BYTE used to designate a lower or upper case HEX symbol (A,B,C,D,E)

**LONGTOHEX** is used to convert a *number* to its Hexadecimal equivalent. If the *flag* variable is non-zero, any non-numeric Hexadecimal symbols are returned in lowercase. If zero (default), the non-numeric digits are returned in uppercase.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**    STRING

**Example:**

```
LONGTOHEX (32000000,0)        !returns 1E84800
LONGTOHEX (32000000,1)        !returns 1e84800
```

**See Also:**

BYTETOHEX

SHORTTOHEX

## PROP:WindowsVersion

Returns the string that describes Windows version running the program.

The runtime library returns the following information:

Windows/Win32 <version> [<category> | <edition>] [ServicePack] Build Number

Currently, values up to the *ServicePack* can be one of the following strings:

Windows 95  
Windows 95 OSR2  
Windows 98  
Windows 98 SE  
Windows Me  
Windows NT 3.5 WorkStation  
Windows NT 4 WorkStation  
Windows 2000 Professional  
Windows XP Home Edition  
Windows XP Professional  
Windows XP Tablet PC Edition  
Windows XP Media Center Edition  
Windows NT 3.5 Server  
Windows NT 3.5 Advanced Server  
Windows NT 4 Server  
Windows NT 4 Server, Enterprise Edition  
Windows 2000 Advanced Server  
Windows 2000 Small Business Server  
Windows 2000 Datacenter Server  
Windows Server 2003 Standard Edition  
Windows Server 2003 Datacenter Edition  
Windows Server 2003 Enterprise Edition  
Windows Server 2003 Web Edition  
Windows Vista Professional Build xxxx

The Service Pack value is present only if applicable

Read only. Available for SYSTEM only.

Example:

```
GLO:WindowsVersion = SYSTEM{PROP:WindowsVersion}
```

## PUTREG (write value to Windows registry)

**PUTREG**(*root*, *keyname*, *valuename* [, *value*] [, *valuetype*] )

**PUTREG** Writes a string value into the system registry.

*root* A LONG integer constant, variable or expression that specifies the root section of the registry to which to write the value. Valid values for this are defined in **equates.clw** and are as follows:

**REG\_CLASSES\_ROOT**

**REG\_CURRENT\_USER**

**REG\_LOCAL\_MACHINE**

**REG\_USERS**

**REG\_PERFORMANCE\_DATA**

**REG\_CURRENT\_CONFIG**

**REG\_DYN\_DATA**

*keyname* A STRING constant, variable or expression that contains the key name of the key whose value is to be written. This may contain a path separated by backslash '\ characters. The *keyname* cannot contain a leading backslash.

*valuename* A STRING constant, variable or expression that contains the name of the value to be written.

*value* A STRING constant, variable or expression that contains the value to be written to the registry in the position given. If omitted, an empty string is written to the registry.

*valuetype* A LONG integer constant, variable or expression that specifies the how to store passed value. If omitted, the default value is **REG\_SZ** (see below).

Supported types (expressed as EQUATES):

**REG\_NONE** value is ignored

**REG\_SZ** value is stored as a null terminated UNICODE string (default)

**REG\_EXPAND\_SZ** value is stored as a null terminated UNICODE string that can contain unexpanded environment variables.

<b>REG_MULTI_SZ</b>	value is stored as an array of null terminated UNICODE strings. Strings in the array (i.e. in value parameter) are separated with '<0>' characters. GETREG appends 2 '<0>' characters at the end of array if they are not given.
<b>REG_DWORD</b>	value is stored as a 32 bit number, lower bytes stored first, e.g. value equal to 12345678h is stored as '<78h,56h,34h,12h>'
<b>REG_DWORD_LITTLE_ENDIAN</b>	the same as REG_DWORD
<b>REG_DWORD_BIG_ENDIAN</b>	value is stored as a 32 bit number with backward order of bytes, e.g. value equal to 12345678h is stored as '<12h,34h,56h,78h>'
<b>REG_QWORD</b>	value is a 64 bit number, lower bytes are stored first
<b>REG_QWORD_LITTLE_ENDIAN</b>	the same as REG_QWORD
<b>REG_BINARY</b>	value string is a binary data of any form

The PUTREG procedure places the value into a valuenam that exists in the Windows registry. The key and value will be created if it does not exist. If the write to the registry is successful, PUTREG returns 0. If the write to the registry is unsuccessful, the result is a non-zero value.

### Vista and Clarion Built-in Registry Functions

On Vista, a (non-elevated) app can READ the registry key HKLM (local machine) with no problems, but as far as writing to the Registry it needs to use HKCU (current user).

If you code sign your executable and run with elevated priveleges then you can write to HKLM

**Return Data Type:** LONG

**Example:**

```
PROGRAM

MAP.

INCLUDE('EQUATES')

CurrentPath CSTRING(100)
ColorScheme CSTRING(100)

CODE

!Set the root directory of Clarion 7 install
CurrentPath = 'C:\Clarion7'
IF PUTREG(REG_LOCAL_MACHINE,'SOFTWARE\SoftVelocity\Clarion7','root',CurrentPath)
    MESSAGE('Unable to set the root directory') !post error if non-zero value returned
END

!writes the current user's color scheme to the registry
ColorScheme = 'Windows Standard'
IF PUTREG(REG_CURRENT_USER,'Control Panel\Current','Color Schemes',ColorScheme)
    MESSAGE('Unable to set the color scheme') !post error if non-zero value returned
END
```

**See Also:**

GETREG, DELETEREG

## RemoveDirectory (Remove a directory)

**REMOVEDIRECTORY**( *directoryname* )

---

**REMOVEDIRECTOR** Remove an existing directory  
**Y**

*directoryname*            A string constant or variable that stores the directory name

**REMOVEDIRECTORY** removes an existing directory with the name passed in the *directoryname* parameter. **REMOVEDIRECTORY** returns zero (0) if successful, and non-zero if not. You can query the ERRNO built-in library function to trap for the following error codes:

3 – Path not found (One of the higher path components in *directoryname*)

5 – Access Denied (Path may refer to a file, root directory, or current directory)

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ('CWUTIL.INC') ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**    BYTE

**Example:**

```
MODULE ( ' ' )  
    errno ( ) , *SIGNED , NAME ( ' __errno__ ' )    !proptotype built-in error flag  
END  
  
IF REMOVEDIRECTORY ( GLO : NewDirectoryName )  
    CASE Errno ( )  
    OF 3  
        MESSAGE ( ' Path Not Found ' )  
    OF 5  
        MESSAGE ( ' Access Denied ' )  
    END  
END
```

**See Also:**

CreateDirectory



## ResizeImage (Resize an image to fit a control)

**RESIZEIMAGE**( *Control*, *XPos*, *YPos*, *Width*, *Height*, <*Report*>)

**RESIZEIMAGE** Resize a valid graphic file to fit inside a target IMAGE control

<i>Control</i>	The Field Equate Label of the target IMAGE control.
<i>Xpos</i>	A SHORT constant or variable identifying the horizontal position of the top left corner of the target IMAGE control in dialog units.
<i>Ypos</i>	A SHORT constant or variable identifying the vertical position of the top left corner of the target IMAGE control in dialog units.
<i>Width</i>	A SHORT constant or variable identifying the width of the target IMAGE control in dialog units.
<i>Height</i>	A SHORT constant or variable identifying the height of the target IMAGE control in dialog units.
<i>Report</i>	A valid label of a REPORT structure. Indicates that the control to store the resized image is contained in a REPORT target instead of a WINDOW

**RESIZEIMAGE** is used to resize the image to fit the original control size. If an image is larger than the target control, the image will be reduced to fit the target control's position parameters. If an image is smaller than the target control, the image will be expanded to fit the target control's position parameters.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Example:**

```
CASE ACCEPTED()
  OF ?LookupFile
    ThisWindow.Update
    LOC:Filename = FileLookup9.Ask(0)
    DISPLAY
    IF LOC:Filename
      ?Image1{PROP:TEXT} = LOC:Filename      !Move filename to image field
      ResizeImage(?Image1,114,132,90,64)      !Resize it
    END
  OF ?OK
    ThisWindow.Update
    IF SELF.Request = ViewRecord AND NOT SELF.BatchProcessing THEN
      POST(EVENT:CloseWindow)
    END
  END
END
```

## SHORTTOHEX (convert an unsigned SHORT to Hexadecimal)

**SHORTTOHEX**( *number*, *flag* )

---

**SHORTTOHEX** Convert a USHORT value to its Hexadecimal equivalent.

*number*            A USHORT variable or constant

*flag*                A BYTE used to designate a lower or upper case HEX symbol (A,B,C,D,E)

**SHORTTOHEX** is used to convert a *number* to its Hexadecimal equivalent. If the *flag* variable is non-zero, any non-numeric Hexadecimal symbols are returned in lowercase. If zero (default), the non-numeric digits are returned in uppercase.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**     STRING

**Example:**

```
SHORTTOHEX(64000,0)  !returns 'FA00'  
SHORTTOHEX(64000,1)  !returns 'fa00'
```

**See Also:**

BYTETOHEX LONGTOHEX

## ValidateOLE (Validate OLE Control Creation)

```
VALIDATEOLE( OLEControl, <OLEFileName> , <OLECreateName> )
```

---

**VALIDATEOLE** Validate that an OLE control has been successfully created

*OLEControl* A field number or field equate label of the OLE control.

*OLEFileName* (under construction)

*OLECreatename* (under construction)

**VALIDATEOLE** is used to verify that an OLE control has been created successfully. **VALIDATEOLE** returns TRUE if the OLE control has been successfully created.

If not successful, **VALIDATEOLE** can optionally display a message box that describes why the OLE control could not be created, provided that the *OLEFilename* parameter is passed, and then returns FALSE. Otherwise, **VALIDATEOLE** just returns FALSE if only the *OLEControl* is designated.

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:** BYTE

**Example:**

```
LOC:OLEActive = VALIDATEOLE( ) !is a remote session active?
```

## WindowExists (Validate Window Existence)

**WINDOWEXISTS**(*windowtitle* )

---

**WINDOWEXISTS**    Verify that a WINDOW structure is active

*windowtitle*        A string constant or variable that specifies the window name (the window's title).

**WINDOWEXISTS** is used to verify that a valid window exists whose window name matches the window title.

If **WINDOWEXISTS** succeeds (has a valid handle), the return value is TRUE (1).

If it fails, the return value is FALSE (0).

To add support for this utility to your existing applications, you need only include the CWUTIL.INC file in the Global Map section of your program:

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWUTIL.INC' ) ,ONCE
```

**Return Data Type:**    BYTE

**Example:**

```
GLO:IsMenuActive = WINDOWEXISTS('Utility Menu') !is the utility window active?
```

# Clarion 7 Build System

## Clarion 7 Build System

The Clarion build system in Version 7 supports both the legacy (Clarion 6 and prior versions) project system, plus MSBuild (Microsoft) project files. MSBuild project files are supported via two custom MSBuild Tasks: CW and CWClean. The CWClean task is used to remove files created by the CW task. The CW task creates a temporary legacy project file and passes that to the Clarion Project System.

## Clarion Project System Version 7

The Clarion Project System Version 7 is a complete rewrite of the TopSpeed Project System used in previous versions of Clarion. It supports almost all commands that the TopSpeed Project System supported, plus adds new features to make it easier to build large systems.

### Automatically Included Projects

When a project file is included the project system will first look for a file called *solglobals.pi*. If this exists it is included at the top of the project. This file is intended to be used to contain solution wide project settings. For example. The file may contain the line:

```
#pragma define (_MyProductVersion_=>10)
```

After *solglobals.pi* has been included, the project system will then add *cwglobals.pi*. This file is intended to be used to contain company wide project settings. For example:

```
#pragma define(_Company_=>Our Company Name)
```

### Project Commands

#### #section

```
#section <name>
-- section commands
#else <name>
-- section commands
#else <name>
-- section commands
#endsection
```

A section starts a list of commands that are activated on a **#activate** command. You can have one or mutually exclusive sections by specifying a **#else** command. If a **#activate** command is encountered and a mutually exclusive section had previously been activated via a **#activate** command, then the previous command is deactivated without the need to call **#deactivate**.

Only **#set** and **#pragma** commands are valid within a section.

**Example:**

```
-- Contents of cwglobal.pi
#section release
#set outdir=release
#else debug
#pragma debug(line_num=>on)
#pragma check(stack=>on)
#pragma check(index=>on)
#set outdir=debug
#endsection

#section Profile
#set profiling = on
#endsection
#set profiling = off

#section Tracing
#set tracing = on
#pragma define(_TRACING_=>on)
#endsection
#set tracing = off

#activate release -- same as doing #set outdir=release
#activate Profile -- same as doing #set profile = on
#activate debug -- #deactivate release done automatically
```

**#activate**

**#activate** <sectionname>

Activates a set of commands previously defined by the **#section** command.

If the section being activated is part of a list of mutually exclusive sections, and one of these sections is currently active, then an implicit **#deactivate othersection** is called.

When an **#activate** command is encountered then all **#set** and **#pragma** statements contained within that section are executed.

**#deactivate**

**#deactivate** <sectionname>

Reverts all commands that were activated by a previous call to **#activate sectionname**.

This command will set the pragmas and project sets back to the value they were at before the matching **#activate** call was made.

**#active (Boolean Operator)****#active SectionName**

Returns TRUE (1) if the SectionName is currently active.

**Obsolete Commands:**

The following project commands are no longer supported:

<b><u>Command</u></b>	<b><u>Remarks</u></b>
#exemod	This command was for 16 bit only projects
#getkey	There is no way to pause a build
#ignore	This optimization is no longer supported
#prompt	Use #message
#rundll	Integrated compilers are known to the project system now
#scan	This optimization is no longer required

## MSBuild tasks

### .cwproj File Format

The .cwproj file is a standard MSBuild file in a format that allows the IDE to provide a graphical interface on top of the file. This file consists of properties and items that are passed to the CW and CWClean tasks.

The following shows the properties and items in the .cwproj file, and which task parameter they map to.

<u>Item/Property</u>	<u>Item or Property</u>	<u>CW Task Parameter</u>	<u>CWClean Task Parameter</u>
Compile	Item	Sources	
FileDriver	Item	FileDrivers	
Include	Item	Includes	
Library	Item	Libraries	
None	Item	CopyableFiles	
ProjectReference	Item	References	
Reference	Item	References	
ApplicationIcon	Property	Icon	
check_index	Property	CheckIndex	
check_stack	Property	CheckStack	
clarion_version	Property	Version	Version
CopyCore	Property	CopyCoreFiles	
cpu	Property	CPU	
DefineConstants	Property	Defines	
GenerateMap	Property	MapFile	
line_numbers	Property	LineNumbers	
Model	Property	Model	
OutputName	Property	TargetName	
OutputPath	Property	TargetDir	
OutputType	Property	TargetType	



RedFile	Property	RedirectionFile
stack_size	Property	StackSize
vid	Property	Vid

Which task is invoked is dependent on the build target. If a Build is being performed (the default target), then the CW Task is invoked. If a Clean is being performed, then the CWClean Task is invoked. If a Rebuild is being performed, then both the CWClean Task and CW Task are invoked.

## CW Task

Invokes the Clarion project system which produces executables (.exe), dynamic-link libraries (.dll), or code libraries (.lib).

### Parameters

The following table describes the parameters of the **CW** task.

<u>Parameters</u>	<u>Description</u>
<b>CheckIndex</b>	Optional <b>Boolean</b> parameter. If true, then compiler generates check code when array indexes are used Equivalent to #pragma check(index=>value) in the legacy project system
<b>CheckStack</b>	Optional <b>Boolean</b> parameter. If true, then compiler generates stack access checking code Equivalent to #pragma check(index=>value) in the legacy project system
<b>CopyableFiles</b>	Optional <b>ITaskItem[]</b> parameter. Specifies one or more files that should be copied to the destination directory. This list is only processed if <b>TargetType</b> is Exe
<b>CopyCoreFiles</b>	Optional <b>Boolean</b> parameter. If true, the core DLLs will be copied
<b>CPU</b>	Optional <b>String</b> parameter. Indicates which CPU the code is optimized for. Currently ignored.

<b>Defines</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies a list of defines set when building this project. This is a semi-colon ';' separated list of items in the format item=&gt;value. As the .cwproj file is an MSBuild file, this list must use standard XML notation. So a list of 2 elements _ABCDllMode_=&gt;on;_ABCLinkMode_=&gt;off will look like</p> <pre>&lt;defines&gt;_ABCDllMode_=&amp;gt;on;%3b_ABCLinkMode_=&amp;gt;off &lt;/defines&gt;</pre> <p>This is equivalent to #pragma define(define=&gt;value;define=&gt;value) in the legacy project system</p>
<b>FileDrivers</b>	<p>Optional <b>ITaskItem[]</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies one or more File Drivers that should be linked into the project.</p>
<b>Icon</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Indicates the name of the file that contains the icon that Windows will associate with the Exe.</p> <p>Equivalent to #pragma link_option(icon =&gt; iconname) in the legacy project system</p>
<b>Includes</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Semi-colon ';' separated list of legacy project files to be included into this project.</p> <p>Equivalent to #include(projectFile) in the legacy project system</p>
<b>LibFile</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> output parameter.</p> <p>Specifies the .lib file that was created by this project</p>
<b>Libraries</b>	<p>Optional <b>ITaskItem[]</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies one or more .lib files that should be linked into the project.</p> <p>Equivalent to #pragma link (libfile) in the legacy project system</p>
<b>LineNumbers</b>	<p>Optional <b>Boolean</b> parameter.</p> <p>If true, then line number information will be added to the MAP file</p> <p>Equivalent to #pragma debug (line_num=&gt;value) in the legacy project system</p>
<b>MapFile</b>	<p>Optional <b>Boolean</b> parameter.</p> <p>If true, then line number information will be added to the MAP file</p> <p>Equivalent to #pragma link_option (map=&gt;value) in the legacy project system</p>
<b>Model</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies the memory model. Valid values are Dll, Lib, and CustomDll</p>
<b>OutputFile</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> output parameter.</p> <p>Specifies the .exe or .dll file that was created by this project</p>

<b>ProjectName</b>	<p>Required <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies the name of the project file being built. Normally set to the built-in project property <b>MSBuildProjectFile</b></p>
<b>RedirectionFile</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies the redirection file to be used for this build.</p> <p>If not supplied, then the default redirection file is used based on the directory of the project and the <b>Version</b> parameter</p>
<b>References</b>	<p>Optional <b>ITaskItem[]</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies one or more legacy or MSBuild project files that should be used to obtain .lib files that this project uses.</p> <p>Any project in this list will be built when you build this project. Any .lib file created by the referenced project will be added to the <b>Libraries</b> list.</p>
<b>RequiredDlls</b>	<p>Optional <b>ITaskItem[]</b> output parameter.</p> <p>Specifies the list of dlls that this project depends on.</p>
<b>Sections</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies which sections are to be active on start of the project.</p> <p>Normally set to the built in property <b>Configuration</b>.</p> <p>Controls which parts of the redirection file are active during the build.</p> <p>Can also be used to activate sections defined in the cwglobals.pi or solglobals.pi files.</p>
<b>Sources</b>	<p>Required <b>ITaskItem[]</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies the list of source files to be compiled in this project</p> <p>Equivalent to #compile (file) in the legacy project system</p> <p>Alternatively can contain 1 .pr or .prj file. In this case that legacy project file is built.</p>
<b>StackSize</b>	<p>Optional <b>Int</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies the size of the stack.</p> <p>Equivalent to #pragma link_option (stack=&gt;value) in the legacy project system</p>
<b>TargetDir</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies the directory where the target file will be created.</p> <p>If specified this overrides any settings in the redirection file.</p>
<b>TargetName</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Specifies the name of the exe, dll or lib being created by the project.</p> <p>This must be specified unless there is only 1 item in the sources list and this is a .prj or .pr file.</p>

<b>TargetType</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Indicates what type of binary is being created.</p> <p>Valid values are:</p> <p>'dll' - indicates that a .DLL file is being created</p> <p>'lib' - indicates that a .LIB file is being created</p> <p>Anything else will be treated as 'exe' and a .EXE will be created.</p>
<b>Version</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Indicates which version of Clarion to use to build the project.</p> <p>Default is to use the current version of Clarion</p>
<b>Vid</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> parameter.</p> <p>Indicates what debug support should be compiled into the .obj files</p> <p>Valid values are full, min, off.</p>

## CopyableFiles Meta Data

Any item in the **CopyableFiles** list can optionally have the following Metadata elements

<u>Element</u>	<u>Description</u>
<b>CopyToOutputDirectory</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> element.</p> <p>Indicates if the file should be copied to the destination directory of the Exe file.</p> <p>If set to "always" then the file will always be copied.</p> <p>If set to "preservenewest" then the file will be copied only if it is newer than the file in the destination directory</p>

## Libraries Meta Data

Any item in the **Libraries** list can optionally have the following Metadata elements

<u>Element</u>	<u>Description</u>
<b>CopyToOutputDirectory</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> element.</p> <p>Indicates if the file should be copied to the destination directory of the Exe file.</p> <p>If set to "always" then the file will always be copied.</p> <p>If set to "preservenewest" then the file will be copied only if it is newer than the file in the destination directory</p>
<b>DllLocation</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> element.</p> <p>Only tested if <b>CopyToOutputDirectory</b> is not set to "always" or</p>

"preservenewest".

Indicates where the dll that matches this library can be found.

If not specified, then the dll is assumed to be in the format  
<library\_name>.dll and can be found via redirection.

**CopyDllToOutputDirectory** Optional **String** element.

Only tested if **CopyToOutputDirectory** is not set to "always" or "preservenewest".

Indicates when the dll that matches this library should be copied.

If set to "always" then the dll will always be copied.

If set to "preservenewest" then the dll will be copied only if it is newer than the dll in the destination directory. Otherwise it is copied if the CW Task parameter **CopyCoreFiles** is true.

## References Meta Data

Any item in the **References** list can optionally have the following Metadata elements

<u>Element</u>	<u>Description</u>
<b>CopyReferencesToOutputDirectory</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> element.</p> <p>Valid values are "Always", "Never", or "Default".</p> <p>Default value is "Default".</p> <p>Only applies to referenced .cwproj files.</p> <p>Indicates if referenced dlls should be copied to the output directory. A value of Default indicates that referenced dlls should be copied if <b>CopyCoreFiles</b> is true.</p>
<b>CopyToOutputDirectory</b>	<p>Optional <b>Boolean</b> element.</p> <p>Default value is false.</p> <p>Only applies to referenced .cwproj files.</p> <p>If false, then files created by this project or flagged to be copied will not be added to the list of files to be copied.</p>
<b>Link</b>	<p>Optional <b>Boolean</b> element.</p> <p>Default value is true.</p> <p>If the reference is a .cwproj file and <b>link</b> is false, then files created by this project or flagged to be copied will not be added to the list of files to be copied.</p> <p>If the reference is a legacy project file, then it is not included in the current build.</p>

## Sources Meta Data

Any item in the **Sources** list can optionally have the following Metadata elements

<u>Element</u>	<u>Description</u>
<b>check_index</b>	<p>Optional <b>Boolean</b> element.</p> <p>Indicates if index checking should be generated for this source file.</p> <p>Equivalent to /check(index=&gt;value) in the legacy project system</p>
<b>check_stack</b>	<p>Optional <b>Boolean</b> element.</p> <p>Indicates if stack checking should be generated for this source file.</p> <p>Equivalent to /check(stack=&gt;value) in the legacy project system</p>
<b>CopyToOutputDirectory</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> element.</p> <p>Indicates if the source file should be copied to the destination directory of the Exe file.</p> <p>If set to "always" then the source file will always be copied.</p> <p>If set to "preservenewest" then the source file will be copied only if it is newer than the file in the destination directory</p>
<b>Defines</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> element.</p> <p>Specifies a list of defines set when compiling this source file. This is a semi-colon ';' separated list of items in the format item=&gt;value. As the .cwproj file is an MSBuild file, this list must use standard XML notation. So a list of 2 elements a=&gt;2;b=&gt;3 will look like:</p> <pre>&lt;defines&gt;a=&amp;gt;2;%3bb=&amp;gt;3 &lt;/defines&gt;</pre> <p>This is equivalent to /define(define=&gt;value;define=&gt;value) in the legacy project system</p>
<b>Line_num</b>	<p>Optional <b>Boolean</b> element.</p> <p>Indicates if line numbers should be generated in the map for this source file.</p> <p>Equivalent to /debug(line_num=&gt;value) in the legacy project system</p>
<b>To</b>	<p>Optional <b>String</b> element.</p> <p>Indicates the name of the object file the source file should be compiled to.</p> <p>Equivalent to the #to option in the legacy project system</p>

**Vid** Optional **String** element.  
Valid values are "full", "min", "off".  
Indicates what level of debug code to generate for this source file.  
Equivalent to /debug(vid=>value) in the legacy project system

## CWClean Task

Deletes all files created by a previous call to the **CW** task. This task relies on the <projectnam>.FileList.xml file that is created by the CW task.

### Parameters

The following table describes the parameters of the **CWClean** task.

<u>Parameters</u>	<u>Description</u>
<b>ProjectName</b>	Required <b>String</b> parameter. Specifies the name of the project file being built. Normally set to the built-in project property <b>MSBuildProjectFile</b>
<b>Sections</b>	Optional <b>String</b> parameter. Normally set to the built in property <b>Configuration</b> . Controls which parts of the redirection file are active during the clean up.
<b>Version</b>	Optional <b>String</b> parameter. Indicates which version of Clarion to use during the clean up. Default is to use the current version of Clarion





# Controlling the IDE from the Command Line

## User's Guide to ClarionCL.exe (command line interface to the Clarion IDE)

The **ClarionCL** executable allows you to execute some IDE tasks from the command line without the need to start the Clarion IDE.

The syntax for ClarionCL usage is as follows:

**ClarionCL** [*switch* [*parameter* [*parameter* [...]]]] [*switch* [*parameter* [*parameter* [...]]]] [...]

### Switch Formats

Valid *switch* formats are as follows":

/id

**Example:** C:\Clarion7\BIN\clarionCL /?

-id

**Example:** C:\Clarion7\BIN\clarionCL -?

--id

**Example:** C:\Clarion7\BIN\clarionCL --?

### Valid Switches:

Id	Parameters	Description
Fr	Driver DLL	Registers a file driver
Tl		Displays a list of all registered templates
Tr	Template name	<p>Attempts to register the template file passed as the parameter. The redirection file will be used to find the template file if the file name is supplied without a full path.</p> <p>For example, to register the ADO templates for ABC provide the name of the template file:</p> <pre>ClarionCL -tr \C70\template\win\abado.tpl</pre> <p>The -tr switch uses the redirection (*.red) file, so you do not have to supply the full path if the template file can be found using the redirection system:</p> <pre>ClarionCL -tr abado.tpl</pre>
Tu	Template name	<p>Attempts to unregister the template class passed as the parameter.</p> <p>For example, to unregister the ADO templates from both ABC and Clarion chains provide the template class names:</p>

		ClarionCL -tu ABC_ADO ClarionCL -tu Clarion_ADO
?		Display a list of all switches supported by ClarionCL

**Note:**

The *id* is case insensitive!

**Usage Notes and Examples**

1. Running ClarionCL without any parameters is equivalent to:

```
ClarionCL /?
```

2. Passing an invalid switch will cause ClarionCL to behave as though `clarionCL /?` was called.

**Examples:**

```
ClarionCL -tr mytemplate.tpl
```

Attempts to register *mytemplate.tpl*

```
ClarionCL -tu mytemplate.tpl
```

Attempts to unregister *mytemplate.tpl*

**Exit Code**

ClarionCL will return an exit code of 0 if no errors occurred. Otherwise the exit code is set to the total number of errors that occurred during the run.

**Error Codes**

Error Code	Description
CLCE001	An Unhandled Exception was thrown
CLCE002	There were no switches registered via any .addin file
CLCE003	Invalid parameters for the method
CLCE004	Not enough parameters where supplied to run the command. The switch is ignored
CLCE005	Unknown switch

**Warning Codes**

Error Code	Description
CLCW001	A duplicate switch was passed, but the switch can only appear once. Only the first occurrence of the switch is processed
CLCW002	Too many parameters were supplied for the command. All extra parameters are ignored
CLCW003	The first parameter to ClarionCL does not begin with / or -



# Legacy (Pre-Clarion 7) Project System Reference

## Introduction

The Project System is integrated into the Clarion Environment. It is a powerful sequential language that combines the functionality of a batch processor, a linker and an intelligent compile-and-link system.

The Project System gives you total control over the compile and link process for the simplest single .EXE project up to the most complicated multiple .DLL project.

The primary benefits of using the Project System are automation, efficiency, and accuracy. With a single command, you can remake your entire project, no matter how complicated, and you can be assured that the correct source and objects are included in the compile and link processes, plus, the components that don't need it, don't get reprocessed. In addition, you can make different versions of your project (release version, debug version, evaluation/demo version, etc.) with the flip of a switch.

Here is a simple example of some project system language generated by the Clarion Application Generator:

```
#noedit
#system win
#model clarion dll
#pragma debug(vid=>full)
#compile QWKTU_RD.CLW- GENERATED
#compile QWKTU_RU.CLW- GENERATED
#compile QWKTU_SF.CLW- GENERATED
#compile QWKTUTOR.clw /define(GENERATED=>on)- GENERATED
#compile QWKTU001.clw /define(GENERATED=>on)- GENERATED
#compile QWKTU002.clw /define(GENERATED=>on)- GENERATED
#compile QWKTU003.clw /define(GENERATED=>on)- GENERATED
#pragma link(C%L%TPS%S%.LIB)- GENERATED
#link QWKTUTOR.EXE
```

## Language Components

**Keywords** start with a pound sign ( # ). In the example, each keyword begins on a new line for readability. This is not required.

**Comments** start with a double hyphen ( -- ) and are terminated by a Carriage Return or Line Feed.

**Macros** are surrounded by percent signs ( % ). You may want to think of macros as variables—a value is substituted whenever the project system encounters a macro name surrounded by percent signs ( % ). See Project System Macros.

**Keyword Parameters** are everything else you see in the example. Parameters and their syntax are discussed with each keyword.

The Project System recognizes the following keywords:

```
#abort #expand #older
#and #file #or
#autocompile #if #pragma
#compile #ignore #prompt
#declare_compiler #implib #run
#dolink #include #rundll
#else #link #set
#elsif #message #split
#endif #model #system
#error #noedit #then
#exemod #not #to
#exists
```

### Files and Editing

With regard to Clarion, the project system commands are generally stored in either a .PRJ file or an .APP file. APP files are maintained strictly through Clarion's development environment, however, PRJ files are simple ASCII text and may be maintained with the development environment (See the User's Guide; Using the Project System) or with your favorite text editor.

### #noedit

The #noedit command can be placed at the top of a project file to prevent menu-editing from the SoftVelocity environment. It has no effect in the Clarion environment.

## Project System Macros

Macros are special strings that indicate a variable substitution is required. You may find it useful to think of macros as variables.

A sequence of characters enclosed by % characters indicates a macro name. The following characters are permitted in macro names:

```

A B C D E F G H I J K L M
N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
a b c d e f g h i j k l m
n o p q r s t u v w x y z
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 _

```

The trailing % may be omitted provided the character following the macro name is not one of the characters above.

Whenever a % delimited macro name is encountered, it is replaced either by the string associated with that macro, or by an empty string if there is no associated string. Substitution strings are associated with a macro by using the #set command.

Two adjacent % characters may be used when a % character is required in the substituted string. This double % technique can be used to delay macro substitution. For example:

```
#set echo = '#message %mymac' -- '#message %mymac' associated with echo
```

```
#set mymac = 'Hello' -- 'Hello' associated with mymac
```

```
%echo -- '#message %mymac' substituted for %echo
-- and 'Hello' substituted for %mymac
```

```
#set mymac = 'World' -- 'World' associated with mymac
```

```
%echo -- '#message %mymac' substituted for %echo
-- and 'World' substituted for %mymac
```

If a single % had been specified in the first #set command, the macro %mymac would have been expanded (to the empty string) before defining the replacement text for the macro %echo. The double % results in the project system executing:

```
#message Hello
#message World
```

The single % results in the project system executing:

```
#message ""
#message ""
```

## Setting Macro Values

### #set

`#set macroname = string`

The `#set` command associates a macro name with a string. Any previous setting for the given macro is lost. The macro name in the `#set` command should not be delimited by `%` characters. The string should be enclosed in single quotes if it contains embedded spaces or project system keywords.

For example:

```
#set cwindow = TopSpeed
#set linkit = '#link myfile'
...
#if '%cwindow' = TopSpeed #then
#pragma link(CS_GRAPH.LIB)
#endif

%linkit
```

### #expand <file-name>

The filename is subjected to redirection analysis, and the following macros are defined:

`%cpath` Is set to the fully expanded filename where the file would be created.

`%opath` Is set to the fully expanded filename where the file would be opened.

`%ext` Is set to the extension of the filename.

`%tail` Is set to the filename, less extension, drive and path.

`%cdir` Is set to the directory where the file would be created.

`%odir` Is set to the directory where the file would be opened for read (if the file does not exist `%opath` is set the same as `%cpath`).

For example, suppose the redirection file has the line,

```
*.def : . ; c:\ts\include
```

and the file `c:\ts\include\io.def` exists, and the current directory is `d:\test` then,

```
#expand io.def
```

is equivalent to,

```
#set opath = d:\test\io.def
#set cpath = c:\ts\include\io.def
```



```
#set ext = .def
#set tail = io
#set odir = d:\test\
#set cdir = c:\ts\include\
```

## #split <filename>

The filename is split into its base and extension. The following macros are defined:

%ext Is set to the extension of the filename.

%name1 Is set to the filename, less extension.

For example:

```
#split d:\name.exe
```

is equivalent to,

```
#set ext = exe
#set name = d:\name
```

## Special Project System Macros

A number of macros are used for special purposes by the Project System, and you should avoid defining macros of the same name inadvertently. Similarly, you should not define macros using trailing underbars.

The following is a list, in alphabetical order, of all such macros:

%action	Set to make, link, compile or run, depending on the mode of invocation.
%cdir	Set by the <b>#expand</b> command.
%compile_src	In compile mode, this is set to the name of the file to be compiled, with path and extension where available. Otherwise, it is set to the empty string.
%cpath	Set by the <b>#expand</b> command.
%devsys	Set by the Clarion environment to win.
%editfile	Set to the name of the file being edited in the topmost window. If no window is open, or in batch mode, it is set to the empty string.
%editwin	Set to the window number (0-9) of the topmost window. If no window is open, or in batch mode, it is set to the empty string.
%errors	Count of errors produced by preceding compile or <b>#file adderrors</b> command.
%ext	Set by the <b>#split</b> and <b>#expand</b> commands.
%filetype	Set by the <b>#system</b> command to its second argument, and examined by the <b>#link</b> command.
%jpicall	Set by the <b>#model</b> command to its second argument, and examined by the <b>#link</b> command.
%L	Set by the <b>#model</b> command to either " (standalone) L (local) or ! (own). The <b>#link</b> command uses this to derive the name of any required library files.
%link	Set to the current link list.
%link_arg	Set to its argument by the <b>#link</b> command.
%main	Set to the assumed name of the main source file. In make or link mode when not using UNNAMED.PR, this is derived from the project filename, with path and extension removed. Otherwise, it is the supplied source filename complete with path and extension if specified.
%make	Set to on or off by the <b>#compile</b> , <b>#link</b> and <b>#dolink</b> commands, to indicate whether the target file was up to date.

%manual_export	Set this macro on to indicate that the <b>#link</b> command should not construct a .LIB file when a DLL is linked. If this macro is not specified, a .LIB file is created automatically from the corresponding .EXP file if found (see Module Definition File below), or from the object files in the link list.
%model	Set by the <b>#model</b> command to its first argument, and examined by the <b>#link</b> command.
%name	Set by the <b>#split</b> command.
%obj	Set to the object filename in a <b>#compile</b> command.
%odir	Set by the <b>#expand</b> command.
%opath	Set by the <b>#expand</b> command.
%pragmastring	Will always expand to the current state of the <b>#pragma</b> settings - this is useful for debugging.
%prjname	Set to the assumed name of the project - this is usually derived from the project filename, but with the path and extension removed. Where UNNAMED.PR is being used, it is derived from main source filename without source and extension.
%remake	Used within <b>declare_compiler</b> macros to determine whether source/object dependencies require a remake.
%remake_jpi	Used within <b>declare_compiler</b> macros to determine whether source/object dependencies require a remake. %remake_jpi should be used for object files created by SoftVelocity compilers, which contain additional information.
%reply	Set by the <b>#prompt</b> command.
%S	Set by the <b>#system</b> command to 32 indicating the instruction set being used to build the project. The <b>#link</b> command uses this to derive the name of any required library files.
%src	Set to the source filename in a <b>#compile</b> command.
%system	Set by the <b>#system</b> command to its first argument, and examined by the <b>#model</b> and <b>#link</b> commands.
%tail	Set by the <b>#expand</b> command.
%tsc	Set to on if a C or C++ source file is compiled.
%tscpp	Set to on if a C++ source file is compiled.
%tsm2	Set to on if a Modula-2 source file is compiled.
%tspas	Set to on if a Pascal source file is compiled.
%warnings	Count of warnings produced by preceding compile or <b>#file adderrors</b> command.
%X	The <b>#link</b> command uses this to derive the name of any required library files. It adds the letter 'X' to the library name, indicating a 32-bit link.

The above macros are examined by the **#link** command to determine which libraries to include, and then set to off.

## Basic Compiling and Linking

Compile and link options are specified in a project file by means of the `#system`, `#model` and `#pragma` commands.

### **#system**

```
#system operating_system [ target_type ]
```

The `#system` command is used to specify the target operating system and file type. The macros `%system` and `%filetype` are set to the first and second arguments. See Special Project System Macros below.

The first argument specifies the target operating system, and may be `win` or `win32`.

The second argument indicates the target file type, and may be `exe`, `lib`, or `dll`. If omitted, `exe` is assumed.

The `#system` command affects the behavior of subsequent `#model` and `#link` commands. Therefore a `#system` command must be specified before either of these. If more than one `#system` command occurs in a project, each must be followed by a `#model` command in order to take effect.

### **#model**

```
#model memory_model [ linking_convention ]
```

The `#model` command is used to specify the memory model to be used for subsequent compiles and links. This memory model will continue to be used until modified by explicit `#pragmas`, or by another `#model` command.

The `#model` command sets the macros `%model` and `%jpical1` to its first and second parameters respectively. For example,

```
#model clarion dll
```

is equivalent to

```
#set %model = 'clarion'
#set %jpical1 = 'dll'
```

The first argument specifies the memory model, which is always `'clarion'` for Clarion projects. The second indicates the linking convention, which may be `dll`, `lib`, or `customdll`. If omitted, `dll` is assumed.

Setting the second argument to `dll` indicates that you will be creating an `exe` or `dll` that calls the standard Clarion `dlls`. Setting the second parameter to `lib` indicates that you will be creating an `exe`, `lib` or `dll` that includes all the components of the Standard Clarion libraries (and file drivers) in the `exe`, `lib` or `dll`. Using `customdll` indicates that you are linking to a `dll` that was previously created with the `lib` link convention, so the standard Clarion `dlls` are not linked.

The `#system` command must be specified before the first `#model` command.

## #pragma

```
#pragma <#pragma> { , <#pragma> }
```

The `#pragma` command modifies the state of the `#pragma` options which affect the behavior of the SoftVelocity compilers or linker. The syntax and meaning of all `#pragmas` are discussed under the SoftVelocity `#pragmas` section below.

The special macro `%pragmastring` expands to the current state of all `#pragma` options which are not in their default state - this can be useful for determining exactly which options are being used for a given compile. For example:

```
#message `%pragmastring'
```

## Compile and Link Commands

Whenever a file is compiled or linked, the current settings of the compiler or linker options (`#pragma` settings) are compared to those used when the file was last compiled or linked, to determine whether the file is up to date. If a compile or link is necessary, the current settings are passed on to the compiler or linker.

### #compile

```
#compile<source> [ #to <object> ] [ / <#pragma> { , <#pragma> } ]
```

```
{ , <source> [ #to <object> ] [ / <#pragma> { , <#pragma> } ] }
```

The `#compile` command causes each nominated source file to be compiled (if necessary). The name of the object file may be specified using `#to`. If this is omitted, the name is derived from the source filename, with the extension `.obj`.

Any `#pragmas` specified in a `#compile` command apply only to the single source filename that precedes the `/` character.

The macro `%make` is set to on if a compile is necessary, off otherwise. The macros `%src` and `%obj` are set to the names of the source and object filenames.

Each object file is added to the link list, i.e. there is an implicit:

```
#pragma link( %obj )
```

For example:

```
#compile fred.c #to fred.obj
```

```
#compile george.cpp /debug(vid=>full)
```

It is possible to reconfigure the behavior of the Project System when compiling source files of a given extension using the `#declare_compiler` command. This may also be used to declare actions to perform for different file extensions - for example, to support third-party compilers or preprocessors. See Other Commands below.

### #link

```
#link <target_filename>
```

The `#link` command links together (if necessary) all the files in the link list to the nominated executable or library file. The file type is determined by the extension of the nominated target file, or, if there is no extension, by the file type specified in the most recent `#system` command. If neither are specified, the default is to produce an executable file. The effect of `#link` is to set the macro `%link_arg` to the specified filename.

The Project System maintains a list of those files that are to be used as input to the linker the next time an executable or library file is created. This list is known as the *link list*. A filename may be added to the link list using the `#pragma link` command.

For example:

```
#pragma link (mylib.lib)
```

However, it is seldom necessary to use `#pragma link` explicitly, as all the SoftVelocity compilers add the resulting object file to the link list whenever a source file is compiled using `#compile`. In addition, when the `#link` command is encountered, all required standard library files, and other object files which are imported by those already on the link list are also added to the list. The link list is cleared after each link.

The `#link` command differs from the similar `#dolink` command in that (so far as the Project System can determine), any additional object files required are automatically added to the link list before linking. This includes any SoftVelocity library files, and also (with an implicit `#autocompile` command) all modules imported with `IMPORT` clauses in SoftVelocity Modula-2 or with `#pragma link` statements in SoftVelocity C or SoftVelocity C++ source files. In addition, `#link` will determine from the target file type any additional processing that needs to be applied to the output file.

For certain specialized requirements, the use of `#link` may be inappropriate—for example, if a specialized startup file is required, or when building library files, where explicit control of exactly which files are included may be preferred. In such cases, the `#dolink` command should be used.

### **#dolink <target\_filename>**

The `#dolink` command takes the object files which have previously been added to the link list, and combines them into an executable or library file (depending on the extension of the nominated target file), if required to keep the target file up to date. No additional files are added to the link list, so all required files must have been specified previously, by means of `#pragma link`, `#pragma linkfirst`, `#compile`, and `#autocompile`. For simple projects, the use of `#link` is preferable because the link list is dynamically maintained by the project system, freeing the developer from this responsibility.

When finished, the `#dolink` command clears the link list.

**See Also:**

```
#pragma link_options (link)
```

## **#autocompile**

The `#autocompile` command examines the object files which are currently in the link list, to see which objects they need to be linked with. This would include objects specified using a `#pragma link` in a SoftVelocity C or C++ source file, or in the case of module based languages such as SoftVelocity Modula-2 imported modules.

Each resulting object file, which is not already in the link list, is then compiled (if necessary) and added to the link list. If there is more than one possible source for a given object file, an error is reported. This process is repeated until the link list stops changing.

It is not necessary to use `#autocompile` for simple projects where `#link` is used rather than `#dolink`, as `#link` performs an implicit `#autocompile`.

## **#ignore**

```
#ignore <filename>
```

```
#ignore #pragmastring
```

There are two forms of the `#ignore` command. The first, where a filename is specified, tells the Project System to ignore the date of the nominated file when deciding whether or not to compile. This is useful when a 'safe' change is made to a widely used header file, to prevent mass recompile.

The special form `#ignore #pragmastring` directs the Project System to ignore the `#pragma` settings when deciding whether or not to compile a file. This may be useful, for example, when a new compile-time macro has been defined, but there is no need to recompile everything.

## #implib

### #implib <libfilename>

The #implib command is used to create (if necessary) a dynamic link library file. There are two forms of this command, which operate in slightly different ways. If a single filename is specified, this names an import library file, which is created (if not up-to-date) from the object files in the link list. The object files are scanned and each public procedure or variable is exported. For example:

```
#pragma link( fred.obj, joe.obj )  
#implib mylib.lib
```

In the second form of the #implib command, an import library filename and a module definition file (.exp—see Module Definition File below) are both specified, and the library file is created (if not up-to-date) from the symbols named in the definition file. This form of the command is equivalent to using the tsimplib utility that comes with SoftVelocity C, C++, and Modula-2.

### #implib <expfilename> <libfilename>

Using #implib in the second form requires you to create and maintain the list of exports 'by hand', whereas the first form exports all public names automatically. The use of a module definition file is an advantage if you need to maintain compatibility with previous versions of an interface, and it also allows you to export only the procedures which need to be exported.

When #implib is used with a module definition file, the link list is cleared.

## Conditional Processing and Flow Control

Project file commands may be executed conditionally, using `#if`, `#then`, `#elsif`, `#else`, and `#endif` commands. In addition, processing may be stopped with `#error` and `#abort` when certain conditions occur.

### **#if**

The syntax of the `#if` command is as follows :

```
#if <boolean-expression> #then
commands
#elsif <boolean-expression> #then
commands
#else
commands
#endif
```

The `#elsif` part may be omitted, or may be repeated any number of times. The `#else` part may be omitted.

The expressions are evaluated in order, until one of them yields true, then the following command sequence is executed. If none of the expressions yield true, and the `#else` part is present, then the commands following `#else` are executed. All other commands are ignored.

The syntax and semantics of boolean expressions are described under Boolean Expressions below.

### **#error**

**#error <string>**

This command terminates the current project. Under the Clarion environment, the Text Editor is opened at the position of the `#error` command, and displays the supplied string as the error message. For example:

```
#if "%name"="" #then
#error "name not set up"
#endif
```

### **#abort**

**#abort [ on | off ]**

This command is used to control whether a failed `#compile` or `#run` command will terminate a project. If abort mode is on, a project will be aborted as soon as a `#compile` fails, or a `#run` command produces a non-zero return-code. If abort mode is off, a project will only be aborted if an internal command fails, including a `#link`, `#implib` or `#exemod` command.

`#abort on` will set abort mode to on, while `#abort off` will turn it off. `#abort` without one of the above arguments will abort the current project immediately.

The default abort mode is on when running under the Clarion environment.

## User Interface

The following commands allow you to collect information and provide feedback during the make process.

### #message

**#message <string>**

This command displays the specified string in the make display window. This can be used to indicate progress through the project file, or to display status messages. For example:

```
#message "finished making %prjname"
```

### #prompt

**#prompt <promptstring> [ <defaultstring> ]**

This command prompts you to enter a string, by displaying the <promptstring> and waiting for a keyboard entry. The string you enter is returned as the value of the macro %reply. If <defaultstring> is specified, and no keyboard entry is made, the <defaultstring> will be used as the value returned to %reply. For example:

```
#prompt "Command line: " %cline  
#set cline = %reply
```

## Boolean Expressions

Boolean expressions used in #if and #elif commands are made up from the following boolean operators (listed in order of precedence):

```
#or  
#and  
#not  
=  
#exists  
#older  
( )
```

### #or

**boolean-expression = <factor> { #or <factor> }**

A boolean expression containing one or more #or operators yields true if the evaluation of any of the factors yields true.

### #and

**<factor> = <term> { #and <term> }**

A factor containing one or more #and operators yields false if the evaluation of any of the terms yields false.



**#not**

**<term> = #not <term>**

A term proceeded by the #not operator yields true if the evaluation of the term yields false, and vice versa.

**= (comparison)**

**<term> = string = string**

A term containing a comparison operator yields true if the strings are identical, otherwise false. == may be used instead of =.

The = operator and second string may be omitted, in which case the first string is compared against the string "on". That is,

```
DemoSwitch =
```

is equivalent to

```
DemoSwitch = "on"
```

The first string may be replaced by an expression of the form name1(name2), where name2 names a #pragma of class name1. In this case, the expression is replaced by the current setting of the specified #pragma, before the comparison is made.

**#exists**

**<term> = #exists <file-name>**

A term containing the #exists operator yields true if the file exists (after applying redirection to the filename), otherwise false.

**#older**

**<term> = <file-name> #older <file-name> { , <file-name> }**

A term containing the #older operator yields true if the first file specified is older than at least one of the other files specified, otherwise false. Redirection is applied to all filenames (See The Redirection File below). This operator is often useful to determine whether a post/pre-processing action needs to be performed. For example:

```
#if mydll.lib #older mydll.exp #then
...

```

**() Parenthesized Boolean expressions**

**<term> = ( <Boolean-expression> )**

A term may consist of a parenthesized Boolean expression, in order to alter or clarify the binding of other Boolean operators. The term yields true if the enclosed Boolean expression yields true. Arbitrarily complex Boolean expressions may be formed.

## Filenames and Redirection Analysis

Filenames may be fully qualified, e.g. C:\C70\Orders\Order.tps, in which case, redirection analysis is not done. Alternatively, filenames may not be fully qualified, e.g. ORDERS.TPS, in which case redirection analysis is applied.

Redirection analysis means the project system compares the filename with the *filepatterns* in the current redirection file, until a match is found. Then, the project system searches only those directory paths associated with matching *filepattern* to locate the file.

When creating new files, the project system creates the file in the first directory associated with the matching *filepattern*.

### #file Commands

The following file system commands are available:

```
#file adderrors
#file append
#file copy
#file delete
#file move
#file redirect
#file touch
```

#### #file copy <src-filename> <dst-filename>

This command causes a file to be copied from <src-filename> to <dst-filename>. Both <src-filename> and <dst-filename> must be filenames without wildcard characters. Redirection is applied to both filenames.

#### #file delete <filename>

This command causes the nominated file to be deleted. <filename> must be a filename without wildcard characters. Redirection is applied to the filename.

#### #file move <src-filename> <dst-filename>

This command moves (renames) a file from <src-filename> to <dst-filename>. Both filenames must specify files on the same drive. Redirection is applied to both filenames.

#### #file touch <filename>

This command sets the date and time of <filename> to be the current date and time.

#### #file append <filename> <string>

This command appends the specified string to <filename>, followed by a CR/LF pair. The file will be created if it does not exist. This command can be used to build log files, etc.

#### #file redirect [ <filename> ]

This command changes the current redirection file to <filename>. If no filename is specified, then the command changes the current redirection file to the redirection file that began the project.

At the end of the project file, the redirection file is restored to the redirection file that began the project.

## #file adderrors <filename>

This command processes the error messages in the nominated file, and adds them to the errors that will be reported when the project terminates.

Each error message must be in one of the following formats:

```
(filename lineno,colno): error string
(filename lineno): error string
filename(lineno): error string
```

To capture errors from a program with a different error format, a filter program can be used to translate them. For example:

```
#run 'masm %f; > %f.err'
#file adderrors %f.err
#run 'myprog %f; | myfilter > %f.err'
#file adderrors %f.err
```

If any errors are detected, and abort mode is on, the project will terminate and the errors will be reported in the make status window.

The macros %errors and %warnings are set to the number of errors and warnings detected.

## Other Commands

### #run <commandstring>

This command executes the command specified by <commandstring>. A #run command is generated whenever you add a file to the Programs to execute folder in the Project Tree dialog.

For example:

```
#run "dir > dir.log"
#run "myprog"
```

**Note:**

Filenames within the command string (with the exception of the executable filename itself) are not automatically subject to redirection - #expand may be used before using #run if this is required.

### #include <file-name>

A copy of the contents of the nominated file is inserted in the input stream. <filename> should specify a fully qualified filename, or an unqualified filename, in which case redirection analysis is applied (see The Redirection File above).

The current values of the link list, #pragma settings, and macros are fully available to the #include statements. In other words, the #include statements are handled as though they resided within the including .prj file.

**#call <file-name>**

A copy of the contents of the nominated file is inserted in the input stream. <filename> should specify a fully qualified filename, or an unqualified filename, in which case redirection analysis is applied (see The Redirection File above).

The current values of the link list, #pragma settings, and macros are not available to the #call statements, and the #call statements cannot modify these values in the calling environment. In other words, #call statements are handled as a process that is completely separate from the calling process.

**#declare\_compiler <file\_extension> = <executed\_macro>**

This defines a macro which is invoked when compiling source files with an extension matching the first parameter. The macros %src and %obj, are set to the names of the source and object files.

Generally, you will not have to use this command explicitly, as all SoftVelocity compilers are pre-declared in the Project System. For example the following is to invoke MASM

```
#declare_compiler asm=
`#set make=%%remake
#if %%make #then
#edit save %%src
#expand %%src
#set _masmsrc=%%opath
#expand %%obj
#set _masmobj=%%cpath
#run "masm %%_masmsrc,%%_masmobj/MX/e; >masmtmp.$$$"
#file adderrors masmtmp.$$$
#file delete masmtmp.$$$
#endif
#pragma link(%%obj)'
```

**#rundll <dll\_name> <source\_filename> <output\_filename>**

This command invokes an integrated SoftVelocity compiler/utility. The first string is the DLL name, the second is the source filename, and the third is the output filename.

You should never have to use this command explicitly, as all SoftVelocity compilers/utilities are pre-declared in the Project System.

**#exemod****#exemod <file-name> <file-name> <file-name>**

This command is the equivalent of using the tsexemod utility that comes with SoftVelocity C, C++, and Modula-2. #exemod is required to make advanced overlay model programs, Windows programs and DOS DLLs. However, it is not necessary to use this command explicitly when making Windows programs.

TSEXEMOD is used to modify the header and segment information in a new format executable file (.EXE or .DLL), using the information in a module definition (.EXP) file. For example:

```
TSEXEMOD binfile.* expfile.exp mapfile.map
```

## SoftVelocity #pragmas

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Pre-defined Flags

All SoftVelocity languages, and the Project System, use a common set of compiler options known as *#pragmas*. In general, pragmas may appear in the source code or in a project file, and the effect will be the same.

### Note:

A pragma can be used in the Project language, C++ code, Modula-2 code, or Clarion code. Some only work in certain places. A '**P**' to the right of the pragma indicates it can be used in the Project language, a '**C**' indicates it can be used in C++ code, a '**M**' indicates it can be used in Modula-2 code, and a '**W**' indicates that it can be used in Clarion code (CLW files).

## Modula-2 Pragma Syntax

Pragmas in SoftVelocity Modula-2 occur in a special form of comment which begins with '(\*#'. For example:

```
(*# check( index => off ) *)
```

## Old-type Compiler Directives

In the original version of SoftVelocity Modula-2, compiler directives starting with a \$ were used to specify compiler options. These directives are still accepted in later versions of SoftVelocity Modula-2, with the following exceptions:

- \$B (Ctrl-Break handler). This is no longer supported. Use `Lib.EnableBreakCheck` instead.
- \$D (data segment name). This is supported, but adds the suffix `_BSS` (for uninitialized data) or `_DATA` (for initialized data) to the name instead of the `D_` prefix.
- \$J (use `IRET` instead of `RET`). This is not supported. Instead, you should use the pragma:  

```
(*# call( interrupt => on ) *)
```
- However, you may find that you have to make other changes as well as the effect of the pragma is different from the \$J directive:
- \$K (C calling convention). This is not supported. Instead, you should use the pragma:  

```
(*# call( c_conv => on ) *)
```
- \$M (code segment name). This is supported but adds the suffix `_TEXT` to the name instead of the `C_` prefix.
- \$P (external names for local procedures). This is no longer supported. It is no longer applicable.
- \$Q (procedure tracing). This is no longer supported. Instead, you should use the pragma:  

```
(*# debug( proc_trace => on ) *)
```
- This enables a different method of tracing procedures. Refer to the `proc_trace` pragma for further details.
- \$X (80x87 stack spilling). This is no longer supported (and is no longer necessary).
- \$Z (NIL pointer checks). This still does NIL pointer checks but no longer clears memory.
- \$@ (preserve DS). This is no longer supported.

The support for these directives has been included with later systems so that your old programs and modules will recompile with minimum changes. However, you should avoid using the old directives with new programs, and use pragmas instead.

## C and C++ Pragma Syntax

Pragmas are an integral part of the C and C++ languages, and are implemented as compiler directives:

```
#pragma check( index => off )
```

## Project System Pragma Syntax

Pragmas in the Project System use a similar syntax to the C and C++ languages:

```
#pragma check(index => off)
```

Pragmas in the Project System may also be specified in the `#compile` command, to apply to a single compilation. For example:

```
#compile mandel.mod /debug(vid=>on)
```

## Pragma Classes

A #pragma takes the form #pragma class(name=>value). The #pragma classes are as follows:

```
Call #pragmas
Check #pragmas
Code #pragmas
Data #pragmas
Debug #pragmas
Define #pragmas
Link and Linkfirst #pragmas
Link_option #pragmas
Module #pragmas
Name #pragmas
Optimize #pragmas
Option #pragmas
Project #pragmas
Save and Restore #pragmas
Warn #pragmas
```

## Call #pragmas

#pragmas with the class name *call* affect all aspects of calling conventions, code segments, and code pointers. The current settings of the call #pragmas at the point at which a procedure's definition is encountered, determines the calling convention that is used to call the procedure. SoftVelocity compilers detect if an inconsistent calling convention is used when a procedure is called. The type-safe linker reports an error if the calling conventions attributed to a given procedure do not match in every object file.

The following call #pragmas are available:

```
#pragma call(c_conv => on | off)
#pragma call(ds_entry => identifier)
#pragma call(ds_eq_ss => on | off)
#pragma call(inline => on | off)
#pragma call(inline_max => Number)
#pragma call(near_call => on | off)
#pragma call(o_a_copy => on | off)
#pragma call(o_a_size => on | off)
#pragma call(opt_var_arg => on | off)
#pragma call(reg_param => RegList)
#pragma call(reg_return => RegList)
#pragma call(reg_saved => RegList)
#pragma call(result_optional => on | off)
#pragma call(same_ds => on | off)
#pragma call(seg_name => identifier)
#pragma call(set_jump => on | off)
#pragma call(standard_conv => on | off)
#pragma call(var_arg => on | off)
```

**Note:**

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### #pragma call(near\_call => on | off) cpm

Specifies whether procedure calls are near or far. When on, the compiler calls procedures with near calls. The compiler can only use near calls if the calling and called procedures are in the same segment. The compiler checks that this is the case.

The default value is off. This example forces near calls:

```
#pragma call(near_call=>on)
```



**#pragma call(same\_ds => on | off) cpm**

Specifies whether to load the data segment (DS) register on entry to a procedure. When on, DS will not be loaded as part of the procedure prolog. This will only be correct when the DS setting of the calling procedure matches that of the called procedure. The compiler checks that this is the case.

This option is off by default. For example:

```
#pragma call(same_ds => on)
```

This stops DS from being loaded in the procedure prolog.

**#pragma call(c\_conv => on | off) cpm**

When on, this option enables the Microsoft C calling convention. In this convention, the compiler pushes procedure parameters in right to left order on the stack and the caller pops these parameters off the stack.

This is not the default, so you should only use this #pragma when interfacing to Microsoft C code. For example:

```
#pragma call(c_conv=>on)
```

You can also use the cdecl keyword in C and C++ to achieve the same effect.

See also the standard\_conv #pragma, which has the same effect for C and C++, but is ignored for Modula-2. The standard\_conv #pragma is set off by default.

**#pragma call(inline => on | off) cm**

If this #pragma is set on before a procedure definition, the compiler makes a copy of the procedure in the code rather than using a call instruction. The default value is off.

You can use this convention for any procedure, but this #pragma is mainly used together with the reg\_param #pragma for simple machine-code procedures. For example:

```
#pragma save
#pragma call(inline => on, reg_param => (dx,ax))
static void outp(int port, unsigned char byt)=
{
    0xEE, /* out dx,al */
};
#pragma restore
```

makes outp an inline procedure, so a call to it appears as a single 80x86 machine instruction: out dx,al.

**#pragma call(seg\_name => identifier) cpm**

Specifies the code segment name. call(seg\_name => nnn) means that the compiler places the code for the procedure in segment nnn\_TEXT. The default value depends on the memory model. In the small and compact models, the default is null; in the other models it is the name of the source file. For example, a code segment named \_TEXT would be specified as:

```
#pragma call(seg_name => null)
```

and a code segment named MYCODE\_TEXT, would be specified as:

```
#pragma call(seg_name => MYCODE)
```

The default setting is language dependant, and is not defined by the Project System.

**#pragma call(ds\_entry => identifier)    cpm**

This #pragma indicates a segment name which the DS register will point to throughout the execution of a procedure. If the identifier is null, the compiler names the segment \_DATA. If the identifier is none, the compiler does not assume a fixed DS during procedure execution and uses DS as a general purpose segment register like ES.

```
#pragma call(ds_entry => MYDATA)
```

This example indicates that on entry to the procedure, DS will point to the segment named MYDATA\_DGROUP.

**#pragma call(reg\_param => RegList)    cm**

SoftVelocity languages pass procedure parameters in machine registers rather than using the stack. This generates smaller and faster code. This #pragma allows you to fine-tune individual procedure calls for maximum speed. Other vendors' languages use a less efficient calling convention; you must, therefore, disable this calling convention when interfacing to precompiled objects written for these compilers (see the Advanced Programmer's Guide that comes with SoftVelocity C, C++, and Modula-2, Chapter 5: Multi-language Programming). This #pragma has no effect on structure parameters, which are always passed on the stack.

The argument for reg\_param is a register list, specifying which registers should be used. Registers for parameters are allocated left to right from the list. The table shows how the compiler allocates registers dependent on parameter types:

```
1 byte ax, bx, cx, dx
2 bytes ax, bx, cx, dx, si, di
4 bytes ax, bx, cx, dx, si, di for low word.
ax, bx, cx, dx, si, di, es, ds for high word.
floating point st0, st1, st2, st3, st4, st5, st6
```

Note that the es and ds registers will only be used for the high word of a 4-byte parameter where that parameter is of pointer type. If either the low or high word cannot be allocated, then the whole parameter is passed on the stack.

When the compiler exhausts the list of registers, it passes the parameter on the stack. If you specify an empty list, the compiler uses the stack for all parameters.

The default setting for the SoftVelocity calling convention is:

```
#pragma call(reg_param=>(ax,bx,cx,dx,st0,st6,st5,st4,st3))
```

The default setting for the stack calling convention is:

```
#pragma call(reg_param => ( ))
```

**#pragma call(reg\_saved => RegList)    cm**

This #pragma specifies which registers a procedure preserves. The argument RegList is a list that specifies the set of registers.

The default set for the SoftVelocity calling convention is:

```
ccall(reg_saved=>(ax,bx,cx,dx,si,di,ds,st1,st2))
```

The default set for the stack calling convention is:

```
#pragma call(reg_saved=>(si,di,ds,st1,st2))
```

**#pragma call(o\_a\_size => on | off) m**

When on, this option passes the size of open array parameters on the stack:

```
(*# call( o_a_size => on ) *)
```

This #pragma has no effect for value parameter open arrays, unless the o\_a\_copy #pragma is set off.

The default setting is on.

**#pragma call(o\_a\_copy => on | off) m**

When on, open array parameters are copied onto the stack as part of the procedure prolog. If off, only a reference to the array is passed. Note that the open array parameters size must be passed in order for a copy to be made - see #pragma call(o\_a\_size). The default setting is on.

**#pragma call(ds\_eq\_ss => on | off) m**

It controls whether VAR parameters use 16- or 32-bit pointers. The default setting is on for small and medium models, otherwise off.

**#pragma call(var\_arg => on | off) m**

When on, it implies that the following procedures take a variable number of arguments. This effectively disables the "too many arguments" error that the compiler would normally detect. The consequence however, is that the compiler cannot carry out any type checking on the arguments.

This #pragma should be used when calling C procedures (such as printf) where the number of arguments varies:

```
(*# call(var_arg => on,
reg_param=>(),
c_conv=>on ) *)
```

The default setting is off.

**#pragma call(reg\_return => RegList) cm**

This #pragma is used to specify the registers to be used for return values of integer, pointer and floating point types. For example:

```
#pragma call(reg_return => (bx,cx))
```

The default setting is:

```
#pragma call(reg_return=>(ax,dx,st0))
```

**#pragma call(result\_optional => on | off) m**

It can be used to call a procedure as a proper procedure without generating a compiler error. For example:

```
(*# save *)
(*# module( result_optional => on ) *)
PROCEDURE FuncProc(x: CHAR): CARDINAL;
(*# restore *)
```

With this declaration, you can write both of the following:

```
i := FuncProc('a');  
FuncProc('a');
```

This is only useful when the called procedure has a side effect that is more important than the result. It is particularly useful when calling SoftVelocity C library procedures.

The default setting is off.

### **#pragma call(set\_jump => on | off) cm**

This #pragma should only be used for the library routines which implement non-local jumps. The effect is to inform the compiler of the non-standard register saving properties of these routines.

### **#pragma call(inline\_max => Number) cpm**

This #pragma controls the largest procedure which is inlined. The default setting is 12, which corresponds to the minimum code size for most programs. A larger value increases the code size and may accelerate code execution.

The #pragma takes effect for each call, so a procedure may be called in different ways at different places.

#### **Note:**

Procedures are not inlined if the body has not been compiled before the call.

### **#pragma call(standard\_conv => on | off) c**

The effect on C and C++ programs is the same as the call(c\_conv) #pragma. For Modula-2 there is no effect. The default is off.

### **#pragma call(opt\_var\_arg => on | off) cp**

This #pragma controls whether optimized entry sequences are generated for procedures with variable parameter lists. The default is on.

## Check #pragmas

#pragmas with the class name *check* control run-time error checking. These can help you to locate erroneous program logic, but at the expense of slower execution. All these #pragmas default to off.

When a run-time check detects an error, the default action is to terminate the process and create the file CWLOG.TXT.

The following check #pragmas are available:

```
#pragma check(guard => on | off)
#pragma check(index => on | off)
#pragma check(nil_ptr => on | off)
#pragma check(overflow => on | off)
#pragma check(range => on | off)
#pragma check(stack => on | off)
```

### Note:

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### #pragma check(stack => on | off) cpmw

When on, the run-time system checks that your program does not run out of stack space. You can increase the size of the stack using the data(stack\_size) #pragma.

### #pragma check(nil\_ptr => on | off) cpmw

When on, the run-time system checks for any dereference of NULL or NIL pointers.

### #pragma check(range => on | off) pm

When on, a range check is performed whenever a value is assigned to a variable of subrange or enumerated type. In addition, compile-time values are checked to ensure that they are in the range of their type.

### #pragma check(overflow => on | off) pm

When on, the run-time system checks that numeric values do not go out of range.

### #pragma check(index => on | off) cpmw

When on, the run-time system checks for the use of an array index larger than the array size.

### #pragma check(guard => on | off) pm

This #pragma controls whether checks are performed on the checked-guard operator.

## Code #pragmas

#pragmas with the class name *code* control internal code generation optimizations.

The following code #pragmas are available:

```
#pragma code(opt_var_arg => on | off)
#pragma code(standard_float => on | off)
```

### Note:

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### **#pragma code(opt\_var\_arg => on | off) w**

If value of this pragma is "on" (default value) the compiler performs additional optimization for the procedure stack frame for variable parameters. This pragma must always be set to "on".

### **#pragma code(standard\_float => on | off) w**

If value of this pragma is "off" (default), the compiler generates the code to save some FPU registers (the exact list is dependent on values of other pragmas, procedure type (normal or ROUTINE), etc.) on the entry to procedure and restore them on exit, if the procedure is using them. Otherwise, values of FPU registers are not saved in the procedure.

## Data #pragmas

#pragmas with the class name *data* affect data segmentation, data pointers and all aspects of data layout. The current settings of the data #pragmas at the point of a variable's declaration will affect the way in which it is accessed.

The following data #pragmas are available:

```
#pragma data(c_far_ext => on | off)
#pragma data(class_hierarchy => on | off )
#pragma data(compatible_class => on | off)
#pragma data(const_assign => on | off )
#pragma data(const_in_code => on | off)
#pragma data(cpp_compatible_class => on | off )
#pragma data(ds_dynamic => on | off )
#pragma data(ext_record => on | off )
#pragma data(far_ext => on | off )
#pragma data(heap_size => Number)
#pragma data(near_ptr => on | off)
#pragma data(packed => on | off )
#pragma data(seg_name => identifier)
#pragma data(stack_size => Number)
#pragma data(threshold => Number)
#pragma data(var_enum_size => on | off)
#pragma data(volatile => on | off)
#pragma data(volatile_variant => on | off )
```

### Note:

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### #pragma data(seg\_name => identifier) cpmw

The #pragma data(seg\_name=>xxx) specifies that the compiler should place global initialized data objects in a segment named xxx\_DATA, and global uninitialized data objects in a segment named xxx\_BSS. These both have group name xxx and are in the FAR\_DATA class. If the size of a data object is larger than the global data threshold, the compiler places the object in a separate segment.

The following example makes the names of the default segments: MYDATA\_DATA and MYDATA\_BSS. These segments are in group MYDATA and have class FAR\_DATA:

```
#pragma data(seg_name => MYDATA)
```

You can also specify null, to indicate the names \_BSS and \_DATA. The default value is null in all models except for extra large and multi-thread. For example:

```
#pragma data(seg_name => null)
```

**#pragma data(far\_ext => on | off) cpw**

When on, the code generator does not assume that external variables are in the segment specified by the segment #pragma. The #pragma defaults to on. For example:

```
#pragma(seg_name=>MYDATA, far_ext=>off)
```

makes the name of the default segments MYDATA\_DATA and MYDATA\_BSS in group MYDATA. The compiler assumes external data objects to be in the same segment.

**#pragma data(c\_far\_ext => on | off) pm**

When on, the code generator does not assume that external variables are in the segment specified by the seg\_name #pragma. The #pragma defaults to off in all memory models. For example:

```
(*# data(seg_name => MYDATA, c_far_ext => off) *)
```

makes the name of the default segments MYDATA\_DATA and MYDATA\_BSS in group MYDATA. This #pragma is not particularly useful in Modula-2 except for interfacing to C.

**#pragma data(near\_ptr => on | off) cm**

Specifies whether data pointers are near or far. This #pragma also affects pointers generated by the & operator and by implicit array to pointer conversions in C and C++. For example:

```
#pragma data(near_ptr => on)
```

makes data pointers near.

**#pragma data(volatile => on | off) m**

Variables declared when this #pragma is set to on are considered to be volatile, and will always be kept in memory, rather than being kept in registers across statements.

The default setting is off. This #pragma is not allowed in a project file, and is not available for C and C++, where the volatile keyword should be used.

**#pragma data(volatile\_variant => on | off) m**

The effect is as for #pragma data(volatile), but applies to variables of variant record types only. The default setting is off.

**#pragma data(ext\_record => on | off) pm**

Normally SoftVelocity does not allow two fields in different alternatives of a variant record to have the same name. Using this #pragma:

```
(*# data( ext_record => on) *)
```

will allow you to use the same name in different alternatives, if the fields are located at the same offset in the variant record and they have the same data type.

The default setting is off.



**#pragma data(var\_enum\_size => on | off) pm**

Enumeration constants with less than 256 alternative values are normally stored in one byte. Switching this option off:

```
(*# data( var_enum_size => off) *)
```

will force the compiler to store them as two-byte quantities. This is particularly useful for interfacing to third-party libraries and operating system calls that expect a word value. Without this #pragma the enumeration would be byte rather than word size.

The default setting is on.

**#pragma data(stack\_size => Number) cmw**

Specifies the size of the stack. You must place this #pragma in the file containing the main procedure (the main module in Modula-2). If the stack size cannot be set to the specified size, the compiler uses the largest possible size. The default size is 16K bytes. For example:

```
#pragma data(stack_size => 0x6000)
main()
{
    /* statements */
}
```

makes the size of the run-time stack 0x6000 bytes (24K).

**#pragma data(packed => on | off ) pm**

This #pragma controls whether record fields are packed at bit level. The default setting is off.

**#pragma data(const\_in\_code => on | off) pw**

This #pragma controls whether constants are put in to a code or data segment. The default setting is on.

**#pragma data(class\_hierarchy => on | off ) pm**

This #pragma controls whether information about class hierarchies is included in the class descriptor (method table). The information is used by the IS operator and TypeGuards with check on. The default setting is on.

**#pragma data(cpp\_compatible\_class => on | off ) pm**

This #pragma controls whether the compiler includes extra information in class descriptors to provide compatibility with C. The default setting is off.

**#pragma data(compatible\_class => on | off) cp**

This #pragma controls whether the compiler includes the correct information in class descriptors to provide compatibility with Modula-2. The default setting is off.

### **#pragma data(threshold => Number) cpmw**

This #pragma sets the global data threshold. This determines at what size a data object is placed in a segment of its own. The default setting is 10000 bytes.

### **#pragma data(const\_assign => on | off) pm**

This #pragma controls whether it is possible to assign to a structured constant. The default setting is off.

**Note:**

If const\_in\_code=>on is specified, assignments to constants will result in protection violations.

## Debug #pragmas

#pragmas with the class name *debug* control the amount of additional information produced by the code-generator to assist debugging programs.

The following debug #pragmas are available.

```
#pragma debug(line_num => on | off)
#pragma debug(proc_trace => on | off)
#pragma debug(public => on | off)
#pragma debug(vid => off | min | full)
```

### Note:

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### #pragma debug(vid => off | min | full) cpmw

When full, the compiler places information for the SoftVelocity Visual Interactive Debugger (VID) into a .DBD file. Use this option when debugging your program with the SoftVelocity debugger.

### Note:

This #pragma disables the register usage and stack frame optimizations, allowing full access to variables within the debugger. All local variables are treated as volatile, to ensure that their values are not held in registers across statements, thus ensuring that the debugger can access their values at all times.

When min, the compiler performs the optimizations described above, and does not treat local variables as volatile. The debugger can still be used, but cannot reference local variables and some stack frames.

When off, the compiler generates no debugger information, thus speeding compile, generating the best possible code, and saving disk space. The default setting is off.

### #pragma debug(proc\_trace => on | off) pmw

When this #pragma is on, the compiler generates instructions to call the procedures EnterProc and ExitProc on, respectively, entering and exiting every procedure. These procedures can then perform any procedure tracing you may require.

### Note:

You should ensure that this #pragma is off for the EnterProc and ExitProc procedures themselves, otherwise infinite recursion will occur and your program will undoubtedly crash.

The two procedures must be visible to the module in which proc\_trace is set on. This means that the module itself must define the procedures ExitProc and EnterProc or the module must specifically import them using an unqualified import.

The default setting is off.

### **#pragma debug(line\_num => on | off) cpmw**

This #pragma causes the compiler to generate line number information for debuggers such as symdeb. This information is stored in object files and printed in the map file. The default setting is off.

### **#pragma debug(public => on | off) cpm**

This causes private objects to be made public to facilitate the use of debuggers such as symdeb. It may cause duplicated public warnings at link-time in languages such as C and C++ which do not have a modular structure. These warnings may be safely ignored, although it is recommended that such procedures should be renamed to avoid possible confusion. The default setting is off.

## Define #pragmas

A #pragma whose class name is *define* is used to define a conditional compile symbol for subsequent compiles. The symbol is available for interrogation by the OMIT and COMPILE compiler directives. See the Language Reference for more information. This #pragma may only be used in project files.

A define #pragma takes the form:

```
#pragma define(ident=>value)
```

where ident names the symbol and value specifies the value it is given.

For Modula-2, the given identifier is defined as a boolean constant with value TRUE if the value on was specified, otherwise FALSE. For C and C++, the given identifier is defined as a macro. If the value on is specified, the macro is defined to the value 1. If the value off is specified, the macro is not defined. Any other value will cause the identifier to be defined as a macro expanding to the given value. Only a single C or C++ token may be specified, or the compiler will report an error. To define a macro where the value is a string literal, use a command of the form #pragma define (name => "fred").

The following define #pragmas are available:

```
#pragma define(asserts => 0 | 1 )
#pragma define(bcd_arithmetic => on | off )
#pragma define(bcd_large => on | off )
#pragma define(bcd_ulong => on | off )
#pragma define(big_code => n)
#pragma define(compatible_modulus=> on | off )
#pragma define(dll_mode => 0 | 1 )
#pragma define(init_priority => n)
#pragma define(local_implicit => 0 | 1 )
#pragma define(logical_round => on | off )
#pragma define(maincode => on | off )
#pragma define(profile => on | off )
#pragma define(safe_heap => 0 | 1 )
#pragma define(stack_threshold => size )
#pragma define(wdnu => off | on)
#pragma define(wpnu => off | on)
#pragma define(zero_divide => on | off )
```

### Note:

A pragma can be used in the Project language, C++ code, Modula-2 code, or Clarion code. Some only work in certain places. A '**P**' to the right of the pragma indicates it can be used in the Project language, a '**C**' indicates it can be used in C++ code, a '**M**' indicates it can be used in Modula-2 code, and a '**W**' indicates that it can be used in Clarion code (CLW files).

**#pragma define(asserts => 0 | 1 )                      pw**

If the value is 0, and the debug information is not active (generating), the compiler generates nothing for any ASSERT statement detected. If the value is 1, or the debug information is being generated, the compiler produces the code to show the assert dialog. This code can be replaced by setting SYSTEM{PROP:AssertHook} property. If the pragma is set to 1, the call to show the assert dialog is generated *regardless* of the value of the *debug(vid)* pragma.

**#pragma define(bcd\_arithmetic => on | off )      pw**

Specifies use of Binary Coded Decimal (BCD) arithmetic when on (default) and forces use of Floating Point arithmetic when off.

**#pragma define(bcd\_copies => 0 | 1 )      pw**

If pragma is set to 1 (default value), the compiler is trying to keep expression type as DECIMAL if all arguments are integers or DECIMALs or PDECIMALs as long as possible. Otherwise, arguments are converted to REALs.

**#pragma define(bcd\_large => on | off )      pw**

Enables or disables use of DECIMAL and PDECIMAL variables greater than fifteen (15) digits. The default is on (enabled).

**#pragma define(bcd\_ulong => on | off )      pw**

Specifies use of Binary Coded Decimal (BCD) arithmetic for ULONG variables when on (default) and forces use of Floating Point when off. This define is overridden with define(bcd\_arithmetic=>off)

**#pragma define(big\_code => n)      p**

Specifies number of procedures per segment. By default (n = 0) all procedures in a single module go into a single code segment. Setting the value of n for a specific module "breaks up" the module containing a large number of procedures which "breaks" the 64K code segment limit.

**#pragma define(compatible\_modulus=> on | off )      p**

Controls the sign of the result of modulus division. If the pragma is set to zero (OFF), the modulus result uses the sign of the divisor. If the pragma is set to one (ON), the modulus result uses the sign of the dividend. The default is off.

**Example:**

If compatible\_modulus = 0, then

42 % -5 = -2 (-5 is the divisor(-) )

If compatible\_modulus = 1, then

42 % -5 = 2 (42 is dividend (+))

**#pragma define(dll\_mode => 0 | 1 )      pw**

The project system sets this pragma to 0 if the link mode is set to *Local* in the project, and sets it to 1 otherwise. The program should not override the project settings.

**#pragma define(init\_priority => n)      pw**

Specifies a number (n) that is compatible with the C++-module priority schema. Default is 5.

**#pragma define(local\_implicit => 0 | 1 )      pw**

If the pragma is set to 0 (default value), implicit variables that are declared in the procedure are accessible from ROUTINES and methods of local classes. If pragma is set to 1, implicit variables with the same name are allocating separately in each scope.

**#pragma define(logical\_round => on | off      pw  
)**

Specifies rounding behavior when truncating a REAL to a LONG. When on, the result is rounded up if the REAL value is "close to" the next larger integer. When off (default), no rounding occurs.

**#pragma define(maincode => on | off )      pw**

Enables (on—the default) or disables (off) generation of initialization code. Turn maincode off when compiling generic modules or LIB modules.

**#pragma define(profile => on | off )      pw**

Specifies the compiler will invoke a procedure call at the beginning and end of compiling each procedure. This allows you to implement your own profiler. The prototypes for these procedures must be:

```
EnterProc(UNSIGNED Line,*CSTRING Proc,*CSTRING File),NAME('Profile:EnterProc')
LeaveProc(),NAME('Profile:LeaveProc')
```

The EnterProc is called at the beginning of each procedure and LeaveProc at the end.

**#pragma define(safe\_heap => 0 | 1 )      pw**

If the pragma is set to 1 (default value), the compiler generates the code to set a pointer to NULL after it has been freed. Otherwise, the value of the pointer remains the same as it was before the call to free().

**#pragma define(stack\_threshold => size)    pw**

Specifies the size (in bytes) of the threshold at which any data structure larger than the specified size (default is 16384) is assigned heap memory instead of stack memory.

**#pragma define(wpnu => on | off )            pw**

**Parameter never used in function.** When on, the compiler checks for a parameter that the code never uses, so declaration of dummy parameters generates warnings. The default setting is off.

**#pragma define(wdnu => on | off )            pw**

**Variable declared but never used.** When on, the compiler checks whether a local variable has been declared but never used in the function. The default setting is *off*.

**#pragma define(zero\_divide => on | off )    pw**

Specifies divide by zero behavior. When on, division by zero returns zero. When off (the default), division by zero returns an exception.



## Link #pragmas

```
#pragma link( <filename> {,<filename> } )  
#pragma linkfirst( <filename> )
```

These #pragmas may be specified in a project file, in which case the nominated files are added immediately to the link list. In addition, the link #pragma may be specified in a C or C++ source file, in which case the nominated files will be added to the link list when an autocompile command is executed in the Project System, if any files already on the link list had this #pragma specified. For example:

```
#pragma link( file1.obj, file2.obj, file3.lib )  
#pragma linkfirst (initexe.obj)
```

If no extension is given .obj is assumed. Files specified using #pragma link are added to the end of the link list (unless already present). A file specified using #pragma linkfirst is linked before the link list. Only one file may be specified for each link using #pragma linkfirst.

## Link\_Option #pragmas

#pragmas with the class name *link\_option* are used to specify linker options. These #pragmas may only occur in project files.

The following link\_option #pragmas are available:

```
#pragma link_option(case => on | off )
#pragma link_option(decode => on | off )
#pragma link_option(link=> <string>)
#pragma link_option(map => on | off)
#pragma link_option(overlay => on | off )
#pragma link_option(pack => on | off )
#pragma link_option(shift => num)
#pragma link_option(share_const => on | off)
#pragma link_option(icon => iconname)
```

**Note:**

A pragma can be used in the Project language, C++ code, Modula-2 code, or Clarion code. Some only work in certain places. A **'P'** to the right of the pragma indicates it can be used in the Project language, a **'C'** indicates it can be used in C++ code, a **'M'** indicates it can be used in Modula-2 code, and a **'W'** indicates that it can be used in Clarion code (CLW files).

### #pragma link\_option(map => on | off) p

Controls whether a map file is generated with information about segment sizes and publics etc. The default is to create a map file.

### #pragma link\_option(case => on | off) p

This #pragma controls whether the linker treats upper/lower case as significant when linking. The default is case=>off.

### #pragma link\_option(pack => on | off) p

This #pragma controls whether segments are packed together. The default is pack=>on.

### #pragma link\_option(decode => on | off) p

This indicates whether the linker should produce decoded names in the MAP file, as well as their public symbols. The option is set to on if any C source files are included in a project, otherwise off.

### #pragma link\_option(shift => num) p

This specifies the segment alignment shift count for new-format executables. The default is 4, indicating that segments are aligned on 16-byte boundaries.

**#pragma link\_option(link => <string> ) p**

This specifies the project system command to execute on #dolink.

**#pragma link\_option(share\_const=> on | off) p**

This pragma controls whether the 16-bit linker commons-up identical constants. The default is on, making the exe file smaller, but C programmers may want to turn it off if they are relying on constants having different addresses.

**#pragma link\_option(icon => iconname) p**

This pragma specifies the name of the application icon file (icon => MyIcon.ico).

## Module #pragmas

#pragmas with the class name *module* control options that apply to an entire source file or module. These #pragmas should be specified at the top of any source files to which they apply, or in the project file.

The following module #pragmas are available:

```
#pragma module(implementation => on | off )
#pragma module(init_code => on | off )
#pragma module(init_prio => Number)
#pragma module(smart_link => on | off)
```

### Note:

A pragma can be used in the Project language, C++ code, Modula-2 code, or Clarion code. Some only work in certain places. A '**P**' to the right of the pragma indicates it can be used in the Project language, a '**C**' indicates it can be used in C++ code, a '**M**' indicates it can be used in Modula-2 code, and a '**W**' indicates that it can be used in Clarion code (CLW files).

### #pragma module(init\_code => on | off ) pm

When on, it implies that the module contains initialization code to be run when the program is loaded and before the main module is executed. Switching the option off is useful for modules written in other languages, as it will stop the linker warning of undefined symbols:

```
(*# module( init_code => off ) *)
```

### Note:

If an implementation module sets this #pragma off, then there is a knock-on effect, i.e., all imported modules must also have init\_code set to off.

The default setting is on.

### #pragma module(implementation => on | off ) pm

This #pragma specifies whether or not a definition file (.DEF or .ITF) has a corresponding object file. It should be turned off if the definition file defines interfaces to routines in a different language, to prevent the Project System from attempting to remake the corresponding object file. The default is on.

This #pragma can also be used in the implementation part of a module, before any module source code. In this case it overrides the default naming of the associated object file. Normally the name of the .OBJ file corresponding to a module is taken from the module name. When this #pragma is set off, the object filename will be taken from the filename, not the module name.

### #pragma module(smart\_link => on | off) cpm

Setting this #pragma to off disables the smart linking feature, to the extent that either all or none of the objects in each segment from a compile will be included in a link. This may result in quicker linking, and also may allow other linkers (such as Microsoft) to be used. (There are many potential problems with trying to use a non-SoftVelocity linker, and it is definitely not recommended). The default setting is on.

**#pragma module(init\_prio => Number) cpw**

This #pragma is available under C only. It defines a priority for the initialization code for static objects. Normally the initialization order is undefined between files, but this #pragma allows you to control the initialization order in that files with higher priority are initialized before modules with lower priority. The number must be a value between 0 and 32. The default value is 16, and the C library uses values between 25 and 32 (it is therefore not recommended to use values in this range, otherwise part of the library may not have initialized before user code is executed).

## Name #pragmas

#pragmas with the class *name* control aspects of linkage naming. However, the C programmer should also be familiar with C name mangling and extern declarations.

The following name #pragmas are available:

```
#pragma name(prefix => (none | modula | c | os2_lib | windows))
#pragma name(prefix => string)
#pragma name(upper_case => on | off)
```

### Note:

A pragma can be used in the Project language, C++ code, Modula-2 code, or Clarion code. Some only work in certain places. A '**P**' to the right of the pragma indicates it can be used in the Project language, a '**C**' indicates it can be used in C++ code, a '**M**' indicates it can be used in Modula-2 code, and a '**W**' indicates that it can be used in Clarion code (CLW files).

### #pragma name(upper\_case => on | off) cp

This #pragma is available in C and C++ Only. It specifies whether public names should be converted to upper case. You would use this when interfacing to Pascal, or to third party C libraries. The default setting is off.

### #pragma name(prefix) cpm

There are two forms of this #pragma:

In                **name(prefix => (none | modula | c | os2\_lib | windows))**  
Modula-2:

In C and        **name(prefix => string)**  
C++:

### #pragma name(prefix => (none | modula | c | os2\_lib | windows)) mp

This #pragma is available under Modula-2 (under C and C++ the syntax is slightly different - see #pragma name(prefix => string)).

The name(prefix) #pragma specifies the prefix and case of the public names that the compiler uses. The public names are names for non-static procedures and external data objects. By default, SoftVelocity Modula-2 prefixes all external names with the name of the module followed by an '@' for data and a '\$' for procedures. You will need to use this #pragma to interface to SoftVelocity C.

The prefix #pragma specifies which prefix scheme to use:

Modula	Use the SoftVelocity Modula-2 naming convention of prefixing all external names with the name of the module and an '@' or a '\$'.
none	Puts no prefix on external names.
c	Use the C naming convention (adds an underbar, '_' to all external names).
os2_lib	Use the OS/2 library standard (prefix all external names with the module name).
window	Use the Microsoft Windows external naming convention.

s

**#pragma name(prefix => string) cp**

This #pragma is available under C and C++ Only. Under Modula-2 the syntax is slightly different - see #pragma name(prefix => (none | modula | c | os2\_lib | windows)).

The value is a string specifying the prefix to all public names. An empty string specifies no prefix. The default prefix is an underbar.

If you wish to interface to SoftVelocity Modula-2, you can use this #pragma to specify the module prefix with a dollar (\$) suffix. For example, to use the WrStr procedure from module IO:

```
#pragma name(prefix => "IO$")  
void WrCard(unsigned);
```

In C, a Pascal or Modula2 linkage specification can specify a module name within the linkage specification, in which case the use of this #pragma is not necessary.

The default setting is language-dependent. The Project System does not set a default value for this macro.

## Optimize #pragmas

#pragmas with the class name *optimize* control optimizations performed by the SoftVelocity code generator. By default, all optimizations are enabled. Turning off an optimization will result in poorer code quality, and is unlikely to have a significant impact on compile times.

The following optimize #pragmas are available:

```
#pragma optimize(alias => on | off)
#pragma optimize(const => on | off)
#pragma optimize(copro => 87 | 287 | 387)
#pragma optimize(cpu => 86 | 286 | 386 | 486)
#pragma optimize(cse => on | off)
#pragma optimize(jump => on | off)
#pragma optimize(loop => on | off)
#pragma optimize(peep_hole => on | off)
#pragma optimize(regass => on | off)
#pragma optimize(speed => on | off)
#pragma optimize(stk_frame => on | off)
```

### Note:

A pragma can be used in the Project language, C++ code, Modula-2 code, or Clarion code. Some only work in certain places. A **'P'** to the right of the pragma indicates it can be used in the Project language, a **'C'** indicates it can be used in C++ code, a **'M'** indicates it can be used in Modula-2 code, and a **'W'** indicates that it can be used in Clarion code (CLW files).

### #pragma optimize(cse => on | off)   cpm

When on, the compiler minimizes evaluation of complete expressions by keeping partial results in a temporary register. The default setting is on.

### #pragma optimize(const => on | off)   cpm

When on, the compiler will hold frequently used constants in registers to produce faster code. The default setting is on.

### #pragma optimize(speed => on | off)   cpmw

When on, SoftVelocity tries to make the code run as fast as possible without regard for the code size. When off, SoftVelocity tries to make the code as small as possible.

A good example of the difference between optimizing for speed and optimizing for space is the use of a for loop. When optimizing for speed, the compiler might use nop instructions to place jump labels inside the for loop on even boundaries. The 80x86 architecture makes this much quicker than odd boundaries, but each nop adds another byte to the code size. This means that when optimizing for space, the compiler eliminates the extra nop instructions. The default setting is on.



**#pragma optimize(stk\_frame => on | off) cpm**

When on, the compiler will only make stack frames where required, thus eliminating the need to set up the BP register. This optimization can only be made when all parameters and local variables for a procedure can be held in machine registers.

When off, the compiler always sets up the BP register, thus allowing a complete activation stack listing while debugging. The default setting is on.

**#pragma optimize(regass => on | off) cpm**

When on, the compiler spends time finding the best allocation of registers for variables. This results in fast and tight code but slower compile. The default setting is on.

**#pragma optimize(peep\_hole => on | off) cpm**

When on, the compiler performs a variety of machine-code translations, generating smaller and faster code. The default setting is on.

**#pragma optimize(jump => on | off) cpm**

When on, the compiler will rearrange loops to eliminate as many jumps as possible, thus generating faster code. The default setting is on.

**#pragma optimize(loop => on | off) cpm**

When on, the compiler uses the loop depth when eliminating common sub-expressions and performing jump optimizations. The result of this optimization is faster, but potentially larger, code. The default is on.

**#pragma optimize(alias => on | off) cpm**

When on, this allows the compiler to assume that variables in a procedure will not also be used indirectly with a pointer in the same procedure. This assumption is not strictly allowed in ANSI C but is correct for all meaningful programs. The default setting is on.

**#pragma optimize(cpu => 86 | 286 | 386 | 486) cpmw**

This controls the instructions used by the code generator, by declaring the processor to be used. The default is cpu=>286. Ignored in this release.

**#pragma optimize(copro => 87 | 287 | 387) cpmw**

This controls the instructions used by the code generator, by declaring the math coprocessor to be used. The default is cpu=>287. Ignored in this release.

## Option #pragmas

#pragmas with the class name *option* control language-dependent options, such as SoftVelocity extensions. The following option #pragmas are available:

```
#pragma option(ansi => on | off)
#pragma option(bit_opr => on | off)
#pragma option(incl_cmt => on | off)
#pragma option(lang_ext => on | off)
#pragma option(min_line => on | off)
#pragma option(nest_cmt => on | off)
#pragma option(pre_proc => on | off)
#pragma option(uns_char => on | off)
```

### Note:

A pragma can be used in the Project language, C++ code, Modula-2 code, or Clarion code. Some only work in certain places. A '**P**' to the right of the pragma indicates it can be used in the Project language, a '**C**' indicates it can be used in C++ code, a '**M**' indicates it can be used in Modula-2 code, and a '**W**' indicates that it can be used in Clarion code (CLW files).

### #pragma option(ansi => on | off) **cp**

This #pragma is available under C and C++ Only. If it is set to on, ANSI keywords only are allowed. The default setting is off.

### #pragma option(lang\_ext => on | off) **cp**

This #pragma is available under C and C++ Only. The following constructs are not valid under ANSI C, but are included in SoftVelocity C and C++ when this #pragma is not set on:

- A type cast yields an lvalue if the operand is an lvalue.
- Procedures can be initialized with binary machine code.
- The relational operators (>,>=,<=,<) allow the operators to be a mixture of integer and pointer operands.
- Bitfields in C can have type char and unsigned char.
- Relative pointers.

The default setting is on.

### #pragma option(nest\_cmt => on | off) **cp**

This #pragma is available under C and C++ Only. When on, you can nest comments without causing an error message. For example:

```
/* This is a test comment
/* This is a nested comment */
*/
```

When off, nested comments cause an error message. The default is off, allowing the compiler to trap unterminated comments more easily and make it conform with ANSI C.

### **#pragma option(uns\_char => on | off) cp**

This #pragma is available under C and C++ Only. When on, types declared as char lie between 0 and 255. When off, values declared as char lie between -127 and 128. The default setting is off.

### **#pragma option(pre\_proc => on | off) cp**

This #pragma is available under C and C++ Only. When on, the compiler produces preprocessor output in a file with the same name but with extension .i. This output file makes it easy to debug the result of macro expansions. The default setting is off.

### **#pragma option(incl\_cmt => on | off) cp**

This #pragma is available under C and C++ Only. When on, comments are preserved in preprocessor output. The default setting is off.

This #pragma has no effect unless #pragma pre\_proc is on.

### **#pragma option(min\_line => on | off) cp**

This #pragma is available under C and C++ Only. When on, the preprocessor minimizes the number of blank lines in output. The default setting is on.

This #pragma has no effect unless #pragma pre\_proc is on.

### **#pragma option(bit\_opr => on | off) pm**

This #pragma is available under Modula-2 only. It allows bitwise operations on cardinals:

```
( a AND/OR b, NOT a ) .
```

The default setting is off.

## Project #pragmas

A #pragma with the class name *project* is used to pass information from a compile to the Project System. The value of the #pragma should be a string, which is then stored in the object file for use by the Project System. Whenever an object file is added to the link list, the text specified using this #pragma is executed as a Project System command. For example, if a header file includes the line:

```
#pragma project("#set myflag=on")
```

then whenever a source file that includes this header file is included in a project, the Project System macro myflag will be set. This might be used for processing later in the project file.

This #pragma may only appear in source files, not in a project file.

## Save/Restore #pragmas

The save #pragma saves the entire #pragma state, so you can later restore it with a restore #pragma. The save and restore #pragmas work in a stack-like manner, thus allowing you to nest them. For example:

```
/*save the #pragma state and enable the interruptconvention*/  
#pragma save  
#pragma call(interrupt => on)  
/* interrupt functions are specified here */  
#pragma restore
```

There is no limit on the number of saves, except the amount of memory available. These #pragmas may be used in source files or in a project file.

## Warn #pragmas

#pragmas with the class name *warn* control the generation of compiler warnings. These #pragmas are only available under the project language and C/C++.

The warnings given by SoftVelocity C and C++ help you to check, as far as possible, common coding mistakes. Since no compiler can determine your intentions, you may get warnings even if your code is correct. Your code may generate some warnings more than others, so SoftVelocity allows you to customize which warning checks are performed.

You can set each of the warning options to on, off, or err. When on, SoftVelocity checks the code for that warning and reports the problem, but the problem does not stop the compile or linking. When off, SoftVelocity ignores the warning. When err, SoftVelocity checks the code for the warning, reports the problem, and does not allow linking until you have fixed the problem.

### Note:

SoftVelocity C and C++ check the code and produce a warning for a good reason. Indeed, to use your non-ANSI C code, SoftVelocity C uses a minimal set of warning messages by default. You should, therefore, think twice before turning off any of the default warning messages. We advise that you keep all the warnings either on or err.

The following warn #pragmas are available:

```
#pragma warn(wacc => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wait => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wall => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(watr => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wcic => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wcld => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wclt => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wcne => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wcor => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wcrt => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wdel => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wdne => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wdnu => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wetb => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wfnd => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wftn => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wnid => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wnre => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wnrw => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wntf => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wovl => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wovr => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wpcv => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wpic => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wpin => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wpnd => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wpnu => on | off | err)
```

```
#pragma warn(wprg => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wral => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wrfp => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wsto => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wtxt => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wubd => on | off | err)
#pragma warn(wvnu => on | off | err)
```

**Note:**

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**#pragma warn(wall => on | off | err) cp**

This #pragma affects the settings of all the warnings. If set to on or err, all warnings will be enabled.

**#pragma warn(wpcv => on | off | err) cp**

**Pointer conversion.** When on or err, the compiler checks for a conversion between two incompatible pointer types, or between a pointer and an integral type. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wdne => on | off | err) cp**

**Declaration has no effect.** When on or err, the compiler checks for a declaration that has no meaning, for example, long int;. A declaration should contain a variable declarator, a structure or union tag, or members of an enumeration. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wsto => on | off | err) cp**

**Storage class redeclared.** When on or err, the compiler checks that you have not declared the same variable differently within your program. For example:

```
int x; /* External linkage */
static int x; /* Internal linkage */
```

The static storage class always takes preference. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wtxt => on | off | err) cp**

**Unexpected text in preprocessor command.** When on or err, the compiler checks for a new line character terminating a preprocessor command. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wprg => on | off | err) cp**

**Unknown #pragma.** When on or err, the compiler checks for foreign #pragmas or mistakes in SoftVelocity C #pragmas. If you are only creating code using SoftVelocity C or C++ #pragmas, you should switch this warning to either on or err. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wfnd => on | off | err) cp**

**Function not declared.** When on or err, the compiler checks for functions that have been called but not declared. If these functions occur, SoftVelocity C assumes that the function is an extern function returning an int. The default setting is off.

**#pragma warn(wpnd => on | off | err) cp**

**Function prototype not declared.** When on or err, the compiler checks whether a function has a prototype associated with it. Prototypes are important to SoftVelocity, since it can not do much type checking without them. You should, therefore, declare prototypes for all functions. It is best to keep this warning on or err. The default setting is off.

**#pragma warn(wnre => on | off | err) cp**

**No expression in return statement.** When on or err, the compiler checks for a return value in a non-void function. You should keep this warning off if you are compiling some old style C code without prototypes. The default setting is off.

**#pragma warn(wnrv => on | off | err) cp**

**No return value in function.** When on or err, the compiler checks for a return statement in a non-void function. The default setting is off.

**#pragma warn(watr => on | off | err) cp**

**Different const attributes.** When on or err, the compiler checks whether a function that expects a pointer to a variable gets a pointer to a constant. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wftn => on | off | err) cp**

**Far to near pointer conversion.** When on or err, the compiler checks for conversion of a 32-bit far pointer to a 16-bit near pointer. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wntf => on | off | err) cp**

**Near to far pointer conversion.** When on or err, the compiler checks for conversion of a 16-bit near pointer to a 32-bit far pointer. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wubd => on | off | err) cp**

**Possible use of variable before assignment.** When on or err, the compiler checks that you have used a local variable before you have given it a value. SoftVelocity checks this warning with a simple scan through the function, which can cause gotos and the like to generate false warnings.

**#pragma warn(wpnu => on | off | err) cpw**

**Parameter never used in function.** When on or err, the compiler checks for a parameter that the code never uses, so declaration of dummy parameters generates warnings. The default setting is off.

**#pragma warn(wdnu => on | off | err) cpw**

**Variable declared but never used.** When on or err, the compiler checks whether a local variable has been declared but never used in the function. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wcne => on | off | err) cp**

**Code has no effect.** When on or err, the compiler checks statements and the left operand in a comma expression to see if they have no effect. The default setting is on. For example:

```
x y; /* expression has no effect */  
f, x; /* left operand has no effect */
```

**#pragma warn(wclid => on | off | err) cp**

**Conversion may lose significant digits.** When on or err, the compiler checks for a conversion from long or unsigned long to int or unsigned int. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wait => on | off | err) cp**

**Assignment in test expression.** When on or err, the compiler checks for a possible mistyping of the C equality (==) operator. The equality operator contains two =. For example:

```
if (x=y) printf("X equals Y"); /* is a mistake */
```

The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wetb => on | off | err) cp**

**Value of escape sequence is too large.** When on or err, the compiler checks that an escape sequence is in the range 0 to 255. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wcor => on | off | err) cp**

**Value of constant is out of range.** When on or err, the compiler checks whether an integer constant is in the range of an unsigned long, or a floating point constant is in the range of a long double. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wclt => on | off | err) cp**

**Constant is long.** When on or err, the compiler checks for an integral constant that has type long because of its value but does not have an L suffix. The default setting is off.

**#pragma warn(wral => on | off | err) cp**

**Returns address of local variable.** When on or err, checks for a return statement that returns the address of a local variable. This causes a problem because C reclaims the variable storage on completion of the function. The pointer, therefore, points at undefined data. The default setting is on.



**#pragma warn(wpin => on | off | err) cp**

**Default type promotion on parameter.** When on or err, the compiler compares the declaration of a parameter in an old-style function definition with the prototype for incompatible argument promotions. For example:

```
int func(char); /* parameter declared as char */

int func(IntegerByPromotion);
char IntegerByPromotion;
    /* INCOMPATIBLE */
{
    ...
}
```

**Note:**

This is a violation of the ANSI C standard regarding compatible function declarations. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wpic => on | off | err) cp**

**Parameter list inconsistent with previous call.** This warning is issued if a parameter declaration is incompatible with the corresponding parameter in a previous function declaration. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wnid => on | off | err) cp**

**Address for local variable not in DGROUP.** When on or err, the compiler checks that a local variable does not have its address taken in small model, when using #pragma data(ss\_in\_dgroup => off). The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wrfp => on | off | err) cp**

**Function redeclared with fixed parameters.** When on or err, the compiler checks for a prototype with a variable number of arguments, but the corresponding function definition specifies a fixed number of arguments. This will work in SoftVelocity C, but it is a violation of the ANSI C rules for compatible function declarations, and therefore, not portable. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wvnu => on | off | err) cp**

**Local variable never used.** When on or err, the compiler checks whether you declare a local variable and assign it a value but never use it. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wovr => on | off | err) cp**

**Overflow in constant expression.** This warning is issued when a constant integer expression overflows. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wacc => on | off | err) cp**

**Default access specifier used for base class.** This warning is issued if a base class specification does not have an access specifier and the default access is used (i.e. public for a struct and private for a class). The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wdel => on | off | err) cp**

**Expression in delete[] is obsolete.** This warning is issued if an expression is specified in the square brackets of a delete expression. The expression is ignored. This is obsolete C usage. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wovl => on | off | err) cp**

**Keyword 'overload' is not required.** This warning is issued if the keyword overload is specified in C. The use of this keyword is obsolete C usage. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wcic => on | off | err) cp**

**Constant in code segment requires initialization.** This warning is issued if a constant placed in the code segment requires run-time initialization, as may be the case for an object declared const in C, whose initializer is an expression, when the const\_in\_code #pragma is set on. This situation will lead to a protection violation in OS/2 and Window 3 protected mode applications, so const\_in\_code should be set off if this warning is encountered. The default setting is on.

**#pragma warn(wcrt => on | off | err) cp**

**Class definition as function return type, missing ';' after '}'?**

This warning is issued if a class is defined in a function return type specification. Such a construct is legal, but unusual, and frequently results from omitting a semicolon between a class definition and the following function declaration. The default setting is on.

## Predefined Compiler Flags

### Pre-defined Flags

Whenever you #compile a program the project system automatically defines a number of flags to ON or OFF, depending on the target system. You may use these predefined flags to control your make process. Here are the flags that you can use in OMIT and COMPILE statements for conditional compilation:

<b>_WIDTH32_</b>	On for 32-bit applications(deprecated)
<b>_CDD_</b>	On for Clarion for DOS
<b>_CW_</b>	On for Clarion, version 1.0
<b>_CWVER_</b>	Four digit number. The top two digits are the major version of Clarion. The lower two digits are the minor version. For the initial release of Clarion 6.0 this is set to 6000, 6.1, 6100, etc.
<b>_CLW15_</b>	On for Clarion, version 1.5
<b>_CLW20_</b>	On for Clarion, version 2.0
<b>_CLW21_</b>	On for Clarion, version 4
<b>_C5_</b>	On for Clarion, version 5
<b>_C55_</b>	On for Clarion, version 5.5 and later
<b>_C60_</b>	On for Clarion, version 6 and later
<b>_C61_</b>	On for Clarion, version 6.1 and later
<b>_C62_</b>	On for Clarion, version 6.2 and later
<b>_C63_</b>	On for Clarion, version 6.3 and later
<b>_C70_</b>	On for Clarion, version 7.0 and later
<b>_DEBUG_</b>	On for application debug mode
<b>DLL_MODE</b>	On when compiled to link to the runtime DLLs
<b>LIB_MODE</b>	On when building a LIB
<b>_ABCDIIMode</b> _	Used by the ABC template chain on all CLASS definitions to indicate that the CLASS is declared in an external .DLL. A project DEFINE is used to toggle the DLL mode.

## Project System Examples

Following is an example of some project system commands that we use here at SoftVelocity to make our file drivers. This example uses a wide variety of project system statements and shows how the project system can be used to control the accuracy and completeness of even the most complicated projects.

These example statements are divided among four files, showing the project system's ability to support structured programming, modularity, and reusability. The files are ALLDRV.PR, which #calls ORACLE.PR (among others), which #includes SQLFILES.PR, which in turn #includes DRVKIT.PI.

### ALLDRV.PR

```
#system win dll
#model clarion

#set drvdebug  = full
#set kitdebug  = full

#set release = off
#set fromclw = on
#set incbuildno = off
#set demo = off

#if "%release"="on" #then
    #pragma define(_RELEASE=>on)
    #set incbuildno = on
    #set kitdebug  = off
    #set drvdebug  = off
#endif

#pragma define(DEMO_VERSION=>%demo)

#set domodels=
\
#abort on
#set down32=off #set dolib=off
#call %%prjfile
#set down32=off #set dolib=on
#call %%prjfile
#set down32=off #set dolib=off
#abort off
#set down32=on #set dolib=off
```

```

#call %%prjfile
#set down32=on #set dolib=on
#call %%prjfile
#abort on
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#if #exists btrieve.pr #then #set prjfile=btrieve.pr %domodels #endif
#if #exists odbc.pr #then #set prjfile=odbc.pr %domodels #endif
#if #exists cla21.pr #then #set prjfile=cla21.pr %domodels #endif
#if #exists tps.pr #then #set prjfile=tps.pr %domodels #endif
#if #exists dos.pr #then #set prjfile=dos.pr %domodels #endif
#if #exists ascii.pr #then #set prjfile=ascii.pr %domodels #endif
#if #exists basic.pr #then #set prjfile=basic.pr %domodels #endif

#set domodels=
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#set down32=off #set dolib=off
#call %%prjfile
#set down32=off #set dolib=on
#call %%prjfile
#set down32=off #set dolib=off
\

#file redirect ts.red
#if #exists sql400.pr #then #set prjfile=sql400.pr %domodels #endif
#if #exists oracle.pr #then #set prjfile=oracle.pr %domodels #endif

```

## **ORACLE.PR:**

```

#noedit
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-- ORACLE.PR Oracle Driver project file
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#system win dll --target OS is windows, dll executable
#model clarion --memory model is clarion

-- Set default macro values. These "switches" will control the make process
#set drv = ORA

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#set trace      = off
#set heapchk    = off
#set drvdebug   = full
#set sqldebug   = full
#set kitdebug   = off
--#set release  = on

#expand ORACLEIN.CPP                                --set %cpath to path where file is created
                                                    --%opath to path where file is opened
                                                    --%ext to CPP
                                                    --%tail to ORACLEIN
                                                    --%cdir to directory where file is created
                                                    --%odir to directory where file is opened

#set drvdir = %odir                                --save the %odir value
#set sql_type = 0                                  --set %sql_type to 0

-- Define a conditional compile symbol for subsequent compiles.
-- The symbol is DRVSPEC, and its value is "oraclesp.h"
-- DRVSPEC is available for interrogation by the OMIT and COMPILE
-- statements--see the Language Reference for more information.
#pragma define(DRVSPEC=>"oraclesp.h")

--Compile the sql modules with appropriate levels of debug code.
#include SQLFILES.PR                                --Execute statements from SQLFILES.PR here.
                                                    --All macros, pragmas, and link list are fully
                                                    --available to the #included statements.

#compile ORACLEIN.CPP                                --compile the oracle c++ source.
#compile ORAIMPOR.CLW /define (maincode=>off)        --and the clarion source.
                                                    --both are added to the link list.

#pragma link(ORAIMPOR.RSC)                          --add ORAIMPOR.RSC to the link list.
#pragma link (ORA7WIN.LIB)                          --add ORA7WIN.LIB to the link list.
#pragma link (%lnkpfx%asc.LIB)                      --add C70ASC.LIB to the link list.
                                                    --%lnkpfx% resolves to C70,

-- Execute the series of statements assigned to drv_Link at the very
-- end of the DRVKIT.PI file. These statements are designed to link
-- and patch the File Driver.
%drv_Link
```

**SQLFILES.PR:**

```

-- Release version: Disable all debugging and tracing
#if "%release"="on" #then
    #set drvdebug  = off
    #set kitdebug  = off
    #set sqldebug  = off
    #set trace     = off
    #set heapchk   = off
#endif

-- make sure the sql_type switch is explicitly set (no default)
#if '%sql_type' = '' #then
    #error "sql_type must be set"
#endif

-- Default is compact code. Set the DRIVER_COMPACT symbol based on
-- the value of the %compact macro
#if "%compact"="" #then #set compact=on #endif
#if '%compact'='off' #or '%heapchk'='on' #then
    #pragma define(DRIVER_COMPACT=>off)
#else
    #pragma define(DRIVER_COMPACT=>on)
#endif

#include DRVKIT.PI                                --Execute statements from DRVKIT.PI here.
                                                    --All macros, pragmas, and link list are fully
                                                    --available to the #included statements.

#pragma save                                       --Save the current #pragma settings so they
                                                    --can be restored later with #pragma restore.

-- Debugging: Debugger info and Run-time checks
#if "%sqldebug"="" #then #set sqldebug=off #endif      --default is off
#pragma debug(vid=>%sqldebug)
#if "%sqldebug"="full" #then                          --for full debugging, enable
    #pragma check(index=>on,range=>on,overflow=>on)      --runtime error checks
    #pragma debug(line_num=>on)                        --and line numbering
#endif

```

```
#pragma warn(wall=>on)                                --enable all warning msgs

#set srcfile = SAFESTR.CPP                             --set %srcfile to SAFESTR.CPP
#set dstfile = %sql_type%SAFE.CPP                     --set %dstfile to OSAFE.CPP
-- Execute the series of statements assigned to makesrc in the middle
-- of the DRVKIT.PI file. These statements are designed to get the C++
-- constructor entry point to have a different name for each driver.
%makesrc

#set srcfile = SQLOPEN.CPP                             -- ditto
#set dstfile = %sql_type%SQLOPE.CPP
%makesrc

#set srcfile = SQLUPDAT.CPP                             -- ditto
#set dstfile = %sql_type%SQLUPD.CPP
%makesrc

#set srcfile = SQLRETRI.CPP                             -- ditto
#set dstfile = %sql_type%SQLRET.CPP
%makesrc

#set srcfile = SQLGLOB.CPP                             -- ditto
#set dstfile = %sql_type%SQLGLO.CPP
%makesrc

#if %system=win #then                                  -- conditionally
#set srcfile = SQLVIEW.CPP                             -- ditto
#set dstfile = %sql_type%SQLVIEW.CPP
%makesrc
#endif

#pragma restore                                         --restore the #pragma settings saved earlier
#pragma warn(wall=>on)                                --enable all warning messages
```



**DRVKIT.PI:**

```

#noedit

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--  DRVKIT.PI   Driver Kit project include file
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--  DrvKit.Pi contains project statements common to all Driver Kit based
--  File Drivers.  The following settings must be set before including
--  drvkit.pi:
--
--      #set drv          = A 3 or 4 letter driver id (e.g C21)
--      #pragma define(DRVSPEC="c21specs.h")    -- or appropriate file
--
--      Any other defines that affect the Driver Specification
--
--  Optional:
--
--      #set trace        = on          -- Enable tracing
--      #set heapchk       = on          -- Enable Heap Checker
--      #set common        = on          -- Merge common code
--
--
--  Release version: Disable all debugging and tracing
#if "%release"="on" #then
    #set drvdebug  = off
    #set kitdebug  = off
    #set trace     = off
    #set heapchk   = off
#endif

--  Windows: Ensure Clarion 4 Windows conventions are adopted
#pragma warn(wall=>on)          --enable all warning messages
#pragma define(__CLARION__=>on) --set compiler directive switch

#if #not %system=dos #then      -- dos,
    #if "%dowin32"=on #then
        #system win32 dll      -- win32, or

```

```
#else
    #system win dll                -- win16
#endif
#model clarion

#if %filetype=dll #then
    #pragma define(_WINDLL=>on)    --set compiler directive switch
#endif

-- Build the appropriate file names for this driver set.
#if "%dolib"="" #then
    #set dolib=off                 --default dolib = off
#endif
#if "%dowin32"="" #then
    #set dowin32=off              --default dowin32 = off
#endif
#if %dolib=on #then               --set link (.lib) prefix
    #set lnkpfx = CL
#else
    #set lnkpfx = CW
#endif
#if "%pfx"="" #then
    #set pfx      = %drv%         --set prefix to driver name
#endif
#else
    #set dolib=off
    #if %model=extendll #then
        #pragma define(_XTDDL=>on)
    #endif

    #set pfx      = %M%%drv%
    #if '%RWMODE%' = 'on' #then
        #set lnkpfx=drw
    #else
        #set lnkpfx=%clapfx%
    #endif
    #set S = ""                  --set suffix to null
#endif

#set drvname    = %lnkpfx%%drv%%S%    --Put the name together
```

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#message "Making %drvname% File Driver" --Display status message
#if #not "%inbrowser" #then
    #if #exists %drvname%.ver #then          --Conditionally...
        #compile %drvname%.ver              -- compile the driver
    #endif
#endif

-- Heap Checker: Compile and enable Heap Checker (No Debugging)
#if "%heapchk"="on" #or "%heapdbg"="on" #then
    #set heapchk = on
    #pragma define(HEAPCHK=>on)              --Set compiler directive switch.
    #if "%heapdll"="on" #then                 --If dll, then
        #pragma link(%clapfx%hchk.lib)       --add heapchk lib to link list.
    #else
        #pragma save                        --Save current pragma settings.
        #if "%heapdbg"="on" #then             --Conditionally...
            #pragma debug(vid=>full)          -- enable debug code.
        #endif
        #compile HEAPCHK.C      #to %pfx%HCHK.OBJ--Compile heap checker.
        #compile STRCHK.C       #to %pfx%SCHK.OBJ--
        #compile NEW.CPP        #to %pfx%NEW.OBJ
        #pragma restore         --Restore saved pragma settings.
    #endif
#endif

-- Debugging: Debugger info and Run-time checks
#if "%drvdebug"="" #then #set drvdebug=full #endif--default is "full"
#pragma debug(vid=>%drvdebug)
#if "%drvdebug"="full" #then
    #pragma check(index=>on,range=>on,overflow=>on) --enable runtimes
    #pragma debug(line_num=>on)                  --enable line nos.
#endif

-- Common Code: Some Driver Kit code is merged when linking multiple
-- File Driver Libraries
#if "%common"="on" #then                      --Conditionally...
    #pragma define(COMMON_CODE=>on)          -- define compiler switch
#endif

```

```
#if '%drvdir' = '' #then
    #error "drvdir must be set to build lib versions of the drivers"
#endif

-- To get the C++ constructor entry point to have a different
-- name for each of the drivers it is necessary to compile
-- different C++ source modules:
#set makesrc = '
    #if (#not #exists %%drvdir%%dstfile) #or (%%drvdir%%dstfile #older %%srcfile ) #or (%%src
file #older %%drvdir%%dstfile ) #then
        #expand %%srcfile
        #run "copy %%opath %%drvdir%%dstfile > NUL "
    #endif
    #compile %%dstfile %%defs
'

-- Driver Kit: Compile Driver Kit sources
#pragma save                                --First, save current pragma settings
#if #not "%kitdebug"="" #then                --Conditionally...
    #pragma debug(vid=>%kitdebug)            -- set debug level
#else
    #pragma debug(vid=>off)
#endif

#set srcfile = DRVl1.C                      --Set srcfile name
#set dstfile = %pfx%L1.C                    --set dstfile name w correct prefix
%makesrc                                     --Execute stmts defined above.

#if #not "%nocommon" ="on" #then --if common code
    #set srcfile = DRVSTATE.C                --make DRVSTATE
    #set dstfile = %pfx%STAT.C
    %makesrc

    #if #not (%system=dos) #then              --if system is not DOS
        #set srcfile = DRVVIEW.CPP           --make DRVVIEW
        #set dstfile = %pfx%VIEW.CPP
        %makesrc

        #if #not (%filetype=dll) #then        --Conditionally...
            #pragma define(DRV_HAS_LIBMAIN=>on) -- set compiler switch
```

```

#endif

#set srcfile = DRVW.C
#set dstfile = %pfx%W%dolib%.C
#set defs = '/define(_LIB_TARGET=>%dolib%)'
%makesrc
#set defs = ''

#set srcfile = DRVWUTIL.C          --make DRVWUTIL
#set dstfile = %pfx%WUTI.C
%makesrc

#if #not %dolib% #then             --Conditionally
#set srcfile = DRVDIAL.CLW         -- make DRVDIAL
#set dstfile = %pfx%DIAL.CLW
#set defs = '/define(maincode=>off)'
%makesrc
#set defs = ''
#pragma link(%pfx%dial.rsc)        --Add DIAL to link list
#endif
#endif
#endif
#if "%trace"="on" #then             --Conditionally...
#pragma save, define	TRACE=>on)    -- save settings...
#set srcfile = DRVTRACE.C          -- make DRVTRACE
#set dstfile = %pfx%TRAC.C
%makesrc
#endif

#set srcfile = DRVPIPE.C           --make DRVPIPE
#set dstfile = %pfx%P%dolib%.C
#set defs = '/define(_LIB_TARGET=>%dolib%)'
%makesrc
#set defs = ''

#if "%trace"="on" #then
#pragma restore                    --restore saved pragma settings
#endif
#pragma restore

-- Build Macro drv_Link to be used later in this process

```

```
-- to link and patch the File Driver:
#set drv_Link =
,

#pragma link_option(share_const=>on)

#if #not (%system=dos) #then
  #if "%dolib"="on" #then
    #dolib %%drvname%.lib
  #else
    #implib %%drvname%.lib %%drvname%.exp
    #if define(_CW15)=on #then
      #pragma linkfirst(idll%S%%w.obj)
    #else
      #pragma linkfirst(icwdll.obj)
    #endif
    #pragma link(win%S%.lib)
    #pragma link(cwrun%S%.lib)
    #pragma link_option(decode=>off)
    #dolib %%drvname%.dll
  #endif

  #if "%make" #and #not "%dolib"="on" #then
    #exemod %%drvname%.dll %%drvname%.exp %%drvname%.map
  #endif
#else
  #if %filetype=dll #then
    #implib %%drvname%.lib %%drvname%.exp
  #endif
  #set tscla    = on
  #set tscpp    = off

  #link %%drvname%

  #if "%make" #and (%filetype=dll) #then
    #expand %%drvname%.dll
    #run "mkdriver %%cpath > NUL"
  #endif
#endif
,
```

## Module Definition Files (.EXP Files)

A module definition file describes the name, attributes, exports, and other characteristics of a dynamic-link library for Microsoft Windows. This file is required for Windows.

A module definition file (.EXP) is generated whenever you make a new project, or a project whose target type, operating system, or run-time library has changed.

### Module Definition File Syntax

A module definition file contains one or more statements. Each statement defines an attribute of the executable file, such as its module name, the attributes of program segments, and the numbers and names of exported symbols. The statements and the attributes they define are listed below:

Statement	Attribute
NAME	Names the application
LIBRARY	Names the dynamic-link library
HEAP_COMMIT	Amount of heap committed
HEAP_RESERVE	Amount of heap reserved
STACK_COMMIT	Amount of stack committed
STACK_RESERVE	Amount of stack reserved
IMAGE_BASE	Module base memory location
DEBUG	Include debug information
LINENUMBERS	Include line number information
SECTION_ALIGNMENT	Multiples of 4096 only
FILE_ALIGNMENT	Multiples of 512 only
EXPORTS	Defines exported functions
IMAGE_VERSION $n[m]$	Values of $n$ and $m$ set the image major and minor version fields in PE optional header respectively. $n$ and $m$ must be decimal format. Default values for these fields are zero (0). $n$ and $m$ are WORD types and have a maximum value of 65535.

The following rules govern the use of these statements:

- If you use either a NAME or a LIBRARY statement, it must precede all other statements in the module definition file.
- You can include source-level comments in the module definition file, by beginning a line with a semicolon(;). The utilities ignore each such comment line.
- Module definition keywords (such as NAME, LIBRARY, and EXPORTS) must be entered in uppercase letters.
- The EXPORTS statement must appear last.

### **Example—Module Definition File**

The following example gives module definitions for a dynamic-link library:

```
LIBRARY MyDLL
; Sample export file
EXPORTS
    Func1 @1
    Var1 @2
    Func2 @3
    Func3 @4
    Func4 @5
```

### **The NAME Statement**

The NAME statement identifies the file as an executable application (rather than a DLL) and optionally defines the name and application type.

#### **NAME [appname] [apptype]**

*appname* If appname is given, it becomes the name of the application as it is known by the operating system. If no appname is given, the name of the executable file, with the extension removed, becomes the name of the application.

*apptype* Used to control the program's behavior under Windows. This information is kept in the executable-file header. The apptype field may have one of the following values:

WINDOWAPI

The application uses the API provided by Windows and must be executed in the Windows environment.

GUI

Same as WINDOWAPI.

CUI

The program uses a character based user interface, like DOS.

If the NAME statement is included in the module-definition file, then the LIBRARY statement cannot appear. If neither a NAME statement nor a LIBRARY statement appears in a module-definition file, NAME is assumed. The following example assigns the name wdemo to the application being defined:

```
NAME wdemo WINDOWAPI
```



**The LIBRARY Statement**

The LIBRARY statement identifies the file as a dynamic-link library. The name of the library, and the type of library module initialization required, may also be specified.

**LIBRARY [libraryname][initialization]**

*libraryname* If libraryname is specified, it becomes the name of the library as it is known by the operating system. This name can be any valid file name. If no libraryname is given, the name of the executable file, with the extension removed, becomes the name of the library.

*initialization* The initialization field is optional and can have one of the two values listed below. If neither is given, then the initialization default is INITINSTANCE.

**INITGLOBAL**

The library-initialization routine is called only when the library module is initially loaded into memory.

**INITINSTANCE**

The library-initialization routine is called each time a new process gains access to the library.

If the LIBRARY statement is included in a module definition file, then the NAME statement cannot appear.

The following example assigns the name mydll to the dynamic-link module being defined, and specifies that library initialization is performed each time a new process gains access to myDLL:

```
LIBRARY myDLL INITINSTANCE
```

**The HEAP\_COMMIT Statement**

Specifies the amount of heap committed. This statement is not generated from the Clarion environment, but may be specified by manually editing the .EXP file and running the linker standalone. The syntax for the HEAP\_COMMIT statement is as follows:

**HEAP\_COMMIT number****The STACK\_COMMIT Statement**

Specifies the amount of stack committed. This statement is not generated from the Clarion environment, but may be specified by manually editing the .EXP file and running the linker standalone. The syntax for the STACK\_COMMIT statement is as follows:

**STACK\_COMMIT number****The HEAP\_RESERVE Statement**

Specifies the amount of heap reserved. This statement is not generated from the Clarion environment, but may be specified by manually editing the .EXP file and running the linker standalone. The syntax for the HEAP\_RESERVE statement is as follows:

**HEAP\_RESERVE number****The STACK\_RESERVE Statement**

Specifies the amount of stack reserved. This statement is not generated from the Clarion environment, but may be specified by manually editing the .EXP file and running the linker standalone. The syntax for the STACK\_RESERVE statement is as follows:

**STACK\_RESERVE number**

### **The IMAGE\_BASE Statement**

Specifies the base memory location of the module. This statement is not generated by default from the Clarion environment, but can be implemented using the Rebase template. If no IMAGE\_BASE is specified in the EXP then the module is assigned the default address (normally 00400000h) and conflicts are handled automatically by the Windows loader. (Using the Clarion IDE you can add an image\_base line to the EXP file in the global embed named "Before the Export List".) The syntax for the IMAGE\_BASE statement is as follows:

#### **IMAGE\_BASE *address***

where *address* is a 32-bit address specified in decimal or hex. If hex, then the address is followed by an "h". The address must be divisible by 64KB (65,536 or 00010000h). It must be in the range of 00400000h to 70000000h for Windows 9x. Under Windows NT the address lower limit is 00010000h.

For more information search MSDN for "Base Address" or "Rebase".

Example:

**IMAGE\_BASE 00600000h**

#### **Tip**

It's best to supply the address in hex since all documentation on the OS will show a hex address and it's easy to tell you've got a good address because it always ends with 4 zeros.

### **The DEBUG Statement**

Specifies the SoftVelocity debug information is included. This statement is not generated from the Clarion environment, but may be specified by manually editing the .EXP file and running the linker standalone. The syntax for the DEBUG statement is as follows:

**DEBUG**

### **The LINENUMBERS Statement**

Specifies that line number information in CodeView format is included. This statement is not generated from the Clarion environment, but may be specified by manually editing the .EXP file and running the linker standalone. The syntax for the LINENUMBERS statement is as follows:

**LINENUMBERS**

### **The SECTION\_ALIGNMENT Statement**

Specifies the section alignment must be in multiples of 4096. This statement is not generated from the Clarion environment, but may be specified by manually editing the .EXP file and running the linker standalone. The syntax is as follows:

**SECTION\_ALIGNMENT *number***

**The FILE ALIGNMENT Statement**

Specifies the file alignment must be in multiples of 512. This statement is not generated from the Clarion environment, but may be specified by manually editing the .EXP file and running the linker standalone. The syntax is as follows:

**FILE\_ALIGNMENT** number

**The EXPORTS Statement**

The EXPORTS statement defines the names and attributes of the functions exported to other modules, and of the functions that run with I/O privilege. The term "export" refers to the process of making a function available to other run-time modules. By default, functions are hidden from other modules at run time.

EXPORTS  
exportdefinitions

The EXPORTS keyword marks the beginning of the export definitions. It may be followed by up to 3072 export definitions, each on a separate line. You should give an export definition for each dynamic-link routine that you want to make available to other modules. The syntax for an export definition is as follows:

**entryname [pwords] @number | ? [NODATA]**

*entryname* Defines the function name as it is known to other modules.

*pwords* Specifies the total size of the function's parameters, as measured in words (the total number of bytes divided by two). This field is required only if the function executes with I/O privilege. When a function with I/O privilege is called, OS/2 consults the pwords field to determine how many words to copy from the caller's stack to the I/O-privileged function's stack.

@number | ? Defines the function's ordinal position within the module-definition table. The @ may be followed by the position number of the function, or it may be followed by a question mark ( ? ) if the position is unknown. The numbers must be in sequence.

NODATA Provided for use by real-mode Windows (optional).

The EXPORTS statement is meaningful for functions within dynamic link libraries, functions which execute with I/O privilege, and call back functions in Windows programs.

For example:

```
EXPORTS
  Func1  @?
  Func2  @?
  CharTest  @?
```

**The MANIFEST statement**

MANIFEST [*file name*]

This directive instructs the linker to add specified manifest *file name* to the executable. If the manifest *file name* is omitted, the linker adds a default manifest. If both the project file and the EXP file contain directives to link the manifest file, the one specified in the project file will be used.

## Exporting CLASSES

Exporting CLASS declarations requires a special form of export definition.

You must create two export definitions for the CLASS itself. The first begins with VMT\$ followed by the name of the CLASS as the entryname. The second begins with TYPE\$ followed by the name of the CLASS as the entryname. These are followed by an export definition for each method in the CLASS to export whose pwords must begin with the name of the CLASS as the first parameter.

For example:

```
EXPORTS
VMT$MYCLASS @?
TYPE$MYCLASS @?
FIRSTMETHOD@F7MYCLASS @?
SECONDMETHOD@F7MYCLASS @?
```

## Special Considerations for One-Piece (Single) Executables

A one-piece executable is defined as a project that has been linked into a single, stand-alone executable. The Clarion runtime library and all of the application's procedure calls and libraries are linked into a single file.

Callback functions are a standard part of Windows programming in most programming languages. A callback function is a PROCEDURE that you (the programmer) write to handle specific situations that the operating system deems the programmer may need to deal with. A callback function is called by the operating system whenever it needs to pass on these situations. Therefore, a callback function does not appear to be part of the logic flow, but instead appears to be separate and "magic" without any logical connection to other procedures in your program.

Callbacks are valid when used in one-piece executables (EXEs), but there is a special case which must be handled in a different manner.

Here is the case: If the EXE makes some call to the Operating System, the Operating System starts a new thread inside this call, and then calls to a passed callback function. Using this program design, the one-piece EXE must be converted to a DLL linked in local mode, and a starter EXE must be created, using an External link to the DLL entry point that is used to load and run the one-piece DLL.

The following approach demonstrates how this is done.

The one-piece EXE must be converted to a DLL linked in local mode.

The Local mode DLL must export the name of the entry point's procedure and the following names from the RTL:

```
__checkversion
__sysstart
__sysinit
__exit
Cla$code
Cla$init
Wsl$Closedown
```

Here is an example of the export file (EntryPoint is the procedure entry into the DLL)

```
-----
EXPORTS
EntryPoint@F @?
__checkversion @?
__sysstart @?
__sysinit @?
__exit @?
Cla$code @?
Cla$init @?
Wsl$Closedown @?
```

In this example, the entry point procedure name in the Local DLL is: "EntryPoint"

### Tip

Use the *Inside the Export List* Global Embed to add to your export list within the application.

The starter EXE must use External link mode. The source is written so that it just calls the DLL's entry point procedure.

Example starter EXE code:

```
-----
PROGRAM MAP MODULE('') EntryPoint() END END CODE EntryPoint
```

## Version Information Resource Files

The Clarion Project System supports the inclusion of Version Information, conforming to the industry standard script format.

A version script file is simply a text file with the extension of *.Version*. When included into a Clarion project (application or hand coded), the version file stamps, or writes, a variety of information into the target executable. This information can be viewed by right-clicking on the executable file, and selecting Properties from the popup menu. A Version tab should be available with the designated version information.

More detail regarding the standard format of the version info script can be found at the following URL:

[Microsoft Version Control Information](#)

Clarion also adds the following exceptions to this standard:

1. A LANGUAGE directive can precede the Version script as follows:

```
LANGUAGE <language code>

VS_VERSION_INFO VERSIONINFO
...
END
```

If the LANGUAGE directive is present in the version file, the language code for the resource target executable is set. This allows a developer to have multiple version info resources for different languages.

2. In the version information group, numbers must use one of the following formats:

- decimal numbers (0-9)
- hexadecimal numbers in C/C++ format (Example: 0x3fL)
- hexadecimal numbers in Modula-2/Clarion format (Example: 040904E4)
- binary numbers in Modula-2/Clarion format

3. Strings must be of C/C++ format. The \u and \x escape characters are not supported in strings.

4. **#include** directives are not supported, but all standard mnemonics for the version info related constants are built in to the compiler.

**Version script example:**

```

LANGUAGE 0x419

1 VERSIONINFO
    FILEVERSION 1,0,0,1
    PRODUCTVERSION 1,0,0,1
    FILEFLAGSMASK 0x3fL
    FILEFLAGS 0
    FILEOS VOS__WINDOWS32
    FILETYPE VFT_APP
    FILESUBTYPE 0x0L
BEGIN
    BLOCK "StringFileInfo"
    BEGIN
        BLOCK "040904E4"
        BEGIN
            VALUE "CompanyName", "\0"
            VALUE "FileDescription", "This just a test\0"
            VALUE "FileVersion", "1, 0, 0, 1\0"
            VALUE "InternalName", "Version Info Script Example\0"
            VALUE "LegalCopyright", "Copyright (C) 2003\0"
            VALUE "LegalTrademarks", "\0"
            VALUE "OriginalFilename", "TEST\0"
            VALUE "ProductName", "Version Info Script compiler\0"
            VALUE "ProductVersion", "1, 0, 0, 1\0"
        END
    END
END
    BLOCK "VarFileInfo"
    BEGIN
        VALUE "Translation", 0x409, 1252
        VALUE "Translation", 0x419, 1251
        VALUE "ÒÃÑÒ", 0x409, 1111
    END
END

```

**Tip**

This file is a working example. You can use this as a template for your real world version script files. Simply copy this example to a text file, name it *yourfilename.version*, and include it in the **Library, object, and resource files** section of the Project Tree.

## Multi Language Programming

### Overview

SoftVelocity has 32-bit C++ and Modula-2 compilers that can integrate into the Clarion environment. The 32-bit compilers generate object code for the Windows 95/NT/2000/XP environments. You must be running your development environment under a 32-bit environment to generate applications for a 32-bit environment.

Clarion also has object code generation capability that rivals that of many C compilers. You can then enhance that application with any low-level functions you need. These 3rd Generation Language (3GL) compilers enable the developer to include 3GL code modules directly into a Clarion project, giving unparalleled functionality and versatility. This mix of a Rapid Application Development (RAD) 4GL (4th Generation Language)—Clarion—and traditional 3GL compilers, makes Clarion an exceptional application development tool.

So why use C, C++, Pascal, or Modula-2 code at all in a Clarion application? Because there are libraries available (statistical, financial, graphics, communications, and many more) which could significantly cut the development time of an application that requires these capabilities. Many of these libraries are written in C, and many powerful C++, Pascal, and Modula-2, libraries are also available. Clarion allows you to use these libraries in their "native" form without "re-inventing the wheel."

**Throughout this topic, we assume you have a good knowledge of the Clarion development environment, the Clarion language, and the 3GL in question.** The code examples assume that you use a SoftVelocity compiler (other compiler's requirements are also discussed). Since Clarion uses SoftVelocity code generation and linking technology, it is easiest to link code produced with SoftVelocity Compilers to Clarion applications. Clarion can link code produced by other third party compilers; however, some care is required as well as a good understanding of the operation of both compilers. It is not generally possible to directly link C++ code produced by C++ compilers other than SoftVelocity.



## Compiler Integration

With the SoftVelocity 3GL compilers installed, the Clarion development environment takes all the action necessary to call the correct compiler for each source module in the application. You cannot mix languages in a single source module; however, an application can contain any number of source modules written in any of the 3GLs or Clarion.

The development environment calls the correct compiler for each module at compile time by looking at the source file extensions, as follows:

### Source File Extension    Compiler Called

.CLW    Clarion

.CPP or .C    C++

.MOD    Modula-2

Source files with any other extensions will generate an 'Unknown compiler for ...' error message at compile time.

The Development Environment will also ensure that all modules are linked correctly and that the SoftVelocity SmartLinker is given all the information that it requires.

## Integrating 3GL Modules into Clarion Projects

### Using the Application Generator:

1. Create an "Include file" containing the function prototypes for the Clarion compiler.

You MUST prototype your functions if you intend to call them from Clarion code (see Procedure Prototyping in the Language Reference). The include file should contain prototypes for all 3GL functions called from Clarion code. Each 3GL module should have its own include file.

The include file is put in the Generated source without modification by step 3 of this process. The generated Clarion code for your include file appears in the Global Map something like this:

```
MODULE('module name')
INCLUDE('YourInc.inc')
END
```

The Application Generator generates the MODULE and END statements. Failure to correctly prototype your functions will almost certainly result in a General Protection Fault at run time.

2. Use the Text Editor to write your 3GL code.

Be sure to save the code with a file extension that the compiler can recognize (.C, .CPP, .MOD, or .PAS).

3. Add the module to the application as an **External Source Module**.

Select **Application > Insert Module** from the main menu. Then select class **External Source** from the *Select Module Type* dialog. Press the ellipsis button, and in the Open File dialog, enter the name of the 3GL module in the **Name** field and click on the Open button. Back in the Module Properties dialog, enter the name of the include file in the **Map Include File** field of the *Module Properties* dialog. Press OK to add to the application tree.

4. Compile and run the application.

**In a hand-coded Clarion application:**

1. Create the function prototypes for the Clarion compiler.

You must prototype the functions you intend to call from Clarion code (see Procedure Prototyping in the Language Reference). The global MAP structure should contain the prototypes.

Each 3GL module should have its prototypes in a separate MODULE structure, something like this:

```
MODULE ( 'module name' )  
MyFunc ( *CSTRING ) , CSTRING , RAW , PASCAL , NAME ( ' _MyFunc' )  
END
```

You must include a complete MODULE structure in your Clarion MAP for all your 3GL modules. Failure to correctly prototype your functions will almost certainly result in a General Protection Fault at run time.

2. Use the Text Editor to write your 3GL code, saving the code with a file extension that the compiler can recognize (.C, .CPP, .MOD, or .PAS).
3. Add the module to the Project as an **External Source File**.  
Select **Project > Edit** from the main menu. Highlight **External Source Files** then press the **Add File...** button. Select the 3GL source module from the standard file open dialog that appears.
4. Compile and run the application.

## Resolving Data Types

The Clarion language defines the data types BYTE, SHORT, USHORT, LONG, ULONG, SREAL, REAL, and STRING which map fairly easily to C, C++, Pascal, and Modula-2 equivalents. Clarion also defines DATE and TIME data types, and GROUP structures, which may be mapped to structures in each language. CSTRING and PSTRING data types are specifically provided by Clarion to simplify interfacing with external functions using C or Pascal conventions.

The DECIMAL, PDECIMAL, BFLOAT4, and BFLOAT8 types are not discussed because it is very unlikely that these types of variables will ever be used in C, C++, Pascal, or Modula-2 code. If data of any of these types does need to be passed to C, C++, Pascal, or Modula-2 code, simply assign the value to a REAL or SREAL variable and pass that to the function (data type conversion is automatically handled in Clarion by the assignment statement).

The table below gives a brief cross reference of the parameters types supported by the Clarion, C++ and Modula-2 compilers; as detailed, some parameters require additional pragma statements to work correctly. The Clarion SIGNED and UNSIGNED data types are equates that change type from LONG and ULONG.

<u>Clarion</u>	<u>C++</u>	<u>Modula-2</u>
BYTE	unsigned char	BOOLEAN
BYTE	unsigned char	SHORTCARD
*BYTE	unsigned char *	var SHORTCARD
USHORT	unsigned short	CARDINAL
*USHORT	unsigned short *	var CARDINAL
SHORT	short	INTEGER
*SHORT	short *	var INTEGER
LONG	long	LONGINT
*LONG	long *	var LONGINT
ULONG	unsigned long	LONGCARD
*ULONG	unsigned long *	var LONGCARD
SREAL	float	REAL
*SREAL	float *	var REAL
REAL	double	LONGREAL
*REAL	double *	var LONGREAL
STRING	<i>can't pass by value</i>	<i>can't pass by value</i>
*STRING	unsigned int, char *	CARDINAL, ARRAY OF CHAR
*STRING(with RAW)	char[]	var ARRAY OF CHAR
*CSTRING(with RAW)	char[] or char *	var ARRAY OF CHAR
*PSTRING	char[] or Char *	ARRAY OF CHAR
GROUP	struct	var record type
*GROUP(with RAW)	struct *	var record type
*?	void far*	FarADDRESS

UNSIGNED	unsigned int
SIGNED	int

Clarion STRING variables are normally passed as two parameters: first, a UNSIGNED which contains the length of the data buffer; second, the address of the data. CSTRINGS and PSTRINGS are passed the same as STRINGS (as two parameters). The RAW attribute can be used in the Clarion prototype to pass only the address of the string data to external 3GL functions (Clarion language procedures do not need, or support, RAW).

## **C and C++ Data Type Equivalents**

The following data type equivalents can be used with C or C++ code. These typedefs should appear in the .H header file referenced by the C or C++ code. The CLA prefix is used to avoid name clashes with third party libraries.

```
typedef unsigned char  CLABYTE;
typedef short          CLASHORT;
typedef unsigned short CLAUSHORT;
typedef long           CLALONG;
typedef unsigned long  CLAULONG;
typedef float          CLASREAL;
typedef double         CLAREAL;
```

Clarion DATE and TIME data types may be passed to C functions as a CLALONG, the CLADATE and CLATIME unions can then be used to resolve the elements of the date or time from the CLALONG value.

```
typedef union {
    CLALONG      n;
    struct {
        CLABYTE   ucDay;
        CLABYTE   ucMonth;
        CLAUSHORT  usYear;
    }            s;
} CLADATE;

typedef union {
    CLALONG      n;
    struct {
        CLABYTE   ucHund;
        CLABYTE   ucSecond;
        CLABYTE   ucMinute;
        CLABYTE   ucHour;
    }            s;
} CLATIME;
```

Because of Clarion's two-parameter method of passing STRINGS, the CLASTRING structure is useful for certain internal uses, but cannot be used to accept parameters from Clarion:

```
typedef struct {
    char *pucString;
    CLALONG usLen
} CLASTRING;
```

Clarion STRING variables are not NULL terminated, they are padded with spaces up to the length of the data buffer. The trailing spaces can be removed by using the Clarion CLIP procedure. The following code declares a STRING of 20 characters, assigns some data into it, and passes it as a parameter to a C or C++ function.

```
StringVar    STRING(20)
CODE
StringVar = 'Hello World...'
C_Write_Function(StringVar)
```

The C or C++ function might be defined as:

```
extern void C_Write_Function(CLAUSHORT usLen, char *bData)
{
    CLAUSHORT usNdx = 0;

    while (usNdx < usLen)
#ifdef __cplusplus
        cout << bData[usNdx++];
#else
        putchar(bData[usNdx++]);
#endif
}
```

In the above example, usLen would have a value of 20 and bData would be padded with trailing spaces. This padding would be written to the screen by C\_Write\_Function(). Many C routines expect a string to be NULL terminated. To address this issue, Clarion provides the CSTRING data type. CSTRING variables are automatically NULL terminated when data is assigned to them. This makes it possible for existing C routines to operate on the data.

A Clarion GROUP may be declared to contain related data. A group is roughly equivalent to a C or C++ struct. When passed as a parameter to a procedure, GROUPs are normally passed as three parameters: first, an UNSIGNED is passed which contains the size of the GROUP; second, the address of the GROUP structure; and third, the address of a buffer containing a type descriptor for the GROUP. The contents of the type descriptor are not discussed here and are subject to change in future versions of Clarion. GROUPs may be nested, and other GROUPs may be defined to assume the same structure as a previously declared GROUP. There are several forms of declaration for Clarion GROUPs:

```
Struct1      GROUP      ! Struct1 is defined as a GROUP
ul1          ULONG      ! containing two ULONG values
ul2          ULONG
END
```

This form of definition reserves space for Struct1 and is equivalent to the C definition:

```
struct {  
    CLAULONG    ul1;  
    CLAULONG    ul2;  
} Struct1;
```

In the following example, the declaration of Struct2 declares a GROUP similar to that defined by Struct1, however no space is reserved. In practice there need not be any instances of Struct2 defined.

```
Struct2      GROUP,TYPE      ! Struct2 is declared as a GROUP  
ul3          ULONG          ! containing two ULONG values  
ul4          ULONG  
            END
```

The corresponding C definition is:

```
typedef struct {  
    CLAULONG    ul3;  
    CLAULONG    ul4;  
} Struct2
```

In the following example, the definitions of Struct3 and Struct4 define them to be LIKE(Struct2), i.e. of the same internal structure. In order to distinguish members of Struct3 and Struct4 from those of Struct2 the S3 and S4 prefixes must be used. Struct3 and Struct4 define instances of Struct2 (which is not necessarily defined anywhere). In both cases space is reserved.

```
Struct3      LIKE(Struct2)  
Struct4      LIKE(Struct2)
```

The corresponding C definitions are:

```
typedef Struct2 Struct3;  
typedef Struct2 Struct4;  
  
Struct3      S3;  
Struct4      S4;
```

Clarion GROUP declarations may be nested, for example:

```
Struct5      GROUP,TYPE      ! Struct5 is defined as a GROUP  
Struct6      GROUP          ! containing a nested GROUP  
ul5          ULONG  
ul6          ULONG  
            END  
            END
```

The equivalent C declaration is:

```
typedef struct {
    struct {
        CLAULONG    ul5;
        CLAULONG    ul6;
    }    Struct6;
}    Struct5;
```

## **Modula-2 Data Type Equivalents**

The following data type equivalents are used with Modula-2 code. These definitions should appear in the Modula-2 definition module referenced by the Modula-2 code. These should be used to define parameter and return types of procedures that will be called from Clarion code.

```
CONST

    BYTE        ::= BYTE;
    SHORT       ::= INTEGER (16-bit);
    USHORT      ::= CARDINAL (16-bit);
    LONG        ::= LONGINT;
    ULONG       ::= LONGCARD;
    SREAL       ::= REAL;
    REAL        ::= LONGREAL;
```

Clarion DATE and TIME data types may be passed to Modula-2 procedures as a LONG, the DATE and TIME RECORDs can then be used to resolve the elements of the date or time from the LONG value.

```
DATE = RECORD
    CASE : BOOLEAN OF
    | TRUE:
        1          : LONG;
    ELSE
        ucDay      : BYTE;
        ucMonth    : BYTE;
        usYear     : SHORT;
    END
END;

TIME = RECORD
    CASE : BOOLEAN OF
    | TRUE:
        1          : LONG;
    ELSE
        ucHund     : BYTE;
```

```
        ucSecond  : BYTE;  
        ucMinute  : BYTE;  
        ucHour    : BYTE;  
    END  
END;
```

Clarion STRINGS are passed in the same manner as Modula-2 open ARRAY OF CHAR parameters with the call(o\_a\_copy=>off) pragma in effect (the length and the address of the string are passed).

The following example code declares a string of 20 characters, assigns some data into it and passes it as a parameter to a Modula-2 procedure

```
MAP  
    MODULE('M2_Code')  
        M2_Write_Proc(*STRING), NAME('M2_Code$M2_Write_Proc')  
    END  
END  
StringVar    STRING(20)  
CODE  
    StringVar = 'Hello World...'  
    M2_Write_Proc(StringVar)
```

The Modula-2 procedure might be defined as:

```
DEFINITION MODULE M2_Code;  
    (*# save, call(o_a_copy=>off) *)  
    PROCEDURE M2_Write_Proc(StringVar: ARRAY OF CHAR);  
    (*# restore *)  
END M2_Code.
```

Note that Clarion STRINGS are not NULL terminated, they are padded with spaces up to the length of the data buffer. In the above example, StringVar would be padded with spaces up to a length of 20 characters. Variables of type CSTRING are automatically NULL terminated when data is assigned to them. This makes it possible for existing Modula-2 routines to operate on the data.

A Clarion GROUP is roughly equivalent to a Modula-2 RECORD. There are several forms of declaration for Clarion GROUPS. The following conforms to the Modula-2 declaration of the DATE type above:

```
DateType GROUP  
n            LONG  
d            GROUP, OVER(n)  
ucDay        BYTE  
ucMonth       BYTE  
usYear        SHORT  
            END  
            END
```



The OVER attribute is used to ensure that n and d occupy the same memory, the total size of the group is the size of the member n. When passed as parameters, GROUPs are normally passed as three parameters: first, an UNSIGNED is passed which contains the size of the GROUP; second, the address of the GROUP structure, and third, the address of a buffer containing a type descriptor for the GROUP. The contents of the type descriptor are not discussed here and are subject to change in future versions of Clarion. You may use the RAW attribute in your Clarion prototype for the Modula-2 procedure to instruct the compiler to pass only the address of the GROUP, otherwise you must define your Modula-2 procedure to take 2 extra parameters:

```
MAP
  MODULE ('M2_Code')
    M2_Proc1(*GROUP)
    M2_Proc2(*GROUP), RAW
  END
END
```

The corresponding Modula-2 definition module would contain:

```
DEFINITION MODULE M2_Code;
  TYPE
    GROUP = RECORD
      (* Members *)
    END;
  PROCEDURE M2_Proc1(Len: USHORT; VAR Data: GROUP; TypeDesc: ADDRESS);
  PROCEDURE M2_Proc2(VAR Data: GROUP);
END M2_Code.
```

## **Pascal Data Type Equivalents**

The following data type equivalents can be used with Pascal code. These should be placed in the Pascal interface unit referenced by the Pascal code. These should be used to define parameter and return types of procedures that will be called from Clarion code.

```
ALIAS
  SHORT   = INT16;
  USHORT  = INT16;
  LONG    = INTEGER;
  ULONG   = INTEGER;
  SREAL   = SHORTREAL;
```

Clarion DATE and TIME data types may be passed to Pascal procedures as a LONG, the DATE and TIME records can then be used to resolve the elements of the date or time from the LONG value.

```
DATE = RECORD
  CASE BOOLEAN OF
    TRUE:
      (n      : LONG) ;
    FALSE:
      (ucDay   : BYTE;
       ucMonth : BYTE;
       usYear  : SHORT) ;
  END;
```

```
TIME = RECORD
  CASE BOOLEAN OF
    TRUE:
      (n      : LONG) ;
    FALSE:
      (ucHund  : BYTE;
       ucSecond : BYTE;
       ucMinute : BYTE;
       ucHour  : BYTE) ;
  END;
```

Because of Clarion's two parameter method of passing STRINGS, the STRING structure is useful for certain internal uses, but cannot be used to accept parameters from Clarion:

```
TYPE
  STRING = RECORD
    usLen      : USHORT;
    pucString  : ^CHAR;
  END;
```

Clarion PSTRINGS are passed by address in the same manner as Pascal STRING parameters with the call(s\_copy=>off) pragma in effect (the length and the address of the string are passed).

The following example code declares a string of 20 characters, assigns some data into it, and passes it as a parameter to a Pascal procedure:

```
MAP
  MODULE('Pas_Code')
    Pas_Write_Proc(*PSTRING), NAME('Pas_Code$Pas_Write_Proc')
  END
END
StringVar    PSTRING(20)
CODE
StringVar = 'Hello World...'
Pas_Write_Proc(StringVar)
```

The Pascal procedure might be defined as:

```
INTERFACE UNIT Pas_Code;
(*# save, call(s_copy=>off) *)
PROCEDURE Pas_Write_Proc(StringVar: STRING[HIGH]);
(*# restore *)
END.
```

A Clarion GROUP is roughly equivalent to a Pascal RECORD. There are several forms of declaration for Clarion GROUPs. The following duplicates the Pascal declaration of the DATE type above:

```
DateType GROUP
n          LONG
d          GROUP,OVER(n)
ucDay      BYTE
ucMonth    BYTE
usYear     SHORT
          END
END
```

The OVER attribute is used to ensure that n and d occupy the same memory, the total size of the group is the size of the member n. When passed as parameters, GROUPs are normally passed as three parameters: first, a USHORT is passed which contains the size of the GROUP; second, the address of the GROUP structure; and third, the address of a buffer containing a type descriptor for the GROUP. The contents of the type descriptor are not discussed here and are subject to change in future versions of Clarion. You may use the RAW attribute in your Clarion prototype for the Pascal procedure to instruct the compiler to pass only the address of the GROUP, otherwise you must define your Pascal procedure to take 2 extra parameters:

```
MAP
  MODULE ('Pas_Code')
    Pas_Proc1(*GROUP)
    Pas_Proc2(*GROUP), RAW
  END
END
```

The corresponding Pascal interface unit might be:

```
INTERFACE UNIT Pas_Code;
  TYPE
    GROUP = RECORD
      (* Members *)
    END;
  PROCEDURE Pas_Proc1(Len: USHORT; VAR Data: GROUP; VAR TypeDesc);
  PROCEDURE Pas_Proc2(VAR Data: GROUP);
END.
```

## Prototyping 3GL Functions in Clarion

- The only thing necessary to be able to use any of the C standard library functions in Clarion code is the addition of the function's Clarion language prototype to the Clarion application's MAP structure. The Clarion prototype tells the compiler and linker what types of parameters are passed and what return data type (if any) to expect from the C function. The PROCEDURE Prototypes section in Chapter 2 of Clarion's Language Reference discusses the syntax and attributes required to create a prototype of a Clarion procedure. This same syntax is used to create Clarion prototypes of C functions.
- There are four major issues involved in creating a prototype for a C function: calling convention, naming convention, parameter passing, and return data types from functions.
- The calling convention for all the SoftVelocity C standard library functions is the same register-based calling convention used by Clarion. Therefore, there is no need to use the C or PASCAL attributes in any standard C library function's Clarion prototype.
- The SoftVelocity C compiler's naming convention is the normal C convention. This means an underscore is automatically prepended to the function name when compiled. The Clarion NAME attribute is usually used in the prototype to give the linker the correct reference to a C function without requiring the Clarion code to use the prepended underscore. For example, the C function "access" is actually named "\_access" by the compiler. Therefore, the NAME('\_access') attribute is required in the prototype (unless you want to refer to the function in Clarion code as "\_access").
- Each parameter passed to a C function must appear in its Clarion prototype as the data type of the passed parameter. Parameters are passed in Clarion either "by value" or "by address."
- When a parameter is passed "by value," a copy of the data is received by the function. The passed parameter is represented in the prototype as the data type of the parameter. When passed "by address," the memory address of the data is received by the function. The parameter is represented in the prototype as the data type of the parameter with a prepended asterisk (\*). This corresponds to passing the C function the pointer to the data.

## **Parameter Data Types**

Parameter data type translation is the "key" to prototyping C functions in Clarion. The following is a table of C data types and the Clarion data type which should be used in the prototype:

<b><u>C Data Type</u></b>	<b><u>Clarion Data Type</u></b>
Char	BYTE (gets linker warnings - ignore them)
unsigned char	BYTE
Int	SHORT
unsigned int	USHORT
short	SHORT
unsigned short	USHORT
long	LONG
unsigned long	ULONG
float	SREAL
double	REAL
unsigned char *	*BYTE
int *	*SHORT
unsigned int *	*USHORT
short *	*SHORT
unsigned short *	*USHORT
long *	*LONG
unsigned long *	*ULONG
Float *	*SREAL
double *	*REAL
Char *	*CSTRING w/ RAW attribute
struct *	*GROUP w/ RAW attribute

- Since the Clarion language does not have a signed BYTE data type, linker warnings ('type inconsistency') will result when you prototype a function which receives a char parameter. As long as you are aware that the C function is expecting a signed value, and correctly adjust the BYTE field's bitmap to pass a value in the range -128 to 127, this warning may be safely ignored.
- The RAW attribute must be used when a C function expects to receive the address of a CSTRING or GROUP parameter. By default, Clarion STRING, CSTRING, PSTRING, and GROUP parameters are passed (internally) to other Clarion procedures as both the address and length of the string. C functions do not usually want or need the length, and expect to receive only the address of the data. Therefore, the RAW attribute overrides this default.
- If the C function returns void, there is no data returned and the function fits the definition of a Clarion PROCEDURE. If the C function does return data, it is prototyped with the actual data type returned and the function fits the definition of a Clarion PROCEDURE that returns a value and may be called as part of a condition, assignment, or parameter list.

## **Return Data Types**

Return data types from C functions are almost the same as passed parameters:

### **C Return Type   Clarion Return Type**

<b>char</b>	<b>BYTE (gets linker warnings - ignore them)</b>
<b>unsigned char</b>	<b>BYTE</b>
<b>int</b>	<b>SHORT</b>
<b>unsigned int</b>	<b>USHORT</b>
<b>short</b>	<b>SHORT</b>
<b>unsigned short</b>	<b>USHORT</b>
<b>long</b>	<b>LONG</b>
<b>unsigned long</b>	<b>ULONG</b>
<b>float</b>	<b>SREAL</b>
<b>double</b>	<b>REAL</b>
<b>unsigned char *</b>	<b>*BYTE</b>
<b>int *</b>	<b>*SHORT</b>
<b>unsigned int *</b>	<b>*USHORT</b>
<b>short *</b>	<b>*SHORT</b>
<b>unsigned short *</b>	<b>*USHORT</b>
<b>long *</b>	<b>*LONG</b>
<b>unsigned long *</b>	<b>*ULONG</b>
<b>float *</b>	<b>*SREAL</b>
<b>double *</b>	<b>*REAL</b>
<b>char *</b>	<b>CSTRING (pointer automatically dereferenced)</b>
<b>struct *</b>	<b>ULONG (gets linker warnings - ignore them)</b>

As you can see, the Clarion return type for a char \* is CSTRING (not \*CSTRING as you might expect). This is because the Clarion compiler automatically dereferences the pointer to the data when the function returns (as it does with all the pointer return types).

Notice that the Clarion return data type for struct \* is ULONG. This will generate a "type inconsistency" linker warning. This occurs because the Clarion language does not use pointers, and the ULONG is a four-byte integer which can serve as a replacement for a pointer return type. The warning is not a problem and can be safely ignored. You would probably use memcpy() to get at the returned data.

## **Passing Parameters**

Clarion offers two distinct methods of passing parameters to functions or procedures: "passed by value" and "passed by address."

"Passed by value" means that the calling code passes a copy of the data to the called function or procedure. The called code can then operate on the data without affecting the caller's copy of the data. These parameters are specified by the parameter's data type in the prototype.

"Passed by address" means that the calling code passes the address of the data to the called function or procedure. With this method, the called function or procedure can modify the caller's data. These parameters are specified by prefixing the parameter's data type with an asterisk (\*) in the prototype:

```
MAP  
MODULE('My_C_Lib')  
    Var_Parameter(*USHORT)      ! Parameter passed by address  
    Val_Parameter(USHORT)      ! Parameter passed by value  
END  
END
```

These declarations represent the Clarion interface to the functions contained in the C library My\_C\_Lib. The following example are the equivalent C declarations:

```
void Var_Parameter(CLAUSHORT *uspVal);  
void Val_Parameter(CLAUSHORT usVal);
```

Clarion parameters "passed by address" are equivalent to pointers to the relevant C type. Clarion "passed by value" parameters are passed in the same way as C and C++ value parameters.

The corresponding Modula-2 definition module would be:

```
DEFINITION MODULE M2_Code;  
    IMPORT Cla;  
    PROCEDURE Var_Parameter(VAR us: Cla.USHORT);  
    PROCEDURE Val_Parameter(us: Cla.USHORT);  
END M2_Code.
```

The corresponding Pascal interface unit would be:

```
INTERFACE UNIT Pas_Code;  
    IMPORT Cla;  
    PROCEDURE Var_Parameter(VAR us: Cla.USHORT);  
    PROCEDURE Val_Parameter(us: Cla.USHORT);  
END.
```

You cannot pass a Clarion STRING or GROUP by value. For this reason, you must pass STRINGS or GROUPs by address.



## **Resolving Calling Conventions**

Clarion uses the SoftVelocity object code generator, so it uses the same efficient register-based parameter passing mechanism employed by all SoftVelocity languages. If differing calling conventions are used by code compiled by third-party compilers, the results may be unpredictable. Typically, the application will fail at run-time.

To use code produced by compilers other than SoftVelocity, you must ensure that either:

- 1) The other compiler generates code using Clarion's (SoftVelocity's) parameter passing method, or,
- 2) That Clarion generates code using the other compiler's parameter method.

You must also ensure that none of the functions return floating-point data types. There is no standard of compatibility between compilers regarding this issue. For example, Microsoft C returns floating-point values in a global variable while Borland C returns them on the stack (SoftVelocity also returns them on the stack but there is no guarantee of compatibility). Therefore, any functions from non-SoftVelocity compilers which must reference floating point values and modify them should receive them "passed by address" and directly modify the value — do not have the function return the value.

Most other compilers don't provide Clarion-compatible parameter passing conventions, but do provide standard C and Pascal parameter passing mechanisms (passed on the stack). Clarion has the C and PASCAL procedure prototype attributes to specify stack-based parameter passing.

Most non-SoftVelocity C and C++ compilers use a calling convention where parameters are pushed onto the stack from right to left (as read from the parameter list). The Clarion C attribute specifies this convention. Many C and C++ compilers also offer a Pascal calling convention where parameters are pushed left to right from the parameter list. Most other languages on the PC also use this convention. The Clarion PASCAL attribute generates calls using this convention.

In most cases, the C and PASCAL attributes are used in conjunction with the NAME attribute. This is because many compilers prepend an underscore to function names where the C convention is in use, and uppercase function names where the PASCAL convention is in use (Clarion uppercases procedure names also). For example:

**MAP**

**MODULE('My\_C\_Lib')**

**StdC\_Conv(UNSIGNED, ULONG), C, NAME('\_StdC\_Conv')**

**StdPascal\_Conv(UNSIGNED, ULONG), PASCAL, NAME('STDPASCAL\_CONV')**

**END**

**END**

When the StdC\_Conv procedure is called, the ULONG parameter is pushed on the stack followed by the UNSIGNED parameter. When StdPascal\_Conv is called, the UNSIGNED parameter is pushed followed by the ULONG parameter. You should be very careful that calling conventions match, otherwise the program may behave unpredictably. When interfacing with code produced by SoftVelocity compilers, the C and PASCAL calling convention attributes are not necessary because Clarion uses the SoftVelocity register-based calling conventions.

When writing SoftVelocity C functions to be called from a Clarion program, the CLA\_CONV macro (discussed above) should be used to select the correct naming conventions. The best way of achieving this is to declare any interface functions in a separate header (.H) file and to apply the conventions to these declarations. C++ functions must be declared using "Pascal" external linkage (also discussed above). Modula-2 and Pascal naming conventions are best handled by using the NAME attribute on the prototype.

## **Resolving Naming Conventions**

When linking code produced from different programming tools, it is essential to ensure that the proper naming conventions are used. If differing naming conventions are used, the linker will not be able to resolve references to a name within code (produced by one compiler) and its definition (within code produced by another compiler). In this case, no .EXE will be generated.

Many C compilers (including SoftVelocity) prepend an underscore to the name of each function or variable name. The Clarion NAME attribute simplifies interfacing with code produced by these compilers by explicitly telling the Clarion compiler the function or procedure name to generate for the linker. This allows you to explicitly code the Clarion prototype to follow the C convention. For example:

**MAP**

**MODULE('My\_C\_Lib')**

**StdStr\_Parm(STRING), NAME('\_StdStr\_Parm')**

**END**

**END**

When the Clarion compiler encounters the StdStr\_Parm() procedure, it generates the name \_StdStr\_Parm in the object code. Although Clarion names are not case sensitive, the name generated using the NAME attribute will appear exactly as specified.

The following C language macro defines the Clarion naming conventions. This macro can be used when declaring C functions to interface with Clarion in order to force the C compiler to generate names following the Clarion naming convention (no prepended underscore and all upper case).

**#define CLA\_CONV name(prefix=>"", upper\_case=>on)**

C++ compilers encode the return and parameter types of a procedure into the name that appears in the object code in a process known as 'name mangling'. Therefore, C++ compiled functions which may be called from Clarion can be declared within a 'extern "Pascal" {...};' modifier, which is the equivalent to the C language CLA\_CONV macro (which does not affect the name mangling employed by the C++ compiler). For example:

**extern "Pascal" void Clarion\_Callable\_Proc(void);**

A more flexible form of the above, allowing for compilation by either a C or C++ compiler, is:

**#ifdef \_\_cplusplus**

**extern "Pascal" {           /\* Force Clarion conventions in C++ \*/**

**#else**

**#pragma save, CLA\_CONV       /\* Force Clarion conventions in C \*/**

**#endif**

**void Clarion\_Callable\_Proc(void); /\* C or C++ declaration \*/**

**#ifdef \_\_cplusplus**

**}                   /\* Restore C++ conventions \*/**

**#else**

**#pragma restore       /\* Restore C conventions \*/**

**#endif**

This form of declaration usually appears in a header file to be included by any interface code. It ensures that the correct conventions are used when compiled with a C or C++ compiler and eliminates the need to use the NAME attribute on the Clarion language prototype of the procedure or function.

Clarion is a case-insensitive language and the compiler converts the names of all procedures to upper-case. Modula-2 and Pascal, however, are case sensitive and also prefix the name of all procedure names with the name of the module in

the form: MyModule\$MyProcedure. The way to resolve these differences is to use Clarion's NAME attribute to specify the full name of the Modula-2 or Pascal procedure to the Clarion compiler:

```
MAP
  MODULE('M2_Code')
    M2_Proc1(*GROUP), RAW, NAME('M2_Code$M2_Proc2')
  END
  MODULE('Pas_Code')
    Pas_Proc1(*GROUP), RAW, NAME('Pas_Code$Pas_Proc2')
  END
END
```

The corresponding Modula-2 definition module might be:

```
DEFINITION MODULE M2_Code;
  TYPE
    GROUP = RECORD
      (* Members *)
    END;
  PROCEDURE M2_Proc1(VAR Data: GROUP);
END M2_Code.
```

The corresponding Pascal interface unit might be:

```
INTERFACE UNIT Pas_Code;
  TYPE
    GROUP = RECORD
      (* Members *)
    END;
  PROCEDURE Pas_Proc1(VAR Data: GROUP);
END.
```

The naming conventions used by Clarion for data differ from those used for PROCEDURES, and are more complex. Therefore, the NAME() attribute should be used to generate a Modula-2 or Pascal-compatible name for any Clarion data that needs to be accessed between languages. Modula-2 and Pascal data names are case sensitive and prefixed with the name of the module and a '@' in the form: MyModule@MyProc.

#### The EXTERNAL and DLL Attributes

The EXTERNAL attribute is used to declare Clarion variables and functions that are defined in an external library. The DLL attribute declares that an EXTERNAL variable or functions is defined in a Dynamic Link Library (DLL).

These attributes provide Clarion programs with a means of accessing public data in external libraries. The compiler will not reserve space for any variables declared as EXTERNAL. For example:

```
typedef struct {
    unsigned long  ul1;
    unsigned long  ul2;
}  StructType;
#ifdef __cplusplus
extern "C" {  /* Use C naming conventions, which will require use */
#endif      /* of the NAME attribute in the Clarion prototype */
StructType  Str1;    /* Define Str1          */
StructType  Str2;    /* Define Str2          */
#ifdef __cplusplus
}            /* Restore C++ conventions */
#endif
```

The following Clarion declarations are all that is necessary to make Str1 and Str2 available to Clarion programs.

```
StructType  GROUP,TYPE ! Declare a user defined type
ul1         ULONG
ul2         ULONG
           END
! Declare Str1 and Str2 which are defined in the C module
Str1       LIKE(StructType),NAME('_Str1'),EXTERNAL
Str2       LIKE(StructType),NAME('_Str2'),EXTERNAL
```

The NAME attribute is used to allow the linker to use the C naming convention when referencing Str1 or Str2.

## Programming Considerations

### Using C++ Class Libraries

There are some limitations that apply to accessing C++ code and data from Clarion. C++ is an object oriented language and includes language features to support classes and objects, polymorphism, operator and function overloading, and class inheritance. None of these features are supported in Clarion as they are in C++. This does not prevent you from taking advantage of these features in a mixed Clarion and C++ application, but it does dictate the nature of the interface code.

Clarion cannot directly access C++ classes, or objects of a class type. Therefore, Clarion programs do not have direct access to the data or functions contained within those classes. To access them, it is necessary to provide a "C-like" interface to the C++ functionality. A C style function can be called from Clarion, which would then be able to access the C++ classes and objects defined within the code, including their public data and methods.

The following example code fragment demonstrates how to code a C++ function that calls a C++ class library. The MakeFileList function may be called directly from Clarion — the DirList constructors and the ReOrder class member may not. The DirList class implements a directory list whose entries may be ordered by name, size or date. The class definition and Clarion callable entry point declarations are as follows (note the use of the 'extern "C"' linkage specifier to force C naming conventions for the Clarion callable functions):

```

/**
 *** DirList Class Definition
 */
class DirList: public List {
public:
    DirList(char *Path, CLAUSHORT Attr, CLAUSHORT Order);
    DirList();
    void ReOrder(int Order);
};

/**
 *** Clarion Entrypoint Declarations
 */
extern "C" {
void MakeFileList(char *Path, CLAUSHORT Attr, CLAUSHORT Order);
}

```

The following code does nothing more than provide entry points for the Clarion code to access the functionality of the DIRLIST class library. Since Clarion performs no name-mangling and cannot access classes or their members, this API is necessarily fairly simple.

```

DirList *FileList = NULL;           // The directory list object

void MakeFileList(char *Path, CLAUSHORT Attr, CLAUSHORT Order)
{
    if (FileList != NULL)           // If we have a list
    {
        delete FileList;           // invoke class destructor
        FileList = NULL;           // so we can start again
    }

    FileList = new DirList(Path, Attr, Order);
}

```

The following is the corresponding MAP structure prototype to allow Clarion to call the MakeFileList interface function:

```
MAP
MODULE('DirList')
    MakeFileList(*CSTRING,USHORT,USHORT),RAW,NAME('_MakeFileList')
END
END
```

One disadvantage of this is that, given a large class library, it appears to involve a lot of extra work to create a suitable interface. In practice, however, it should only be necessary to provide a very small interface to begin taking advantage of an existing C++ class library.

It is not possible to call C++ code compiled using non-SoftVelocity C++ compilers from a Clarion application. C++ modules usually require special initialization — constructors for all static objects must be invoked in the correct order. This initialization process must be performed by the Clarion start-up code. Clarion's startup code automatically performs the necessary initialization for any SoftVelocity C++ modules that are present, but it will not initialize modules compiled with other C++ compilers. Even if the modules did not require initialization, other C++ compilers use different calling and naming conventions, and adopt different internal class structures. This makes it impossible to use C++ class libraries in Clarion applications compiled with a compiler other than SoftVelocity C++.

### Summary:

The Clarion API provides a number of features to assist developers who need to interface to code written in other programming languages. With a little care, it is possible to create Clarion interfaces to some extremely powerful external libraries.

When preparing interfaces to libraries written in other languages you should consider the following suggestions:

- \* Don't write C, C++, Pascal, or Modula-2 functions to return CSTRING variables to Clarion. Have the other language routine place the CSTRING value in a public variable, or pass a \*CSTRING (by address) parameter to the C routine to receive the value.
- \* Don't call Clarion procedures that return STRING variables from other language functions. Have the Clarion procedure place the return value in a public variable or pass a \*CSTRING (by address) parameter to the other language procedure.
- \* For simplicity and efficiency, STRING and GROUP parameters should usually be passed by address with the RAW attribute to ensure only the address is passed.
- \* Test the application in XLARGE memory model first.

### C and C++ Considerations

- \* If a C or C++ function takes a pointer parameter, the corresponding parameter in the Clarion prototype for that function should be declared as "passed by address" by prefixing the data type with an asterisk (\*).
- \* If a C or C++ function takes a pointer to a GROUP, STRING, PSTRING or CSTRING, you should use the RAW attribute in the Clarion prototype.
- \* If a C or C++ function takes an ASCIIZ string as a parameter, the corresponding parameter in the Clarion prototype should be \*CSTRING.
- \* If a C or C++ function takes a pointer to a structure as a parameter, the corresponding parameter in the Clarion prototype should be \*GROUP.
- \* Use the header (.H) files as a template for developing a Clarion interface to a C or C++ library that eliminates the need to use the NAME attribute on the Clarion prototype to specify names.
- \* Use the NAME attribute on the Clarion prototype to specify names for C library functions that do not use the CLA\_CONV macro - remember that C names are case sensitive and start with an underscore (\_).

**Modula-2 and Pascal Considerations**

- \* If a Modula-2 or Pascal procedure takes a VAR parameter, the corresponding parameter in the Clarion prototype for that procedure should be declared as "passed by address" by prefixing the data type with an asterisk (\*).
- \* If a Modula-2 or Pascal procedure takes a VAR parameter for a GROUP, STRING, PSTRING or CSTRING, you should use the RAW attribute in the Clarion prototype.
- \* If a Modula-2 or Pascal procedure takes a VAR record as a parameter, the corresponding parameter in the Clarion prototype should be \*GROUP and the RAW attribute should be used in the prototype.

**Additional C++ Considerations**

- \* Use the "Pascal" external linkage specification for your C++ interface functions. This eliminates the need to use the Clarion NAME attribute on the prototype.
- \* Don't call C++ class member functions from your Clarion code.
- \* Don't try to access C++ objects of class type from your Clarion code.
- \* Don't try to access C++ code compiled with a C++ compiler other than SoftVelocity.

**Additional Modula-2 Considerations**

- \* Use the definition (.DEF) module as a template for developing a Clarion interface to a Modula-2 library.
- \* If a Modula-2 procedure takes an ASCII string as a parameter, the corresponding parameter in the Clarion prototype should be \*CSTRING.
- \* Use the NAME attribute to specify names for Modula-2 library procedures -remember that Modula-2 names are prefixed with the module name followed by a '\$' and are case-sensitive.

**Additional Pascal Considerations**

- \* Use the interface (.ITF) files as a template for developing a Clarion interface to a Pascal library.
- \* Use the NAME attribute to specify names for Pascal library procedures -remember that Pascal names are prefixed with the module name followed by a '\$' and are upper-case.





# Thread Model Documentation

## The Clarion 7 Threading Model

Clarion Version 6 introduced a more powerful, thread support in the templates and runtime library, and that same standard is applied in Clarion 7.

The latest thread model uses *preemptive* threads. Typical Clarion programs won't require more than a "compile and link" to see its benefits.

Some advantages of this model are:

- It is much easier to access COM objects
- You can have threads running independently of other threads.
- Programs are more stable.

This thread model also makes the OLE layer much easier to work with because the object will run on the Clarion thread whereas currently it is run on its own separate thread.

The following links provide in-depth information regarding this issue.

[Considerations when creating an OLE object](#)

[Data Initialization Schema](#)

[Launching a thread - behind the scenes](#)

[Multi-Threading Programming](#)

## Cooperative Threading in a Preemptive Environment

One of the advantages of Clarion 7 is that it is still possible to create an application that emulates the behavior associated with cooperative threading. Clarion 7 provides the necessary hooks so that you can decide whether your threads are preemptive, cooperative, or a mixture of the two. This topic introduces the concept and provides code samples.

### Cooperative Threading Extension templates

All applications created prior to Clarion 7 had all threads other than the first one work in a cooperative manner. All new applications, and applications migrated to Clarion 7 will, by default, generate fully preemptive thread based applications.

If you decide to emulate the cooperative thread system, you will still have to convert some code affected by the change in the underlying thread and memory management model (see the *Multi-Threaded Programming* PDF).

If you use the Global Cooperative Threading extension template you are not limited to only have cooperative threads. You can have some or all threads preemptive. To make a procedure thread preemptive you need to activate the "Preemptive Procedure" procedure extension.

If your application is generated with preemptive threads, you can still make individual threads co-operative by adding the Global Cooperative Threading extension and turning off the cooperative option. Then, on each "Preemptive Procedure" procedure extension, turn off the preemptive feature to make the target procedure thread cooperative.

## Data Initialization Schema

With the advent of the new threading model in this release, it is important to understand how threaded and non-threaded data elements are initialized, and in what specific order.

Prior to this release, data elements in respective modules were initialized in the following schema.

- non-threaded data of module1
- non-threaded data of module2
- ...
- non-threaded data of modulen
  
- threaded data of module1
- threaded data of module2
- ...
- threaded data of modulen

With the current release, the data initialization schema is as follows:

- non-threaded data of module1
- threaded data of module1
- non-threaded data of module2
- threaded data of module2
- ...
- non-threaded data of modulen
- threaded data of modulen

This means that a problem could arise if you attempt to access a threaded file from the constructor of a non-threaded class module. The initialization sequence for objects has changed so that non-threaded objects within a module are initialized before threaded ones.

There are two solutions to overcome this issue.

1. Make the threaded file *non-threaded*, or:
2. Move the definition for the class into a different module and set its *initialization priority* (`init_priority`) to a number less than the default initialization of 5.

```
PRAGMA ('define(init_priority=>4)') !add to the top of the module
```

The compiler initialization sequence of data, and calls to constructors is as follows:

- 1) Patching for threaded data in module-1
- 2) Patching of non-threaded data in module-1
- 3) Constructors of non-threaded data in module-1
- 4) Constructors of threaded data in module-1

.... repeat (1)-(4) for additional modules.

Steps (1) and (2) can be required if FILES or VIEWS use strings that are imported from external DLLs.

## Launching a thread - behind the scenes

With the advent of two new language statements supporting thread management in Clarion 7 (SUSPEND and RESUME), it is important to understand that there are a few things that are initialized and executed behind the scenes by the runtime library each time a thread is STARTed.

Here is the sequence of actions performed by the launching thread and the runtime library(RTL) each time a thread is STARTed:

1. Launching Thread executes START(ThreadProc)
2. RTL creates the physical thread in suspended state.
3. RTL resumes the launched thread created in step 2.
4. RTL sets an internal semaphore to a nonsignaled state.
5. Launching Thread waits for the semaphore from the RTL.
6. RTL creates instances of threaded variables and calls initialization routines for them.
7. RTL sets the semaphore to signaled state.
8. RTL suspends the launched thread creates in step 2.
9. Launching Thread continues program execution.

The launching thread will continue until it encounters the ACCEPT statement. Upon execution of the ACCEPT statement:

10. RTL resumes the launched thread.
11. RTL calls the entry point of the ThreadProc.

Therefore, a launched thread will remain suspended until the next call to ACCEPT from the launching thread. Only initialization and constructors for threaded variables are executed.

The use of RESUME with the START statement immediately executes Step 10 above without waiting for the call to ACCEPT. In other words, use of RESUME with START does not depend on the ACCEPT statement for resuming thread execution. This allows a new thread to be started from windowless threads.

The same can be said by using the SUSPEND statement immediately after START, e.g., SUSPEND immediately stops thread execution and does not wait for the ACCEPT loop.

## C++ and API Considerations

### Overview

The Clarion RTL thread handler does not do automatic binding of non-Clarion threads.

This minimizes unnecessary overhead; for example, some COM objects start up to 10 internal threads and Clarion data is not accessed from within them.

If you need access to threaded data or to make calls to Clarion functions from a non-Clarion thread you must use the `AttachThreadToClarion()` function from the non-Clarion DLL. On the call to `AttachThreadToClarion()`, instances of threaded variables are allocated and their constructors are called, and so they are available to the thread created by the `CreateThread` API.

### Prototype Information

The `AttachThreadToClarion()` is prototyped as follows:

Clarion prototype:

```
AttachThreadToClarion (BOOL),PASCAL
```

C/C++ prototype:

```
void PASCAL AttachThreadToClarion (int);
```

Visual Basic prototype:

```
Declare Sub AttachThreadToClarion Lib "C70runx.dll" (ByVal Bool As Boolean)
```

This **`AttachThreadToClarion`** function must be called by the launching thread to attach it to the thread handler in the runtime library. Without this call, any attempt within the thread to use thread dependent Clarion functions and operations (all string and decimal operators, `BIND/EVALUATE`, `ERROR/ERRORCODE`, most `FILE` statements, etc.) will cause a program termination.

*The main thread of Clarion programs and all threads started with the `START` function do not require this call.*

The **`AttachThreadToClarion`** has a `BOOLEAN` parameter that is used in the following manner. If

**`AttachThreadToClarion`** is called with a `FALSE ( 0 )` parameter, the runtime library does not allocate instances of threaded variables for this thread and hence, does not initialize them. If the parameter is `TRUE ( 1 )`, the runtime library allocates instances of threaded variables for the thread and executes the initialization code for them. Any attached threads are detached automatically on their termination.

## Preemptive and Cooperative Thread Models

This topic is useful for developers looking to migrate their applications from Clarion 5.5 or earlier to Clarion 7, and who wish to understand the new preemptive threads available under Clarion 7. Be sure to read the "**Multi-Threaded Programming**" PDF for a more detailed look at the changes, and information on how to implement thread synchronization.

### Threads and Processes

In simple terms, a process can be defined as an application. More precisely, a process is a single instance of an application. (In some cases, you can launch more than one instance of a given application; each launch spawns a new process.) Each process owns its own register context and virtual address space, which includes code, global data, stack, and heap memory.

A thread is an independent flow of execution within a process. In that sense, you can think of a process as a container for one or more threads. All threads in a process share the same code, global data, stack, and heap memory, but each thread is apportioned its own region in the stack space.

### Cooperative Threading

Cooperative threads are the only sorts of threads available in versions of Clarion prior to Clarion 7.

#### Advantages of Cooperative threads

They are safe and easy to use. You can, generally, access variables and not have to worry about the contents of the variable changing between two lines of code. The following code will never display the message "Boom" under a cooperative threading system.

```
MyVar LONG ! No THREAD attribute
```

```
LOOP
```

```
    MyVar = THREAD()
```

```
    IF MyVar ~= THREAD()
```

```
        MESSAGE('Boom')
```

```
    END
```

```
END
```

#### Disadvantages of Cooperative threads

Only one thread is ever active. In other words, you cannot have a thread that runs independently of all your other threads; for example a thread that is continuously backing up a data file, or running a report in the background.

Accessing COM objects and some Windows API functions require careful coding and the use of LOCKTHREAD and UNLOCKTHREAD.

### Preemptive Threads

Preemptive threads run independently of each other. Only one thread at a time has focus, but focus can change from one line of code to the next. The switching between threads is under the control of the OS.

#### Advantages of Preemptive Threads

Have you ever built an application where users had to wait while the application performed some lengthy calculation or operation? Then you can benefit from a preemptive thread model.

Understanding threads using a modern operating system's multi-threading capabilities properly, is a fundamental step toward creating fast, responsive applications. Clarion 7 makes creating multi-threaded applications easier than ever.

To understand the power of multithreading you need to know something about how the Windows operating system works under the hood. Windows is a preemptive multitasking operating system. The system CPU can do only one thing at a time, but to give the illusion that multiple processes are running simultaneously the operating system splits the CPU time between the various running processes.

The term preemptive means that the operating system determines when each task executes and for how long. Preemptive multitasking prevents one task from taking up all the processor's time.

The operating system allocates small "slices" of CPU time to each of these processes. Because the CPU is very fast, and the time slices can be extremely small, processes appear to run simultaneously. On a multi-processor system things are a bit more complicated but the basic idea is the same—the operating system divides the time of the CPUs among the processes that need it.

### Difficulties in Programming Preemptive Threads

First, keeping track of and switching between threads consumes memory resources and CPU time. Each time the CPU switches to another thread, the state of the current thread must be saved (so it can be resumed again later) and the saved state of the new thread must be restored. With too many threads any responsiveness advantages you hoped to gain may be partially nullified by the extra load placed on the system.

Second, programming with multiple threads can be complex. Creating a single extra thread to handle some background calculations is fairly straightforward, but implementing many threads is a demanding task and can be the source of many hard-to-find bugs. A best practices approach to these potential problems is to use multithreading only when it provides a clear advantage, and then to use a few threads as possible.

Third is the question of shared resources. Because they're running in the same process, the threads of a multi-threaded program have access to that process's resources, including global, static, and instance fields. Also, threads may need to share other resources such as communications ports and file handles. You must synchronize the threads in most multi-threaded applications to prevent conflicts when accessing resources, such as deadlocks (when two threads stop as each waits for the other to terminate).

You need to be **very** careful when accessing non-threaded global variables. The following code will generate the message intermittently when using preemptive threads.

```
MyVar LONG ! No THREAD attribute
```

```
LOOP
    MyVar = THREAD()
    IF MyVar ~= THREAD()
        MESSAGE('Bang')
    END
END
```

You can protect yourself in this situation by using the IMutex interface declared in CWSYNCH.INT to stop other threads executing at the same time (for a short time)

```
MyVar LONG ! No THREAD attribute
MyLocker &IMutex
MutexName CSTRING('MyCode')
```

```
MyLocker &= NewMutex(MutexName)
```

```
LOOP
```

```
    MyLocker.Lock()
```

```
    MyVar = THREAD()
```

```
    IF MyVar ~= THREAD()
```

```
        MyLocker.Release()
```

```
        MESSAGE('Bang')
```

```
    ELSE
```

```
        MyLocker.Release()
```

```
    END
```

```
END
```

```
MyLocker.Kill()
```

If you do not protect yourself when accessing global non-threaded variables you will have an application that will appear to work, but will occasionally do something strange that is hard to reproduce with any consistency.

Programming with preemptive threads can be **complex**! Even code as simple as...

```
MyFunc FUNCTION()
```

```
MyResponse = RequestCompleted
```

```
RETURN
```

```
MyFunc()
```

```
IF MyResponse = RequestCompleted
```

```
    !Do Something
```

```
END
```

...may not work how you expected with multiple threads active, if MyResponse does not have the THREAD attribute



## Conclusion

Under Clarion 7 you can now take advantage of the power and flexibility of preemptive threads. However, doing so requires that you are very careful with accessing global non-threaded variables.

So what code has to change?

- Code that stores the reference to a threaded variable in a non-threaded variable will not work the same in Clarion 7 as it did in previous versions of Clarion. For an example of this kind of code see ABFILE.CLW in versions of Clarion prior to Clarion 7 where the FileManager (a non-threaded class in standard applications) stores references to its file's record buffer and fields. The file is normally threaded, so the code needed a small adjustment to work in Clarion 7. Hence ABFILE.CLW and the initialization of standard applications have been changed to reflect this fact.
- In versions of Clarion previous to Clarion 7 you did not put the THREAD attribute on a variable that is declared with the EXTERNAL attribute. In Clarion 7 you must put the THREAD attribute on a variable declared with the EXTERNAL attribute when the variable is threaded. Not doing this will cause your application to crash whenever it tries to access the variable from anywhere other than the DLL where the variable is declared.
- In Clarion 5.5 and prior CW versions the runtime library (RTL) had control on thread switching. If the current event was targeted to a WINDOW belonging to a thread other than the previous event was, it generated EVENT:Suspend for previous active thread, EVENT:Resume for the new active thread and then executed the event. This could be any event. In Clarion 7 switching of threads is not within the RTL's control, so EVENT:Resume and EVENT:Suspend events no longer make sense.

Be sure to read the "**Multi-Threaded Programming**" PDF for a more detailed look at the changes, and information on how to implement thread synchronization.

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## Overview

This topic introduces programming techniques you implement when you program in a preemptive multi-threading environment. It identifies the type of code and objects that require attention, and also provides code examples for adding thread synchronization to properly handle access to shared non-threaded data.

Throughout this topic there are references to static variables. There are three ways of creating a variable in Clarion such that it is static:

- The variable is declared in Global Data and does not have the THREAD attribute;
- The variable is declared in Module Data and does not have the THREAD attribute;
- The variable is declared in Procedure Data and has the STATIC attribute, but does not have the THREAD attribute;

Static variables are potentially dangerous in a preemptive environment, and should be avoided where possible. Later sections in this topic will describe what to do when they cannot be avoided.

### What is a threading model?

A threading model describes how different threads work together under a multi-threading operating system. There are two types of threading models: cooperative threading and preemptive threading.

Under the cooperative threading model an application could have multiple threads 'running' at the same time. But only one of these threads could do anything at any point in time. For another thread (or program) to get a chance to do anything the current thread had to relinquish control of the PC back to the operating system. The operating system would then choose which thread would next have a chance to do something. Thus the threads cooperate with each other and the operating system to give each other a chance to do something. This was easy to program, but it meant that programs could behave badly and take full control of the PC locking out other programs.

When Windows NT arrived so did a new style of threading: Preemptive multi-threading. Now threads could run simultaneously, either on separate CPUs or by having the operating system suspend one thread and start another whenever the operating system wanted. This released the power of multi-processor machines and stopped the problem of badly behaved programs. But it was a much harder paradigm to program with.

### Threads Pre-Clarion 6

Clarion for Windows was designed to make programming easy. Therefore the problems of preemptive threading were considered unnecessarily complex for the rewards. Clarion threads were not cooperative by their nature. They were standard Win32 threads with explicit synchronization implemented in the RTL to emulate cooperative behavior.

The emulation of cooperative threads made it easy to use variables that were global in scope (can be used anywhere in your program), but whose contents were different depending on what thread was active; for example a global variable with the THREAD attribute. To do this some mechanism was required to make sure that the contents changed each time a different thread became active. Due to the cooperative nature of Clarion threads the RTL was responsible to swap the contents of the threaded variables every time a thread gained or lost focus.

This made it very easy to program, but added the restriction that only one Clarion thread could be active at any time

### Threads in Clarion 7

Clarion 7 supports the preemptive thread model. To do this, the automatic data swapping that was done by the RTL had to end. The operating system determines when a thread receives a CPU time slice. So there is no opportunity for the RTL to swap the contents of variables.

Although Clarion now supports preemptive multi-threading, it does not mean you have to suddenly rewrite all your programs. If you follow the guidelines set out in this paper for avoiding the use of global variables whenever possible and using the synchronization techniques described, you'll be able to deliver new capabilities to your end-users.

## Threading Code Design Standards

To allow Clarion to support preemptive threads some changes were required in the language. This was kept to a minimum so as to ease the migration of versions prior to Clarion 6 to Clarion 7.

### THREAD attribute on Classes

Prior to Clarion 5.5 if you had a global variable that was an instance of a class the THREAD attribute was ignored. In Clarion 7 any global instance of a class with the THREAD attribute will have separate data for each running thread. The constructor of the class will be called on thread initialization and the destructor will be called on thread termination.

Thread "initialization" and thread "termination" must be defined because it is not always obvious. In general, any DLL has some entry point called by the OS on attaching that DLL to the process, detaching it from the process, on the start and closing a thread. The Clarion RTL translates every such call, to chains of calls to initialize or cleanup data in all modules that have application-wide or thread-wide variables declared. But in certain situations the OS does not do calls to executables, for example, if it is an EXE rather than DLL, or if the DLL is loaded dynamically by the call to LoadLibrary. In the latter case, the OS calls that DLL's entry point for initializing application-wide data only. The CW RTL handles all special cases and calls the code to initialize and also to cleanup threaded data.

The order that class constructors are called is undefined. So do not assume that a different class instance has been constructed when your constructor is called

This feature gives you a lot of power to control things on a thread-by-thread basis. The ABC templates use this strategy to make sure the meta-information about your database is available on each thread.

See the section below "Using hand code" for an example of a global threaded class.

### THREAD and EXTERNAL

In versions of Clarion prior to version 6, a variable with the THREAD attribute was allocated a fixed memory location and the runtime library handled swapping the thread specific values of that variable in and out of that memory location. So if you had a file definition in a DLL you would declare it as

```
AFile FILE, DRIVER( 'TopSpeed' ), THREAD
```

Then in your EXE you would declare the file as

```
AFile FILE, DRIVER( 'TopSpeed' ), EXTERNAL
```

With Clarion 7 a variable with the THREAD attribute has different memory allocated for each thread. The compiler generates code to make sure that the right memory is accessed regardless of which thread is running. For the compiler to generate the right code it needs to know if a variable has the THREAD attribute regardless of where the variable is defined. So in Clarion 7 if you have a file definition in a DLL you declare it as

```
AFile FILE, DRIVER( 'TopSpeed' ), THREAD
```

Then in your EXE you declare the file as

```
AFile FILE, DRIVER( 'TopSpeed' ), EXTERNAL, THREAD
```

Notice the THREAD attribute is present in both declarations, unlike previous versions.

**ADDRESS of a threaded variable**

In version prior to Clarion 6, taking the ADDRESS() of a threaded variable would always return the same result regardless of what thread is running. In Clarion 7 every thread has its own memory location for a threaded variable. So ADDRESS() no longer will return the same value. If you need a constant address for a threaded global variable you can use the new function INSTANCE() and pass a Thread Number of 0. For example, to get a unique identifier for a threaded FILE that you can be certain will be the same regardless of what thread you are on you used to do ADDRESS(MyFile). You now do INSTANCE(MyFile, 0)

**LOCKTHREAD, UNLOCKTHREAD and THREADLOCKED**

As Clarion 7 works with preemptive threads rather than cooperative threads these functions do nothing by default. However, if you want to work in a cooperative threading environment LOCKTHREAD will call the SYSTEM{PROP:LockThreadHook} function, UNLOCKTHREAD will call the SYSTEM{PROP:UnlockThreadHook} function and THREADLOCKED will call the SYSTEM{PROP:ThreadLockedHook} function.

## Coding Techniques for Preemptive Multi-Threading

### Don't Use Static Variables

The easiest way to avoid problems is to avoid using static variables. A lot of static variables are declared as static simply because it took less time to use a global or module variable than to pass the data as a parameter. Check your static variables, and if they are used to transfer information between threads pass them as a parameter as needed.

### Initialize Once/Read Many

#### Non Queue static variables

If you have static variables that you use to hold global information that never changes during the running of a program, then you do not need to change them. Provided the variables are initialized in the startup of the program and never changed, there is no need to worry. For example, prior to Clarion 6, when there was no `SYSTEM{PROP:DataPath}`, it was common to have a file name initialized based on a path stored in an INI file. This practice is still acceptable in a preemptive threading model.

#### Static Queues that are initialized at startup

A static queue that is initialized at startup and read many times is **not safe**. See the section below on Common Coding Practices that need to change for ideas on how to handle static queues.

### Synchronize Access

If you are using static variables as a way to share information between threads, then you will need to synchronize thread access to these variables. The two main ways you will do this is either using a Critical Section Object or a ReaderWriterLocks Object.

If the value to be protected is a LONG (and not in a GROUP) you are probably safe in not synchronizing most thread accesses, since reads/writes happen in only one operation. If a LONG is defined in a GROUP/RECORD/QUEUE then it might not be aligned data and require more than one operation. In summary a LONG has fewer risks of corrupt half updated data than strings, but still have some risks when multiple commands are involved.

See the Synchronization Objects section below for descriptions and examples on how to use these objects.

### IMPORTANT!

**It is very important that you lock out other threads for as short a time as possible. Ideally, copying the data you need into thread safe variables then releasing the lock. You should not have any user input inside a piece of code that locks other threads.**

To guarantee that your static variables are protected it is best to move them into a static class that has read and write methods for manipulating them. Make them PRIVATE, create Get and Set methods, and have synchronization code to protect and manipulate them.

### Changes to Common Coding Practices

Using static variables to pass parameters

If you are using a static variable to pass values to a started procedure on a new thread, change the prototype of that procedure so the values it requires are passed as parameters. Both the ABC and Clarion template chains now support this feature.

## Using static queues

Static queues that are shared amongst multiple threads will require you to make some code changes with regard to how they are accessed to work in a preemptive threading environment. The problem with queues is that they not only have a queue buffer, but they also have position information. So if one thread reads from the first element of the queue and another thread reads from the second element of the queue you could end up with the following situation:

Thread 1	Thread 2
GET(Queue, 1)	
	GET(Queue, 2)
	Assign Queue Data to local var
Assign Queue Data to local var	

Thread 1 gets a time slice from the OS and reads from the Queue, then the OS give thread 2 a time slice before thread 1 makes the assignment of the Queue data to a local variable. Now both thread 1 and thread 2 ends up reading the information for element 2 of the Queue. To avoid this situation you need to synchronize access to the queue's buffer. To keep the time that other threads are locked out while the queue is accessed to a minimum, you should read from the queue and assign the data from the queue's buffer into a threaded memory buffer. See the section below on `ICriticalSection` for a complete example showing how to do this.

## Queues that are only modified at startup

A common coding technique is to set up a static queue that contains data that does not change, for example the states of the USA. This is initialized on program startup, and used throughout the application.

This technique needs to be adjusted to work in a preemptive environment for the reasons stated above. Luckily, the solution is easy -- put a `THREAD` attribute on the `QUEUE`

This means that every thread will have its own instance of the `QUEUE`. The trouble is you need to get the data into that queue for every thread. To accomplish this you create a threaded class to do the copying for you. Below is an example class that will populate a queue for every thread.

In the following example `QLock` is used to make sure that two threads starting up simultaneously will not interfere with each other. The initial population of the Queue does not need modification provided it is done on the main program thread before any other threads are started. The example shown also makes use of the new `INSTANCE()` language statement.

```
GlobalQ QUEUE, THREAD
Data      STRING(10)
        END

QLock &ICriticalSection
GlobalQueuePopulator CLASS, THREAD
Construct      PROCEDURE
Destruct      PROCEDURE
        END

GlobalQueuePopulator.Construct PROCEDURE
BaseQ &GlobalQ
recs  UNSIGNED, AUTO
i     UNSIGNED, AUTO
```

CODE

```
IF THREAD() <> 1
    QLock.Wait()
    BaseQ &= INSTANCE(GlobalQ, 1)
    recs = RECORDS(BaseQ)
    LOOP i = 1 TO recs
        GET(BaseQ, i)
        GlobalQ.Data = BaseQ.Data
        ADD(GlobalQ)
    END
    QLock.Release()
ELSE
    QLock &= NewCriticalSection()
END
```

GlobalQueuePopulator.Destruct PROCEDURE

CODE

```
IF THREAD() = 1
    QLock.Kill()
END
```

### WAIT() function usage

The WAIT function will wait until no other threads want the object. It then takes hold of the object until a subsequent call to Release. Other threads that call the WAIT function will wait indefinitely until the other thread releases the object.

Proper programming techniques are essential here to avoiding a "deadly embrace", or deadlock.

For example, if you execute the following:

```
SyncObj1.Wait
SyncObj2.Wait
```

on one thread and

```
SyncObj2.Wait
SyncObj1.Wait
```

on another thread, you are risking a deadlock.

Deadlocks should not be a big issue if you make sure you have a hierarchy of synchronization objects. Ideally, you only use one object at a time, but if you must use multiple objects, always acquire a lock on the top synchronization object first, then the other one. That way, you can never get into the aforementioned scenario.



## Thread Synchronization

The Clarion runtime has a variety of built in interfaces and procedures to help you maintain synchronization between your threads. The POST and EVENT functions have always been in the Clarion language for thread synchronization.

SUSPEND and RESUME functions allow you to stop and start another thread, INSTANCE allows you to get another thread's contents for a variable and the ICriticalSection, IMutex, ISemaphore and IReaderWriterLock are interfaces to objects that allow you to synchronize the processing between multiple threads and also multiple processes.

### POST/EVENT

You have always been able to synchronize thread processing by posting an event from one thread to another using POST() to send the event and EVENT() to receive it. See the SUSPEND/RESUME section below for an example on using these functions to synchronize two threads.

### SUSPEND/RESUME

SUSPEND allows you to stop another process. RESUME starts that process again. You can issue multiple SUSPEND calls for a thread. The same number of RESUME calls must be made for that thread to restart.

The SUSPEND procedure suspends a thread specified by the *threadno* parameter. If the *threadno* parameter is a number of an active thread, its execution is suspended and a suspending counter is incremented. Each additional SUSPEND statement issued to the same active thread will increment the suspending counter by one. Therefore, a thread that has been suspended with a given number of SUSPEND statements can only resume thread execution when an equal number of RESUME statements has been executed.

*EXTREME CAUTION* should be taken with MDI programs using SUSPEND, as improper use can cause program lockups. All MDI child windows have an MDI client window as a parent, and the MDI client window can send rather than post messages to its child windows.

For example, calling the inter-thread SendMessage modal function causes the calling thread (the MDI client window) to suspend activity until the called thread (the MDI Child window) returns from the call. If the called thread is suspended, we would have a program lockup.

The SUSPEND and RESUME functions can be very useful for controlling threads that are CPU intensive. For example, rebuilding keys on a file. Here is an example program that starts a BUILD of a file and allows the user to pause the build and restart it.

```

PROGRAM
MAP
    DoBuild (STRING)
END

MyFile FILE, DRIVER ('TopSpeed') , PRE (F)
Key1    KEY (F:Field1) , PRIMARY
Key2    KEY (F:Field2)
Key3    KEY (F:Field3, Field4)
RECORD
Field1   LONG
Field2   STRING (20)
Field3   STRING (20)
Field4   STRING (20)
END
END
```

```
BuilderWin WINDOW('Building File'), AT(, , 81, 22), GRAY
    BUTTON('Suspend Build'), AT(2, 3, 75, 14), USE(?Button)
END
```

```
AllDone EQUATE(500H)
Building BYTE
ThreadID SIGNED, AUTO
```

```
CODE
    OPEN(BuilderWin)
    ThreadID = START(DoBuild, , THREAD())
    Building = TRUE
    ACCEPT
        CASE EVENT()
        OF AllDone
            MESSAGE('Build Complete')
            BREAK
        OF Event:Accepted
            IF ACCEPTED() = ?Button
                IF Building
                    SUSPEND(ThreadID)
                    ?Button{PROP:Text} = 'Resume Building'
                ELSE
                    RESUME(ThreadID)
                    ?Button{PROP:Text} = 'Suspend Build'
                END
            END
        END
    END
END
```

```
DoBuild PROCEDURE (parent)
    CODE
        MyFile{PROP:FullBuild} = TRUE
        BUILD(MyFile)
        POST(AllDone, , parent)
```

**INSTANCE**

In versions of Clarion prior to Clarion 6.0 a variable's memory location was constant regardless of which thread accessed the variable. Therefore this code would always work:

```

PROGRAM
MAP
    AFunc ()
END

GlobVar SIGNED, THREAD
Addr    LONG

CODE
    Addr = ADDRESS (GlobVar, 1)
    START (AFunc)

AFunc PROCEDURE
CODE
    IF Addr <> ADDRESS (GlobVar)
        MESSAGE ('Panic')
    END

```

This sort of code was used in ABFILE.CLW to make sure the file manager matched the file it was meant to manage. To allow programs to know what variable they are really using you can now use the INSTANCE function to get the address of the variable on any thread, and most importantly on thread 1. The above code would need to be modified as follows to work in Clarion 6.0.

```

PROGRAM
MAP
    AFunc ()
END

GlobVar SIGNED, THREAD
Addr    LONG

CODE
    Addr = ADDRESS (GlobVar)
    START (AFunc)

AFunc PROCEDURE
CODE
    IF Addr <> INSTANCE (GlobVar, 0)
        MESSAGE ('Panic')
    END

```

## Synchronization Objects

A Synchronization Object is an object used to control how multiple threads cooperate in a preemptive environment. There are four Synchronization Objects supplied by the Clarion runtime: Critical Sections (ICriticalSection), Mutexes (IMutex), Semaphores (ISemaphore), and Read/Write Locking (IReaderWriterLock).

Clarion 7 makes it very easy to take advantage of preemptive threads in your applications. All template generated code uses threaded objects to ensure proper behavior. When you embed code that works with threaded data you don't have any worries, but when you access shared non-threaded data you should use a synchronization object.

**Note:**

**Due to the fact that Windows uses procedure-modal methods when dealing with MDI based applications (a program with an APPLICATION window) you must not have any user input when you have control of a synchronization object with an MDI based application. This is likely to lead to your application locking up**

**If you must have user input, then you must release control of the synchronization object while waiting for user input.**

### ICriticalSection and CriticalSection

Use an ICriticalSection when you want only one thread accessing some resource (e.g. a global, non-threaded variable) at any one time. An ICriticalSection is faster than an IMutex. If you do not need the extra features of an IMutex, use an ICriticalSection

CriticalSection is a built-in class that allows for easy creation of simple, global synchronization objects.

Following are a couple of examples that make sure that only one thread is accessing a static queue at a time.

```
PROGRAM
```

```
! This program assumes that only WriteToQueue and
! ReadFromQueue directly access NonThreadedQueue
! If other code accesses the queue and does not use
! the QueueLock critical section to synchronize
! access to the queue, then all the work inside WriteToQueue
! and ReadFromQueue is wasted
```

```
QueueData GROUP, THREAD
```

```
ThreadID    LONG
```

```
Information STRING(20)
```

```
END
```

```
!Include CriticalSection
```

```
INCLUDE ( 'CWSYNCHC.INC' ) , ONCE
```

```
MAP
```

```
WriteToQueue()
```

```
WriteToQueue(*QueueData)
```

```

    ReadFromQueue ()
    ReadFromQueue (*QueueData)
END

```

```

NonThreadedQueue QUEUE
Data                LIKE (QueueData)
                    END

```

### QueueLock CriticalSection

```

CODE

```

```

    ! Do everything

```

```

WriteToQueue PROCEDURE ()
! Assumes QueueData is used to pass data.  This is thread safe
! because QueueData has the THREAD attribute
CODE
    QueueLock.Wait () !Lock access to NonThreadedQueue.
    NonThreadedQueue.Data = QueueData
    GET (NonThreadedQueue, NonThreadedQueue.Data.ThreadId)
    IF ERRORCODE ()
        ADD (NonThreadedQueue)
    ELSE
        PUT (NonThreadedQueue)
    END
    QueueLock.Release () !Allow other access to the queue

```

```

WriteToQueue PROCEDURE (*QueueData in)
CODE
    QueueLock.Wait () !Lock access to NonThreadedQueue.
    NonThreadedQueue.Data = in
    GET (NonThreadedQueue, NonThreadedQueue.Data.ThreadId)
    IF ERRORCODE ()
        ADD (NonThreadedQueue)
    ELSE
        PUT (NonThreadedQueue)

```

```
END

QueueLock.Release() !Allow other access to the queue

ReadFromQueue PROCEDURE()
! Returns results in QueueData. This is thread safe
! because QueueData has the THREAD attribute
CODE
    QueueLock.Wait() !Lock access to NonThreadedQueue.
    NonThreadedQueue.Data.ThreadId = THREAD()
    GET(NonThreadedQueue, NonThreadedQueue.Data.ThreadId)
    QueueData = NonThreadedQueue.Data
    QueueLock.Release() !Allow other access to the queue

ReadFromQueue PROCEDURE(*QueueData out)
CODE
    QueueLock.Wait() !Lock access to NonThreadedQueue.
    NonThreadedQueue.Data.ThreadId = THREAD()
    GET(NonThreadedQueue, NonThreadedQueue.Data.ThreadId)
    out = NonThreadedQueue.Data
    QueueLock.Release() !Allow other access to the queue
```

The previous example suffers from the problem that anyone can access the global queue and they are not forced to use the matching QueueLock critical section. The following example removes this problem by moving the non-threaded queue and the critical section into a static class.

```
PROGRAM

QueueData GROUP, THREAD
ThreadId    LONG
Information STRING(20)
END

NonThreadedQueue QUEUE, TYPE
Data          LIKE (QueueData)
END

QueueAccess CLASS
```

```

QueueData &NonThreadedQueue, PRIVATE
QueueLock &ICriticalSection, PRIVATE
Construct      PROCEDURE
Destruct       PROCEDURE
WriteToQueue   PROCEDURE
WriteToQueue   PROCEDURE (*QueueData)
ReadFromQueue  PROCEDURE ()
ReadFromQueue  PROCEDURE (*QueueData)
                END

INCLUDE ( 'CWSYNCHC.INC' )
MAP
END

CODE
    ! Do everything

QueueAccess.Construct PROCEDURE
CODE
    SELF.QueueLock &= NewCriticalSection()
    SELF.QueueData &= NEW (NonThreadedQueue)

QueueAccess.Destruct PROCEDURE
CODE
    SELF.QueueLock.Kill()
    DISPOSE (SELF.QueueData)

QueueAccess.WriteToQueue PROCEDURE ()
! Assumes QueueData is used to pass data. This is thread safe
! because QueueData has the THREAD attribute
CODE
    SELF.QueueLock.Wait() !Lock access to NonThreadedQueue.
    SELF.QueueData.Data = QueueData
    GET (SELF.QueueData, SELF.QueueData.Data.ThreadId)
    IF ERRORCODE ()
        ADD (SELF.QueueData)
    ELSE
        PUT (SELF.QueueData)

```

```
END

SELF.QueueLock.Release() !Allow other access to the queue

QueueAccess.WriteToQueue PROCEDURE(*QueueData in)
CODE
    SELF.QueueLock.Wait() !Lock access to NonThreadedQueue.
    SELF.QueueData.Data = in
    GET(SELF.QueueData, SELF.QueueData.Data.ThreadId)
    IF ERRORCODE()
        ADD(SELF.QueueData)
    ELSE
        PUT(SELF.QueueData)
    END
    SELF.QueueLock.Release() !Allow other access to the queue

QueueAccess.ReadFromQueue PROCEDURE()
! Returns results in QueueData. This is thread safe
! because QueueData has the THREAD attribute
CODE
    SELF.QueueLock.Wait() !Lock access to NonThreadedQueue.
    SELF.QueueData.Data.ThreadId = THREAD()
    GET(SELF.QueueData, SELF.QueueData.Data.ThreadId)
    QueueData = SELF.QueueData.Data
    SELF.QueueLock.Release() !Allow other access to the queue

QueueAccess.ReadFromQueue PROCEDURE(*QueueData out)
CODE
    SELF.QueueLock.Wait() !Lock access to NonThreadedQueue.
    SELF.QueueData.Data.ThreadId = THREAD()
    GET(SELF.QueueData, SELF.QueueData.Data.ThreadId)
    out = SELF.QueueData.Data
    SELF.QueueLock.Release() !Allow other access to the queue
```

### IWaitableSyncObject

The IWaitableSyncObject is the base interface for IMutex and ISemaphore. This allows you to create procedures that work with either type of synchronization object without requiring the procedure to know exactly what type of object it is.



## IMutex

An IMutex is used when you want to allow only one thread to access a resource. Just like an ICriticalSection. However, IMutexes have the added features of being able to not only synchronize threads, but also synchronize different processes. Thus, if you have a resource that can only have one process accessing it at one time (e.g. a registration file that controls access to multiple programs) then you will need to use an IMutex that is created by calling `NewMutex(Name)`. *Name* must be the same for all processes that use it to access the same set of shared resources.

Another time you would use an IMutex rather than an ICriticalSection is if you do not want to always lock a thread.

Finally, an IMutex works better than an ICriticalSection in MDI applications, as ICriticalSection objects may cause deadlocks. Orphaned mutexes are killed by the operating system after a brief time, but CriticalSections are not. Deadlocks in CriticalSections are usually caused by a programming error (e.g., calling `Wait` before a form procedure and `Release` after it).

A Mutex is a very simple way to limit the user to having one instance of your program running at any time. The following example shows the use of the `Name` parameter for creating a Mutex and the `TryWait` method to limit your program in this way.

### PROGRAM

```

INCLUDE ( 'CWSYNCHM.INC' ) ,ONCE

MAP

END

Limiter &IMutex,AUTO
Result SIGNED,AUTO
LastError LONG,AUTO          !<< return error

CODE

Limiter &= NewMutex('MyApplicationLimiterMutex',,LastError)
IF Limiter &= NULL
    MESSAGE ('ERROR: Mutex can not be created ' & LastErr)
ELSE
    Result = Limiter.TryWait(50)
    IF Result <= WAIT:OK
        !Do Everything
        Limiter.Release()      !release
    ELSIF Result = WAIT:TIMEOUT
        MESSAGE('Timeout')
    ELSE
        MESSAGE('Waiting is failed ' & Result) !show Result
    END
    Limiter.Kill()
END

```

The difference between an IMutex and an ISemaphore is an IMutex can only have one thread successfully wait. An ISemaphore can have multiple threads successfully wait. It is also possible to create a semaphore where no thread can successfully wait.

**ISemaphore with multiple successful waits**

An ISemaphore created with an initial thread count other than zero will allow you to call Wait that number of times before the wait will lock. For example a semaphore created with *MySem* `&= NewSemaphore(2)` will allow *MySem.Wait()* to succeed twice without any call to *MySem.Release()*. This is a very easy way to limit the number of threads you have active at any one time.

If at any time you want to allow more calls to Wait to succeed, you can make additional *Release()* calls. The number of extra threads that can be added in this way is limited by the final parameter of *NewSemaphore()*. If you do not want to allow this feature, do not specify the final a maximum.

See the following section for a semaphore that limits the number of threads of a specific type to one.

**ISemaphore with no waits**

A semaphore created with an initial thread count of 0 will block any call to Wait until a Release is called. You use this type of semaphore to signal another thread that they can do something. For example, signal a thread to send an email to someone because you have sold the last candy bar.

Following is an example where the no wait style of semaphore is used to signal a reader that there is something to read. A multiple successful waits semaphore is used to limit the number of reader threads to 1.

PROGRAM

INCLUDE ( 'CWSYNCHM.INC' )

INCLUDE ( 'CWSYNCHC.INC' )

INCLUDE ( 'ERRORS.CLW' )

MAP

Reader()

Writer()

END

LogFile FILE, DRIVER('ASCII'), CREATE, NAME('LogFile.txt'), THREAD

RECORD

Line STRING(255)

END

END

AccessToGlobals CriticalSection

NewData Semaphore

LimitReaders &ISemaphore

GlobalStrings QUEUE, PRE(Q)

Data STRING(50)

END

```

AppFrame APPLICATION('Reader/Writer'), AT(, , 400, 240), SYSTEM, MAX, RESIZE

    MENUBAR
        MENU('&File'), USE(?FileMenu)
            ITEM('E&xit'), USE(?Exit), STD(STD:Close)
        END
        MENU('&Launch'), USE(?LaunchMenu)
            ITEM('Reader'), USE(?LaunchReader)
            ITEM('Writer'), USE(?LaunchWriter)
        END
    END
END

CODE
LimitReaders &= NewSemaphore(1)
SHARE(LogFile)
IF ERRORCODE() = NoFileErr
    CREATE(LogFile)
    SHARE(LogFile)
END
IF ERRORCODE()
    STOP('Log File could not be opened.  Error: ' & ERROR())
END
OPEN(AppFrame)
ACCEPT
    IF EVENT() = EVENT:Accepted
        CASE ACCEPTED()
            OF ?LaunchReader
                START(Reader)
            OF ?LaunchWriter
                START(Writer)
        END
    END
END
END
! Test to see if Reader is still alive
IF LimitReaders.TryWait(1) = WAIT:TIMEOUT
    !It is, so lets kill it
    AccessToGlobals.Wait()
    Q:Data = 'exit'

```

```
    ADD(GlobalStrings)
    AccessToGlobals.Release()
    NewData.Release() ! Release the reader that is waiting
    LimitReaders.Wait() ! Wait for thread to terminate
    LimitReaders.Release()
END
LimitReaders.Kill()
```

Reader PROCEDURE

CODE

```
    ! Check that there are no other readers
    IF LimitReaders.TryWait(1) = WAIT:TIMEOUT
        MESSAGE('Only One Reader Allowed at a time. ' &|
                'Kill reader by typing ''exit'' in a sender')
    RETURN
```

END

```
    ! If TryWait succeeds, then we have control of
    ! the LimitReaders Semaphore
```

```
    SHARE(LogFile)
```

l1 LOOP

```
    NewData.Wait() !Wait until a writer signals that there is some data
    AccessToGlobals.Wait()
```

LOOP

```
    GET(GlobalStrings,1)
    IF ERRORCODE() THEN BREAK.
    IF Q:Data = 'exit' THEN
        FREE(GlobalStrings)
        AccessToGlobals.Release()
        BREAK l1
```

ELSE

```
    LogFile.Line = Q:Data
    ADD(LogFile)
```

END

```
    DELETE(GlobalStrings)
```

END

```
    AccessToGlobals.Release()
```

END

```
CLOSE(LogFile)
```

```

    LimitReaders.Release() !Allow a new Reader
RETURN

```

```

Writer PROCEDURE

```

```

    LocString STRING(50)
    Window WINDOW('Writer'), AT(,,143,43), GRAY
        PROMPT('Enter String'), AT(2,9), USE(?Prompt1)
        ENTRY(@s50), AT(45,9,95,10), USE(LocString)
        BUTTON('Send'), AT(2,25,45,14), USE(?Send)
        BUTTON('Close'), AT(95,25,45,14), USE(?Close)
    END

```

```

CODE

```

```

    OPEN(Window)
    Window{PROP:Text} = 'Writer ' & THREAD()
    ACCEPT
        IF EVENT() = EVENT:Accepted
            CASE ACCEPTED()
                OF ?Send
                    AccessToGlobals.Wait()
                    Q:Data = LocString
                    ADD(GlobalStrings)
                    AccessToGlobals.Release()
                    NewData.Release() ! Release the reader that is waiting
                OF ?Close
                    BREAK
            END
        END
    END
    RETURN

```

### IReaderWriterLock

An IReaderWriterLock can be used to allow multiple threads to read from a global resource, but for only one thread to write to it. No reader is allowed to read the resource if someone is writing and no one can write to the resource if anyone is reading.

An example of this would be where the user specifies screen colors. This is stored in an INI file and read on startup. As the user can change these at any time, the code that changes the values needs to obtain a write lock and all those that read the color information need to obtain a read lock.

Static queues cannot be synchronized via an `IRewriterLock` because reading a queue also modifies its position. All queue access must be considered to cause writes.

Here is some simple code that reads and writes to some static variables. To make sure that no one accesses the statics outside the locking mechanism, the variables are declared as `PRIVATE` members of a static class.

```
PROGRAM

    INCLUDE ( 'CWSYNCHM.INC' ), ONCE
    MAP
    END

GlobalVars CLASS
    AccessToGlobals      &IRewriterLock, PRIVATE
    BackgroundColor      LONG, PRIVATE
    TextSize             SHORT, PRIVATE
    Construct            PROCEDURE
    Destruct             PROCEDURE
    GetBackground        PROCEDURE ( ) , LONG
    PutBackground        PROCEDURE ( LONG )
    GetTextSize          PROCEDURE ( ) , SHORT
    PutTextSize          PROCEDURE ( SHORT )
    END

CODE

GlobalVars.Construct      PROCEDURE
CODE
    SELF.AccessToGlobals &= NewReaderWriterLock()

GlobalVars.Destruct      PROCEDURE
CODE
    SELF.AccessToGlobals.Kill()

GlobalVars.GetBackground PROCEDURE ( )
ret SHORT, AUTO
Reader &ISyncObject
CODE
    ! You need to copy the static variable
    ! to somewhere safe (A local variable) which
    ! can then be returned without fear that
```

```
! another thread will change it
Reader &= SELF.AccessToGlobals.Reader()
Reader.Wait()
ret = SELF.Background
Reader.Release()
RETURN ret
```

```
GlobalVars.PutBackground PROCEDURE (SHORT newVal)
```

```
Writer &ISyncObject
```

```
CODE
```

```
Writer &= SELF.AccessToGlobals.Writer()
Writer.Wait()
SELF.Background = newVal
Writer.Release()
```

```
GlobalVars.GetTextSize          PROCEDURE ()
```

```
ret SHORT,AUTO
```

```
Reader &ISyncObject
```

```
CODE
```

```
! You need to copy the static variable
! to somewhere safe (A local variable) which
! can then be returned without fear that
! another thread will change it
Reader &= SELF.AccessToGlobals.Reader()
Reader.Wait()
ret = SELF.TextSize
Reader.Release()
RETURN ret
```

```
GlobalVars.PutTextSize          PROCEDURE (SHORT newVal)
```

```
Writer &ISyncObject
```

```
CODE
```

```
Writer &= SELF.AccessToGlobals.Writer()
Writer.Wait()
SELF.TextSize = newVal
Writer.Release()
```

**CriticalProcedure**

The CriticalProcedure class is a very easy way to use an ISyncObject interface. If you create a local instance of a CriticalProcedure and initialize it, then it will look after the waiting for a lock and releasing the lock on the ISyncObject for you. The main advantage of using the CriticalProcedure class to handle the locking and releasing for you is that if you have multiple RETURN statements in your procedure, you do not have to worry about releasing the lock before each one. The destructor of the CriticalProcedure will handle that for you.

For example, the following code

```
PROGRAM
MAP
    WRITETOFILE()
END

INCLUDE ('CWSYNCHM.INC')
INCLUDE ('CWSYNCHC.INC')

ERRORFILE FILE, DRIVER('ASCII'), PRE(EF)
RECORD      RECORD
LINE        STRING(100)
            END
            END

LOCKER &ICRITICALSECTION

CODE
Locker &= NewCriticalSection()
ASSERT(~Locker &= Null)
!do everything

WriteToFile PROCEDURE()
CODE
Locker.Wait()
OPEN(ErrorFile)
IF ERRORCODE()
    Locker.Release()
    RETURN
END
SET(ErrorFile)
NEXT(ErrorFile)
```



```

IF ERRORCODE()
    Locker.Release()
    RETURN
END
EF:Line = 'Something'
PUT(ErrorFile)
CLOSE(ErrorFile)
Locker.Release()

```

Can be shortened, and made less error prone, to this:

```

PROGRAM
MAP
    WRITETOFILE()
END

INCLUDE('CWSYNCHM.INC')
INCLUDE('CWSYNCHC.INC')

ERRORFILE FILE, DRIVER('ASCII'), PRE(EF)
RECORD      RECORD
LINE        STRING(12)
            END
            END

LOCKER &ICRITICALSECTION

CODE
Locker &= NewCriticalSection()
ASSERT(~Locker &= Null)
!do everything

WriteToFile PROCEDURE()

CP CriticalProcedure

CODE
    CP.Init(Locker)
    OPEN(ErrorFile)

```

```

IF ERRORCODE()
    RETURN
END
SET(ErrorFile)
NEXT(ErrorFile)
IF ERRORCODE()
    RETURN
END
EF:Line = 'Something'
PUT(ErrorFile)
CLOSE(ErrorFile)

```

A second feature of the CriticalProcedure is that it allows you to RETURN a global (or other non-threaded static) variable from a prototype that requires protection. The return value will be pushed onto the return stack, and then during cleanup the Destructor will release the SyncObject. Another other way to RETURN a global string is to copy it to a local variable, release the SyncObject and RETURN the local string.

### Note:

Since the base synchronization objects (CriticalSection and Mutex) support nested calls (wait-wait-release-release), the operating system keeps a wait count, and you must RELEASE as many times as you WAIT. The CriticalProcedure does not support nested calls (e.g., Init-Init-Kill-Kill). The second call to CriticalProcedure.Init will release the currently locked object (with a CP.Kill), and then try to lock the newly named object. There is no check made the exact same object is being "relocked".

So, this will work with a Critical SECTION:

```

CrSec  &ICriticalSection
...
CrSec.Wait
....
CrSec.Wait
... release count now 2 ..
CrSec.Release
... release count 1 ..
.. code that needs protection ..
CrSec.Release

```

Similar code with a Critical PROCEDURE will not

```

CrPro  CriticalProcedure
...
CrPro.Init(CrSec)
....
CrPro.Init(CrSec)!CrSec is Released and Relocked so could lose the lock here
... release count is 1 and not 2 ..
CrPro.Kill      !Lock totally lost here
... code NOT protected ..
CrPro.Kill      !pointless, don't own it now

```

## Summary of Synchronization Objects Properties and Methods

The following section provides a quick summary description of the common properties and methods used with the Synchronization Objects discussed previously.

### Prototypes

Note: The following prototypes can be found in **CWSYNCHM.INC**

```
GetMutex
GetSemaphore
NewCriticalSection
NewMutex
NewNamedSemaphore
NewReaderWriterLock
NewSemaphore
```

### GetMutex

```
GetMutex( name, <error> )
```

*name*                      A string constant or variable that names the **IMutex** object.

*Error*                      A LONG variable that returns any operating system error.

### Purpose:

Returns a reference to an IMutex for a Mutex that has already been created with NewMutex( )

If the Mutex has not been previously created, a NULL is returned.

### Example:

```
MySem      &IMutex
CODE
MySem &= GetMutex('MyApp_RequestServer')
IF MySem &= NULL
    MESSAGE('Server not running')
    RETURN(False)
END
```

## GetSemaphore

GetSemaphore( *name*, <*error*> )

*name*                    A string constant or variable that names the **ISemaphore** object.

*Err*                    A LONG variable that returns any operating system error.

### Purpose:

Returns a reference to an ISemaphore for a semaphore that has already been created with NewNamedSemaphore( )  
If the semaphore has not been previously created, a NULL is returned.

### Example:

```
MySem      &ISemaphore
CODE
MySem &= GetSemaphore('MyApp_RequestServer')
IF MySem &= NULL
    MESSAGE('Server not running')
RETURN(False)
END
```

## NewCriticalSection

NewCriticalSection ( )

### Purpose:

Returns a reference to a new ICriticalSection

### Example:

```
! This code is invoked for every started thread before call to ThreadProc.
! Depending on the current thread, Action.Construct executes one of 3
! handler procedures.
```

```
Action.Construct    PROCEDURE()
CODE
SELF.Threadno = THREAD()

CASE SELF.ThreadNo
```

```

OF 1
    Sync &= NewCriticalSection()      ! Create the critical section object
    MainThread &= SELF                ! Set MainThread to instance of Action
                                      ! for the main thread

    FrameProc (SELF)
    MainThread &= NULL

    Sync.Kill()                      ! Delete the critical section
OF 2
    ToolThread &= SELF                ! Set ToolThread to instance of Action
                                      ! for the toolbox's thread

    ToolProc (SELF)
    ToolThread &= NULL
ELSE
    ChildProc (SELF)
END
RETURN

```

## NewMutex

```

NewMutex( ),
NewMutex(name, owner, <error>)

```

<i>name</i>	A string constant or variable that names the new IMutex object. If a <i>name</i> parameter is not supplied, <b>NewMutex</b> is used for synchronizing threads only. If a <i>name</i> is supplied, NewMutex can be used to synchronize multiple processes rather than just the threads within a process.
<i>owner</i>	A BYTE variable or constant that specifies the initial owner of the Mutex. If this value is TRUE, and the caller creates the Mutex, the calling thread obtains ownership of the Mutex. This is the equivalent of calling <b>Mutex.Wait</b> immediately after <b>NewMutex()</b> . If the caller did not create the mutex, then the calling thread does not obtain ownership of the Mutex. To determine if the caller created the Mutex, you need to check the value of <i>Err</i>
<i>error</i>	A LONG variable or constant that returns any operating system error. ERROR_ALREADY_EXISTS (183) indicates that the caller did not create the Mutex (a handle is still returned but owner is ignored) because another process or thread has already created the Mutex.

### Purpose:

Returns a reference to a new IMutex. If the Mutex could not be created, a Null value will be returned. Check the *Error*

parameter for the reason. (Some reasons for failure can be that another object (e.g., semaphore) exists with the same name, or a different user has created the object (e.g., security error)).

## NewNamedSemaphore

NewNamedSemaphore (*name*, *initial*, *max* , <*error*> )

<i>name</i>	A string constant or variable that names the new <b>ISemaphore</b> object.
<i>initial</i>	A LONG variable or constant that indicates the maximum number of threads that can access the semaphore. The default value is zero.
<i>max</i>	A LONG variable or constant that indicates the maximum number of threads that can simultaneously access the semaphore.
<i>error</i>	A LONG variable that returns any operating system error. An ERROR_ALREADY_EXISTS (183) error indicates that another process or thread has already created the Mutex.

### Purpose:

Returns a reference to a new ISemaphore. This semaphore can be used for synchronizing threads or processes. If an ERROR\_ALREADY\_EXISTS (183) is posted to *error*, then the Semaphore already existed, and *initial* and *max* are ignored.

Using the default settings, NewNamedSemaphore will create a semaphore that no threads can wait on until someone calls a Release.

## NewReaderWriterLock

NewReaderWriterLock ( *WritersHavePriority* )

<i>WritersHavePriority</i>	A BYTE variable or constant that sets priority of the Writer.
----------------------------	---

### Purpose:

Returns a reference to a new IreaderWriterLock

If *WritersHavePriority* is TRUE, a Writer waiting for ownership of the ReaderWriterLock object will take priority over any Readers that are waiting for ownership.

If *WritersHavePriority* is FALSE, all Readers waiting for ownership of the ReaderWriterLock object will take priority over any Writer waiting for ownership.

## NewSemaphore

NewSemaphore ( *initial* , *max* )

<i>Initial</i>	A LONG variable or constant that indicates the maximum number of threads that can access the semaphore. The default value is zero.
----------------	--

<i>Max</i>	A LONG variable or constant that indicates the maximum number of times that the semaphore can be owned. It is a maximum resource count.
------------	---

### **Purpose:**

Returns a reference to a new ISemaphore

If *initial* is non-zero, then this indicates how many threads can initially and simultaneously have access to the semaphore  
*max* indicates the maximum number of threads that can simultaneously access the semaphore. By default, this will create a semaphore that no threads can wait on until a Release is called.

## Synchronization Object Interface Methods Summary

### **ICriticalSection.Wait( ) and IMutex.Wait( )**

#### **Implementation:**

The first time either method is called, the calling thread gains control of the synchronization object. Any other threads that call **Wait** will wait until **Release** is called.

A thread can call **Wait** multiple times. **Release()** must be called once for each call to **Wait**.

### **ICriticalSection.Release( ) and IMutex.Release(count )**

#### **Implementation:**

Each method decrements the counter of **Wait** calls. When the **Wait** count reaches zero, the synchronization object is released for any other thread to acquire control with a call to **Wait**.

*Count* specifies to release a given number of times up to the number of previously successful wait calls.

### **Kill( )**

#### **Implementation:**

Releases all resources allocated when the target synchronization object was created with the appropriate **NEW** function.

### **ISemaphore.Wait( )**

#### **Implementation:**

This method will wait until shared control of the synchronization object is allowed. Once this occurs, **Wait** will take partial control of the synchronization object.

A thread can call **Wait( )** multiple times. **Release( )** must be called once for each call to **Wait**.

### **ISemaphore.TryWait (ms) and IMutex.TryWait (ms)**

**TryWait PROCEDURE(LONG milliseconds),SIGNED,PROC**

#### **Implementation:**

Attempts to gain control of the synchronization object within the *ms* parameter time in milliseconds. Return value is a signed EQUATE with one of the following results:

#### **WAIT:OK**

Control was acquired

#### **WAIT:TIMEOUT**

Control could not be acquired within the time limit

#### **WAIT:NOHANDLE**

Something is seriously wrong

#### **WAIT:FAILED**

Something else is seriously wrong

#### **WAIT:ABANDONED**

Another thread that had control of the synchronization object has ended without calling release. The caller now has the control the same way as if a **WAIT:OK** was returned. This is more of a warning indicating a flaw in the program logic.



**ISemaphore.Release( )****Implementation:**

Decrements the counter of **Wait()** calls. When the **Wait()** count reaches zero, the synchronization object is released for any other thread to acquire control with a call to **Wait()**.

If more **Release()** calls are made than **Wait()** calls, the total number of threads allowed to control the semaphore is incremented up to the maximum parameter of *NewSemaphore*.

*Count* specifies to release a given number of times up to the number of previously successful wait calls.

**ISemaphore.Handle( ) and IMutex.Handle( )**

*For internal use only*

**IReaderWriterLock.Reader( )****Purpose:**

Returns a synchronization object that can be used to lock out writers. Any successful call to *Reader.Wait()* will stop any attempt at *Writer.Wait()* until *Reader.Release()* is called.

**IReaderWriterLock.Writer( )****Purpose:**

Returns a synchronization object that can be used to lock out any other writer and all readers. Any successful call to *Writer.Wait()* will stop any attempt at *Writer.Wait()* and *Reader.Wait()* until *Writer.Release()* is called

**CriticalProcedure.Init (syncObj)****Purpose:**

Calls *syncObj.Wait()*. *syncObj.Release* is called by the destructor.



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