This refactoring applies to:

- C#
- Visual Basic

**What:** Lets you remove or change the order of a method's parameters.

When: You want to move or remove a method parameter that is currently being used in a variety of locations.

Why: You could manually remove and re-order the parameters, and then find all calls to that method and change them one-by-one, but that could lead to errors. This refactoring tool will perform the task automatically.

## How-to

- 1. Highlight or place the text cursor inside the name of the method to modify, or one of its usages:
  - C#:

```
static void Main(string[] args)
{
    ChangeName("John", "Doe");
}

1reference
private static void ChangeName(string firstName, string lastName)
{
}
```

VB:

```
Sub Main()
ChangeName("John", "Doe")
End Sub
ChangeName(firstName As String, lastName As String)
End Sub
```

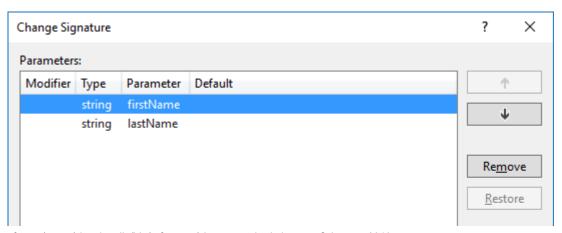
2. Next, do one of the following:

## • Keyboard

- Press Ctrl+R, then Ctrl+V. (Note that your keyboard shortcut may be different based on which profile you've selected.)
- Press Ctrl+. to trigger the Quick Actions and Refactorings menu and select Change Signature from the Preview window popup.

## Mouse

- Select Edit > Refactor > Remove Parameters.
- Select Edit > Refactor > Reorder Parameters.
- Right-click the code, select the **Quick Actions and Refactorings** menu and select **Change Signature** from the Preview window popup.
- 3. In the **Change Signature** dialog that pops up, you can use the buttons on the right side to change the method signature:





Button	Description
Up/Down	Move the selected parameter up and down the list
Remove	Remove the selected parameter from the list
Restore	Restore the selected, crossed-out parameter to the list

Use the Preview reference changes checkbox to see what the result will be before committing to it.

- 4. When you are finished, press the **OK** button to make the changes.
  - C#:

```
static void Main(string[] args)
{
    ChangeName("Doe", "John");
}

1reference
private static void ChangeName(string lastName, string firstName)
{
}
```

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• Visual Basic:

```
Sub Main()
    ChangeName("Doe", "John")
End Sub

Sub ChangeName(lastName As String, firstName As String)
End Sub
```

## See also

- Refactoring
- Preview Changes