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PPostEvent Enqueue an event and get its address

#include < OSEvents.h >

Event Manager

OSErrPPostEvent(eventWhat, eventMsg, qElPtr);shorteventWhat;value for EventRecord.whatlongeventMsg;value for EventRecord.message

<u>EvQEIPtr</u> *qEIPtr; receives address of a queue element pointer

returns 0=noErr, 1=evtNotEnb

PPostEvent works like **PostEvent** (it stores an entry into the event queue) except that it returns, via its third parameter, the physical address of the stored queue element. This provides access so you can modify the contents of that element.

eventWhat specifies which type of event should be posted. It should be one of the event types listed in GetNextEvent.

eventMsg specifies the value to be placed in the message field of the EventRecord. It should correspond in type to the meaning of eventWhat.

qEIPtr is the address of an <u>EvQEIPtr</u>. Upon return, it contains the address of a 22-byte <u>evQEI</u> structure. See Notes, below for an example of how to access that record.

Returns: an <u>Error Code</u>. The following are possible:

noErr (0) worked without error

evtNotEnb (1) eventWhat is currently disabled. See <u>SetEventMask</u>

Notes: The less-flexible **PostEvent** function lets you specify values for only two of the five **EventRecord** fields. By using **PPostEvent**, you can follow up by changing the <u>where</u>, <u>when</u>, and <u>modifiers</u> fields.

For instance, you could use **PPostEvent** to enqueue a command-key shifted mouseDown event with selected coordinates as follows:

EvQEI *myQEIPtr;

PPostEvent(mouseDown, 0, &myQEIPtr);
myQEIPtr->evtQModifiers = cmdKey;
SetPt(&(myQEIPtr->evtQWhere), 100,100);

See <u>EvQEI</u> for the layout of event queue elements.

It is also possible to build a queue element from scratch and use **Enqueue** to insert it into the event queue. See **GetEvQHdr**.