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short

#include <Files.h>

Obtain position of the file mark of an open file

File Manager

fRefNum; file reference, as obtained via FSOpen

long *filePos; receives the current file position

GetFPos(fRefNum, filePos);

returns Error Code; 0=no error

GetFPos returns the current position of the file mark (the file address at which the next read or write will begin).

fRefNum is the reference number of an open file. See FSOpen and OpenRF.

filePos is the address of a 32-bit long integer. Upon return, it will contain the current value of the file's mark; i.e., an offset in bytes from the start of the file.

Returns: an operating system Error Code. It will be one of:

noErr (0) No error eofErr (-39) End of file

extFSErr (-58) External file system

fnOpnErr (-38) File not open ioErr (-36) I/O error

rfNumErr (-51) fRefNum is invalid

Notes: You can use **GetFPos** before attempting a read, and compare the return value of *filePos* to the location of file's logical end-of-file (see <u>GetEOF</u>). See <u>OpenRF</u> for an example usage of this function.

The <u>SetFPos</u> function performs the complementary function of setting the file mark, in preparation for reading from or writing to the file at that position.