

SetEntries Set a group of color table entries for the current `gDevice`

#include <[Quickdraw.h](#)>

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void      SetEntries(start, count, aTable );
short    start ;           beginning position for specified number of entries.
short    count ;          total number of entries in group
Ptr      aTable ;         cSpecArray
```

SetEntries sets the enumerated color table entries for the current `gDevice`.

start is the given position where the specified number of entries begin.

count yields the total number of color table entries in the group being set.

aTable is a `cSpecArray`, not a color table

Returns: none

Notes: **SetEntries** sets many color table entries to the current `gDevice`. Its *aTable* parameter points to a `cSpecArray` (rather than a color table) in which the `colorSpec.value` field of the entries has to fall within the logical range for the `gDevice`'s assigned pixel depth. For example, if the `gDevice` lists a 4-bit pixel size, the `colorSpec.value` fields must be in the 1 to 15 range and, if the device has 8-bit pixels, the `colorSpec.value` fields range from 0 to 255. All values are zero-based so setting three entries means that you pass a 2 in the count parameter.

Since **SetEntries** lists its positional information in terms of logical space instead of memory locations as used by the `gDevice`, specifying a color table change won't necessarily get you a change in the hardware's color table--but it will be correctly reflected in the colors on the screen.

There are actually two **SetEntries** modes--**index mode** and **sequence mode**.

For the latter, the distinguishing characteristic is a specified start position and a length. Index mode **SetEntries**, on the other hand, leave the specifying of where the data will be installed up to the `cSpecArray` (which handles such chores on an individual basis for each entry).

While sequence mode loads new colors in the same order they appear in the *aTable*, with `clientID` fields for changed entries copied from the `gDevice`'s `gdID` field, index mode installs each entry based on a position specified by its `colorSpec.value` field in the `cSpecArray`. Then, in the `gDevice`'s color table, all changed entries' `colorSpec.value` fields get the `gdID` value. You initiate the index mode by passing -1 for the start position, with a valid count and pointer to the `cSpecArray`.

Changing a color table entry invalidates all cached fonts as well as the seed number, meaning that the inverse table will be rebuilt by the next drawing operation. If any requested entry is protected or out of range, you get a protection error and nothing else. If a requested entry is reserved, the `gDevice`'s `gdID` has to match the low byte of the intended `colorSpec.value`

field before the entry can be changed.