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**ContainerChunk** structure

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#include <AIFF.h>
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typedef struct ContainerChunk { Size  Offset  Description  
  ID          ckID;           4          0          chunk type ID  
  long        ckSize;         4          4          number of bytes of data  
  ID          formType;       4          8          type of file  
} ContainerChunk;           12
```

The fields of this chunk have the following meanings:

**Field descriptions**

ckID	The ID of this chunk. For a Form Chunk, this ID is 'FORM'.
ckSize	The size of the data portion of this chunk. Note that the data portion of a Form Chunk is divided into two parts, <i>formType</i> and the chunks that follow the <i>formType</i> field. These chunks are called <i>local chunks</i> because their chunk IDs are local to the Form Chunk.
formType	The type of audio file. For AIFF files, <i>formType</i> is 'AIFF'. For AIFF-C files, formType is 'AIFC'.

The local chunks can occur in any order in a sound file. As a result, your application should be designed to get a local chunk, identify it, and then process it without making any assumptions about what kind of chunk it is based on its order in the Form Chunk.