

DialogRecord structure

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#include <Dialogs.h>
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typedef struct DialogRecord {
    WindowRecord window;
    Handle items;
    TEHandle textH;
    short editField;
    short editOpen;
    short aDeflItem;
} DialogRecord;

typedef DialogRecord *DialogPeek;
typedef WindowPtr DialogPtr;          aka GrafPtr
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		Size	Offset	Description
<u>WindowRecord</u>	window;	156	0	Dialog's window. See <u>WindowRecord</u>
<u>Handle</u>	items;	4	156	Leads to item list (see below for format)
<u>TEHandle</u>	textH;	4	160	Leads to a <u>TERec</u> of current editText item (gets reused for all <u>editText</u> items)
<u>short</u>	editField;	2	164	Item number -1 of current <u>editText</u> item
<u>short</u>	editOpen;	2	166	(used internally)
<u>short</u>	aDeflItem;	2	168	Default item for alerts and modal dialogs (gets 'hit' when user presses Enter)

Notes: A DialogRecord begins with a WindowRecord which begins with a GrafPort. The data types GrafPtr, WindowPtr, and DialogPtr may be used interchangeably when you pass a pointer to a function which expects a subset:

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DialogPtr myDlg;
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SetPort(myDlg);          /* expects a GrafPtr */
ShowWindow(myDlg);      /* expects a WindowPtr */
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To access the additional fields of this structure, create a DialogPeek variable:

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DialogPtr myDlg;
DialogPeek myDlgPeek;
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myDlgPeek = (DialogPeek)myDlg;
myDlgPeek->aDeflItem = 12;
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// To query the contents of a field, you can use type coercion:
i = ((DialogPeek)myDlg)->aDeflItem;
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Although the format of the items field of the DialogRecord is not defined in any MPW header file, it has been defined in Macintosh Tech Note #95 which specifies how to add items to a Print Dialog. See the **AppendDITL** function of **Adding Items to the Print Dialogs** for this definition. Please note, however, that the routines **AppendDITL**, **CountDITL** and **ShortenDITL** have been provided so that you can avoid accessing this field directly, since its format could change in the future.