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TestStand, version 3.6.197.29569
Begin @ 05/31/2014 17:38:14.316 (05/31/2014 22:38:14.316 UTC)

Each of the next four screens displays all 18 overloads of a method. The program pauses to allow you to capture each screen. Press the Enter key when you are ready to see the first screen.
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**Figure 1** is the initial screen displayed by version **3.6.197.29569** of the test program for class library WizardWrx.ConsoleAppAids.

```
File:///C:/Decuments and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Fisual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bin/Debug/Test...
    Overload
    Overload
Overload
    Overload
    Overload
    Overload
    Overload
Overload
    Overload
    Overload 10:
    Overload 11:
    Overload 12:
Overload 13:
                    250000
                   object arg0: object arg0 = Stuff 1
    Overload 14:
                    params object [ ] arg: params object [ ] arg = Stuff 1
    Overload 15:
    Overload 16: object arg0, object arg1: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 =
    Overload 17: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 = Stuff 2, object arg2 = Stu
    Overload 18: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 = Stuff 2, object arg2 = Stu
ff 3, object arg3 = Stuff 4
Static MessageInColor.WriteLine() Tests End
Capture this screen, then press the ENTER key.
```

**Figure 2** is the static MessageInColor.WriteLine test set, which demonstrates all 18 of its overloads.



```
📴 file:///C:/Decuments and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Visual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bin/Debug/Test...
     Overload
     Overload
Overload
     Overload
                       3.333333
     Overload
     Overload
                   6:
                       3.3333
     Overload
Overload
     Overload
                       Stuff 1
     Overload 10:
                       This is it.
     Overload 11:
Overload 12:
                       512
                       250000
     Overload 13:
                       object arg0: object arg0 = Stuff 1
params object [ ] arg: params object [ ] arg = Stuff 1
     Overload 14:
     Overload 15:
     Overload 16:
                       object arg0, object arg1: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 =
     Overload 17: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 = Stuff 2, object arg2 = St
     Overload 18: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 = Stuff 2, object arg2 = Stu
ff 3, object arg3 = Stuff 4
Static MessageInColor.Write() Tests End
Capture this screen, then press the ENTER key.
```

**Figure 3** is the static MessageInColor.Write test set, which demonstrates all 18 of its overloads.

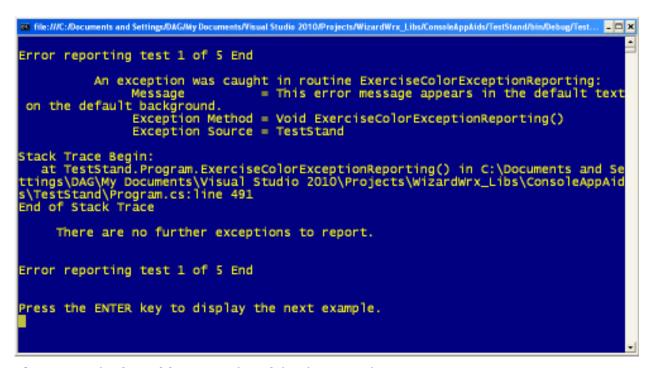
```
File:///C:/Decuments and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Visual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bin/Debug/Test...
    Overload
                    True
                2:
3:
    Overload
Overload
                    Ε
                   FGH
    Overload
    Overload
                    3.333333
                    3.3333
    Overload
                6:
    Overload
Overload
                    -125000
                9:
    Overload
                   Stuff 1
    Overload 10:
                    This is it.
    Overload 11:
                    512
    Overload 12:
                    250000
    Overload 13: object arg0: object arg0 = Stuff 1
    Overload 14: params object [ ] arg: params object [ ] arg = Stuff 1
    Overload 15:
    Overload 16: object arg0, object arg1: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 =
    Overload 17: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 = Stuff 2, object arg2 = Stu
    Overload 18: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 = Stuff 2, object arg2 = Stu
ff 3, object arg3 = Stuff 4
Instance MessageInColor.ColorWriteLine() Tests End
Capture this screen, then press the ENTER key.
```

**Figure 4** demonstrates all 18 overloads of the MessageInColor.ColorWriteLine method of an instance of the MessageInColor class.



```
File:///C:/Documents and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Visual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bim/Debug/Test...
     Overload
                      True
     Overload
Overload
                 3:
                      FGH
     Overload
                     1.25
                 4:
                     3.333333
     Overload
     Overload
                 6:
                      3.3333
     Overload
Overload
                      -255
                      -125000
     Overload
                      Stuff 1
     Overload 10:
                      This is it.
    Overload 11:
Overload 12:
                     512
                      250000
                     object arg0: object arg0 = Stuff 1
     Overload 13:
     Overload 14:
                     params object [ˈ] arg: params object [ ] arg = Stuff 1
     Overload 15:
                     GH
     Overload 16: object arg0, object arg1: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 =
Stuff
     Overload 17: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 = Stuff 2, object arg2 = Stu
     Overload 18: object arg0 = Stuff 1, object arg1 = Stuff 2, object arg2 = Stu
ff 3, object arg3 = Stuff 4
Instance MessageInColor.ColorWrite() Tests End
Capture this screen, then press the ENTER key.
```

**Figure 5** demonstrates all 18 overloads of the MessageInColor.ColorWrite method of an instance of the MessageInColor class.



**Figure 6** is the first of five examples of the deprecated static

WizardWrx.ConsoleAppAids.ExceptionReporting.ReportException method, which shall remain, at least for a short while, for the benefit of NBReplT.exe, the only production program that has calls to written into it.



```
Error reporting test 2 of 5 End

An exception was caught in routine ExerciseColorExceptionReporting:

Message This error message appears in white text on Re
d background.

Exception Method Void ExerciseColorExceptionReporting()

Exception Source TestStand

Stack Trace Begin:

at TestStand, Program. ExerciseColorExceptionReporting() in C:\Documents and Settings\DAG\My Documents\Visual Studio 2010\Projects\WizardWrx_Libs\ConsoleAppAids\Text{TextStand\Program.cs:line 491}

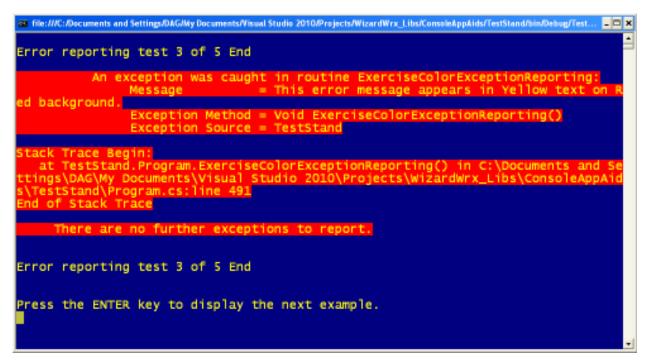
End of Stack Trace

There are no further exceptions to report.

Error reporting test 2 of 5 End

Press the ENTER key to display the next example.
```

Figure 7 is the second of five examples of the deprecated static method WizardWrx.ConsoleAppAids.ExceptionReporting.ReportException, using white text on a red background, which is way over the top.



**Figure 8** is the third of the five examples of the deprecated static method WizardWrx.ConsoleAppAids.ExceptionReporting.ReportException, rendered in yellow on red, which is only a tad better than the white on red shown in **Figure 7**.



```
Error reporting test 4 of 5 End

An exception was caught in routine ExerciseColorExceptionReporting:

Message = This error message appears in White text on DarkRed background.

Exception Method = Void ExerciseColorExceptionReporting()

Exception Source = TestStand

Stack Trace Begin:

at TestStand.Program.ExerciseColorExceptionReporting() in C:\Documents and Settings\DAG\My Documents\Visual Studio 2010\Projects\WizardWrx_Libs\ConsoleAppAids\TestStand\Program.cs:line 491
End of Stack Trace

There are no further exceptions to report.

Error reporting test 4 of 5 End

Press the ENTER key to display the next example.
```

**Figure 9** is the fourth of the five examples of the deprecated static method WizardWrx.ConsoleAppAids.ExceptionReporting.ReportException, rendered in the foreground color shown in **Figure 7** on a much more appropriate dark red background.

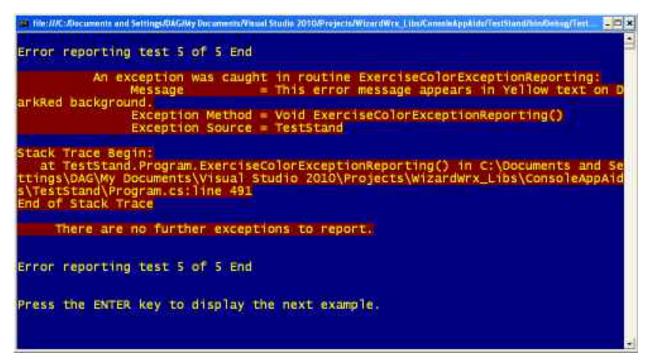
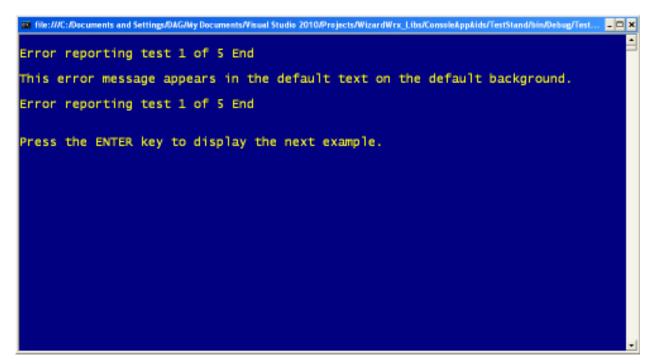
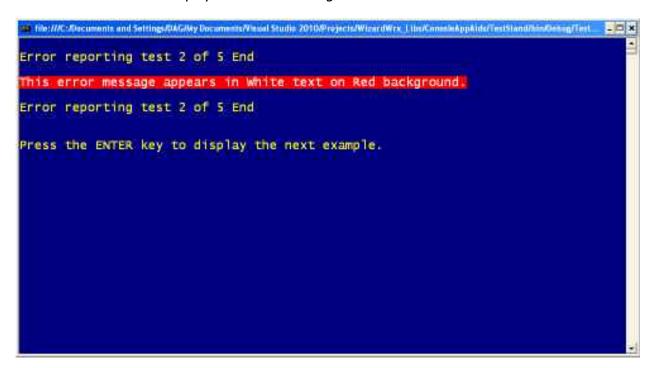


Figure 10 is the fifth of the five examples of the deprecated static method WizardWrx.ConsoleAppAids.ExceptionReporting.ReportException, rendered in the foreground color shown in Figure 8 on a much more appropriate dark red background.



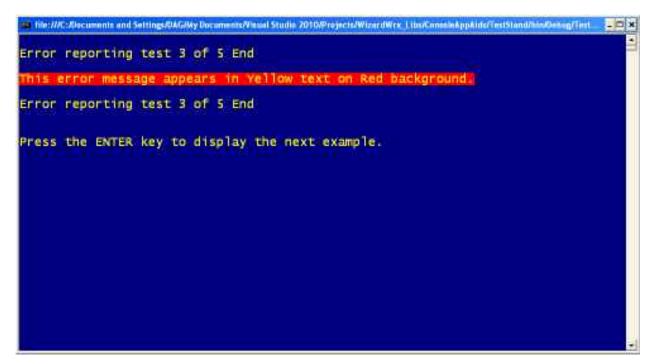


**Figure 11** is the first of five tests, using the same foreground and background colors used in the last five screens to display a one-line message.

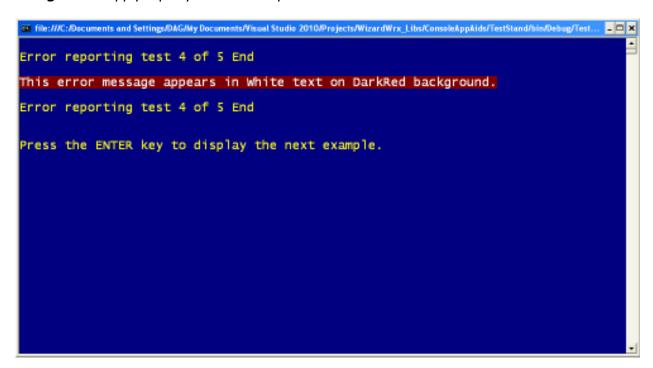


**Figure 12** is the second of the five one-line message tests. Although the color combination is as harsh as ever, it is more tolerable for one line than for a whole screen full of text, as in **Figure 7**.



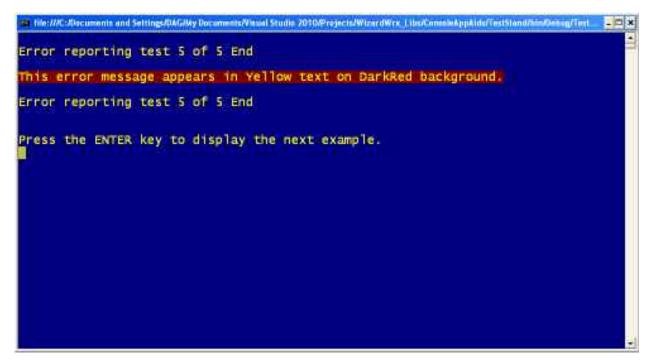


**Figure 13** is the third of the five one-line message tests. The observations noted in the caption of **Figure 12** apply equally to this example.



**Figure 14** is white text on the more subdued dark red background, applied to a limited amount of text. About four months of regular use in a production utility that frequently generates brief error messages in normal use confirm the effectiveness of this color combination.





**Figure 15** is yellow text on the more subdued background that the Console class, and MS-DOS, long before it, calls Dark Red. The yellow text is a little more jarring, and it might be appropriate for a really serious error. However, since my wife thinks this combination blurs the text, I have been reluctant to use it in production code.



```
DarkMagenta background color.

This is a 4th test.

Test # 19 end

The next 5 tests use the following two parameters.

Count = 10 (Default = 10)
Interval = 1,000 (Default = 1,000)

Test # 20 begin

Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and white background color. Text is indented 0 spaces from the left.

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.

Test # 21 begin

Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and white background color. Text is indented 0 spaces from the left.

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.

Test # 21 begin

Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and white background color. Text is indented 4 spaces from the left.

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 4.
```

**Figure 16** displays the first two examples of the FixedConsoleWriter class, which displays text at a fixed position relative to the left margin. The first test demonstrates that flush left is a legal starting position. The Fixed attribute actually refers to the vertical position on the screen.

```
Count = 10 (Default = 10)
Interval = 1,000 (Default = 1,000)

Test # 20 begin

Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and white background color. Text is indented 0 spaces from the left.

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.

Test # 21 begin

Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and white background color. Text is indented 4 spaces from the left.

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.

Test # 21 begin

Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and white background color. Text is indented 4 spaces from the left.

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.

Test # 22 begin

Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and white background color. Text is indented 8 spaces from the left.

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 4.
```

**Figure 17** displays the first three tests of the FixedConsoleWriter class, moving the starting position progressively further from the left edge, with the goal of forcing a line wrap.



```
Test # 22 begin

Test # 23 begin

Test # 23 begin

Test # 24 begin

Test # 25 begin

Test # 26 begin

Test # 27 begin

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.

Test # 27 begin

Test # 28 begin

Test # 29 begin

Test # 20 begin

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.

Test # 29 begin

Test # 20 begin

Test # 20 begin

Test # 20 begin

Test # 20 begin

Test # 21 begin

Test # 22 begin

Test # 23 begin

Test # 24 begin

Test # 25 begin

Test # 26 begin

Test # 27 begin # 20 begin # 20
```

**Figure 18** is the first of three illustrations of how the FixedConsoleWriter class behaves when the text wraps around.

```
Test # 22 begin

Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and white background color. Text is indented 8 spaces from the left.

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.

Test # 23 begin

Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and white background color. Text is indented 12 spaces from the left.

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.

Test # 23 begin

Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and white background color. Text is indented 12 spaces from the left.

Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.

Test # 24 begin

Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and white background color. Text is indented 16 spaces from the left.

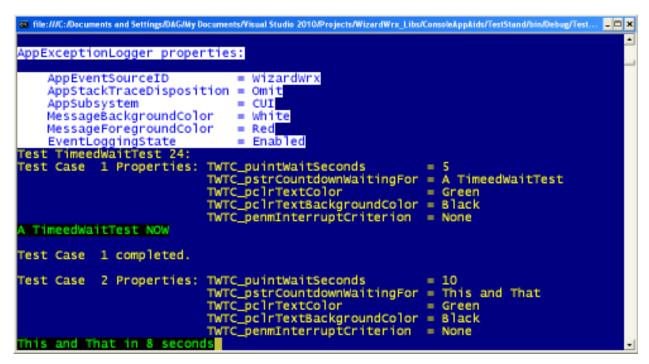
Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 6.
```

**Figure 19** is the second of three illustrations of how the FixedConsoleWriter class behaves when the text wraps around. The vertical position is unchanged from that of the wrapped message shown in **Figure 18**, because the carat retreated when it wrote the shorter line.



```
File:///C:/Decuments and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Visual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bin/Debug/Test...
    White background color. Text is indented 8 spaces from the left.
        Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.
Test # 22 end
Test # 23 begin
    Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and
    White background color. Text is indented 12 spaces from the left.
             waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of 10.
Test # 23 end
Test # 24 begin
    Test a FixedConsoleWriter with Black foreground color and
    White background color. Text is indented 16 spaces from the left.
                 Waiting for 1,000 milliseconds (1 seconds). This is pause 10 of
10.
Test # 24 end
Test # 24: This test displays a countdown of 30 seconds.
Test ending in 13 seconds
```

**Figure 20** is the second of three illustrations of how the FixedConsoleWriter class behaves when the text wraps around. The carat is positioned so that the next line is written below the last line occupied by part of the last fixed message, and the screen resumes scrolling.

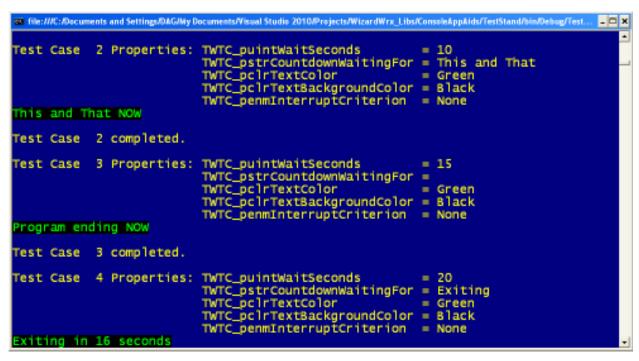


**Figure 21** is the first of a series of demonstrations of a TimedWait method that combines the FixedConsoleWriter class with a countdown clock built around the Thread. Sleep method to freeze the screen for a maximum number of seconds.



```
Tile:///C:/Documents and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Visual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bin/Debug/Test...
Test TimeedWaitTest 24:
Test Case 1 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                              TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = A TimeedWaitTest
                              TWTC_pclrTextColor
TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor
                                                                 = Green
                                                                = Black
                              TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
A TimeedWaitTest NOW
Test Case 1 completed.
Test Case 2 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                              TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = This and That
                              TWTC_pclrTextColor
TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor
                                                                   Green
                                                                   Black
                                                                .
                              TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
This and That NOW
Test Case 2 completed.
           3 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
Test Case
                              TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor
                              TWTC_pclrTextColor
                                                                 = Green
                              TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor
TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
                                                                   Black
                                                                   None
Program ending in 11 seconds
```

**Figure 22** displays more permutations of the argument values that can be passed into the TimedWait method.



**Figure 23** displays even more permutations of <code>TimedWait</code>, the most interesting being the one where argument <code>TWTC\_pstrCountdownWaitingFor</code> is left blank, causing the display to say "Program ending."



```
File:///C:/Decuments and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Visual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bin/Debug/Test...
Test Case 3 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                                                      = 15
                                 TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor =
TWTC_pclrTextColor = Green
TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = Black
                                 TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
Program ending NOW
Test Case 3 completed.
Test Case 4 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                 TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = Exiting
                                 TWTC_pclrTextColor
TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor
                                                                         Green
                                                                         Black
                                                                      .
                                 TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
Exiting NOW
Test Case 4 completed.
Test Case
              5 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                 TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor
                                                                      = Exiting
                                 TWTC_pclrTextColor
                                                                         White
                                 TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor
TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
                                                                         Black
Exiting in 20 seconds
```

**Figure 24** demonstrates control over foreground (text) and background colors used by TimedWait.

```
File:///C:/Decuments and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Fisual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bin/Debug/Test...
Test Case 4 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                                                            20
                                  TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = Exiting
TWTC_pclrTextColor = Green
TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = Black
                                                                           Exiting
                                  TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
Exiting NOW
             4 completed.
Test Case
Test Case
              5 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                  TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor
                                                                        = Exiting
                                  TWTC_pclrTextColor = White
TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = Black
                                  TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
Exiting NOW
Test Case 5 completed.
              6 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                  TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor
                                                                        = Exiting
                                  TWTC_pc]rTextColor
                                                                           White
                                  TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = Blue
TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion = None
Exiting in 28 seconds
```

**Figure 25** demonstrates yet another color combination that can be used with TimedWait; the last example changes the foreground and background colors.



```
File:///C:/Decuments and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Visual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bin/Debug/Test...
Test Case 5 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                 TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = Exiting
TWTC_pclrTextColor = White
TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = Black
                                 TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
Exiting NOW
Test Case 5 completed.
Test Case 6 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                 TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = Exiting
                                 TWTC_pclrTextColor
TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor
                                                                      = Blue
                                 TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
Exiting NOW
Test Case 6 completed.
             7 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
Test Case
                                 TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = Exiting
                                 TWTC_pclrTextColor
                                                                       = Blue
                                 TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor
TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
                                                                         Blue
Exiting in 27 seconds
```

**Figure 26** demonstrates that specifying the same colors for foreground and background causes <code>TimedWait</code> to use the default screen colors. Although this example shows Blue, <code>any</code> color has the same effect.

```
🖭 file:///C:/Documents and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Visual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bin/Debug/Test...
Test Case 6 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                                           = 30
                           TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = Exiting
                           TWTC_pclrTextColor
                                                           = White
                           TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = Blue
                           TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
                                                          = None
Exiting NOW
Test Case 6 completed.
Test Case 7 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                           TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = Exiting
                           TWTC_pclrTextColor
                                                           = Blue
                           TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = Blue
                           TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion = AnyKey
Exiting NOW
Test Case 7 completed.
            8 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                            TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = Exiting
                           TWTC_pclrTextColor
                                                           = Blue
                           TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = Blue
                           TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion
                                                           = CarriageReturn
Exiting in 10 seconds
```

**Figure 27** illustrates an early exit from TimedWait in case 7. Currently, there is no provision for indicating that the countdown was interrupted.



```
🗷 file:///C:/Decuments and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Visual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bin/Debug/Test... 👢 🗖 🗴
                                 TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = Blue
                                 TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion = CarriageReturn
Exiting NOW
Test Case 8 completed.
Test Case 9 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                                                       = 0
                                 TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = Exit
TWTC_pclrTextColor = Blue
TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = Blue
                                                                         Exiting
                                 TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion = None
Exiting NOW
Test Case 9 completed.
                                 TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = Exiting
TWTC_pclrTextColor
Test Case 10 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                 TWTC_pclrTextColor = White
TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = White
                                 TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion = None
Exiting NOW
Test Case 10 completed.
```

**Figure 28** displays the remaining permutations of TimedWait parameters.

```
📨 file:///C:/Documents and Settings/DAG/My Documents/Visual Studio 2010/Projects/WizardWrx_Libs/ConsoleAppAids/TestStand/bin/Debug/Test...
Test Case 9 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds
                                TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor
                                                                    = Exiting
                                TWTC_pclrTextColor
                                                                    = Blue
                               TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = Blue
TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion = None
Exiting NOW
Test Case 9 completed.
Test Case 10 Properties: TWTC_puintWaitSeconds = 10
TWTC_pstrCountdownWaitingFor = Exiting
                                TWTC_pclrTextColor
                                                                       White
                                TWTC_pclrTextBackgroundColor = White
                               TWTC_penmInterruptCriterion = None
Exiting NOW
Test Case 10 completed.
Test TimeedWaitTest 24 is over.
TestStand End
05/31/2014 19:04:57.466 (06/01/2014 00:04:57.466 UTC)
Elapsed time: 0:01:26:45.806
 lease press the ENTER (Return) key to exit the program.
```

**Figure 29** is the final screen displayed by the test program. Since it is running in debug mode, it waits for a carbon unit.