

Prompt

The control's prompt.

Usage

```
Set_Property(OLECtrlEntID, "OLE.Prompt[CtrlId]", Array)
```

Values

Array has the following structure:

Pos	Name	Type	Description	Default
<1>	Prompt Text	Text	The actual text used to prompt the user	""
<2>	Color	Color	The prompt's color	Auto
<3>	Horizontal Alignment	Option	The prompt's horizontal alignment	Left
<4>	Vertical Alignment	Option	The prompt's vertical alignment	Top
<5>	Font	Font	The font used to display the font	8 pt. Tahoma, Italic

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CtrlId	Identifies a subclassed control

Remarks

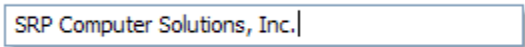
Applies To: EDITLINE, EDITBOX

The Prompt property provides a unique way to prompt users for input or warn them of limitations or requirements. Essentially, a prompt is text that appears within the control only when the control is empty.

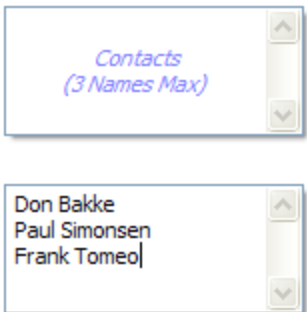
Here's an example that warns the user of a required field:



Once the user enters data, the prompt is gone:



Here's another example that tells the user of a limitation. This example shows of the multiline capabilities in an EDITBOX:



Each field is explained in detail below:

Prompt Text

This is the text that will appear when the control is empty. Multiple lines are supported--just use CRLF characters to delimit your lines.

Color

To make your prompt stand out, set the color as desired. For instance, you could use a red color to indicate a requirement or a gray color to indicate a hint. The default color is the system Gray Text color.

Horizontal Alignment

This field sets the horizontal alignment of the prompt when visible. Use "Left", "Center", or "Right" or just the first letter of each option.

Vertical Alignment

This sets the prompt's vertical alignment. Use "Top", "Center", or "Bottom" or just the first letter of each option.

Font

By default, the prompt is set to 8 pt. Italic Tahoma. Use this field to modify the font to suite your needs. Note that this font does not affect the control's font.

Example

```
// Set a password prompt
Prompt = ""
Prompt<1> = "Password Required "
Prompt<2> = "RGB{255, 128, 128}"           ;// A Light Red
Prompt<3> = "Center"
Prompt<4> = "Center"
Prompt<5> = "@SVM:@SVM:700"               ;// Make it bold

// Subclass the control (skip this if you've done it once already)
CtrlId = @Window:".EDITLINE"
Handle = Get_Property(CtrlId, "HANDLE")
rv = Send_Message(@Window:".OLE_SUBCLASS", "OLE.Subclass", Handle, CtrlId)

// Set the prompt (remember to use ; instead of .)
Convert "." to ";" in CtrlId
Set_Property(@Window:".OLE_SUBCLASS", "OLE.Prompt["":CtrlId:""], Prompt)
```