

GETDRAGDATA

Description

This message is used to extract data of a specified format from a dragged data object. It may be used against both the drag source and drop target controls in all drag-drop related events

Syntax

```
dragData = Send_Message(ctrlEntId,"GETDRAGDATA",format,unicode,maxlen)
```

Parameters

The function has the following parameters:

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ctrlEntID	Must be a current drag source or drop target control.								
format	Name of the format you want to extract. This can be a custom format or one of the following standard OpenInsight data formats. <table><tr><th>Format</th><th>Description</th></tr><tr><td>TEXT</td><td>Returns dragged textual data and automatically handles any Unicode translations required</td></tr><tr><td>FILENAME</td><td>Returns a dragged filename.</td></tr><tr><td>BITMAP</td><td>Returns a dragged bitmap handle. See notes below regarding dragged bitmap handles for further information.</td></tr></table>	Format	Description	TEXT	Returns dragged textual data and automatically handles any Unicode translations required	FILENAME	Returns a dragged filename.	BITMAP	Returns a dragged bitmap handle. See notes below regarding dragged bitmap handles for further information.
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unicode	When using a custom textual format, set this flag to true for OpenInsight to perform a Unicode to UTF8/ANSI translation automatically if you know the data is Unicode string.								
maxlen	When using a custom format and extracting binary data set this to the maximum number of bytes that OpenInsight should extract.								

Returns

The dragged data for the specified format.

Remarks

When extracting BITMAP data, OpenInsight returns a handle to the bitmap. This is actually a copy of the bitmap that is being dragged so YOU are responsible for deleting it when you no longer need it. You may do this with the DeleteObject() Windows API function.

See also

[DRAGSOURCE property](#), [DROPTARGET property](#), [CLEARDRAGDATA message](#), [REMOVEDRAGDATA message](#), [SETDRAGDATA message](#)

Example

```
* Change the "TEXT" data being dragged
dragSource = Get_Property("SYSTEM","DRAGSOURCE")
data = Send_Message(dragSource,"GETDRAGDATA","TEXT","","")
if data _eqc 'Woodrow Wilson' then
newData = "Theodore Roosevelt"
    data = Send_Message(dragSource,"SETDRAGDATA","TEXT","","",newData)
end
```