

# Msg\_Equates \$Insert Record

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compile insert Msg_Equates
* used by Msg()
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* Product      : OpenInsight
* Version      : 3.5
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* History      : (date, initials, notes)
* 12/15/95  apk  Original programmer.
* 02/26/96  cp   Changed OK return value to "" from 0 (backwards compat.)
* 03/28/96  cp   Added MHELP$, MREQRESP$, and MBEEP$ fields
*              Commented message structure and instructions
* 06/24/97  cp   Added G (gauge) type, removed unused equates
*****
declare subroutine Msg      ;* Msg(Parent, MsgDef [, MsgKey, Instruction, Params])
declare function  Msg      ;* Ans = Msg(Parent, MsgDef [, MsgKey, Instruction, Params])
* message structure field definitions
equ MTEXT$       to 1      ;* the text to display in the message, multiple lines delimited by @tm, cr/lf,
or "|"
equ MTYPE$       to 2      ;* the message type, defaults to "BO" (see below)
equ MMODAL$      to 3      ;* modality of message, defaults to "A" (see below)
equ MICON$       to 4      ;* icon to display (see below)
equ MDEFBTN$     to 5      ;* default button (1 for first, 2 for second, etc.)
equ MCOL$        to 6      ;* message h-pos in pixels, or -2 (center screen, the default), -1 (center
parent)
equ MROW$        to 7      ;* message v-pos in pixels
equ MJUST$       to 8      ;* justification: T (text, the default), L (left), R (right), C (center)
equ MBKCOLOR$    to 9      ;* background color (RGB value, @vm-delimited), see Utility("CHOOSECOLOR")
equ MFGCOLOR$    to 10     ;* foreground color (RGB value, @vm-delimited), see Utility("CHOOSECOLOR")
equ MTEXTWIDTH$  to 11     ;* the message width (or the response field width for response messages)
equ MCAPTION$    to 12     ;* the message title
equ MVALID$      to 13     ;* for response messages, this is the validation pattern (ie. (MD0) for integer)
equ MDEFINPUT$   to 14     ;* for reponse messages, this is the default response
equ MMASKINPUT$  to 15     ;* boolean, true for password (masked) input, false (default) for readable input
equ MBITMAP$     to 16     ;* name of a bitmap registered in repository (as it appears in the outliner)
equ MCLIPBMP$    to 17     ;* boolean, true to clip bitmaps, false to resize (see IMAGECLIP property)
equ MFONT$       to 18     ;* font structure for the text of the message
equ MLITERAL$    to 19     ;* boolean, defaults to false, true specifies that default value is a function
(see below)
equ MHELP$       to 20     ;* help button, Type:@vm:Specifier:@vm:Text (see below), defaults to null (no
help)
equ MREQRESP$    to 21     ;* boolean, for type "R" messages, false allows nulls (default) while true
doesn't
equ MBEEP$       to 22     ;* integer, specifies beep (see MessageBeep in the Windows API)
equ MEXTENT$     to 23     ;* integer, specifies extent of the gauge (number of items to process for type="
G")
equ MNUMFIELDS$  to 23
* MTYPE$ details:
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* there are six base types, B (buttons), R (response), U (up), and D (down),
* T (timed), and G (gauge)
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* the button type has several pre-defined button sets which are localized
* using entries from the SYSTEM_RESOURCES record in the SYSENV table; for
* non-standard labels, the buttons can be specified in a comma-delimited
* list, like "B&One,&Two,&Three" (where the & specifies the accelerator)
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*   B Type  Description
*   -----
*   BO      OK
*   BOC     OK/Cancel
*   BNY     Yes/No
*   BNYC    Yes/No/Cancel
*   BRC     Retry/Cancel
*   BAR     Abort/Retry
*   BARI    Abort/Retry/Ignore
*   B{list} User-defined buttons
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* the response type displays an edit field and OK and Cancel buttons;
* the optional sub-types are C (upper-case only) and E (escape or
* cancel button returns escape character instead of default response);
* for example, the following types are valid: "R", "RC", "RE", "RCE"
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* for B and R types, the type can be preceded with an N to specify that
* the default value for the message is to be returned without the message
* being displayed; this is one way to change messages from interactive
* to non-interactive for batch processes; for example, instead of "BARI",
* pass "NBARI" (meaning don't display the abort/retry/ignore message)
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* to display a message while processing, use the "U" type:
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*   Def = ""
*   Def<MTEXT$> = "Processing..."
*   Def<MTYPE$> = "U"
*   MsgUp = Msg(@window, Def)    ;* display the processing message
*   ...
*   Msg(@window, MsgUp)          ;* take down the processing message
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* to display a message for a specific length of time, use the "T" type:
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*   Def = ""
*   Def<MTEXT$> = "Waiting..."
*   Def<MTYPE$> = "T2"           ;* 2-second message
*   Msg(@window, Def)
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* the optional sub-type for T type is A (asynchronous), which displays
* the message and returns (allowing processing to continue) and takes
* the message down after the specified period of time; since this relies
* on a timer event, your event code must either complete within the
* specified period of time or you must regularly use Yield() to allow
* the processing of posted events (like the timer):
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*   Def = ""
*   Def<MTYPE$> = "TA5"           ;* 5-second splash-screen
*   Msg(@window, Def, "SPLASHSCREEN")
*   loop
*     Done = AppLogonProcessing()
*     Yield()
*   until Done
*   repeat
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* to display a gauge (percent bar), use the "G" type; sub-types are C (show
* cancel button) and Y (yield on each cycle):
*
*   Def = ""
*   Def<MCAPTION$> = "Processing Orders..."
*   Def<MTEXT$> > = "GC"
*   Def<MTEXT$> > = OrderCnt
*   MsgUp = Msg(@window, Def)
*   for Order = 1 to OrderCnt
*     gosub ProcessOrder
*   * update the gauge and check if cancel was pressed
*   while Msg(@window, MsgUp, Order, MSGINSTUPDATE$)
*   next Order
*   Msg(@window, MsgUp)           ;* take down the gauge
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* MMODAL$ detail:
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*   Code      Modality      Description
*   -----
*   W          Window       only the parent is disabled
*   A (default) Application  all OI windows are disabled
*   S          System       all applications are disabled
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* MICON$ detail:
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*   Code      Icon
*   ----
*   null      None
*   *         Asterisk (Info)

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*   ?       Question
*   !       Exclaim (Warning)
*   H       Halt (Stop sign)
*   B       User-specified bitmap (specified in MBITMAP$ field)
* MLITERAL$ details (applies only to response type messages):
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* if MLITERAL$ is true, the Msg() function assumes that the default value is
* the name of a function which returns the default value for the message;
* for example, if you wrote a function called CURRENTUSER which returned
* the user name of the current user, you could specify CURRENTUSER as the
* default value (MDEFINPUT$) and set MLITERAL$ to true, so that the current
* user name would be the default value for the message; parameters are
* passed to the specified function depending on the number of parameters
* that are supported by the function:
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* # Params   Values Passed
* -----
* 0           None
* 1           MsgKey
* 2 or more   MsgKey, MsgDef
* MHELP$ details:
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* Type      Description          Specifier
* ----      -
* Q          QuickHelp (AppNote)  Name of AppNote
* M          Message              Name of Message
* H          WinHelp              HelpFile,HelpID
* S          Stored Procedure      ProcName[,Param1]
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* Note: Specify the AppNote, Message, HelpFile, or ProcName as it appears
* in the repository outliner. For example, the OINSIGHT.HLP file is
* registered as OINSIGHT, so specify the HelpFile as "OINSIGHT" (look
* in the outline under "General", "Windows Components", "Help Files")
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* Text defaults to "&Help" or a localized equivalent
* Replaceable message parameters:
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* Msg(@window, "Hello, %1%, how are you %2%?", "", "", @username: @fm: "today")
* Msg() function instruction values
equ MSGINSTSTART$ to 1 ;* (default instruction)
equ MSGINSTREAD$ to 2 ;* bErr = Msg("", MsgDef, MsgID, MSGINSTREAD$)
equ MSGINSTWRITE$ to 3 ;* bErr = Msg("", MsgDef, MsgID, MSGINSTWRITE$)
equ MSGINSTLOCK$ to 4 ;* bErr = Msg("", "", MsgID, MSGINSTLOCK$)
equ MSGINSTUNLOCK$ to 5 ;* bErr = Msg("", "", MsgID, MSGINSTUNLOCK$)
equ MSGINSTBUTTON$ to 6 ;* reserved
equ MSGINSTCREATE$ to 7 ;* reserved
equ MSGINSTRESPCHG$ to 8 ;* reserved
equ MSGINSTCLOSE$ to 9 ;* reserved
equ MSGINSTTIMER$ to 10 ;* reserved
equ MSGINSTHELP$ to 11 ;* reserved
equ MSGINSTUPDATE$ to 12 ;* (see above)
* Msg() function return values from MSGINSTSTART$
equ RET_OK$ to ""
equ RET_CANCEL$ to \1B\ ;* escape character
equ RET_YES$ to 1
equ RET_NO$ to 0
equ RET_ABORT$ to 1
equ RET_RETRY$ to 2
equ RET_IGNORE$ to 3
* misc strings
equ MSGTYPE$ to "MSG"
equ MSGCLASS$ to ""

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## See Also

[Msg\(\)](#)