

Provide What's This Help on a Form

File: SAMPLES\SOLUTION\FORMS\WHATTHIS\WHATTHIS.SCX

When you provide What's This help on a form, a button with a question mark is displayed in the upper right corner of the form.



When a user clicks this button or presses SHIFT+ F1, the form is set to WhatsThis mode. You can also programmatically enter this state by calling the WhatsThisMode method of the form. When the form is in WhatsThis mode, the mousepointer changes. A user can click a control and get context-sensitive help for that control in a popup window.

Note If the WhatsThisHelpID of a control or a form is set to -1 (the default), the text in the popup window indicates that no help topic is available for the control.

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To provide What's This Help

- 2 Create a Help file with a topic for each control on the form.
- 3 In the Map section of the Help project, map helpcontextID values to the topics.
- 4 Set the WhatsThisHelp property of the form to true (.T.).
- 5 Set the WhatsThisButton property of the form to true (.T.).
- 6 Set the WhatsThisHelpID of the controls to the appropriate helpcontextID values.
- 7 In the Load or Init of the form, use the SET HELP TO command to specify the help file for the form.

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In addition to WHATTHIS.SCX, this sample includes the following files:

File	Description
WHATTHIS.HLP	The Help file for the form
WHATTHIS.HPJ	The Help project file
WHATTHIS.RTF	The source document for the Help file

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# smpProvide_What_s_This_Help_on_a_Form
# CustomerID
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Contains a unique identifier for each customer. The ID is the first five letters of the Company name.[#]

[#] Company

Contains the Company name of the customer.#

Contact

Contains the name of the primary contact person for the customer. All coorespondence with this customer should be directed at this contact person.[#]

Title

Contains the Title of the contact person for the customer. All coorespondence with the contact person of this customer should include the contact's title.[#]

Address

Contains the Address of the customer.

City

Contains the City of the customer. The drop down combo box contains a list of all cities used in the customer table. Use this to ease data-entry of new customers.

Region

Contains the Region of the customer. For US addresses, this would be the State the customer resides in. The drop down combo box contains a list of all regions used in the customer table. Use this to ease data-entry of new customers.

Postalcode

Contains the Postalcode of the customer. For US addresses, this would be the ZIP code of the customer. The drop down combo box contains a list of all postalcodes used in the customer table. Use this to ease data-entry of new customers.[#]

[#] Country

Contains the Country of the customers.[#]

PhoneNumber

Contains the Phone number of the customer. Remember to include long-distance dialing information such as the Area Code.[#]

FAX

Contains the FAX number of the customer. Remember to include long-distance dialog information such as the Area Code.

First

Navigates to the first Customer record in the customer table.

Previous

Navigates to the previous Customer record in the customer table.

Next

Navigates to the next Customer record in the customer table.

Last

Navigates to the last Customer record in the customer table.

SolutionsHelp

Displays additional information about this solution sample.

New

Adds a new record in the Customer table, allowing you to enter a new customer.

Delete

Removes the Customer record currently displays from the customer table.

Close

Closes this form and returns to the main Solutions form.

MaxOrderAmount

Contacts the maximum order amount allowed for the Customer. When taking an order from this customer, make sure the total order amount (including shipping) does not exceed this amount.
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Instructions

Contains Instructions on how to use this sample form.