

iff.library

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Chapter 1

iff.library

1.1 Iff.Library Documentation

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1.2 iffl_closeiff()

NAME

IFFL_CloseIFF -- Close an IFF file and deallocate buffers

SYNOPSIS

```
IFFL_CloseIFF( iff )  
    A1
```

```
void IFFL_CloseIFF( IFFL_HANDLE )
```

FUNCTION

Returns the memory previously allocated by IFFL_OpenIFF().

INPUTS

iff - IFF file handle, from IFFL_OpenIFF()

RESULTS

For now, always results TRUE (this may change in the future).

SEE ALSO

IFFOpenIFF()

1.3 iffl_compressblock()

NAME

IFFL_CompressBlock -- Compress a memory block

SYNOPSIS

```
result = IFFL_CompressBlock( source, destination, size, mode )
                        A0      A1      D0      D1
```

```
ULONG IFFL_CompressBlock( APTR, APTR, ULONG, ULONG )
```

FUNCTION

Compress the memory block using the appropriate compression mode. If the compressed data would become longer than the uncompressed, an error is returned.

INPUTS

source - Pointer to data to compress
 destination - Target address for compression
 size - Number of data bytes to compress
 mode - Compression mode. Currently, the following modes are supported:

```
IFFL_COMPR_NONE      - Vanilla copy
IFFL_COMPR_BYTERUN1  - CmpByteRun1 (ILBM BODY data)
IFFL_COMPR_FIBDELTA  - Fibonacci Delta (8SVX BODY data)
```

RESULTS

Length of compressed data or 0 if an error occurred.
 IFFL_IFFError() returns IFFL_ERROR_BADCOMPRESSION if you ask for an unsupported compression mode.

BUGS

In IFFL_COMPR_BYTERUN1, if the compressed data would become longer, the buffer will be overwritten, and no error is returned. So be sure to supply a destination buffer which is big enough!

SEE ALSO

IFFL-DecompressBlock()

1.4 iffl_decodepic()

NAME

IFFL_DecodePic -- decode the BODY of an ILBM file into a BitMap

SYNOPSIS

```
success = IFFL_DecodePic( iff, bitmap )
D0      A1      A0
```

```
BOOL IFFL_DecodePic( IFFL_HANDLE, struct BitMap * )
```

FUNCTION

Decodes and decompresses a picture into the user supplied BitMap. If the picture is higher than your BitMap, it will be truncated. If your BitMap is larger than the picture, the picture will be drawn into the top left corner of your BitMap.

If the picture has less planes than the BitMap, the unused planes are NOT touched by this routine, so you may wish to clear them before calling IFFL_DecodePic(). If the picture has more planes than your BitMap, the surplus planes of the picture are ignored.

INPUTS

iff - IFF file handle, from IFFL_OpenIFF()
 bitmap - Pointer to a properly initialized BitMap structure:
 bm_Planes[] must point to valid BitPlanes,
 bm_Depth contains the number of planes.
 bm_Width and bm_Height must be set according to the
 size of your bit planes.

RESULTS

Non-zero if successful, zero if error. Call IFFL_IFFError() to know the reason of the failure

BUGS

If the picture is wider than your BitMap, one line of innocent memory will be overwritten at the end of each bitplane. You can avoid this by allocating a few bytes more for each plane. Normally, you allocate your BitMap after inspecting the BMHD chunk, so this should not be a problem.

NOTE

This routine needs at least 650 bytes of stack space

SEE ALSO

1.5 iffl_decompressblock()

NAME

IFFL_DecompressBlock -- Decompress a memory block

SYNOPSIS

```
result = IFFL_DecompressBlock( source, destination, size, mode )
                        A0      A1      D0      D1
```

```
ULONG IFFL_DecompressBlock( APTR, APTR, ULONG, ULONG )
```

FUNCTION

Decompress the memory block using the appropriate Decompression mode. If the Decompressed data would become longer than the unDecompressed, an error is returned.

INPUTS

source - Pointer to data to decompress
 destination - Target address for decompression
 size - Number of _DECOMPRESSED_ data bytes
 mode - Compression mode. Currently, the following modes are supported:

```
IFFL_COMPR_NONE - Vanilla copy
IFFL_COMPR_BYTERUN1 - CmpByteRun1 (ILBM BODY data)
IFFL_COMPR_FIBDELTA - Fibonacci Delta (8SVX BODY data)
```

RESULTS

Length of uncompressed data or 0 if an error occurred.

IFFL_IFFError() returns IFFL_ERROR_BADCOMPRESSION if you ask for an unsupported compression mode.

SEE ALSO

IFFL_CompressBlock()

1.6 iff_findchunk()

NAME

IFFL_FindChunk -- find an IFF-chunk

SYNOPSIS

chunk = IFFL_FindChunk(iff, chunkname)

D0 A1 D0

APTR IFFL_FindChunk(IFFL_HANDLE, ULONG)

FUNCTION

Find a specific chunk in an IFF file

INPUTS

iff - IFF file handle, from IFFL_OpenIFF()

chunkname - 4 characters packed ASCII ('BODY', 'VHDR' ...)

if chunkname is 0, FindChunk() returns a pointer to the first byte after the end of the current FORM. This can be used by ANIM readers for jumping from FORM to FORM.

RESULTS

Pointer to the beginning of the chunk (that means to the chunk name itself, followed by the chunk size); zero if chunk not found

BUGS

none known

SEE ALSO

IFFL_GetBMHD() IFFL_GetColorTab()

1.7 iff_getbmhd()

NAME

IFFL_GetBMHD -- find a BitMapHeader of an IFF-file

SYNOPSIS

header = IFFL_GetBMHD(iff)

D0 A1

struct BitMapHeader *IFFL_GetBMHD(IFFL_HANDLE)

FUNCTION

Returns a pointer to a BMHD (BitMapHeader) structure as defined in iff.h and iff.i

INPUTS

iff - IFF file handle, from IFFL_OpenIFF()

RESULTS

Pointer to the BitMapHeader, or NULL if no BMHD chunk found

SEE ALSO

IFFL_FindChunk()

IFFL_GetColorTab()

1.8 iffl_getcolortab()

NAME

IFFL_GetColorTab -- find a CMAP and convert it to a ColorTable

SYNOPSIS

count = IFFL_GetColorTab(iff, colortable)

D0 A1 A0

LONG IFFFL_GetColorTab(IFF_HANDLE, UWORD *)

FUNCTION

Searches the CMAP chunk of an IFF file and converts it, if it's there, to an Amiga color table structure. This colortable can directly be used as a parameter for the LoadRGB4() function.

INPUTS

iff - IFF file handle, from IFFL_OpenIFF()

colortable - Pointer to a block of memory which must be large enough to hold the colortable (2 bytes per color).
Must be WORD aligned.

RESULT

Number of colors actually found, or zero if the file has no CMAP chunk

SEE ALSO

IFFL_FindChunk()

IFFL_GetBMHD()

1.9 iffl_getviewmodes()

NAME

IFFL_GetViewModes() -- Get Amiga-specific ViewModes

SYNOPSIS

viewmodes = IFFL_GetViewModes(iff)

D0 A1

```
ULONG IFFL_GetViewModes( IFFL_HANDLE )
```

FUNCTION

Searches the IFF file for a 'CAMG' chunk which holds the view modes information. If there is no CAMG chunk, the view modes are calculated using the information in the BitMapHeader structure. You can directly put the low WORD of the result of a call to IFFL_GetViewModes() into the ns_ViewModes field of a NewScreen structure, or you can use the whole ULONG for the SA_DisplayID tag under OS 2.x.

INPUTS

iff - IFF file handle, from OpenIFF()

RESULT

viewmodes - ULONG containing the view modes (HAM, LACE, HIRES ...) All forbidden bits are masked out, as suggested by CBM. Under Kickstart V1.3, only the lower WORD is used.

BUGS

If the IFF file has no CAMG chunk and 6 bitplanes, the HAM bit will be set. This is not always correct since the picture could be in the Extra Halfbrite mode. You can load such Halfbrite pictures into DPaint III and save them again, DPaint will generate the correct CAMG chunk.

SEE ALSO

<graphics/displayinfo.h>

1.10 iffl_ifferror()

NAME

IFFL_IFFError -- Get detailed error description after an error

SYNOPSIS

```
error = IFFL_IFFError()  
DO
```

```
LONG IFFL_IFFError( VOID )
```

FUNCTION

If one of the iff.library functions returns zero, you can call IFFL_IFFError() to know the reason for the failure. An error code is returned, please refer to the files 'iff.h' or 'iff.i' for the complete list of errors.

INPUTS

none

RESULT

Error-number generated by the latest function call, or zero if no error.

BUGS

If you don't close the IFF library at the end of your program

(using CloseLibrary()) the error node will not be freed. The same task will then not be able to re-open the iff.library. (This is not a bug, it's a feature ;-))

SEE ALSO
<iff.h>

1.11 iffl_modifyframe()

NAME

IFFL_ModifyFrame -- Modify an anim frame using a DLTA chunk

SYNOPSIS

```
success = IFFL_ModifyFrame( modifyform, bitmap )
D0          A1      A0
```

```
BOOL IFFL_ModifyFrame( VOID *, struct BitMap * )
```

FUNCTION

Uses the DLTA chunk of the supplied FORM to modify the planes-data of the bitmap. Usually, playback of ANIMs will require two buffers, and double-buffering between them. So the data in the bitmap must be two frames back, and the DLTA chunk is used to modify the hidden frame to the next frame to be shown.

INPUTS

modifyform - pointer to the FORM containing the actual DLTA chunk
bitmap - Pointer to a properly initialized BitMap structure,
the planes must contain the image which was displayed
to frames back (using double-buffering)

RESULT

Non-zero if OK, 0 if error; call IFFL_IFFError() to know the reason of the failure

RESTRICTIONS

Currently, only compression type 5 (Byte Vertical Delta Mode) is implemented. If you have animations which use modes 1 to 4, try loading them with DPaint III and saving them again. Sculpt-Animate ('J' type ANIM, Movie format) support will be added soon.
I will implement some more compression types upon request.

NOTE

This routine needs at least 820 bytes of stack.
The size of the bitmap is not checked by this routine, the planes must have at least the size described in the BMHD of the anim file.

SEE ALSO
IFFL_IFFError()

1.12 iffl_openiff()

NAME

IFFL_OpenIFF -- Open an IFF file for reading or writing

SYNOPSIS

```
iff = IFFL_OpenIFF( filename, mode )
```

```
D0          A0          D0
```

```
IFFL_HANDLE IFFL_OpenIFF( char *, ULONG )
```

FUNCTION

If mode == IFFL_MODE_READ:

This function opens a file on a disk and looks whether it's an IFF file or not. If it is an IFF file, memory is allocated and the file is read into memory.

New for V22:

If xpkmaster.library is installed in your system, IFFL_OpenIFF() will be able to read and decompress compressed IFF files, if they use one of the xpk standard compression schemes.

If mode == IFFL_MODE_WRITE:

Initializes an IFF file handle for writing. You may create chunks with IFFL_PushChunk() and IFFL_PopChunk(), and you can write data using the IFFL_WriteChunkBytes() routine.

INPUTS

```
filename - Pointer to a null-terminated string
mode     - IFFL_MODE_READ: Open file for reading
          - IFFL_MODE_WRITE: Open file for writing
```

RESULT

```
iff - IFF handle. Making assumptions about the internal structure
    of this handle is unwise, and may break in the future.
    If this function fails, NULL will be returned, and you may
    call IFFL_IFFError() to know the reason of the failure.
```

SEE ALSO

```
IFFL_CloseIFF()
IFFL_PushChunk()
IFFL_PopChunk()
IFFL_WriteChunkBytes()
IFFL_IFFError()
```

BUGS

None known

1.13 iffl_popchunk()

NAME

IFFL_PopChunk -- Pop top context node off context stack.

SYNOPSIS

```
success = IFFL_PopChunk( iff )
```

D0 A0

BOOL IFFL_PopChunk(IFFL_HANDLE)

FUNCTION

Pops top context chunk and updates the file accordingly.
The function is normally called only for writing files and signals the end of a chunk.

INPUTS

iff - IFF handle

RESULTS

Non-zero if successful or 0 if not successful (call IFFL_IFFError() to get an IFFL_ERROR_... error code).

SEE ALSO

IFFL_PushChunk()

IFFL_WriteChunkBytes()

1.14 iffl_pushchunk()

NAME

IFFL_PushChunk -- Push a new context node on the context stack.

SYNOPSIS

success = IFFL_PushChunk(iff, type, id)

D0 A0 D0 D1

BOOL IFFL_PushChunk(IFFL_HANDLE, ULONG, ULONG)

FUNCTION

Pushes a new context node on the context stack by reading it from the stream if this is a read file, or by creating it from the passed parameters if this is a write file. Normally this function is only called in write mode, where the type and id codes specify the new chunk to create. If this is a leaf chunk, i.e. a local chunk inside a FORM or PROP chunk, then the type argument is ignored.

INPUTS

iff - IFF handle

type - chunk type specifier (ex. ILBM) (ignored for read mode or leaf chunks).

id - chunk id specifier (ex. CMAP) (ignored for read mode).

RESULTS

Non-zero if successful or 0 if not successful (call IFFL_IFFError() to get an IFFL_ERROR_... error code).

NOTE

Currently, the level of nested FORMs is restricted to 7.

SEE ALSO

IFFL_PopChunk()

IFFL_WriteChunkBytes()

1.15 iffl_savebitmap()

NAME

IFFL_SaveBitMap -- save the planes of a BitMap as an IFF-file

SYNOPSIS

```
result = IFFL_SaveBitMap( filename, bitmap, colortable, flags )
D0      A0      A1      A2      D0
```

```
BOOL IFFL_SaveBitMap(char *, struct BitMap *, UWORD *, ULONG )
```

FUNCTION

Save the planes of a BitMap as an IFF-file, optionally with a colortable. The IFF file will contain the following chunks:

```
FORM - The IFF header, with the type ILBM
BMHD - The BitMap Header structre
CMAP - The color map, this chunk is omitted if colortable is zero
CAMG - The Amiga ViewModes word, contains the special ViewModes
       information (HAM, LACE, HIRES ...)
BODY - The (crunched or uncompressed) picture
```

INPUTS

```
filename    - Name of the IFF file to create
bitmap      - Pointer to the BitMap holding your picture
colortable  - Pointer to an Amiga ColorTable structure or zero
              (if colortable = 0, no CMAP chunk will be generated).
flags       - Bit 0: 1 = Use the "CmpByteRun1" compression algorythm,
              0 = Save the file uncompressed
              Bit 7: 1 = This is a HAM (Hold and modify) picture
              0 = This is a normal or Extra-Halfbrite picture
```

RESULT

Non-zero if successful, 0 if an error occurred. You can then call IFFL_IFFError() to know more about the reason of the failure.

NOTE

Up to V19 this routine needs at least 650 bytes of stack space

SEE ALSO

IFFL_SaveClip()

1.16 iffl_saveclip()

NAME

IFFL_SaveClip -- save a part of a BitMap as an IFF-file

SYNOPSIS

```
result = IFFL_SaveClip
D0      ( filename, bitmap, coltab, flags, xoff, yoff, width, height )
```

A0 A1 A2 D0 D1 D2 D3 D4

FUNCTION

Save a part of a BitMap as an IFF file

INPUTS

filename - Name of the IFF file to create
 bitmap - Pointer to the BitMap holding your picture
 colortable - Pointer to an Amiga ColorTable structure or zero
 (if colortable = 0, no CMAP chunk will be generated).
 flags - Bit 0: 1 = Use the "CmpByteRunl" compression algorythm,
 0 = Save the file uncompressed
 Bit 7: 1 = This is a HAM (Hold and modify) picture
 0 = This is a normal or Extra-Halfbrite picture
 xoff - X offset of the clip to be saved (bytes from the left)
 yoff - Y offset of the clip to be saved (lines from the top)
 width - width in bytes of the rectangle
 height - height in lines of the rectangle

RESULTS

Non-zero if successful, 0 if an error occurred. You can then call
 IFFL_IFFError() to know more about the reason of the failure.

NOTE

Up to V19 this routine needs at least 650 bytes of stack space

BUGS

The width of the rectangle will be truncated to WORD boundaries,
 because DPAINT wants it!

SEE ALSO

IFFL_SaveBitMap()

1.17 iffl_writechunkbytes()

NAME

IFFL_WriteChunkBytes -- Write data into the current chunk

SYNOPSIS

success = IFFL_WriteChunkBytes(iff, buf, size)

D0 A0 A1 D0

LONG IFFL_WriteChunkBytes(IFFL_HANDLE, APTR, LONG)

FUNCTION

Writes "size" bytes from the specified buffer into the current chunk.

INPUTS

iff - IFF file handle, from IFFL_OpenIFF().
 buf - pointer to buffer area with bytes to be written.
 size - number of bytes to write.

RESULT

Non-NULL if the write was successful, or NULL if an error
 occurred. Call IFFL_IFFError() to know what's going on.

SEE ALSO
IFFL_PushChunk()
IFFL_PopChunk()
IFFL_IFFError()

1.18 newopeniff()

NAME
NewOpenIFF -- allocate memory for an IFF-file and read it

SYNOPSIS
ifffile = NewOpenIFF(filename, memattr)
D0 A0 D0

IFFFILE OpenIFF(char *)

FUNCTION
THIS FUNCTION IS OBSOLETE. USE IFFL_OpenIFF() INSTEAD.

INPUTS
filename - Pointer to a null-terminated string
memattr - Memory requirements as used for Exec's AllocMem(),
 such as MEMF_CHIP, MEMF_PUBLIC ...
 (MEMF_CLEAR is not necessary)

RESULT
ifffile - 'FileHandle', points to the beginning of the IFF file
("FORM...."), Zero if unsuccessful. Call IFFError() to get
the reason of the failure.

SEE ALSO
IFFL_OpenIFF()
IFFL_CloseIFF()
IFFL_IFFError()

BUGS
None known

1.19 openiff()

NAME
OpenIFF -- allocate memory for an IFF-file and read it

SYNOPSIS
ifffile = OpenIFF(filename)
D0 A0

IFFFILE OpenIFF(char *)

FUNCTION
THIS FUNCTION IS OBSOLETE. USE IFFL_OpenIFF() INSTEAD.

INPUTS

filename - Pointer to a null-terminated string

RESULT

ifffile - 'FileHandle', points to the beginning of the IFF file ("FORM...."), 0 if unsuccessful. Call IFFError() to get the reason of the failure.

BUGS

None

SEE ALSO

IFFL_OpenIFF()

IFFL_CloseIFF()

IFFL_IFFError()