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(BOOL)acceptsFirstResponder

Returns NO to indicate that, by default, a Responder doesn't agree to become the first responder.

Before making any object the first responder, the Application Kit gives it an opportunity to refuse by sending it an

returns self. Responder subclasses can implement their own versions to take whatever action may be appropriate, such as highlighting the selection.

By returning self, the receiver accepts being made the first responder. A Responder can refuse to be the first responder by returning nil.

becomeFirstResponder messages are initiated by the Window object (through its makeFirstResponder method) in response to mouse-down events.

resignKeyFirstResponder, makeFirstResponder: (Window)

flagsChanged:(NXEvent \*)theEvent

Passes the flagsChanged: event message to the receiver's next responder.

free

Frees the space used by a Responder instance and removes it from the hash table used to locate help panels.

helpRequested:(NXEvent \*)eventPtr

Invoked by a Window instance when the user has clicked for help. The Window instance sends this message to the first responder. The receiver shows its help panel if it has one, and if not forwards the message to the next responder. If there is no next responder to respond, the method executes NXBeep(). Your application should never invoke this method directly. Returns self.

keyDown:(NXEvent \*)theEvent

Passes the keyDown: event message to the receiver's next responder.

keyUp:(NXEvent \*)theEvent

Passes the keyUp: event message to the receiver's next responder.

mouseDown:(NXEvent \*)theEvent

Passes the mouseDown: event message to the receiver's next responder.

mouseDragged:(NXEvent \*)theEvent

Passes the mouseDragged: event message to the receiver's next responder.

mouseMoved:(NXEvent \*)theEvent

Passes the mouseMoved: event message to the receiver's next responder.

mouseUp:(NXEvent \*)theEvent

Passes the mouseUp: event message to the receiver's next responder.

nextResponder

Returns the receiver's next responder.

setNextResponder:

noResponderFor:(const char \*)eventType

Responds to an event message that has reached the end of the responder chain without finding an owner. When the event is a key down, noResponderFor: generates a beep.

(BOOL)performKeyEquivalent:(NXEvent \*)theEvent

Returns NO to indicate that, by default, the Responder doesn't have a key equivalent and can't respond to keyboard events as keyboard alternatives.

The Responder class implements this method so that any object that inherits from it can be asked to performKeyEquivalent: message. Subclasses that define objects with key equivalents must implement performKeyEquivalent:. If the key in theEvent matches the receiver's key equivalent, it should return YES.

performKeyEquivalent: (View and Button)

read:(NXTypedStream \*)stream

Reads the Responder from the typed stream stream. Returns self.

write:

resignFirstResponder

Notifies the receiver that it has been asked to relinquish its status as first responder for its Window. The method simply returns self. Responder subclasses can implement their own versions to take actions if necessary, such as unhighlighting the selection.

rightMouseDown:(NXEvent \*)theEvent

Passes the rightMouseDown: event message to the receiver's next responder.

rightMouseDragged:(NXEvent \*)theEvent

Passes the rightMouseDragged: event message to the receiver's next responder.

rightMouseUp:(NXEvent \*)theEvent

Passes the rightMouseUp: event message to the receiver's next responder.

setNextResponder:aResponder

Makes aResponder the receiver's next responder.

nextResponder

(BOOL)tryToPerform:(SEL)anAction with:anObject

Aids in dispatching action messages. This method checks to see whether the receiving object can respond to the selector specified by anAction. If it can, the message is sent with anObject as an argument. Typically, anObject is the initiator of the action message.

If the receiver can't respond, tryToPerform:with: checks to see whether the receiving object's next responder continues to follow next responder links up the responder chain until it finds an object that it can respond to, or the chain is exhausted.

Even if the receiver can respond to anAction messages, it can "refuse" them by having its implementation of tryToPerform:with: return nil. In this case, the message is passed on to the next responder in the chain.

If successful in finding a receiver that doesn't refuse the message, tryToPerform: returns YES. Otherwise, it returns NO.

This method is used (indirectly, through the sendAction:to:from: method) to dispatch action messages to objects. You'd rarely have reason to use it yourself.

sendAction:to:from: (Application)

validRequestorForSendType:(NXAtom)typeSent  
andReturnType:(NXAtom)typeReturned

Implemented by subclasses to determine what services are available at any given time. In order to update the Services menu current, the Application object sends validRequestorForSendType:andReturnType: messages to service providers with the send and return types for each service method of every service provider. Thus, a Responder object receives this message many times per event. If the receiving object can place data of type typeSent on the pasteboard, it should return an object of type typeReturned back, it should return self otherwise it should return nil. The Application object uses the returned value to determine whether to enable or disable commands in the Services menu.

When the user chooses a menu item for a service, a `writeSelectionToPasteboard:types:` message is sent to the responder (if `typeSent` was not `NULL`). The Responder writes the requested data to the pasteboard and a reminder to the service. If the service's `typeReturned` is not `NULL`, it places return data on the pasteboard, and the responder receives a `readSelectionFromPasteboard:` message.

The following example demonstrates an implementation of the `validRequestorForSendType:andReturnTypes:` method. It returns an object that can send and receive ASCII text. Pseudocode is in italics.

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registerServicesMenuSendTypes:andReturnTypes: (Application), writeSelectionToPasteboard:types: (Application),  
readSelectionFromPasteboard: (Application)
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```
write:(NXTypedStream *)stream
```

Writes the receiving Responder to the typed stream `stream`. The next responder is not explicitly written to the stream.  
`read:`