

# VB2000

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## Selecting A Category

Click on any category button to display the titles in that category.

**ALL** - Includes all titles in all categories.

**SOURCE** - Includes source code, declarations, modules, code examples and some demos.

**TOOLS** - Includes custom controls, DLLs, and other add-ons. Also includes VB design utilities such as source code printers and interface add-ons.

**DEMOS** - Includes commercial and shareware demos of custom controls and other programs. Custom control demos may also be in the Tools category.

**HELP/REF** - Includes Help File creation utilities and examples. Also contains Reference materials such as declarations, error fixes, and other text references.

**TIPS** - Includes miscellaneous Visual Basic electronic magazines with tips, source code examples, and other helpful information.

## Searching

**Search by Title** - To search for a title, click the **TITLE** radio button, type the text you wish to search for in the **SEARCH TEXT** box, then press **ENTER** or click the **SEARCH** button. Entering a partial title will also work. The search results contains all Titles containing the keywords you have entered.

**Search by Description** - To search for a description, click on the **DESCRIPTION** radio button, then type the text you wish to search for in the **SEARCH TEXT** box then press **ENTER** or click the **SEARCH** button. The search results will contain all titles containing the keywords you have entered in the description.

**Searching Files** - Click the **SEARCH CODE BUTTON** to load the Search Source Code form. You can search through any type of file including BAS, TXT, WRI, or FRMs (default). The current titles path will be initially selected. Type the file specification you wish. You may also change the directory/drive you wish to search. Enter the text you wish to search for then press **ENTER** or click the **SEARCH** button. Check the **SEARCH SUBDIRECTORY** button to search subdirectories.

The Search Results window will display any files that contain your search text. Double-click any highlighted file or click on **EDIT** to load the file into the editor specified in the **SETTINGS** menu.

## Viewing/Editing Files

Double-click any file listbox to edit the highlighted file. If you double-click on a WRI file, the file will be loaded into the editor specified in **SETTINGS**, **WRI Files**. If you double-click on a FRM file, the file will be loaded into the editor specified in **SETTINGS**, **FRM Files** and so on.

## Running MAK files or Programs

Double-click any file listed in the **PROJECTS** or **PROGRAMS** file list box to run the file. Projects will be loaded into the Visual Basic listed in the **VB PATH** entry in the **SETTINGS** menu. Any file listed in the **PROGRAMS** file list box can be run by double-clicking.

*HINT:* Only one copy of Visual Basic can run at any time, but you can copy VB.EXE to another filename such as VB2.EXE and then specify VB2.EXE in the VB Path in the settings menu. This will allow you to run two instances of Visual Basic simultaneously.

# Settings

## VB PATH

This is the complete path to Visual Basic, e.g., C:\VB\VB.EXE. It is recommended that you make a copy of VB.EXE naming it VB2.EXE and then specifying the VB2.EXE path so that you can run two instances of Visual Basic.

## EDITOR

**FRM/BAS Files** - The complete path to the editor you wish to use for FRM and BAS files. The default is NOTEPAD.EXE. NOTE: Notepad will not load files larger than 32K bytes.

**WRI Files** - The complete path to the editor you wish to use for WRI files. The default is WRITE.EXE.

**DOC Files** - The complete path to the editor you wish to use for DOC files. The default is NOTEPAD.EXE.

**TXT Files** - The complete path to the editor you wish to use for TXT files. The default is NOTEPAD.EXE

**README Files** - The complete path to the editor you wish to use for README files. The default is NOTEPAD.EXE

## DATABASE

The complete path to the VB2000 access database. The default is [c:]\VB2000\VB2000.MDB where [c:] is the path to your hard drive. Normally, you should not change this entry.

## Title List Box

Lists the titles in the currently selected category or the results of a search. You can use the HOME, END, and arrow keys or the mouse to scroll through the list. The ***DOC, PROGRAM, PROJECT, FORMS/MODULE*** file list boxes correspond to the currently selected title.

## Description Text Box

Lists a short description of each title. Text can be copied and pasted to other programs. Most descriptions are based on the authors FILE\_ID.DIZ file contained in the original archive. For more information about the currently selected program, you can view the accompanying documentation by clicking on any file listed in the **DOCS** file list box.



## Forms/Modules List Box

Lists the Forms and Modules (\*.FRM, \*.BAS) in the highlighted titles directory. Double-clicking any file loads it into the editor specified in the *Settings* menu.

## DOCS List Box

Lists documentation files in the highlighted titles directory including \*.DOC, \*.TXT, README\*.\*, and \*.WRI. Double-clicking on any file loads the file into the editor specified in the *Settings* menu.

## Projects List Box

Lists any MAK files in the highlighted titles directory. Double-clicking on any file loads the project into the Visual Basic path indicated in the Settings menu.

## Programs List Box

Lists any EXE, COM, or BAT files in the highlighted titles directory. Double-clicking executes the file.

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## Programs List Box

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