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### **Description**

Validate makes data validation much easier. This control allows you to collect all of the data validation code for a form into one event procedure. This results in smaller and more maintainable code.

Validate only works with controls that have an hWnd property.

### **File Name**

VALID16.OCX, VALID32.OCX

### **Object Type**

Validate

**Distribution Note** When you develop and distribute an application that uses Validate, you should install the control file into the users Windows SYSTEM directory. Validate has version information built into it. So, during installation, you should ensure that you are not overwriting a newer version of Validate.

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### Validate Properties

Properties that have special meaning for this control or that only apply to this control are marked with an asterisk (\*).

**Enabled** Property

**\*Version** Property



### **Validate Events**

Events that have special meaning for this control or that only apply to this control are marked with an asterisk (\*).

**Validate Event**



### **Validate Methods**

Methods that have special meaning for this control or that only apply to this control are marked with an asterisk (\*).

**AddControl Method**

## AddControl Method

### Description

Adds a control to the list of controls to validate.

### Usage

*[form.][control.]AddControl control*

### Remarks

Use this method to add a control to the list of controls that the Validate control will watch. The Validate control will do nothing unless controls are added. The Validate control will fire the Validate event when the watched control loses focus (such as when the user presses the Tab key or uses the mouse to switch controls).

Typically you should add edit boxes, list boxes, check boxes, etc. (i.e., add input controls). Labels, picture boxes, etc. should not be added.

Only controls with an hWnd property should be added.

## Validate Event

### Description

Fires when focus is lost from one of the watched controls.

### Syntax

**Sub** *ctlname\_Validate*( **ByVal** *CtrlValidate* **As Object**, **ByVal** *CtrlWantsFocus* **As Object**, *Action* **As Long** )

### Remarks

This event fires when one of the watched controls (see [AddControl](#)). The control that currently has focus is specified by *CtrlValidate*. This is the control you should do data validation on.

The control that is about to gain focus is specified by *CtrlWantsFocus*. If this control is a command button, you may need to do some special processing in the button's Click event to prevent processing.

If you do not want focus to switch from *CtrlValidate* to *CtrlWantsFocus* then section Action to True. This will force the focus to return to *CtrlValidate*. Otherwise, focus will switch normally to *CtrlWantsFocus*.

## Version Property

### Description

Shows the version of the control.

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**Version**

### Remarks

This property holds the current version of the control. It is read-only and available at both design-time and run-time.

### Data Type

String

## Registration Information

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