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Description

DFInfo is a Visual Basic custom control that gives convenient access to disk and file information.   VB programmers are able to read and modify miscellaneous information about files (date, time, size, etc.).   Information about the computer's drives is available through another set of properties.

File Name

DFINFO2.VBX

Object Type

FileInfo
DiskInfo

Compatibility

VB 2.0 and up

Distribution Note   When you develop and distribute an application that uses DFInfo, you should install the file DFINFO2.VBX into the users Windows SYSTEM directory.   DFInfo has version information built into it.   So, during installation, you should ensure that you are not overwriting a newer version of DFInfo.

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Disk Control Properties

File Control Properties

FileDate Property
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FileTime Property
IsArchived Property
IsHidden Property
IsReadOnly Property
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Size Property

FileDate Property

Description

Reads or set the date of the selected file.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]FileDate[= *date$*]

Remarks

This property represents the date of the file sepecified by <u>Filename</u>.   This property is kept in the VB Date$ format (see your VB manuals for more information).   For example,   June 23, 1994 would be "06-23-1994".

When this property is set, the date of the file is changed.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

Data Type

String

See Also

Properties:
Filename
FileTime
Size

Filename Property

Description

Determines the file that DFInfo reads/modifies.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]Filename[= *name$*]

Remarks

This is the first property that you should set when dealing with files.   Set it to the name (and path, if needed) of the file.   If the file exists, all of the other properties will be set with the current information. If not, Size will be set to -1.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

Data Type

String

See Also

Properties:
    FileDate
    FileTime
    IsArchived
    IsHidden
    IsReadOnly
    IsSystem
    Size

FileTime Property

Description

Reads or set the time of the selected file.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]FileTime[= *time$*]

Remarks

This property represents the date of the file sepecified by <u>Filename</u>.   This property is kept in the VB Time$ format (see your VB manuals for more information).   For example,   4:15pm would be "16:15:00".

When this property is set, the time of the file is changed.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

Data Type

String

See Also

Properties:
FileDate
Filename
Size

IsArchived Property

Description

Reads, sets or clears the file's archive bit.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]IsArchived[= *bool*]

Remarks

This property determines the archive bit of the file sepecified by Filename.   When this property is set, the archive bit of the file is changed to reflect the new value.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

Data Type

Boolean

See Also

Properties:
  [Filename](#)
  [IsHidden](#)
  [IsReadOnly](#)
  [IsSystem](#)

IsHidden Property

Description

Reads, sets or clears the file's hidden bit.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]IsHidden[= *bool*]

Remarks

This property determines the hidden bit of the file sepecified by <u>Filename</u>.   When this property is set, the hidden bit of the file is changed to reflect the new value.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

Data Type

Boolean

See Also

Properties:
[Filename](#)
[IsArchived](#)
[IsReadOnly](#)
[IsSystem](#)

IsReadOnly Property

Description

Reads, sets or clears the file's read-only bit.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]IsReadOnly[= *bool*]

Remarks

This property determines the archive bit of the file sepecified by Filename.   When this property is set, the read-only bit of the file is changed to reflect the new value.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

Data Type

Boolean

See Also

Properties:
   Filename
   IsArchived
   IsHidden
   IsSystem

IsSystem Property

Description

Reads, sets or clears the file's system bit.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]IsSystem[= *bool*]

Remarks

This property determines the archive bit of the file sepecified by <u>Filename</u>.   When this property is set, the system bit of the file is changed to reflect the new value.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

Data Type

Boolean

See Also

Properties:
[Filename](#)
[IsArchived](#)
[IsHidden](#)
[IsReadOnly](#)

Size Property

Description

Reads or set the file's size.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]Size[= *size&*]

Remarks

This property reads or sets the size of the file sepecified by <u>Filename</u>.　When this property is set, the size of the file is changed to reflect the new value.

This property is readable and writable at run-time only.

Data Type

Long

See Also

Properties:
FileDate
Filename
FileTime

ClusterSize Property

Description

Number of sectors per cluster.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]ClusterSize[= *size&*]

Remarks

This is the number of sectors in each cluster on the drive specified by the <u>Disk</u> property.   This property is read-only at run-time only.

Data Type

Long

See Also

Properties:

   [FreeClusters](#)

   [FreeSpace](#)

   [SectorSize](#)

   [TotalClusters](#)

   [TotalSpace](#)

DefaultDrive Property

Description

Drive letter of the current default drive.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]DefaultDrive[*=drive$*]

Remarks

This is the drive letter of current default drive.   Setting this property changes the default drive to the drive letter specified.   This property is read/write at run-time only.

Data Type

String

See Also

Properties:
  Disk
    SerialNumber
    VolumeName

Disk Property

Description

Drive letter of the disk to examine.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]Disk[=*drive$*]

Remarks

This is the drive letter of drive to examine with the other properties (i.e., ClusterSize, FreeSpace, VolumeName, etc.).   This property is read/write at run-time only.

Data Type

String

See Also

Properties:
DefaultDrive
SerialNumber
VolumeName

FreeClusters Property

Description

Number of free clusters.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]FreeClusters[= *num&*]

Remarks

This is the number of free clusters available on the drive specified by the <u>Disk</u> property.   This property is read-only at run-time only.

Data Type

Long

See Also

Properties:

[ClusterSize](#)

[FreeSpace](#)

[SectorSize](#)

[TotalClusters](#)

[TotalSpace](#)

FreeSpace Property

Description

Number of free bytes.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]FreeSpace[= *num&*]

Remarks

This is the number of free bytes available on the drive specified by the Disk property.   This property is read-only at run-time only.

Data Type

Long

See Also

Properties:

ClusterSize

FreeClusters

SectorSize

TotalClusters

TotalSpace

Network Property

Description

Flag determining whether or not drive is local or on a network.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]Network[= *bool*]

Remarks

If this property is True the drive, specified by the <u>Disk</u> property, is a network drive.   Otherwise, this drive is local.   This property is read-only at run-time only.

Data Type

Integer (boolean)

NumFloppies Property

Description

Number of floppy drives in the system.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]NumFloppies[= *num%*]

Remarks

This property tells the number of floppy drives in this computer.   This property is read-only at run-time only.

Data Type

Integer

See Also

Properties:

StartupDrive

SectorSize Property

Description

Number of bytes in a sector.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]SectorSize[= *size&*]

Remarks

This is the number of bytes per sector on the drive specified by the Disk property.   This property is read-only at run-time only.

Data Type

Long

See Also

Properties:
  ClusterSize
  FreeClusters
  FreeSpace
  TotalClusters
  TotalSpace

SerialNumber Property

Description

Media ID/serial numberof the drive.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]SerialNumber

Remarks

This is the serial number of the drive specified by the <u>Disk</u> property.   This property is read only at run-time only.

Data Type

Integer (long)

See Also

Properties:
    DefaultDrive
    Disk
    VolumeName

StartupDrive Property

Description

Drive letter of the start-up (boot) drive.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]StartupDrive[*=drive$*]

Remarks

This is the drive letter of the drive DOS booted from.   This property is read-only at run-time only.

Data Type

String

See Also
  Properties:
    NumFloppies

TotalClusters Property

Description

Total number of clusters on the drive.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]TotalClusters[= *num&*]

Remarks

This is the total number of clusters on the drive specified by the <u>Disk</u> property.   This property is read-only at run-time only.

Data Type

Long

See Also

Properties:

[ClusterSize](#)

[FreeClusters](#)

[FreeSpace](#)

[SectorSize](#)

[TotalSpace](#)

TotalSpace Property

Description

Total number of bytes on the drive.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]TotalSpace[= *size&*]

Remarks

This is the total number of bytes on the drive specified by the <u>Disk</u> property.   This property is read-only at run-time only.

Data Type

Long

See Also

Properties:

ClusterSize

FreeClusters

FreeSpace

SectorSize

TotalClusters

VolumeName Property

Description

Volume name of the drive.

Usage

[*form*.][*dfinfo*.]VolumeName[= *vol$*]

Remarks

This is the volume name of the drive specified by the <u>Disk</u> property.   When this property is set, the volume name of the drive is changed.   This property is read/write at run-time only.

Data Type

String

See Also

Properties:

    DefaultDrive

    Disk

    SerialNumber

About DFInfo

Credits

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