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## SPCHK\_CheckWord (2.00: Full interface)

**#include spell.h**

**BOOL SPCHK\_CheckWord( lpchkw )**

**LPCHECKWORD lpchkw** /\* address of initialisation data \*/

The SPCHK\_CheckWord function performs spelling checking on the data supplied in lpcheckword.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
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lpchkw	Points to a <u>CHECKWORD</u> structure that contains information to perform a spelling check. This structure will be passed to any callback functions.
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### **Returns**

The return is only valid if a single word is being checked. It is non zero if the word was found. It is zero if the word was not found.

### **Errors**

Error handling is limited to the point of non-existence. Errors will be trapped, but at the moment are not passed back and instead a message is displayed to the user. Every attempt has been made to make these message understandable.

### **Comments**

The exact way that this function works depends on the content of the CHECKWORD structure.

### **See Also**

SPCHK\_Options, CHECKWORD

## **SPCHK\_Version (2.40: Full interface)**

**#include spell.h**

**WORD SPCHK\_Version( void )**

Returns the version number of the loaded module.

### **Returns**

The return gives the version number in the format

MajorVersion\*100+MinorVersion

eg for version 3.00 the return would be 300

## SPCHK\_Options (2.00: Full interface)

**#include spell.h**

**void SPCHK\_Options( lpchkw )**

**LPCHECKWORD lpchkw** /\* address of initialisation data \*/

The SPCHK\_Options function provides access to the options dialog box.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
lpchkw	Points to a <u>CHECKWORD</u> structure that contains information to perform a spelling check. This structure will be passed to any callback functions.

### **Returns**

Nothing.

### **Errors**

Error handling is limited to the point of non-existence. Errors will be trapped, but at the moment are not passed back and instead a message is displayed to the user. Every attempt has been made to make these message understandable.

### **See Also**

SPCHK\_CheckWord, CHECKWORD

## SPCHK\_GetValidLettersBlock (3.00: Full interface)

**#include spell.h**

**void SPCHK\_GetValidLettersBlock( lpValidChars )**

**LPSTR lpValidChars** /\* address to copy valid chars data to \*/

The SPCHK\_GetValidLettersBlock function copies a 256 byte data block for the current language giving information on which letters will be checked by the program.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
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lpValidChars	Points to a 256 byte array to which the data will be copied.
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### Returns

Nothing.

### Comments

Each byte of the array returned gives the status of the corresponding letter.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
0	Letter ignored. Your program should not send words containing this letter
1	Completely valid, always checked. Should be considered part of a word.
2	Punctuation. Should be considered part of a word.
3	Other special character. Should be considered part of a word.

## CHECKWORD (3.00: Full interface)

```
#include spell.h

typedef struct {
    WORD        wSizeOfBlock;

    HWND        hWndParent,
               hWndDlg;

    DWORD       CheckWordOptions;

    char        szLanguage[13];
    HGLOBAL     hCustomDics;
    BYTE        NumCustom;
    BYTE        CurCustom;

    HFILE       hDebugLog;

    HINSTANCE   hInstance;
    DLGPROC     fpMainHook;
    DLGPROC     fpOptionsHook;
    LPSTR       lpMainDlg;
    LPSTR       lpOptionsDlg;

    DWORD       dwCustData;
    DWORD       dwCustData2;

    char        ToCheck[MAXSPELL];
    char        Changed[MAXSPELL];
    BOOL        bCurWordChanged;

    char        PrevWord[MAXSPELL];
    WORD        wFunctionType;

    BYTE        CurPosCheck;
    BYTE        CurPosChanged;
    char        CurWord[MAXSPELL];

    BYTE        Reserved[26+MAXSPELL];
} CHECKWORD, FAR * LPCHECKWORD;
```

The **CHECKWORD** structure contains information that the spellchk dll requires to check a document.

Member	Description
<b>wSizeOfBlock</b>	Specifies the length of the structure in bytes. This member is filled on input.
<b>hWndParent</b>	Identifies the window that owns the dialog box. This member must be a valid window handle. This is the window that will receive notification and request messages unless they are being sent to a hook (see later). This member is filled on input.
<b>hWndDlg</b>	Identifies the dialog window created. This member is filled on window creation.
<b>CheckWordOptions</b>	Initialisation flags, a combination of the following values:

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
CWO_ALLOWCHANGE	If a word is not found a dialog box will be display to ask what to do. If this flag is not specified then no box will be displayed.
CWO_AUTOSUGGEST	When the spell dialog box is displayed the program will automatically display a list of suggested words. Is set on input and output.
CWO_SUGGESTCUST	Look for suggestions in the custom dictionaries as well as the main dictionary. Set on input and output.
CWO_NOOPTIONS	Hide the options box.
CWO_UNDO	Send UNDO information messages and UNDO requests. If this flag is not present then the undo button will be hidden.
CWO_NOHELP	Hide the help button. If this message is not specified then help requests will be sent.
CWO_USEMAINHOOK	Enables the hook function specified in the <b>fpMainHook</b> member.
CWO_USEOPTIONSHOOK	Enables the hook function specified in the <b>fpOptionsHook</b> member.
CWO_USECUSTOMMAINDLG	Causes the program to use the dialog box template identified by the <b>lpMainDlg</b> member.
CWO_USECUSTOMOPTIONSDLG	Causes the program to use the dialog box template identified by the <b>lpOptionsDlg</b> member.
CWO_SENDMSGTOMAINHOOK	Sends the following notification and request messages to the hook function specified in the <b>fpMainHook</b> : SPELL_GETNEXT SPELL_WORDNOTFOUND SPELL_WORDCHANGED SPELL_CANUNDO SPELL_STOREUNDO SPELL_UNDOLAST SPELL_HELPMAIN Otherwise they are sent to <b>hWndParent</b> .
CWO_SENDMSGTOOPTIONSHOOK	Sends the following notification and request messages to the hook function specified in the <b>fpOptionsHook</b> : SPELL_GETCUSTOMDEFPATH SPELL_HELPOPTIONS SPELL_HELPEDITDIC Otherwise they are sent to <b>hWndParent</b> .
CWO_CHECKMULTIPLE	The program will check a series of words obtained by sending out SPELL_GETNEXT messages. If this flag is not present then only the word in <b>ToCheck</b> will be checked.
CWO_DONTUSEFULL	

Do not check the main dictionary for words. I can think of no good reason for needing this, but it is here for completion.

CWO\_USEASCIACCENTS

Translate **a", i", o~** to **ä, ï, õ**.

CWO\_PUNCTUATIONCANSBREAK

Let full stops, commas and other punctuation break words, useful for text that contains tagging, but disables checking for mistakes like failure to put in breaks after punctuation.

CWO\_DEBUGLOG

Log debug information in the file with the handle provided in `hDebugLog`.

<b>szLanguage</b>	The file name of the main dictionary to use. If it is not specified then the first available dictionary will be selected. This member is filled on input and output. The only exception to this is if <code>CWO_DONTUSEFULL</code> has been specified.
<b>hCustomDics</b>	Handle of a block of global memory containing a series of <code>CUSTDIC</code> structures, or <b>hCustomDics</b> can be set to 0 if no custom dictionaries are needed. The block of memory should be created with the <code>GHND</code> and <code>GMEM_DDESHARE</code> flags.
<b>NumCustom</b>	The number of custom dictionaries in the array to which <b>hCustomDics</b> is a handle.
<b>CurCustom</b>	Specified the currently selected index (into the array to which <b>hCustomDics</b> is a handle) which words should be added to. It should be a number in the range 0 to <b>NumCustom</b> -1.
<b>hDebugLog</b>	File handle for the file to which debug information should be written.
<b>hInstance</b>	Identifies the <code>hInstance</code> of the program/dll which contains the dialog box resources pointed to by <b>lpMainDlg</b> and <b>lpOptionsDlg</b> .
<b>fpMainHook</b>	Pointer to a hook function to handle message to the Main dialog box. Only required if the <code>CWO_USEMAINHOOK</code> flag is specified. The function may also handle other message if the <code>CWO_SENDSMSGTOMAINHOOK</code> flag is specified. See these two flags for details.
<b>fpOptionsHook</b>	Pointer to a hook function to handle message to the Options dialog box. Only required if the <code>CWO_USEOPTIONSHOOK</code> flag is specified. The function may also handle other message if the <code>CWO_SENDSMSGTOOPTIONSHOOK</code> flag is specified. See these two flags for details.
<b>lpMainDlg</b>	Pointer to a null-terminated string that specifies the name of the resource to be used in preference to the default dialog box. It must be present in the module specified by <b>hInstance</b> .
<b>lpOptionsDlg</b>	Pointer to a null-terminated string that specifies the name of the resource to be used in preference to the default dialog box. It must be present in the module specified by <b>hInstance</b> .
<b>dwCustData</b>	Custom data for use by your program.
<b>dwCustData2</b>	Custom data for use by your program.
<b>ToCheck</b>	A null-terminated string giving the word to be checked. It should be filled on initialisation unless the <code>CWO_CHECKMULTIPLE</code> flag is specified in which case it should be filled with the next word to check each time a <code>SPELL_GETNEXT</code> message is received.
<b>Changed</b>	If the word is changed by the use you program will be notified with a <code>SPELL_WORDCHANGED</code> message. The new word will be placed in this buffer as a null-terminated string.
<b>bCurWordChanged</b>	Is non zero if the current word has been changed.

<b>PrevWord</b>	The last word that was checked. This is used only to look for repeated words. As a result checking for repeated words and be disabled using PrevWord[0]=0; during each SPELL_GETNEXT. You should disable repeated word checking after a new line.						
<b>wFunctionType</b>	Records the type off error that was found						
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<b>CurPosCheck</b>	The position of the letter after the last letter of CurWord in the ToCheck array. Change with caution.						
<b>CurPosChanged</b>	The position in the Changed array which has been reached. For referance only, this value will be ignored if changed.						
<b>CurWord</b>	The current word being checked the will be either the whole or a sub string of the current ToCheck.						
<b>Reserved</b>	Private data used by the program.						

**See Also**

[SPCHK\\_CheckWord](#), [SPCHK\\_Options](#), [CUSTDIC](#)

## CUSTDIC (Full interface)

```
#include spell.h

typedef struct {
    char    DicFile[MAXPATH];
    char    DicTitle[MAXDICTITLE];
    char    DicLanguage[13];
    BYTE    Options;
    BYTE    Reserved[8];
} CUSTDIC, far * LPCUSTDIC;
```

The **CUSTDIC** structure contains information on a custom dictionary.

Member	Description										
<b>DicFile</b>	Full file path and name of the custom dictionary.										
<b>DicTitle</b>	Title of the custom dictionary.										
<b>DicLanguage</b>	The filename of the language that this dictionary will be used with or 'all' to specify that it will be used with all languages.										
<b>Options</b>	Initialisation flags, a combination of the following values: <table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>CD_READONLY</td><td>The dictionary is read-only. This flag is set on input and output.</td></tr><tr><td>CD_DISABLED</td><td>The dictionary is disabled. This flag is set on input and output.</td></tr><tr><td>CD_CHANGED</td><td>The custom dictionary has been changed. This flag is set on output.</td></tr><tr><td>CD_BYLANGUAGE</td><td>The custom dictionary is disabled due to the language.</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	CD_READONLY	The dictionary is read-only. This flag is set on input and output.	CD_DISABLED	The dictionary is disabled. This flag is set on input and output.	CD_CHANGED	The custom dictionary has been changed. This flag is set on output.	CD_BYLANGUAGE	The custom dictionary is disabled due to the language.
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CD_BYLANGUAGE	The custom dictionary is disabled due to the language.										
<b>Private</b>	Private data used by the program.										

### See Also

[SPCHK\\_CheckWord](#), [SPCHK\\_Options](#), [CUSTDIC](#)

## Messages (Full interface)

SPELL\_GETNEXT

Ask for the next word

SPELL\_WORDNOTFOUND

Notify word not found

SPELL\_WORDREPEATED

Notify word repeated (3.00)

SPELL\_WORDCHANGED

Notify word changed

SPELL\_CANUNDO

Ask if undo available

SPELL\_STOREUNDO

Provide undo information

SPELL\_UNDOLAST

Execute undo

SPELL\_GETCUSTOMDEFPATH

Ask for the default custom dictionary path

SPELL\_LANGUAGECHANGED

Notify that the user has change language (3.00)

SPELL\_HELPMAIN

User has requested help

SPELL\_HELPOPTIONS

User has requested help

SPELL\_HELPEITDIC

User has requested help

## SPELL\_GETNEXT (Full interface)

```
SPELL_GETNEXT
wParam = 0; /* not used */
lParam = (LPCHECKWORD) lpchkw; /* address of initialisation data */
```

This message is sent to request the next word. The application should respond by filling the **ToCheck** member of the CHECKWORD structure.

Parameter	Description
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lpchkw	Points to a <u>CHECKWORD</u> structure.
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### Returns

An application should return non zero if ToCheck has been filled or 0 to finish.

### Example

This example sends 5 words to be checked one at a time.

```
LPCHECKWORD    lpchkw;
WORD           wIndex;
char           Words[6][15]={"thiss",
                             "poeple",
                             "aggrivation",
                             "enviromental",
                             "wheight",
                             "nohting"};
```

```
case SPELL_GETNEXT:
    // Get the pointer
    lpchkw = (LPCHECKWORD)lParam;
    wIndex = (WORD) lpchkw->dwCustData;

    // Have we done all the words?
    if (wIndex>5)
        return FALSE;

    // Copy over the word
    lstrcpy(lpCheckWord->ToCheck, Words[wIndex]);

    // Position for the next
    lpchkw->dwCustData;
    return TRUE;
```

## SPELL\_WORDNOTFOUND (Full interface)

```
SPELL_WORDNOTFOUND
wParam = 0; /* not used */
lParam = (LPCHECKWORD) lpchkw; /* address of initialisation data */
```

This message is sent to inform the program that the word in **ToCheck** has not been found.

Parameter	Description
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lpchkw	Points to a <u>CHECKWORD</u> structure.
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### Returns

An application should return 0.

### Example

Display a notice if a word is not found.

```
LPCHECKWORD    lpchkw;
char           Text[100];

case SPELL_WORDNOTFOUND:
    // Get the pointer
    lpchkw = (LPCHECKWORD)lParam;

    // Display the word not found
    wsprintf(Text, "The word '%s' was not found", lpchkw->ToCheck);
    MessageBox(hDlg, Text, "Test Word", MB_ICONHAND);
    return 0;
```

### See Also

SPELL\_WORDCHANGED

## SPELL\_WORDREPEATED (Full interface, 3.00)

```
SPELL_WORDREPEATED
wParam = 0; /* not used */
lParam = (LPCHECKWORD) lpchkw; /* address of initialisation data */
```

This message is sent to inform the program that the word in **ToCheck** has not been found.

Parameter	Description
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lpchkw	Points to a <u>CHECKWORD</u> structure.
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### Returns

An application should return 0.

### Example

Display a notice if a word is not found.

```
LPCHECKWORD          lpchkw;
char                  Text[100];

case SPELL_WORDREPEATED:
    // Get the pointer
    lpchkw = (LPCHECKWORD)lParam;

    // Display the word not found
    wsprintf(Text, "The word '%s' is repeated", lpchkw->ToCheck);
    MessageBox(hDlg, Text, "Test Word", MB_ICONHAND);
    return 0;
```

### See Also

SPELL\_WORDCHANGED

## SPELL\_WORDCHANGED (Full interface)

```
SPELL_WORDCHANGED
wParam = 0; /* not used */
lParam = (LPCHECKWORD) lpchkw; /* address of initialisation data */
```

This message is sent to inform the program that the word in **ToCheck** sound be changed to the word in **Changed**.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
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lpchkw	Points to a <u>CHECKWORD</u> structure.
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### Returns

An application should return 0.

### Example

Display a notice if a word is changed.

```
LPCHECKWORD          lpchkw;
char                  Text[100];

case SPELL_WORDCHANGED:
    // Get the pointer
    lpchkw = (LPCHECKWORD)lParam;

    // Display the word to be changed
    wsprintf(Text, "The word '%s' should be changed to %s",
             lpchkw->ToCheck, lpchkw->Changed);
    MessageBox(hDlg, Text, "Test Word", MB_ICONHAND);
    return 0;
```

### See Also

SPELL\_WORDNOTFOUND

## SPELL\_CANUNDO (Full interface)

```
SPELL_CANUNDO
wParam = 0; /* not used */
lParam = (LPCHECKWORD) lpchkw; /* address of initialisation data */
```

This message is sent to ask the application if it can currently undo.

Parameter	Description
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lpchkw	Points to a <u>CHECKWORD</u> structure.
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### Returns

An application should return non zero if it can undo, 0 if it can't.

### Example

Return the undo status.

```
static BOOL bCanUndo;

case SPELL_CANUNDO:
    // Just return the bUndo flag
    return bCanUndo;
```

### See Also

SPELL\_STOREUNDO, SPELL\_UNDOLAST

## SPELL\_STOREUNDO (Full interface)

```
SPELL_STOREUNDO
wParam = (HUNDO)hUndo;          /* handle to undo data */
lParam = (LPCHECKWORD) lpchkw; /* address of initialisation data */
```

Inform the program that it should store an undo pointer.

Parameter	Description
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hUndo	Handle to undo block (spellchk internal)
lpchkw	Points to a <u>CHECKWORD</u> structure.

### Returns

An application should return 0.

### Example

Store the information needed to undo.

```
LPCHECKWORD          lpchkw;
static BOOL           bCanUndo;
static HUNDO          hUndoHandle;
static WORD           wUndoIndex;

case SPELL_STOREUNDO:
    // Get the pointer
    lpchkw = (LPCHECKWORD)lParam;

    // Yes we can now undo
    bCanUndo=TRUE;

    // Store the handle provided by spellchk
    hUndoHandle=(HUNDO)wParam;

    // Store the current word being checked
    wUndoIndex=lpchkw->dwCustData;
    return 0;
```

### See Also

SPELL\_CANUNDO, SPELL\_UNDOLAST

## SPELL\_UNDOLAST (Full interface)

```
SPELL_UNDOLAST
wParam = 0; /* not used */
lParam = (LPCHECKWORD) lpchkw; /* address of initialisation data */
```

The application should undo the last change it made (as a result of a SPELL\_CHANGEWORD message) and reposition its pointers so that the next SPELL\_GETNEXT will return the undone word.

Parameter	Description
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lpchkw	Points to a <u>CHECKWORD</u> structure.
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### Returns

An application should return non zero if it has repositioned for an undo else it should return 0. The DWL\_MSGRESULT of the spellchk dialog box should be set to the undo handle previously supplied.

### Example

```
LPCHECKWORD      lpchkw;
static BOOL      bCanUndo;
static HUNDO     hUndoHandle;
static WORD      wUndoIndex;

case SPELL_UNDOLAST:
    // Get the pointer
    lpchkw = (LPCHECKWORD)lParam;

    // Do the undo if we can - see the full example app for
    // more details
    if (bCanUndo)
    {
        // Reposition the index to restart at the pervious position
        lpchkw->dwCustData=wUndoIndex;

        // Store the undo handle in the dialog result register
        SetWindowLong(lpchkw->hWndDlg, DWL_MSGRESULT, hUndoHandle);

        // Since we have undone once we can't do it again
        bCanUndo=FALSE;

        // Return a positive answer
        return TRUE;
    }
    return FALSE;
```

### See Also

SPELL\_CANUNDO, SPELL\_STOREUNDO

## SPELL\_GETCUSTOMDEFPATH (Full interface)

```
SPELL_GETCUSTOMDEFPATH
wParam = 0;                /* not used */
lParam = (LPSTR) lppath;   /* buffer for file path */
```

The application should copy the default file path for custom dictionaries into the buffer pointed to by lParam.

Parameter	Description
lppath	Points to a string buffer.

### Returns

An application should return non zero if it can supply a default directory, else it should return 0.

### Example

Return a file path stored as a global string.

```
case SPELL_GETCUSTOMDEFPATH:
    lstrcpy((LPSTR) lParam, g.szProgDir);
    return TRUE;
```

## SPELL\_LANGUAGECHANGED (Full interface, 3.00)

```
SPELL_LANGUAGECHANGED
wParam = 0; /* not used */
lParam = (LPCHECKWORD) lpchkw; /* address of initialisation data */
```

Inform the program that the language has been changed. You should reload the character validation table if you use it.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
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lpchkw	Points to a <u>CHECKWORD</u> structure.
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### Returns

Is ignored.

### Example

```
static BYTE CharTable[256];

case SPELL_LANGUAGECHANGED:
    SPCHK_GetValidLettersBlock(LetterStates);
    return TRUE;
```

## **SPELL\_HELPMAIN (Full interface)**

SPELL\_HELPMAIN

The application should display help for the main window.

### **Parameters**

This message has no parameters.

### **Returns**

An application should return 0.

### **Example**

Call winhelp.

```
case SPELL_HELPMAIN:  
    WinHelp(hWnd, "spell.hlp", HELP_CONTEXT, HELP_SPELLMAIN);  
    return 0;
```

## **SPELL\_HELPOPTIONS (Full interface)**

SPELL\_HELPOPTIONS

The application should display help for the options window.

### **Parameters**

This message has no parameters.

### **Returns**

An application should return 0.

### **Example**

Call winhelp.

```
case SPELL_HELPMAIN:  
    WinHelp(hWnd, "spell.hlp", HELP_CONTEXT, HELP_SPELLOPTIONS);  
    return 0;
```

## **SPELL\_HELPEEDITDIC (Full interface)**

SPELL\_HELPEEDITDIC

The application should display help for the custom dictionary window.

### **Parameters**

This message has no parameters.

### **Returns**

An application should return 0.

### **Example**

Call winhelp.

```
case SPELL_HELPMAIN:  
    WinHelp(hWnd, "spell.hlp", HELP_CONTEXT, HELP_SPELLCUSTEDIT);  
    return 0;
```

## **SPEdT\_Version (2.40: Quick interface)**

**#include spell.h**

**WORD SPEdT\_Version( void )**

Returns the version number of the loaded module.

### **Returns**

The return gives the version number in the format

MajorVersion\*100+MinorVersion

eg for version 2.40 the return would be 240

## SPEdT\_CheckEdit (Quick interface)

**#include** spell.h

**BOOL** SPEdT\_CheckEdit( hwndEdit )

**HWND** hwndEdit                    /\* window handle of the edit box to check \*/

The SPEdT\_CheckEdit function checks a windows edit box (or compatible) for spelling.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
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hwndEdit	Identifies the edit box to be checked.
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### Returns

Returns non zero if successful, otherwise it will return 0.

### Comments

To be compatible the edit box should respond to the following edit box messages:

- EM\_GETLINE
- EM\_GETLINECOUNT
- EM\_LINEFROMCHAR
- EM\_LINEINDEX
- EM\_LINELENGTH
- EM\_REPLACESEL
- EM\_SETSEL

And should be aware that the bitwise operator:

- ES\_MULTILINE

is checked for in the style of the control using GetWindowLong( hwndEdit, GWL\_STYLE)

### See Also

[SPEdT\\_CheckEditCustom](#), [SPEdT\\_SetupBox](#), [SPEdT\\_SetupCustom](#)

## SPEDT\_CheckEditCustom (2.40: Quick interface)

**#include spell.h**

**BOOL SPEDT\_CheckEditCustom**( hwndEdit, hInstance, lpDlgBox, lpOptBox)

**HWND** hwndEdit                    /\* window handle of the edit box to check \*/  
**HINSTANCE** hInstance           /\* hInstance of the module containing the Dlg template \*/  
**LPSTR** lpDlgBox                 /\* name of main dialog box template \*/  
**LPSTR** lpOptBox                 /\* name of options dialog box template \*/

The SPEDT\_CheckEdit function checks a windows edit box (or compatible) for spelling.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
hwndEdit	Identifies the edit box to be checked.
hInstance	Specifies the module containing the dialog box templates.
lpDlgBox	Must contain either a pointer to a string giving the dialog box resource name stored in module hInstance or be NULL to use the default box.
lpOptBox	Must contain either a pointer to a string giving the dialog box resource name stored in module hInstance or be NULL to use the default box. NOTE: This is the spellchk default NOT spelledt default box.

### Returns

Returns non zero if successful, otherwise it will return 0.

### Comments

You should note that the dialog box templates MUST contain all the buttons and controls present in the original box, but they may be hidden or moved out of the visible area. The exception is the KEYSELECT box, this MUST be removed in version 2.40 or 3.00. 3.01 will work either way.

To be compatible the edit box should respond to the following edit box messages:

- EM\_GETLINE
- EM\_GETLINECOUNT
- EM\_LINEFROMCHAR
- EM\_LINEINDEX
- EM\_LINELENGTH
- EM\_REPLACESEL
- EM\_SETSEL

And should be aware that the bitwise operator:

- ES\_MULTILINE

is checked for in the style of the control using GetWindowLong( hwndEdit, GWL\_STYLE)

### See Also

[SPEDT\\_CheckEdit](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupBox](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupCustom](#)

## SPEDT\_CheckEditClip (3.00: Quick interface)

**#include spell.h**

**BOOL SPEDT\_CheckEditClip( hwndEdit )**

**HWND** hwndEdit                    /\* window handle of the text box to check \*/

The SPEDT\_CheckEditClip function checks a windows by copying the content to the clipboard checking it there and then pasting it back.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
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hwndEdit	Identifies the edit box to be checked.
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### **Returns**

Returns non zero if successful, otherwise it will return 0.

### **Comments**

There is a bug in the released version of spell 3.00 that makes this function unusable. It is correctly implemented in the 3.00 DEVELOPER dlls and will not be available until version 3.01 of the public dlls. If you use this function you MUST provide the dlls with your program.

### **See Also**

[SPEDT\\_CheckEditCustom](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupBox](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupCustom](#)

## SPEDT\_CheckClipboard (3.00: Quick interface)

**#include spell.h**

**WORD SPEDT\_CheckClipboard( hwndEdit )**

**HWND** hwndEdit                    /\* window handle of the text box to check \*/

The SPEDT\_CheckClipboard function checks the current windows clipboard.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
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hwndEdit	Identifies the parent window that should be used with the 'Spell' box.
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### Returns

Returns a word of flag bits, multiple bits may be set:

<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
CHECKGLOBAL_UNRECOVERABLEERROR	The program was unable to start
CHECKGLOBAL_FORMATNOTKNOWN	The format specified in wType is unknown
CHECKGLOBAL_CHANGED	The global memory block has been changed
CHECKGLOBAL_FINISHED	The entire text was checked

### Comments

This function is only implemented in the 3.00 DEVELOPER dlls and will not be available until version 3.01 of the public dlls. If you use this function you MUST provide the dlls with your program.

### See Also

[SPEDT\\_CheckEditCustom](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupBox](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupCustom](#)

## SPEdT\_CheckGlobal (3.00: Quick interface)

#include spell.h

**WORD** SPEdT\_CheckGlobal( hwndEdit, lpToCheck, wType, hwndParent )

**HWND** hwndEdit /\* window handle of the text box to check \*/

**HGLOBAL far \*** lpToCheck /\* global memory item containing text to check \*/

**WORD** wType /\* type of data \*/

**HWND** hwndParent /\* window to which progress/information messages are sent \*/

The SPEdT\_CheckGlobal function checks a block of global memory, including formatting.

Parameter	Description
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hwndEdit	Identifies the window that will be used as the parent window.
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lpToCheck	A far pointer to a handle to a block of global memory in the format identified by wType.
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wType	Type of data:
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Value	Meaning
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'Rich Text Format'	
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'Rich Text'	
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	Text will be treated as formatted rich text. The actual value should be determined using RegisterClipboardFormat("Rich Text Format") or RegisterClipboardFormat("Rich text")
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HTML Text Format	
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HTML Format (3.01)	
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CF_HTML (3.01)	
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HTML (3.01)	
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	Text will be treated as HTML tagging text within <> will be ignored, and commented text <!-- --> will be ignored.
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CF_TEXT	
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	Treated as plain text
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CF_OEMTEXT	
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	Text is converted to ANSI then processed. The return data is converted back.
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hwndParent	Window to which notification message will be sent. (3.01)
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### Returns

Returns a word of flag bits, multiple bits may be set:

Value	Meaning
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CHECKGLOBAL_UNRECOVERABLEERROR	
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	The program was unable to start
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CHECKGLOBAL_FORMATNOTKNOWN	
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	The format specified in wType is unknown
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CHECKGLOBAL_CHANGED	
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	The global memory block has been changed
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CHECKGLOBAL_FINISHED	
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	The entire text was checked
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### Comments

Some clipboard formats will not be supported until 3.01.

### See Also

[SPEdT\\_CheckEditCustom](#), [SPEdT\\_SetupBox](#), [SPEdT\\_SetupCustom](#)

## SPEDT\_CheckGlobalCustom (3.00: Quick interface)

#include spell.h

**WORD SPEDT\_CheckGlobalCustom**( hwndEdit, lpToCheck, wType, hInstance, lpMainDlg, lpOptionsDlg, hwndParent )

**HWND** hwndEdit /\* window handle of the text box to check \*/  
**HGLOBAL far** \* lpToCheck /\* global memory item containing text to check \*/  
**WORD** wType /\* type of data \*/  
**HINSTANCE** hInstance /\* module in which the two dialog box templates will be found \*/  
**LPSTR** lpMainDlg /\* pointer to the name of the dialog box to use for Main\*/  
**LPSTR** lpOptionsDlg /\* pointer to the name of the dialog box to use for Options\*/  
**HWND** hwndParent /\* window to which progress/information messages are sent \*/

The SPEDT\_CheckGlobal function checks a block of global memory, including formatting.

Parameter	Description																		
hwndEdit	Identifies the window that will be used as the parent window.																		
lpToCheck	A far pointer to a handle to a block of global memory in the format identified by wType.																		
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lpOptionsDlg	Name of the dialog box contained in hInstance which will be used for the options spelling box. Can be ignored if the options box will not be accessible.																		
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### Returns

Returns a word of flag bits, multiple bits may be set:

Value	Meaning
CHECKGLOBAL_UNRECOVERABLEERROR	The program was unable to start

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CHECKGLOBAL_FINISHED	The entire text was checked

### **Comments**

Some clipboard formats will not be supported until 3.01. You should ensure that all the controls in the dialog boxes are the same or exactly compatible to the ones in the original. Controls should not be deleted, although they can be moved outside the visible area or have their WS\_VISIBLE flag removed.

### **See Also**

[SPEDT\\_CheckEditCustom](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupBox](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupCustom](#)

## SPEDT\_SetupBox (Quick interface)

**#include** spell.h

**void** SPEDT\_SetupBox( hwndParent )

**HWND** hwndParent            /\* Parent window \*/

The SPEDT\_SetupBox function displays the setup box.

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
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hwndParent	Identifies the parent window of the setup box.
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### **Returns**

Nothing.

### **Comments**

Because of the way this interface works options are displayed as if the setup program that comes with spell300.zip has been run. This merely provides an interface to run it from within your own program.

### **See Also**

[SPEDT\\_CheckEditCustom](#), [SPEDT\\_CheckEdit](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupCustom](#)

## SPEDT\_SetupBoxLimited (3.00: Quick interface)

**#include** spell.h

**void** SPEDT\_SetupBoxLimited( hwndParent )

**HWND** hwndParent            /\* Parent window \*/

The SPEDT\_SetupBoxLimited function displays the setup box as it is shown when the options button is pressed during a check without all the configuration options..

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Description</b>
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hwndParent	Identifies the parent window of the setup box.
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### **Returns**

Nothing.

### **See Also**

[SPEDT\\_CheckEditCustom](#), [SPEDT\\_CheckEdit](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupCustom](#)

## SPEDT\_SetupCustom (Quick interface)

**#include spell.h**

**void SPEDT\_SetupBox**( hwndParent, hInstance, lpDlgBox )

**HWND** hwndParent           /\* Parent window \*/

**HINSTANCE** hInstance       /\* hInstance of the module containing the Dlg template \*/

**LPSTR** lpDlgBox            /\* name of main dialog box template \*/

The SPEDT\_SetupBox function displays the setup box.

Parameter	Description
hwndParent	Identifies the parent window of the setup box.
hInstance	Specifies the module containing the dialog box templates.
lpDlgBox	Must contain either a pointer to a string giving the dialog box resource name stored in module hInstance or be NULL to use the default box. NOTE: This is the spellchk default NOT spelledt default box.

### Returns

Nothing.

### Comments

This provides a method to partially customise the display of the setup box. As yet there is no easy way to add to the options, but they can now be removed if you do not want them to appear. You should note that the dialog box template MUST contain all the buttons and controls present in the original box, but they may be hidden or moved out of the visible area,

### See Also

[SPEDT\\_CheckEditCustom](#), [SPEDT\\_CheckEdit](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupBox](#)

## SPEDT\_GetParameter (Quick interface)

#include spell.h

BOOL SPEDT\_GetParameter( wParam, lpData )

WORD wParam /\* Identify the parameter to retrieve \*/

LPVOID lpData /\* buffer in which the data will be placed \*/

Get the current settings of various spelledt parameters.

Parameter	Description																										
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### Returns

Returns non zero if successful, otherwise it will return 0.

### See Also

[SPEDT\\_CheckEditCustom](#), [SPEDT\\_CheckEdit](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupBox](#)

## SPEDT\_SetParameter (Quick interface)

#include spell.h

BOOL SPEDT\_SetParameter( wParam, lpData )

WORD wParam /\* Identify the parameter to retrieve \*/

LPVOID lpData /\* buffer from which the data will be read \*/

Set various spelledt parameters.

Parameter	Description
wParam	Identifies the particular parameter that will be changed.
	<b>Value</b>
	<b>Returns in lpData</b>
SPEDT_LANGUAGE	The filename of the current dictionary (string)
SPEDT_XPOS	The current X position of the spell window, or the position at which it will be created. (int)
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SPEDT_DEBUG	Debug is in operation (BOOL)
SPEDT_PROGRESSINDICATOR	Show the progress indicator (BOOL)
lpData	A pointer to the buffer in which the data will be placed.

### Returns

Returns non zero if successful, otherwise it will return 0.

### See Also

[SPEDT\\_CheckEditCustom](#), [SPEDT\\_CheckEdit](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupBox](#)

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## Examples: MS Access (Quick interface)

### Function definitions

```
Declare Function SPEDT_CheckEdit Lib "SPELLEDT.DLL" (ByVal hWnd As Integer) As Integer
```

```
Declare Sub SPEDT_SetupBox Lib "SPELLEDT.DLL" (ByVal hWnd As Integer)
```

A couple of methods for adding spell checker to MS Access, the first thanks to John W. Dickerson, but while you are free to thank him if it works, don't blame him if it does not!

I place event procedures on AfterUpdate, Enter, and on Exit of the control that I want to check. I have also placed a hidden field on the form that will hold text (the field is called "key" and the values can be either "updated" or " " (blank)). This field will let me know if the field has been updated or not. Based on whether or not the field has been updated, the code in the Exit event executes if Me![Key] = "Updated". In order to have the results returned to the screen after a spell check, I use a send keys to send a tab so I will move to the next field. Also, when I do the send keys that executes in the macro named "Spell" I send a "shift tab tab" which will highlight the whole field so that the spell checker will check the whole value of the field word by word. This was kind of quirky to figure out, I just kept trying different key combinations until it worked. Also I have set the hot key to your spell checker as Ctrl F1, which is reflected in the Spell Macro below.

```
Sub Trigger_AfterUpdate ()  
    Me![Key] = "Updated"  
End Sub
```

```
Sub Trigger_Enter ()  
    Me![Key] = " "  
End Sub
```

```
Sub Trigger_Exit (Cancel As Integer)  
    If Me![Key] = "Updated" Then  
        DoCmd RunMacro "Spell"  
        Me![Key] = " "  
        DoCmd RunMacro "Tab"  
    End If  
End Sub
```

```
Spell Macro contains...  
SendKeys +{Tab}{Tab}^{F1},Yes
```

```
Tab Macro contains...  
Sendkeys {Tab},Yes
```

Next my solution:

### (Declarations)

```
Declare Function SPEDT_CheckEdit Lib "spelledt.dll" (ByVal HWnd As Integer) As Integer
```

```
Declare Function GetFocus Lib "user.exe" () As Integer
```

```
Dim TempText As String
```

```
Function CheckEdit ()  
    Dim i As Integer
```

```
If Len(TempText) = 0 Then
    i = SPEDT_CheckEdit(GetFocus())
    TempText = Screen.ActiveControl.Text
End If
End Function
```

```
Function ExitEditBox ()
    If Len(TempText) > 0 Then
        Screen.ActiveControl.Text = TempText
        SendKeys "{ENTER}"
        TempText = ""
    End If
End Function
```

They should be setup on the edit control as:

```
AfterUpdate: =CheckEdit()
OnExit: =ExitEditBox()
```

Explanation:

When you hit return after editing the box the AfterUpdate function CheckEdit() is called, which does the check and sets TempText to the new text. Access then resets the text and calls OnExit which seeing that there is text in TempText resets the text in the edit box to the correct value, and in the process gives itself back the focus. It then send an ENTER key to quit the edit box and this time since TempText contains text CheckEdit does not do a check. OnExit is called and although it changes the text it is the same as the text already in it so no AfterUpdate message is sent and the function finally drops through, resetting TempText on the way out!

## Examples: Visual Basic (Quick interface)

### Function definitions

Declare Function **SPEDT\_CheckEdit** Lib "SPELLEDT.DLL" (ByVal hWnd As Integer) As Integer

Declare Sub **SPEDT\_SetupBox** Lib "SPELLEDT.DLL" (ByVal hWnd As Integer)

To use the quick interface in Visual Basic, you need to include these in the declarations section of your module. If SPELLEDT.DLL is not in your \Windows directory, \Windows\System directory, or the directory you ran the .EXE that calls SPELLEDT.DLL you need to change "SPELLEDT.DLL" in the declaration to include the path of SPELLEDT.DLL.

### Usage

To call the spell checker, use the following code:

```
i = SPEDT_CheckEdit( EditBox.hWnd )
```

'i' is an integer and 'EditBox' is the name of the text box you want to spell check.

To call the setup screen use:

```
call SPEDT_SetupBox( EditBox.hWnd )
```

### See Also

[SPEDT\\_CheckEdit](#), [SPEDT\\_CheckEditCustom](#), [SPEDT\\_CheckEdit](#), [SPEDT\\_SetupBox](#)

