



## Help for MIDI File Control

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#### **Description**

The MIDIFile control provides the Visual Basic programmer with an easy way to read and write MIDI files, both formats 0 (single track) and 1 (multiple-tracks) are supported.

Using the MIDIFile control you can modify existing MIDI files or create entirely new ones from scratch. You have complete control over and access to every type of MIDI message. You can insert, delete and modify tracks and messages at any time.

This control is a storage structure for MIDI data. It has no recording or playback functions. It was designed using the Standard MIDI File 1.0 specification. What you do with the MIDI data that is loaded into this control is completely up to your programming.

The Standard MIDI File custom control allows you to read any Standard MIDI file into a data structure with full access to the MIDI data. Open MIDI files, close MIDI files, create new MIDI files, save changes, insert new MIDI messages, modify MIDI messages and delete MIDI messages. Supports MIDI file types 0 & 1.

- Provides the Visual Basic programmer with a way to read and write Standard MIDI files.
- Both formats 0 (single track) and 1 (multiple-tracks) are supported.
- Modify existing MIDI files or create entirely new ones from scratch.
- Complete control over and access to every type of MIDI message.
- Insert, delete and modify tracks and messages at anytime.
- Action property to open existing filename, close current file, create new file and save the data to the current file.
- Action property to insert messages, change the current message and delete the current message.
- Insert new tracks or delete tracks.
- Complete support for system exclusive messages.

#### **File Name**

MIDIFILE.VBX, MIDIFL16.OCX, MIDIFL32.OCX

#### **Object Type**

MIDIFile

#### **VBX Compatibility**

VB 2.0 and up

#### **Remarks**

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## MIDI File Properties

All of the properties that apply to this control are in this table. Properties that have special meaning for this control or that only apply to this control are marked with an asterisk (\*).

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## **MIDI File Events**

All of the events that apply to this control are in this table. Events that have special meaning for this control or that only apply to this control are marked with an asterisk (\*).

**\*Error Event**

## Action Property (MIDI File Control)

Example

### Description

Action to take.

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**Action**[ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

Setting this property causes an action to occur using current data. The actions are:

<b>Constant</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>msMFANone</b>	0	None. No action
<b>msMFAOpen</b>	1	Open. Open existing filename
<b>msMFAClose</b>	2	Close. Closes current file. File contents are not changed by this action. See Save Changes.
<b>msMFANew</b>	3	New. Creates new file specified by <u>Filename</u> . An error will occur if the file already exists.
<b>msMFASave</b>	4	Save Changes. Saves the data to the current file, but does not close it.
<b>msMFAClear</b>	5	Clear Data. The current MIDI file contents (if any) are discarded.
<b>msMFAInsert</b>	6	Insert Message. Insert the message specified by <u>Time</u> , <u>Message</u> , <u>Data1</u> , and <u>Data2</u> immediately after the message given by <u>MessageNumber</u> . <u>MessageNumber</u> is incremented by one.
<b>msMFAModify</b>	7	Modify Message. Changes the current message using the values of the <u>Time</u> , <u>Message</u> , <u>Data1</u> , and <u>Data2</u> properties.
<b>msMFADelete</b>	8	Delete Message. Deletes the current message and loads the properties from the next message. Do not delete the last message. <u>MessageCount</u> should always be greater than zero.
<b>msMFAInsertTrack</b>	9	Insert Track. Creates a new track and inserts it immediately after the track given by <u>TrackNumber</u> . <u>TrackNumber</u> is then incremented by one.
<b>msMFADeleteTrack</b>	10	Delete Track. The current track is deleted and the next track becomes the current track. Do not delete the last track. <u>NumberOfTracks</u> should always be greater than zero.
<b>msMFASaveAs</b>	11	Save As. Saves the current MIDIFile control contents into the file given by <u>Filename</u> . IMPORTANT NOTE: if <u>Filename</u> already exists it will be overwritten.

### Data Type

Integer

## Buffer Property

### Example

### Description

Holding area for system exclusive messages.

### Usage

```
[form.][control.]Buffer[ = string ]
```

### Remarks

When sending or receiving a System Exclusive (Sysex) message the buffer property is used to transfer the contents of the Sysex message. The contents of Sysex messages is determined solely by the MIDI device sending or receiving the sysex message.

It is important to note that there is a subtle difference between the way the Buffer property is used in the MIDI File control and the MIDI In and Out controls.

When you transmit a Sysex message to a midi device using the MIDI Out control you will need to supply the sysex start and end bytes (&HF0 and &HF7) as message delimiters.

In this example, a Sysex message is sent which resets the Roland SoundCanvas SC-88 to General MIDI mode:

```
MidiOutput1.Message = &HF0
```

```
MidiOutput1.Buffer = Chr$(&HF0) + Chr$(&H7E) + Chr$(&H7F) + Chr$(9) +  
Chr$(1) + Chr$(&HF7)
```

```
MidiOutput1.Action = MIDIOUT_SEND
```

In this example the first and last bytes (&HF0 and &HF7) signal the beginning and end of a Sysex message. The middle bytes are the Sysex messages contents.

When you receive a sysex message using the MIDI In control the start and end bytes will be the first and last bytes in the string contained by the Buffer property.

However when you read a sysex message from the MIDI File control the start and end bytes will NOT be in the string contained by Buffer. So to transmit a sysex message retrieved from the MIDI File control you should use something like:

```
sysexMsg = &HF0 + MIDIFile1.Buffer + &HF7
```

### Data Type

String

## Clocks Property

### Description

Number of MIDI clocks in a metronome click.

### Usage

*[form.]**[control.]***Clocks** [ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

Valid only after a Time Signature meta-event (&H58) becomes the current message. Once the values are loaded from a Time Signature meta-event they remain valid until another Time Signature meta-event is encountered.

### Data Type

Integer (0 - 255)

## Data1 and Data2 Properties

[See Also](#)

### Description

MIDI message data bytes.

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**Data1**[ = *integer* ]

[*form.*][*control.*]**Data2**[ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

The contents of Data1 and Data2 depend on the type of MIDI message being sent/received.

If the [Message](#) property is 255 (for a meta event), MsgText is loaded with a string. Data1 determines what the string represents. The following table lists the possible values:

<b>Constant</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>msMFMTText</b>	1	Non-specific text string
<b>msMFMTCopyright</b>	2	Copyright notice
<b>msMFMTTrack</b>	3	Sequence/track name
<b>msMFMTInstrument</b>	4	Instrument name
<b>msMFMTLyric</b>	5	Lyric
<b>msMFMTMarker</b>	6	Marker
<b>msMFMT CuePoint</b>	7	Cue point
	8-15	Undefined text string

### Data Type

Integer (0-255)

**See Also**

Properties:

[Message](#)

## Denominator Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Denominator represents the denominator of a time signature as it would be notated in accordance with the Standard MIDI File specification.

### Usage

*[form.]***Denominator***[ = integer ]*

### Remarks

Valid only when the current messages is a Time Signature meta-message (&H58).

### Data Type

Integer (0 - 255)

**See Also**

Properties:

[Numerator](#)

## Error Event

[See Also](#)

[Example](#)

### Description

Fires when an error occurs.

### Syntax

**Sub *ctlname\_Error* (*Error As Integer, ErrorMessage As String*)**

### Remarks

This event is fired whenever an error occurs. Both an error code and a textual description of the error are passed as arguments.

The argument *Error* holds the error number.

The argument *ErrorMessage* gives the error in string form.

**See Also**

Properties:

[Action \(MIDI File\)](#)

## Filename Property

[See Also](#)

[Example](#)

### Description

Filename to open or create.

### Usage

*[form.]***Filename** [ = *string* ]

### Remarks

Filename to open or create. See the [Action](#) property.

### Data Type

String

**See Also**

Properties:

Action

## Filter Property

### Description

Allows for filtering and discarding of unwanted MIDI messages.

### Usage

*[form.]*[*control.*]**Filter**(*arrayindex*)[ = *boolean* ]

### Remarks

This property allows you to automatically filter (remove) incoming MIDI messages.

To filter out the MIDI note off message, set

```
MIDIInput.Filter(&H80) = True
```

To filter MIDI clock messages:

```
MIDIInput.Filter(&HF8) = True
```

### Data Type

Boolean array

## Format Property

### Description

Determines the format of the current MIDI file.

### Usage

*[form.]***Format** [ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

Determines the format of the current MIDI file.

<b>Constant</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>msMFFSingle</b>	0	Single track
<b>msMFFMulti</b>	1	One or more simultaneous tracks

### Data Type

Integer

## Frame and FractionalFrames Properties

[See Also](#)

### Description

Determines the offset of a message

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**Frame** [ = *integer* ]

[*form.*][*control.*]**FractionalFrames** = *integer* ]

### Remarks

These properties specify the offset. They become valid when a SMPTE Offset meta-message (&H54) becomes the current message and remain valid until either another SMPTE Offset meta-message is received or until changed by your program.

### Data Type

Integer (0-255)

**See Also**

Properties:

[FrameRate](#)

## FrameRate Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

SMPTE frames per second.

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**FrameRate**[ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

Determines the speed of frames. Valid only when TimeFormat = 1 (SMPTE/MIDI).

### Data Type

Integer

**See Also**

Properties:

[Fractional Frames](#)

[Frame](#)

[Time](#)

[TimeFormat](#)

## Hour, Minute, and Second Properties

### Description

Determines the time offset of a message

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**Hour**[ = *integer* ]

[*form.*][*control.*]**Minute**[ = *integer* ]

[*form.*][*control.*]**Second**[ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

These properties specify the current time offset. They are valid only when the current message is a SMPTE Offset meta-message (&H54).

### Data Type

Integer (0-255)

## Message Property

[See Also](#)

[Example](#)

### Description

Message byte.

### Usage

*[form.]***Message** [ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

Part of the data sent/received.

### Data Type

Integer (0-255)

**See Also**

Properties:

[Data1 and Data2](#)

## MessageCount Property

Example

### Description

Number of messages available.

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**MessageCount**[ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

As messages arrive at the MIDI Input control they are queued by the control. Your program can determine how many messages the MIDI Input control has queued by examining this property.

There is (or at least should be) an End of Track message at the end of each MIDI track. When you create a new track using the MIDI File control an End of Track message is placed in the track. The MessageCount property is actually one less than the number of messages since the End of Track message is not counted, cannot be accessed, and cannot be deleted.

### Data Type

Integer (long)

## MessageNumber Property

[See Also](#)

[Example](#)

### Description

Specifies current message.

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**MessageNumber**[ = *long* ]

### Remarks

Specifies the current message. This must range from 1 to [MessageCount](#).

### Data Type

Integer (long)

**See Also**

Properties:

[MessageCount](#)

## **Mi Property**

[See Also](#)

### **Description**

When Mi is set to 1 the current track is in a minor key, when set to 0 the current track is in a major key.

### **Usage**

*[form.][control.]Mi[ = integer ]*

### **Remarks**

Valid when the current message is a Key Signature meta-message (&H59).

### **Data Type**

Integer (0 - 255)

**See Also**

Properties:

Sf

## **MsgText Property**

Example

### **Description**

String representing meta-event.

### **Usage**

*[form.]***MsgText**

### **Remarks**

Specifies the name of the meta event.

This property is read-only.

### **Data Type**

Integer

## Notated32nds Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

The number of notated 32nd notes in a MIDI quarter-note (24 MIDI clocks).

### Usage

*[form.]**[control.]***Notated32nds***[ = integer ]*

### Remarks

Valid when the current message is a Time Signature meta-message (&H58).

### Data Type

Integer (0 - 255)

**See Also**

Properties:

[Clocks](#)

## NumberOfTracks Property

[See Also](#)

[Example](#)

### Description

Number of tracks available.

### Usage

*[form.]**[control.]***NumberOfTracks** [ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

Current number of tracks available, this number will change as you insert and/or delete tracks.

### Data Type

Integer

**See Also**

Properties:

TrackNumber

## Numerator Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

The numerator of the time signature as it would be notated in accordance with the Standard MIDI File specification.

### Usage

*[form.]***Numerator***[ = integer ]*

### Remarks

Valid when the current message is a Time Signature meta-message (&H58).

### Data Type

Integer (0 - 255)

**See Also**

Properties:

[Denominator](#)

## Sequence Property

### Description

MIDI files may contain a Sequence Number meta-event at the beginning of a track and before any non-zero delta-time events, and before any transmittable MIDI events. The Sequence Property is set to the value of the Sequence Number whenever the Sequence Number meta-event is encountered.

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**Sequence**[ = *long* ]

### Remarks

Sequence number is generally not useful in format 0 or 1 MIDI files.

### Data Type

Integer (long)

## Sf Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Sharps/Flats, number of sharps or flats in the current key. Values between 1 and 127 specify 1 or more sharps, values between 128 and 255 specify one or more flats, and 0 specifies the key of C.

### Usage

*[form.][control.]Sf[ = integer ]*

### Remarks

Valid when the current message is a Key Signature meta-message (&H59).

### Data Type

Integer (0 - 255)

**See Also**

Properties:

Mi

## Tempo Property

Example

### Description

Sets the tempo.

### Usage

*[form.]***Tempo***[ = long ]*

### Remarks

Valid whenever the current message is a Tempo meta-event (&H51).

According to the Standard MIDI File specification, the Tempo value gives the number of microseconds per MIDI quarter note.

To calculate the Beats per Minute (BPM) of a song, use this formula:

$$\text{BPM} = 60,000,000 / \text{MidiFile.Tempo}$$

### Data Type

Integer (long)

## TicksPerFrame Property

### Description

Determines the number of ticks in each frame.

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**TicksPerFrame**[ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

Determines the number of ticks in each frame. Valid only when TimeFormat = 1 (SMPTE/MIDI).

### Data Type

Integer

## TicksPerQuarterNote Property

Example

### Description

Determines the number of ticks in each quarter note.

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**TicksPerQuarterNote**[ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

Determines the number of ticks in each quarter note. Valid only when TimeFormat = 0 (ticks per quarter note).

### Data Type

Integer

## Time Property

[See Also](#)

[Example](#)

### Description

Time of message in ticks or milliseconds (see [TimeFormat](#)).

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**Time**[ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

Time of message in ticks. It is important to note that Time has a different meaning in the MIDI input and output controls than it does in the MIDI file control. MIDI input and output times are always milliseconds elapsed time since the start of either recording or playback, while the MIDI file control always sets Time to the number of Ticks which elapse between events.

For the MIDI input and MIDI output controls Time is always in milliseconds.

With the MIDI file control the meaning of Time is defined by the contents of the MIDI header values [TicksPerQuarterNote](#) and the Tempo meta-event value [Tempo](#) when [TimeFormat](#) is 0 (Ticks per quarter note) or by [FrameRate](#) and [TicksPerFrame](#) when TimeFormat is 1 (SMPTE).

When using TimeFormat 0 files you may need to convert between MIDI ticks and milliseconds. Since Tempo gives the number of microseconds per MIDI quarter note the number of beats per minute is given by:

$$\text{Beats Per Minute} = 60,000,000 / \text{Tempo}$$

The number of Milliseconds Per Tick is:

$$\text{Milliseconds Per Tick} = (\text{Tempo} / 1000) / \text{TicksPerQuarterNote}$$

When reading a MIDI file and playing it using the MIDI output control you can use the Milliseconds Per Tick value to calculate the number of milliseconds between one event and the next by using the following equation:

$$\text{Millisecond Delay} = \text{Ticks between events} * \text{Milliseconds Per Tick}$$

When reading MIDI messages from the MIDI input control you need to convert from milliseconds to ticks, you can use the following equation:

$$\text{Ticks Per Milliseconds} = (\text{MIDIFile1.TicksPerQuarterNote} / \text{MIDIFile1.Tempo}) * 1000$$

Then convert elapsed milliseconds to ticks like this:

$$\text{Ticks between events} = \text{Milliseconds between events} * \text{Ticks Per Milliseconds}$$

### Data Type

Integer (long)

**See Also**

Properties:

[TicksPerQuarterNote](#)

[Tempo](#)

## TimeFormat Property

[See Also](#)

### Description

Determines the method of time-keeping used.

### Usage

[*form.*][*control.*]**TimeFormat**[ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

Determines the method of time-keeping used.

<b>Constant</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>tfTicks</b>	0	Ticks per quarter note (see <a href="#">TicksPerQuarterNote</a> )
<b>tfSMPTE</b>	1	SMPTE/MIDI (see <a href="#">FrameRate</a> and <a href="#">TicksPerFrame</a> )

### Data Type

Integer

**See Also**

Properties:

Time

## TrackNumber Property

[See Also](#)

[Example](#)

### Description

Currentl selected track.

### Usage

*[form.]***TrackNumber**[ = *integer* ]

### Remarks

Currently selected track. Trakcs can be accessed at random by using this property. Tracks are numbered from 1 to NumberOfTracks.

### Data Type

Integer

**See Also**

Properties:

[NumberOfTracks](#)



## Action Property Example, MIDI File Control

This subroutine shows how to perform a number of common tasks using the MIDIFile controls Action property.

```
Sub MidiFileFun ()
    '
    ' Delete the current track
    '
    MIDIFile1.Action = MIDIFILE_DELETE_TRACK
    '
    ' Create a new track
    '
    MIDIFile1.Action = MIDIFILE_INSERT_TRACK
    '
    ' Add a note-on message (Ch. 3, C3, forte, time 0) to the new track
    '
    MIDIFile1.Message = &H92
    MIDIFile1.Data1 = &H60
    MIDIFile1.Data2 = &H96
    MIDIFile1.Time = 0
    MIDIFile1.Action = MIDIFILE_INSERT_MESSAGE
    '
    ' Add a note-off message (Ch. 3, C3, standard, 50 ticks later)
    '
    MIDIFile1.Message = &H82
    MIDIFile1.Data1 = &H60
    MIDIFile1.Data2 = &H64
    MIDIFile1.Time = 50
    MIDIFile1.Action = MIDIFILE_INSERT_MESSAGE
    '
    ' Backup to first message and change its start time (moving to a message
    ' reloads the message so we only need to modify the time property)
    '
    MIDIFile1.MessageNumber = 1
    MIDIFile1.Time = 25
    MIDIFile1.Action = MIDIFILE_MODIFY_MESSAGE
    '
    ' Save the file using a new name
    '
    MIDIFile1.Filename = newname.mid
    MIDIFile1.Action = MIDIFILE_SAVE_AS
    '
    ' Close the file
    '
    MIDIFile1.Action = MIDIFILE_CLOSE
End Sub
```



## Buffer Property Example

In this example, a Sysex message is sent which resets the Roland SoundCanvas SC-88 to General Midi mode.

```
Sub SetGMMode_Click ()  
    Midioutput1.Buffer = Chr$(&HF0) + Chr$(&H7E) + Chr$(&H7F) + Chr$(9) + Chr$(1) + Chr$  
(&HF7)  
    Midioutput1.Message = &HF0  
    Midioutput1.Action = MIDIOUT_SEND  
End Sub
```

In this example the first and last bytes (&HF0 and &HF7) signal the beginning and end of a Sysex message. The middle bytes are the Sysex messages contents.



## Clocks Property Example



### **Error Event Example**

```
Sub MIDIOutput1_Error (ErrorCode As Integer, ErrorMessage As String)
    MsgBox ErrorMessage
End Sub
```



## Filename Property Example

This example shows how to open a midi file. First the CMDialog control is used for its FileOpen Dialog capability, then the user-selected filename is put into the MIDI File control, and finally the file is opened using the MIDI File controls Action property.

```
Sub FileOpen_Click ()
  On Error Resume Next
  CMDialog1.DialogTitle = "Open MIDI File"
  CMDialog1.Flags = &H1000&
  CMDialog1.Action = 1
  If (Err) Then
    Exit Sub
  End If
  MIDIFile1.FileName = CMDialog1.FileName
  MIDIFile1.Action = MIDIFILE_OPEN
End Sub
```



**Format Property Example**



**Frame Property Example**



## FrameRate Property Example



## Hour Property Example

Close

Copy

Print

## Message Property Example

The following subroutine shows a sample MIDIInput\_Message event handler. All of the available messages are read and output using the MIDI output control, this provides a MIDI-thru capability.

```
Sub MIDIInput1_Message()  
    Dim Message As Integer  
    Dim Data1 As Integer  
    Dim Data2 As Integer  
  
    Do While (MIDIInput1.MessageCount > 0 )  
        '  
        'This is the incoming MIDI data  
        '  
        Message = MIDIInput1.Message  
        Data1 = MIDIInput1.Data1  
        Data2 = MIDIInput1.Data2  
        '  
        ' Tell MIDIOutput1 to send the MIDI data  
        '  
        MIDIOutput1.Message = Message  
        MIDIOutput1.Data1 = Data1  
        MIDIOutput1.Data2 = Data2  
        MIDIOutput1.Action = MIDIOUT_SEND  
        '  
        ' Remove the input message  
        '  
        MIDIInput1.Action = MIDIIN_REMOVE  
    Loop  
End Sub
```

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## MessageCount Property Example

The following subroutine shows a sample MIDIInput\_Message event handler. All of the available messages are read and output using the MIDI output control, this provides a MIDI-thru capability.

```
Sub MIDIInput1_Message()  
    Dim Message As Integer  
    Dim Data1 As Integer  
    Dim Data2 As Integer  
  
    Do While (MIDIInput1.MessageCount > 0 )  
        '  
        'This is the incoming MIDI data  
        '  
        Message = MIDIInput1.Message  
        Data1 = MIDIInput1.Data1  
        Data2 = MIDIInput1.Data2  
        '  
        ' Tell MIDIOutput1 to send the MIDI data  
        '  
        MIDIOutput1.Message = Message  
        MIDIOutput1.Data1 = Data1  
        MIDIOutput1.Data2 = Data2  
        MIDIOutput1.Action = MIDIOUT_SEND  
        '  
        ' Remove the input message  
        '  
        MIDIInput1.Action = MIDIIN_REMOVE  
    Loop  
End Sub
```

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## MessageNumber Property Example

The following searches through the messages in a track looking for a track name event.

```
Function GetTrackName (Track As Integer) As String
    Dim i As Integer

    MIDIFile1.TrackNumber = Track

    For i = 1 To MIDIFile1.MessageCount
        MIDIFile1.MessageNumber = i
        '
        'Meta Event
        '
        If (MIDIFile1.Message = 255) And MIDIFile1.Data1 = 3 Then
            If (MIDIFile1.MsgText = "") Then
                GetTrackName = "Track" & Str(Track) & " (null)"
            Else
                GetTrackName = MIDIFile1.MsgText
            End If
        End If
        Exit Function
    End If
Next
GetTrackName = "Track" & Str(Track)
End Function
```



### **MessageTag Property Example**

```
Sub MIDIOutput1_MessageSent (MessageTag As Long)
  If (MessageTag = 1) Then
    Shap1.Visible = True
  Else
    Shap1.Visible = False
  End If
End Sub
```



**Mi Property Example**



## **MsgText Property Example**

This example shows how to change the MsgText for the current message.

```
Sub CmdModifyMessage_Click ()  
    MIDIFile1.MsgText = MsgTextEdit.Text  
    MIDIFile1.Action = MIDIFILE_MODIFY_MESSAGE  
End Sub
```



**Notated32nds Property Example**



**Notes Property Example**



## NumberOfTracks Property Example

This example shows how to load track names into a list box.

```
Sub DisplayTrackList ()
    Dim m As Integer
    Dim t As Integer

    TrackList.Clear
    For t = 1 To MIDIFile1.NumberOfTracks
        TrackList.AddItem GetTrackName(t)
        If (t = 1) Then
            msPerTick = ((MIDIFile1.Tempo) / 1000) /
MIDIFile1.TicksPerQuarterNote
            ticksPerMs = (MIDIFile1.TicksPerQuarterNote / MIDIFile1.Tempo) * 1000
        End If
    Next
End Sub
```



## Numerator Property Example



**Sf Property Example**

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## Tempo Property Example

This example shows how to locate a Tempo sysex event in a track and how to calculate MillisecondsPerTick and TicksPerMillisecond..

```
Sub CalculateTimingValues( Track As Integer )
  Dim m As Integer

  MIDIFile1.TrackNumber = Track
  For m = 1 To MIDIFile1.MessageCount
    MIDIFile1.Message = m
    If ((MIDIFile1.Message = &HFF) And (MIDIFile1.Message = &H51)) Then
      msPerTick = ((MIDIFile1.Tempo) / 1000) /
MIDIFile1.TicksPerQuarterNote
      ticksPerMs = (MIDIFile1.TicksPerQuarterNote / MIDIFile1.Tempo) * 1000
    End If
  Next
End Sub
```



**TicksPerFrame Property Example**

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## TicksPerQuarterNote Property Example

This example shows how to locate a Tempo sysex event in a track and how to use TicksPerQuarterNote to calculate MillisecondsPerTick and TicksPerMillisecond..

```
Sub CalculateTimingValues( Track As Integer )
    Dim m As Integer

    MIDIFile1.TrackNumber = Track
    For m = 1 To MIDIFile1.MessageCount
        MIDIFile1.Message = m
        If ((MIDIFile1.Message = &HFF) And (MIDIFile1.Message = &H51)) Then
            msPerTick = ((MIDIFile1.Tempo) / 1000) /
MIDIFile1.TicksPerQuarterNote
            ticksPerMs = (MIDIFile1.TicksPerQuarterNote / MIDIFile1.Tempo) * 1000
        End If
    Next
End Sub
```



## Time Property Example

This example shows how to change time for the current message.

```
Sub CmdModifyMessageTime_Click ()  
    MIDIFile1.Time = Val(TimeEdit.Text)  
    MIDIFile1.Action = MIDIFILE_MODIFY_MESSAGE  
End Sub
```



**TimeFormat Property Example**



## TrackNumber Property Example

This example shows how to load track names into a list box.

```
Sub DisplayTrackList ()
    Dim m As Integer
    Dim t As Integer

    TrackList.Clear
    For t = 1 To MIDIFile1.NumberOfTracks
        TrackList.AddItem GetTrackName(t)
        If (t = 1) Then
            msPerTick = ((MIDIFile1.Tempo) / 1000) /
MIDIFile1.TicksPerQuarterNote
            ticksPerMs = (MIDIFile1.TicksPerQuarterNote / MIDIFile1.Tempo) * 1000
        End If
    Next
End Sub
```

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