

Window Settings

This dialog resets window parameters that determine window type, behavior, and initial position. Many changes made here affect only the FWND in memory, and do not take effect until the window is reopened. Use "Save All to disk" to make changes permanent.

Page 1 - Type & Behavior

Title - The text which appears in the title bar of the window.

Window Type - The types shown as icons are the standard window types directly supported by Apple's WDEFs. The major considerations in choosing a window type are whether the window needs to have a title bar, close box, zoom box, and/or grow box.

The last two standard types (5 & 13) are recent additions intended to support draggable modal windows. A limitation of the new types, however, is that they do not support a close box.

Allow Live Editing - Allows direct editing of the window when the user presses Option-⌘-Shift. If not set, then only the FWND template can be edited. Template editing is denoted by the appearance of a "T" in the file icon at the left of the icon bar in edit mode, and by the fact that a separate window is opened when entering editing mode. Template editing is safer, but usually not necessary (we never used it when creating ViewIt's own windows).

Beep Before Opening - Beeps once before opening the window. Useful when attempting to mimic an alert.

Prefer Color Window - If Color QuickDraw is present, opens a window with a Color GrafPort. The advantage of using a color window is that drawing done by a program or control drivers is not limited to the original 8 colors.

Track Modal Position - Remembers the position of a modal window when it is closed so that it can be reopened at the same screen location. This is often used with draggable modal windows.

Return Modal Events - Returns all unprocessed modal window events to the main program. See "Windows" in the ViewIt Guide for further info.

Use Enter As Tab Key - Converts all Enter key events to Tab key events. This is useful in a window that contains several edit fields that accept numbers from the numeric key pad. It's easier to hit Enter to move to the next field than it is to hunt for the Tab key.

Has Close Box - Sets the flag which most window definition proc.s use to determine if a close box is supported. In some cases, however, WDEFs ignore this flag and do not display a close box.

Has Grow Box - Causes ViewIt to display and support a grow box in the lower, right corner of the window. This functionality can be added to any window type, and does not depend upon a WDEF's support of a "grow region".

Initially Hidden - The window is kept hidden when created by NewWnd, which is a good way to hide any messy drawing that sometimes occurs when controls in the window are being setup. Modeless windows can then be shown with ShoWnd, and modal windows are automatically shown by MdlWnd.

Page 2 - Initial Position

ViewIt uses UtilIt's MovRec command to set the initial position of windows. The options on page 2 correspond to parameters b, c, and d of the MovRec command described in the UtilIt Guide.