

## #95: How To Add Items to the Print Dialogs

See also:           The Printing Manager  
                  The Dialog Manager

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This technical note discusses how to add your own items to the Printing Manager's dialogs.

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When the Printing Manager was initially designed, great care was taken to make the interface to the printer drivers as generic as possible in order to allow applications to print without being device-specific. There are times, however, when this type of non-specific interface interferes with the flexibility of an application. An application may require additional information before printing which is not part of the general Printing Manager interface. This technical note describes a method that an application can use to add its own items to the existing style and job dialogs.

Before continuing, you need to be aware of some guidelines that will increase your chances of being compatible with the printing architecture in the future:

- Only add items to the dialogs as described in this technical note. Any other methods will decrease your chances of survival in the future.
- Do not change the position of any item in the current dialogs. This means don't delete items from the existing item list or add items in the middle. Add items **only at the end** of the list.
- Don't count on an item retaining its current position in the list. If you depend on the Draft button being a particular number in the ImageWriter's style dialog item list, and we change the Draft button's item number for some reason, your program may no longer function correctly.
- Don't use more than half the screen height for your items. Apple reserves the right to expand the items in the standard print dialogs to fill the top half of the screen.
- If you are adding lots of items to the dialogs (which may confuse users), you should consider having your own separate dialog in addition to the existing Printing Manager dialogs.

## The Heart

Before we talk about how the dialogs work, you need to know this: at the heart of the printer dialogs is a little-known data structure partially documented in the MacPrint interface file. It's a record called `TPrDlg` and it looks like this:

```
TPrDlg = RECORD    {Print Dialog: The Dialog Stream object.}
    dlg            : DialogRecord;    {dialog window}
    pFltrProc      : ProcPtr;         {filter proc.}
    pItemProc      : ProcPtr;         {item evaluating proc.}
    hPrintUsr      : THPrint;         {user's print record.}
    fDoIt          : BOOLEAN;
    fDone          : BOOLEAN;
    lUser1         : LONGINT;         {four longs reserved by Apple}
    lUser2         : LONGINT;
    lUser3         : LONGINT;
    lUser4         : LONGINT;
    iNumFst        : INTEGER;         {numeric edit items for std filter}
    iNumLst        : INTEGER;
    {... plus more stuff needed by the particular printing dialog.}
END;
TPPrDlg = ^TPrDlg;           {== a dialog ptr}
```

All of the information pertaining to a print dialog is kept in the `TPrDlg` record. This record will be referred to frequently in the discussion below.

## How the Dialogs Work

When your application calls `PrStlDialog` and `PrJobDialog`, the printer driver actually calls a routine called `PrDlgMain`. This function is declared as follows:

```
FUNCTION PrDlgMain (hprint: THPrint; pDlgInit: ProcPtr): BOOLEAN;
```

`PrDlgMain` first calls the `pDlgInit` routine to set up the appropriate dialog (in `Dlg`), dialog hook (`pItemProc`) and dialog event filter (`pFilterProc`) in the `TPrDlg` record (shown above). For the job dialog, the address of `PrJobInit` is passed to `PrDlgMain`. For the style dialog, the address of `PrStlInit` is passed. These routines are declared as follows:

```
FUNCTION PrJobInit (hPrint: THPrint): TPPrDlg;
FUNCTION PrStlInit (hPrint: THPrint): TPPrDlg;
```

After the initialization routine sets up the `TPrDlg` record, `PrDlgMain` calls `ShowWindow` (the window is initially invisible), then it calls `ModalDialog`, using the dialog event filter pointed to by the `pFltrProc` field. When an item is hit, the routine pointed to by the `pItemProc` field is called and the items are handled appropriately. When the OK button is hit (this includes pressing Return or Enter) the print record is validated. The print record is not validated if the Cancel button is hit.

## How to Add Your Own Items

To modify the print dialogs, you need to change the `TPrDlg` record before the dialog is drawn on the screen. You can add your own items to the item list, replace the addresses of the standard dialog hook and event filter with the addresses of your own routines and then let the dialog code continue on its merry way.

For example, to modify the job dialog, first call `PrJobInit`. `PrJobInit` will fill in the `TPrDlg` record for you and return a pointer to that record. Then call `PrDlgMain` directly, passing in the address of your own initialization function. The example code's initialization function adds items to the dialog item list, saves the address of the standard dialog hook (in our global variable `prPItemProc`) and puts the address of our dialog hook into the `pItemProc` field of the `TPrDlg` record. Please note that your dialog hook **must** call the standard dialog hook to handle all of the standard dialog's items.

**Note:** If you wish to have an event filter, handle it the same way that you do a dialog hook.

Now, here is an example (written in MPW Pascal) that modifies the job dialog. The same code works for the style dialog if you globally replace 'Job' with 'Stl'. Also included is a function (`AppendDITL`) provided by Lew Rollins (originally written in C, translated for this technical note to MPW Pascal) which demonstrates a method of adding items to the item list, placing them in an appropriate place, and expanding the dialog window's rectangle.

## The MPW Pascal Example Program

```
PROGRAM ModifyDialogs;

  USES
    {$LOAD PasDump.dump}
    MemTypes, QuickDraw, OSIntf, ToolIntf, PackIntf, MacPrint;

  CONST
    MyDITL          = 256;
    MyDFirstBox     = 1;           {Item number of first box in my DITL}
    MyDSecondBox    = 2;

  VAR
    PrtJobDialog: TPrDlg;  { pointer to job dialog }
    hPrintRec   : THPrint; { Handle to print record }
    FirstBoxValue,
    SecondBoxValue: Integer; { value of our first additional box }
    prFirstItem,
    prPItemProc : LongInt;  { we need to store the old itemProc here }
    itemType    : Integer;  { needed for GetDItem/SetDItem calls }
    itemH       : Handle;
    itemBox     : Rect;
    err         : OSErr;

    {-----}

  PROCEDURE _DataInit;
    EXTERNAL;

    {-----}
```

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PROCEDURE CallItemHandler(theDialog: DialogPtr; theItem: Integer; theProc:
LongInt);
    INLINE $205F,$4E90;                {    MOVE.L (A7)+,A0

                                         JSR (A0)                                }

{ this code pops off theProc and then does a JSR to it, which puts the
real return address on the stack. }

{-----}

FUNCTION AppendDITL(theDialog: DialogPtr; theDITLID: Integer): Integer;
{ version 0.1 9/11/86 Lew Rollins of Human-Systems Interface Group}
{ this routine still needs some error checking }

{ This routine appends all of the items of a specified DITL
onto the end of a specified DLOG - We don't even need to know the format
of the DLOG }

{ this will be done in 3 steps:
1. append the items of the specified DITL onto the existing DLOG
2. expand the original dialog window as required
3. return the adjusted number of the first new user item
}

    TYPE
        DITLItem      = RECORD { First, a single item }
                                itmHndl: Handle; { Handle or
procedure pointer for this item }
                                itmRect: Rect; { Display
rectangle for this item }
                                itmType: SignedByte; { Item
type for this item - 1 byte }
                                itmData: ARRAY [0..0] OF
SignedByte; { Length byte of data }
        END;      {DITLItem}

        pDITLItem      = ^DITLItem;
        hDITLItem      = ^pDITLItem;

        ItemList       = RECORD { Then, the list of items }
                                dlgMaxIndex: Integer; { Number
of items minus 1 }
                                DITLItems: ARRAY [0..0] OF
DITLItem; { Array of items }
        END;      {ItemList}

        pItemList      = ^ItemList;
        hItemList      = ^pItemList;

        IntPtr          = ^Integer;

    VAR
        offset          : Point;  { Used to offset rectangles of items
being appended }
        maxRect         : Rect;    { Used to track increases in window
size }
        hDITL           : hItemList; { Handle to DITL being appended }
        pItem           : pDITLItem; { Pointer to current item being
appended }
        hItems          : hItemList; { Handle to DLOG's item list }
        firstItem       : Integer; { Number of where first item is to be

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appended }
newItems,           { Count of new items }
dataSize,           { Size of data for current item }
i                   : Integer; { Working index }
USB                 : RECORD {we need this because itmData[0] is
unsigned}
CASE Integer OF
    1:

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                                (SByteArray: ARRAY [0..1]
OF SignedByte);

                                2:
                                (Int: Integer);
                                {USB}

                                END;

                                BEGIN
                                {AppendDITL}

{
Using the original DLOG

1. Remember the original window Size.
2. Set the offset Point to be the bottom of the original window.
3. Subtract 5 pixels from bottom and right, to be added
   back later after we have possibly expanded window.
4. Get working Handle to original item list.
5. Calculate our first item number to be returned to caller.
6. Get locked Handle to DITL to be appended.
7. Calculate count of new items.
}

                                maxRect := DialogPeek(theDialog)^.window.port.portRect;
                                offset.v := maxRect.bottom;
                                offset.h := 0;
                                maxRect.bottom := maxRect.bottom - 5;
                                maxRect.right := maxRect.right - 5;
                                hItems := hItemList(DialogPeek(theDialog)^.items);
                                firstItem := hItems^.dlgMaxIndex + 2;
                                hDITL := hItemList(GetResource('DITL',theDITLID));
                                HLock(Handle(hDITL));
                                newItems := hDITL^.dlgMaxIndex + 1;

{
For each item,
1. Offset the rectangle to follow the original window.
2. Make the original window larger if necessary.
3. fill in item Handle according to type.
}

                                pItem := @hDITL^.DITLItems;
                                FOR i := 1 TO newItems DO BEGIN
                                    OffsetRect(pItem^.itmRect,offset.h,offset.v);
                                    UnionRect(pItem^.itmRect,maxRect,maxRect);

                                    USB.Int := 0;                                {zero things out}
                                    USB.SByteArray[1] := pItem^.itmData[0];

                                    { Strip enable bit since it doesn't matter here. }
                                    WITH pItem^ DO
                                        CASE BAND(itmType,$7F) OF
                                            userItem:    { Can't do anything meaningful with
user items. }

                                                itmHndl := NIL;
                                                ctrlItem + btnCtrl,ctrlItem + chkCtrl,ctrlItem +
radCtrl:{build Control }

                                                itmHndl := Handle(NewControl(theDialog,
{ theWindow }

                                itmRect, { boundsRect }

                                StringPtr(@itmData[0])^, { title }

                                true, { visible }

                                0,0,1, { value, min, max }

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BAND(itmType,$03), { procID }  
  
0)); { refCon }  
                                ctrlItem + resCtrl: BEGIN { Get resource based  
Control }  
                                itmHndl :=  
Handle(GetNewControl(IntPtr(@itmData[1])^, { controlId }  
                                )
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        theDialog)); { theWindow }
                                ControlHandle(itmHndl)^^.ctrlRect :=
itmRect; {give it the right
                                rectangle}
                                {An actionProc for a Control should be
installed here}
                                END;                                {Case ctrlItem + resCtrl}
                                statText,editText: { Both need Handle to a copy
of their text. }
                                err := PtrToHand(@itmData[1], { Start of
data }
                                itmHndl,
                                { Address of new Handle }
                                USB.Int); {
Length of text }
                                iconItem:    { Icon needs resource Handle. }
                                pItem^.itmHndl :=
GetIcon(IntPtr(@itmData[1])^); { ICON resID }
                                picItem:    { Picture needs resource Handle. }
                                pItem^.itmHndl :=
Handle(GetPicture(IntPtr(@itmData[1])^));{PICT resID}
                                OTHERWISE
                                itmHndl := NIL;
                                END;                                {Case}

                                dataSize := BAND(USB.Int + 1,$FFFE);
                                {now advance to next item}
                                pItem := pDITLItem(Ptr(ord4(@pItem^) + dataSize +
sizeof(DITLItem)));
                                END;                                {for}
                                err := PtrAndHand
                                (@hDITL^^.DITLItems,Handle(hItems),GetHandleSize(Handle(hDITL)));
                                hItems^^.dlgMaxIndex := hItems^^.dlgMaxIndex + newItem;
                                HUnlock(Handle(hDITL));
                                ReleaseResource(Handle(hDITL));
                                maxRect.bottom := maxRect.bottom + 5;
                                maxRect.right := maxRect.right + 5;
                                SizeWindow(theDialog,maxRect.right,maxRect.bottom,true);
                                AppendDITL := firstItem;
                                END;                                {AppendDITL}

```

{-----}

```

PROCEDURE MyJobItems(theDialog: DialogPtr; itemNo: Integer);
{
This routine replaces the routine in the pItemProc field in the
TPPrDlg record. The steps it takes are:
1. Check to see if the item hit was one of ours. This is done by "localizing"
the number, assuming that our items are numbered from 0..n
2. If it's one of ours then case it and Handle appropriately
3. If it isn't one of ours then call the old item handler
}

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VAR
MyItem,firstItem: Integer;
thePt           : Point;
thePart         : Integer;
theValue        : Integer;
debugPart       : Integer;

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BEGIN
    {MyJobItems}
    firstItem := prFirstItem; { remember, we saved this in myJobDlgInit
}

MyItem := itemNo - firstItem + 1; { "localize" current item No }
IF MyItem > 0 THEN BEGIN { if localized item > 0, it's one of
ours }
    { find out which of our items was hit }
    GetDItem(theDialog,itemNo,itemType,itemH,itemBox);
    CASE MyItem OF

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MyDFirstBox: BEGIN
    { invert value of FirstBoxValue and redraw it }
    FirstBoxValue := 1 - FirstBoxValue;
    SetCtlValue(ControlHandle(itemH),FirstBoxValue);
END;
MyDSecondBox: BEGIN
    { invert value of SecondBoxValue and redraw it }
    SecondBoxValue := 1 - SecondBoxValue;
    SetCtlValue(ControlHandle(itemH),SecondBoxValue);
END;
OTHERWISE
    Debug;
    { OH OH - We got an item we
didn't expect }
END;
{Case}
END
{ if MyItem > 0 }
ELSE
    { chain to standard item handler, whose
address is saved
in prPItemProc }
CallItemHandler(theDialog,itemNo,prPItemProc);
END;
{ MyJobItems }

{-----}

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```

FUNCTION MyJobDlgInit(hPrint: THPrint): TPPrDlg;
{
This routine appends items to the standard job dialog and sets up the
user fields of the printing dialog record TPRDlg
This routine will be called by PrDlgMain
This is what it does:
1. First call PrJobInit to fill in the TPPrDlg record.
2. Append our items onto the old DITL. Set them up appropriately.
3. Save the address of the old item handler and replace it with ours.
4. Return the Fixed dialog to PrDlgMain.
}

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```

VAR
    firstItem : Integer; { first new item number }

BEGIN
    {MyJobDlgInit}
    firstItem := AppendDITL(DialogPtr(PrtJobDialog),MyDITL);

    prFirstItem := firstItem; { save this so MyJobItems can find it }

    { now we'll set up our DITL items - The "First Box" }
    GetDItem(DialogPtr(PrtJobDialog),firstItem,itemType,itemH,itemBox);
    SetCtlValue(ControlHandle(itemH),FirstBoxValue);

    { now we'll set up the second of our DITL items - The "Second
Box" }
    GetDItem(DialogPtr(PrtJobDialog),firstItem +
1,itemType,itemH,itemBox);
    SetCtlValue(ControlHandle(itemH),SecondBoxValue);

    { Now comes the part where we patch in our item handler. We have to save
the old item handler address, so we can call it if one of the standard
items is hit, and put our item handler's address
in pItemProc field of the TPrDlg struct}

    prPItemProc := LongInt(PrtJobDialog^.pItemProc);

    { Now we'll tell the modal item handler where our routine is }
    PrtJobDialog^.pItemProc := ProcPtr(@MyJobItems);

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        { PrDlgMain expects a pointer to the modified dialog to be
returned.... }
        MyJobDlgInit := PrtJobDialog;

        END;                                     {myJobDlgInit}

{-----}

FUNCTION Print: OSErr;

    VAR
        bool                : BOOLEAN;

    BEGIN
        {Print}
        hPrintRec := THPrint(NewHandle(sizeof(TPrint)));
        PrintDefault(hPrintRec);
        bool := PrValidate(hPrintRec);
        IF (PrError <> noErr) THEN BEGIN
            Print := PrError;
            Exit(Print);
        END;                                     {If}

        { call PrJobInit to get pointer to the invisible job dialog }
        PrtJobDialog := PrJobInit(hPrintRec);
        IF (PrError <> noErr) THEN BEGIN
            Print := PrError;
            Exit(Print);
        END;                                     {If}

{Here's the line that does it all!}
        IF NOT (PrDlgMain(hPrintRec,@MyJobDlgInit)) THEN BEGIN
            Print := cancel;
            Exit(Print);
        END;                                     {If}

        IF PrError <> noErr THEN Print := PrError;

        { that's all for now }

        END;                                     { Print }

{-----}

BEGIN                                     {PROGRAM}

    UnloadSeg(@_DataInit);    {remove data initialization code before any
allocations}
    InitGraf(@thePort);
    InitFonts;
    FlushEvents(everyEvent,0);
    InitWindows;
    InitMenus;
    TEInit;
    InitDialogs(NIL);
    InitCursor;

    { call the routine that does printing }
    FirstBoxValue := 0;                { value of our first additional box }

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SecondBoxValue := 0;      { value of our second addtl. box }
PrOpen;      { Open the Print Manager }
IF PrError = noErr THEN
    err := Print      { This actually brings up the modified Job
dialog }
ELSE BEGIN
    {tell the user that PrOpen failed}
END;

PrClose;      { Close the Print Manager and leave }
END.
```

# The Lightspeed C Example Program

```
/* NOTE: Apple reserves the top half of the screen (where the current DITL
        items are located). Applications may use the bottom half of the screen
to add items, but should not change any items in the top half of the
screen. An application should expand the print dialogs only as much as is
absolutely necessary.
*/
```

```
/* Note: A global search and replace of 'Job' with 'Stl' will produce
        code that modifies the style dialogs */
```

```
#include <DialogMgr.h>
#include <MacTypes.h>
#include <Quickdraw.h>
#include <ResourceMgr.h>
#include <WindowMgr.h>
#include <pascal.h>
#include <printmgr.h>
#define nil 0L
```

```
static TPPrDlg PrtJobDialog;          /* pointer to job dialog */
```

```
/* This points to the following structure:
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```
    struct {
        DialogRecord    Dlg;          (The Dialog window)
        ProcPtr          pFltrProc;    (The Filter Proc.)
        ProcPtr          pItemProc;    (The Item evaluating proc. --
                                        we'll change this)
        THPrint          hPrintUsr;    (The user's print record.)
        Boolean          fDoIt;
        Boolean          fDone;
        (Four longs -- reserved by Apple Computer)
        long              lUser1;
        long              lUser2;
        long              lUser3;
        long              lUser4;
    } TPPrDlg; *TPPrDlg;
*/
```

```
/* Declare 'pascal' functions and procedures */
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```
pascal Boolean PrDlgMain();           /* Print manager's dialog handler */
pascal TPPrDlg PrJobInit();           /* Gets standard print job dialog. */
pascal TPPrDlg MyJobDlgInit(); /* Our extension to PrJobInit */
pascal void MyJobItems();             /* Our modal item handler */
```

```
#define MyDITL 256                    /* resource ID of my DITL to be spliced
                                        on to job dialog */
```

```
THPrint hPrintRec;                   /* handle to print record */
short FirstBoxValue = 0;              /* value of our first additional box */
short SecondBoxValue = 0;             /* value of our second addtl. box */
long prFirstItem;                    /* save our first item here */
long prPItemProc;                   /* we need to store the old itemProc here */
```

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/*-----*/
    WindowPtr    MyWindow;
    OSErr         err;
    Str255        myStr;
main()
{
    Rect          myWRect;

    InitGraf(&thePort);
    InitFonts();
    InitWindows();
    InitMenus();
    InitDialogs(nil);
    InitCursor();
    SetRect(&myWRect, 50, 260, 350, 340);

    /* call the routine that does printing */
    PrOpen();
    err = Print();

    PrClose();
} /* main */

/*-----*/

OSErr Print()
{
    /* call PrJobInit to get pointer to the invisible job dialog */
    hPrintRec = (THPrint) (NewHandle(sizeof(TPrint)));
    PrintDefault(hPrintRec);
    PrValidate(hPrintRec);
    if (PrError() != noErr)
        return PrError();

    PrtJobDialog = PrJobInit(hPrintRec);
    if (PrError() != noErr)
        return PrError();

    if (!PrDlgMain(hPrintRec, &MyJobDlgInit)) /* this line does all the
                                                stuff */
        return Cancel;

    if (PrError() != noErr)
        return PrError();

/* that's all for now */

} /* Print */

/*-----*/

pascal TPrDlg MyJobDlgInit (hPrint)
THPrint hPrint;
/* this routine appends items to the standard job dialog and sets up the

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user fields of the printing dialog record TPRDlg
This routine will be called by PrDlgMain */
{
    short        firstItem;          /* first new item number */

    short        itemType;           /* needed for GetDItem/SetDItem call */
    Handle       itemH;
    Rect         itemBox;

    firstItem = AppendDITL (PrtJobDialog, MyDITL); /*call routine to do
                                                    this */

    prFirstItem = firstItem; /* save this so MyJobItems can find it */

/* now we'll set up our DITL items -- The "First Box" */
    GetDItem(PrtJobDialog,firstItem,&itemType,&itemH,&itemBox);
    SetCtlValue(itemH,FirstBoxValue);

/* now we'll set up the second of our DITL items -- The "Second Box" */
    GetDItem(PrtJobDialog,firstItem+1,&itemType,&itemH,&itemBox);
    SetCtlValue(itemH,SecondBoxValue);

/* Now comes the part where we patch in our item handler.  We have to save
the old item handler address, so we can call it if one of the
standard items is hit, and put our item handler's address
in pItemProc field of the TPrDlg struct
*/

    prPItemProc = (long)PrtJobDialog->pItemProc;

/* Now we'll tell the modal item handler where our routine is */
    PrtJobDialog->pItemProc = (ProcPtr)&MyJobItems;

/* PrDlgMain expects a pointer to the modified dialog to be returned.... */
    return PrtJobDialog;

} /*myJobDlgInit*/

/*-----*/

/* here's the analogue to the SF dialog hook */

pascal void MyJobItems(theDialog,itemNo)
TPPrDlg      theDialog;
short itemNo;

{ /* MyJobItems */
    short    myItem;
    short    firstItem;

    short    itemType;           /* needed for GetDItem/SetDItem call */
    Handle   itemH;
    Rect     itemBox;

    firstItem = prFirstItem; /* remember, we saved this in myJobDlgInit */
    myItem = itemNo-firstItem+1; /* "localize" current item No */

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if (myItem > 0)    /* if localized item > 0, it's one of ours */
{
    /* find out which of our items was hit */
    GetDItem(theDialog,itemNo,&itemType,&itemH,&itemBox);
    switch (myItem)
    {
        case 1:
            /* invert value of FirstBoxValue and redraw it */
            FirstBoxValue ^= 1;
            SetCtlValue(itemH,FirstBoxValue);
            break;

        case 2:
            /* invert value of SecondBoxValue and redraw it */
            SecondBoxValue ^= 1;
            SetCtlValue(itemH,SecondBoxValue);
            break;

        default: Debugger(); /* OH OH */
    } /* switch */
} /* if (myItem > 0) */
else /* chain to standard item handler, whose address is saved in
      prPItemProc */
{
    CallPascal(theDialog,itemNo,prPItemProc);
}
} /* MyJobItems */

```



# The Rez Source

```
#include "types.r"

resource 'DITL' (256) {
    {      /* array DITLarray: 2 elements */
        /* [1] */
        {8, 0, 24, 112},
        CheckBox {
            enabled,
            "First Box"
        };
        /* [2] */
        {8, 175, 24, 287},
        CheckBox {
            enabled,
            "Second Box"
        }
    }
};
```