

# NSFont

**Inherits From:**        NSObject  
**Declared In:**         appkit/NSFont.h

## Creating and Freeing a Font Object

- + (NSFont \*)**boldSystemFontOfSize:(float)***fontSize*  
Returns the font object representing the bold system font of size *fontSize* and matrix NSFontIdentityMatrix.
- + (NSFont \*)**fontWithName:(NSString \*)***fontName* **matrix:(const float \*)***fontMatrix*  
Returns a font object for font *fontName* and matrix *fontMatrix*.
- + (NSFont \*)**fontWithName:(NSString \*)***fontName* **size:(float)***fontSize*  
Returns a font object for font *fontName* of size *fontSize*.
- + (NSFont \*)**systemFontOfSize:(float)***fontSize*   Returns the font object representing the system font of size *fontSize* and matrix NSFontIdentityMatrix.
- + (NSFont \*)**userFixedPitchFontOfSize:(float)***fontSize*  
Returns the font object representing the application's fixed-pitch font of size *fontSize* and matrix NSFontIdentityMatrix.
- + (NSFont \*)**userFontOfSize:(float)***fontSize*   Returns the font object representing the application's standard font of size *fontSize* and matrix NSFontIdentityMatrix.

## Setting the Font

- + (void)**setUserFixedPitchFont:(NSFont \*)***aFont* Sets the fixed-pitch font used by default in the application to *aFont*.
- + (void)**setUserFont:(NSFont \*)***aFont*         Sets the standard font used by default in the application to *aFont*.

- + (void)**useFont:**(NSString \*)*fontName*
- (void)**set**

Registers that *fontName* is used in the document.  
Makes this font the graphic state's current font.

## Querying the Font

- (NSDictionary \*)**afmDictionary**
- (NSString \*)**afmFileContents**
- (NSRect)**boundingRectForFont**
- (NSString \*)**displayName**
- (NSString \*)**familyName**
- (NSString \*)**fontName**
- (BOOL)**isBaseFont**
- (const float \*)**matrix**
- (float)**pointSize**
- (NSFont \*)**printerFont**
- (NSFont \*)**screenFont**
- (float)**widthOfString:**(NSString \*)*string*
- (float \*)**widths**

Returns the font's dictionary if the font has an AFM file.  
Returns the font dictionary's raw contents if the font has an AFM file.  
Returns the bounding rectangle for the font.  
Returns the full name of the font as displayed in the font panel.  
Returns the name of the font's family.  
Returns the name of the font.  
Indicates whether the font is the base font.  
Returns a pointer to an array representing the font's matrix.  
Returns the size of the font in points.  
Returns the printer font for the font.  
Returns the screen font for the font.  
Returns the width of *string* in the font.  
Returns a pointer to an array representing the widths of the glyphs in the font.

## Manipulating Glyphs

- (NSSize)**advancementForGlyph:**(NSGlyph)*aGlyph*
- (NSRect)**boundingRectForGlyph:**(NSGlyph)*aGlyph*
- (BOOL)**glyphIsEncoded:**(NSGlyph)*aGlyph*
- (NSPoint)**positionOfGlyph:**(NSGlyph)*curGlyph*  
**precededByGlyph:**(NSGlyph)*prevGlyph*  
**isNominal:**(BOOL \*)*nominal*

Returns the horizontal and vertical advancement for *aGlyph*.  
Returns a bounding rectangle for *aGlyph*, scaled to the font's actual size and matrix.  
Indicates whether *aGlyph* is encoded.  
Returns *curGlyph*'s position when it follows *prevGlyph* where *nominal* indicates whether position should be nominal, i.e., not modified by kerning information.