



Help for BarCod

BarCod is a Visual Basic custom control that displays a bar code.

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Properties

BarCod uses the Caption property to determine what to display. ForeColor is used for the color of the bars, BackColor is used for the color of the background. If BarCod cannot fit the entire bar code in the control window, it will fill the entire control with the background color.

BarCod has the following custom properties:

BarWidth

Direction

Displayed

Style

BarWidth Property

Description

Determines the width the bars in the bar code.

Usage

[*form.*][*label.*]BarWidth[= *width%*]

Remarks

This is represents the width of the "narrow" bar in the code selected (see [Style](#)). If this is set to 0, BarCod expands the bar code to fit in the control.

Data Type

Integer

Direction Property

Description

Determines the direction/orientation of the bar code.

Usage

[*form.*][*label.*]Direction[= *direction%*]

Remarks

The value of this property determines what direction the bar code goes. This property can be one of the four following values:

<u>Value</u>	<u>Description</u>
0	Left-to-right
1	Right-to-left
2	Top-to-bottom
3	Bottom-to-top

Data Type

Integer

Displayed Property

Description

Returns the actual string displayed in the bar code.

Usage

`[form.][label.]Displayed[= displayed$]`

Remarks

This property holds what was actually displayed. Bar codes don't have all the characters available. Some are purely numeric, some have numbers and letters, etc. This property lets the program know what was actually displayed.

Data Type

String

Style Property

Description

Determines what bar code style is used.

Usage

[*form.*][*label.*]Style[= *style%*]

Remarks

This property determines the style of bar code used. Each style has a different set of characters that it supports. The styles are:

<u>Value</u>	<u>Description</u>
0	None
1	2 of 5 - numbers only
2	Interleaved 2 of 5 - numbers only
3	3 of 9 - numbers, upper case letters, and - . * \$ / + %
4	Codabar (rationalized) - numbers, and A B C D - \$: / . +

Data Type

Integer

About BarCod

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Source code to this control is available for \$45 (\$50 for international orders). With source code you get a registered version of the control. If you are a CompuServe member, you may get the source code in the Software Registration forum (GO SWREG) for \$40. It's registration number is 1315.

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Getting Custom Controls Written

If you or your organization would like to have custom controls written, contact either me or Zane Thomas (co-author of the Waite Group's VB How-To, 2nd Edition). Here's how we can be reached:

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