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Altering the Mouse-Down Button

You can alter the background color of the Micro-Pic Button Array, as shown in this example, by using Microsoft PaintBrush to re-fill the existing colors. Before experimenting with colors, Save this bitmap (BUTNARA2.BMP) as BUTNARA3.BMP to create a backup.



Using Micro-Pic

See Microsoft's Visual Basic 2.0 Professional Features Manual for information on adding a

PicClip VBX control to your Project Form.

In your Project Form set it's following properties:

Cols: 20

Picture: BUTNARAY.BMP (or one you've modified)

Rows: 10

Again, in your Project Form, add a Picture Control and set it's following properties:

AutoSize: True

BackColor: light gray for 3D affect (&H00C0C0C0&)

BorderStyle: None

Height: 330

Name: ButnPic Width: 360

From the Options Menu under Environment, set the Grid Height and Grid Width to 60, and Align to Grid to Yes.

Determine the number of buttons you will need on the current Form. With the ButnPic Control selected, Press ^C to copy it to the Windows clipboard. Now paste as many ButnPic Picture Controls on your Form as you will need, by selecting the Form, then pressing ^V. When you are prompted as to whether you want to create a control array, answer Yes. The ButnPic controls will be automatically Indexed.

You may want to include a couple extra controls in case you decide to add more buttons later. They can be placed <u>outside</u> the active form area with the <u>Micro-Pic PicClip</u> picture, and they will not be visible at Run-Time.

The following Visual Basic code is an example of using the Select Case Statement to determine what to do when a Micro-Pic Control is clicked with the mouse. Notice that the assigned Micro-Pic Picture is referenced in PicClip1.GraphicCell(n + 10). Where "n" is the picture displayed in the MouseUp position, and the second number is the offset to the picture displayed in the MouseDown position.

For the MouseDown Event:

Sub ButnPic_MouseDown (Index As Integer, Button As Integer, Shift As Integer,
X As Single, Y As Single)

End Sub

For the MouseUp Event:

End Sub

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HyperGraphic HotSpots are used here.

Click on the Micro-Pic Button you would like to use, and you will be provided with the MouseUp value to use as the PicClip.GraphicCell(n) parameter.



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