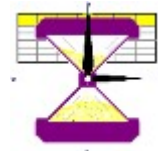


iCalendar OCX – a 32 bit ActiveX Date & Time Control

Features:

- **Point and Click Calendar, Date and Time Interface**
- **Comprehensive Date and Time Manipulation**
- **Date and Time arithmetic functions**
- **Web Ready**
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- Perform Date and Time calculations
- Display a monthly calendar for any year (from 0 to 9999)
- Provide fully validated Date and Time data entry fields in your application
- Convert Date and Time strings to practically any format

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1. iCalendar.OCX
2. iCalendar.RTL

You should install these files on the target system in the Windows System Directory, for example :-

<WindowsDirectory> \ System \

After installing these files and the other Microsoft® files identified below, you should register iCalendar on the target system,. By running the following command :-

```
REGSVR32.EXE /s iCalendar.OCX
```

Shipping Microsoft® Components

The following files are required on the target system :-

MFC42.DLL

OLEPRO32.DLL

REGSVR32.EXE

These should be installed in the target system's Windows System Directory but only if these files are either not already installed or they are a later version than those already on the target system.

When you install and register a control, you should also register OLEPRO32.DLL. Using the following command :-

```
REGSCR32.EXE /s OLEPRO32.DLL
```

Perform this registration step only if you need to install OLEPRO32.DLL. If the DLL is installed already, you should assume that it has been registered.

You should also register MFC40.DLL. Unlike OLEPRO32.DLL, you should always register this DLL, even if it is already installed. To register this DLL run the following command :-

```
REGSVR32.EXE /s MFC40.DLL
```

To UnInstall **iCalendar** from your development system please follow these instructions :-

1. Un-Register the OCX by clicking on the “un-register iCalendar” icon or running the following command
REGSVR32.EXE /u iCalendar.OCX
2. Run the Add / Remove programs applet from the Control Panel and select the **iCalendar** component to be removed.

iCalendar supports the following Stock Properties:

BackColor	Background Color
ForeColor	Foreground Color
Font	Font name, type and size

iCalendar supports the following Custom Properties:

<u>CenturyCutOff</u>	The year that is used to distinguish the century when using 2 digits for the year.
<u>DateFormat</u>	The default format for dates.
<u>DateStr</u>	The current iCalendar date formatted as a string using the current DateFormat
<u>Day</u>	The Day part of the current iCalendar Date
<u>WeekDay</u>	The week day of the current iCalendar Date
<u>DaysPerWeek</u>	Number of days per week
<u>DisplayMode</u>	Sets iCalendar to one of four display modes
<u>EDays</u>	Elapsed days – this read only property contains the number of elapsed days as calculated by the <u>DateDiff</u> method
<u>EHours</u>	Elapsed hours – this read only property contains the number of elapsed hours as calculated by the <u>TimeDiff</u> method
<u>EMinutes</u>	Elapsed minutes – this read only property contains the number of elapsed minutes as calculated by the <u>TimeDiff</u> method
<u>EMonths</u>	Elapsed months – this read only property contains the number of elapsed months as calculated by the <u>DateDiff</u> method
<u>ESeconds</u>	Elapsed seconds – this read only property contains the number of elapsed seconds as calculated by the <u>TimeDiff</u> method
<u>EYears</u>	Elapsed years – this read only property contains the number of elapsed years as calculated by the <u>DateDiff</u> method
<u>Hour</u>	The Hour part of the current iCalendar Time
<u>LastError</u>	The last error that occurred in iCalendar.
<u>LastErrorString</u>	The error message corresponding to LastError
<u>LongDayName</u>	The current long day name formatted as a string
<u>LongMonthName</u>	The current long month name formatted as a string
<u>Minute</u>	The Minute part of the current iCalendar Time
<u>Month</u>	The Month part of the current iCalendar Date

<u>RealTime</u>	Sets iCalendar to real time mode to continually track the system time.
<u>Second</u>	The Second part of the current iCalendar Time
<u>ShortDayName</u>	The current short say name formatted as a string
<u>ShortMonthName</u>	The current short month name formatted as a string
<u>TimeFormat</u>	The default format for time.
<u>TimeQualifier</u>	The current am / pm qualifier for 12 hour time formats
<u>TimeStr</u>	The current iCalendar time formatted as a string using the current TimeFormat
<u>Year</u>	The Year part of the current iCalendar Date

See Also

[Methods](#)

[Examples](#)

Use this property to set or get the default date format.

Syntax

controlname.**DateFormat** [= *DateFormat*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

String

Remarks

By default iCalendar uses the system date format (see control panel / regional settings) to display dates. The date format is a specification string that allows you to select how dates will be displayed. (e.g. dd/mm/yy is a format string that will display dates like 12/03/97). Override the default format by setting this property.

A date format string consists of any number of format specifiers and literals:

Valid date format specifiers are:

d - date displayed as one or two digits (without leading zero)
dd - date displayed as two digits (with a leading zero if required)

ddd - day displayed as short day name – eg Mon
dddd - day displayed as long day name – eg Monday

M - month displayed as one or two digits (without leading zero)
MM - month displayed as two digits (with a leading zero if required)
MMM - month displayed as a short month name – eg Jan
MMMM - month displayed as a full month name – eg January

y - year displayed without century as one or two digits (without leading zero)
yy - year displayed without century as two digits (with leading zero if required)
yyyy - year displayed with century as four digits

Literals:

Any other character is considered a literal character and will be displayed as is. If you need to display a literal character that is also a date format specifier then enclose it in single quotes.

Example Date Formats:

Format	Example Date Display
d/M/y	1/1/97
dd-MM-yy	01-01-97

dddd dd MMM yyyy

Monday 01 Jan 97

MMMM dd, yy

January 01, 97

‘Today is ‘ dd MMMM yyyy

Today is 01 January 1997

Use this property to specify the default time format.

Syntax

controlname.**TimeFormat** [= *TimeFormat*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

String

Remarks

By default iCalendar uses the system time format (see control panel / regional settings) to display time. The time format is a specification string that allows you to select how time will be displayed. (e.g. hh:mm:ss is a format string that will display time like 11:50:30). Override the default format by setting this property.

A time format string consists of any number of format specifiers and literals:

Valid time format specifiers are:

- h - hour displayed as one or two digits (without leading zero)
- hh - hour displayed as two digits (with a leading zero if required)
- H - hour (24 hour clock) displayed as one or two digits (without leading zero)
- HH - hour (24 hour clock) displayed as two digits (with a leading zero if required)
- m - minute displayed as one or two digits (without leading zero)
- mm - minute displayed as two digits (with a leading zero if required)
- s - second displayed as one or two digits (without leading zero)
- ss - second displayed as two digits (with leading zero if required)
- tt - AM / PM specifier for 12 hour clock

Literals:

Any other character is considered a literal character and will be displayed as is. If you need to display a literal character that is also a time format specifier then enclose it in single quotes.

Example time Formats:

Format	Example Time Display
h m s	9 1 29
HH:mm:ss	21:01:29
hh mm tt	09 01 PM
'The time now is ' HH:mm 'Hours'	The time now is 21:09 Hours

Use this property to get or set the day part of the current iCalendar date.

Syntax

controlname.**Day** [= *Day*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

iCalendar is always set to a date known as the current date. When iCalendar is initialised this is set to the system date.

The current day element can be set or retrieved using this property.

e.g. if the current date is 12 Mar 1997, the day property will be 12.

Use this property to get or set the month part of the current iCalendar date.

Syntax

controlname.**Month** [= *Month*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

iCalendar is always set to a date known as the current date. When iCalendar is initialised this is set to the system date.

The current month element can be set or retrieved using this property.

e.g. if the current date is 12 Mar 1997, the month property will be 3.

Use this property to get or set the year part of the current iCalendar date.

Syntax

controlname.**Year** [= *Year*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

iCalendar is always set to a date known as the current date. When iCalendar is initialised this is set to the system date.

The current year element can be set or retrieved using this property.

e.g. if the current date is 12 Mar 1997, the year property will be 97 or 1997 depending on the current DateFormat property setting.

Use this property to get or set the hour part of the current iCalendar time.

Syntax

controlname.**Hour** [= *Hour*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

iCalendar is always set to a time known as the current time. When iCalendar is initialised this is set to the system time.

The current hour element can be set or retrieved using this property.

e.g. if the current time is 23:30:00, the hour property will be 23.

Use this property to get or set the minute part of the current iCalendar time.

Syntax

controlname.**Minute** [= *Minute*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

iCalendar is always set to a time known as the current time. When iCalendar is initialised this is set to the system time.

The current minute element can be set or retrieved using this property.

e.g. if the current time is 23:30:00, the minute property will be 30.

Use this property to get or set the second part of the current iCalendar time.

Syntax

controlname.**Second** [= *Second*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

iCalendar is always set to a time known as the current time. When iCalendar is initialised this is set to the system time.

The current second element can be set or retrieved using this property.

e.g. if the current time is 23:30:00, the second property will be 0.

Use this property to specify the year which will act as a cut off to determine the century when using a 2 digit year.

Syntax

controlname.**CenturyCutOff** [= *CenturyCutOff*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

When using 2 digit years the century is implied. However this can cause ambiguity. e.g. is 1-Jan-10 referring to the year 1910 or 2010 ? This is particularly important with the year 2000 approaching !

To overcome this ambiguity the CenturyCutOff property allows you to specify what the century part should be. The CenturyCutOff is specified as a full four digit year e.g. 1980.

A 2 digit year that is greater than or equal to the CenturyCutOff year part is treated as being the same century as the CenturyCutOff.

A 2 digit year that is less than the CenturyCutOff year part is treated as being the next century after the CenturyCutOff.

Examples:

CenturyCutOff	2 digit Year	Actual Year
1980	94	1994
1980	10	2010
1756	56	1756
1756	55	1855

Use this property to specify the number of days in a week depending on the type of calendar being used.

Syntax

controlname.**DaysPerWeek** [*CalendarType*] [= *DaysPerWeek*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

This property is reserved for future use. Currently it is always set to 7.

Use this property to get the last error that occurred in iCalendar.

Syntax

controlname.**LastError**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

This read-only property is useful to check what type of error occurred. Every method sets this property to either 0 (no error) or an error code. Error codes are defined in the iCalendarConstants file.

Use this property to get the error description of the last error that occurred in iCalendar.

Syntax

controlname.**LastErrorString**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

String

Remarks

This read-only property is useful for getting a sensible error message for the last error that occurred.

Use this property to get the current weekday

Syntax

controlname.**WeekDay**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

Use this property to get the day of the week corresponding to the current date as a numeric value.

Current Day	WeekDay
Monday	1
Tuesday	2
Wednesday	3
Thursday	4
Friday	5
Saturday	6
Sunday	7

Use this property to get the number of elapsed days after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods

Syntax

controlname.**EDays**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Long

Remarks

This read-only property is set after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods.

See Also

[DateDiff](#) method

[TimeDiff](#) method

Use this property to get the number of elapsed months after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods

Syntax

controlname.**EMonths**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Long

Remarks

This read-only property is set after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods.

See Also

[DateDiff](#) method

[TimeDiff](#) method

Use this property to get the number of elapsed years after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods

Syntax

controlname.**EYears**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Long

Remarks

This read-only property is set after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods.

See Also

[DateDiff](#) method

[TimeDiff](#) method

Use this property to get the number of elapsed hours after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods

Syntax

controlname.**EHours**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Long

Remarks

This read-only property is set after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods.

See Also

[DateDiff](#) method

[TimeDiff](#) method

Use this property to get the number of elapsed minutes after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods

Syntax

controlname.**EMinutes**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Long

Remarks

This read-only property is set after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods.

See Also

[DateDiff](#) method

[TimeDiff](#) method

Use this property to get the number of elapsed seconds after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods

Syntax

controlname.**ESeconds**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Long

Remarks

This read-only property is set after using the DateDiff or TimeDiff methods.

See Also

[DateDiff](#) method

[TimeDiff](#) method

Use this property to set iCalendar to real time mode

Syntax

controlname.**RealTime** [= *True / False*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Boolean

Remarks

This property is useful if you want to track the real (system) time continually. By setting this property to True iCalendar continually sets the current date and time in sync with the system clock. This allows you to easily get the current system date and time as well as display the current system date and time.

When this property is set you should not set any date or time properties or use any methods for date / time calculations.

See Also

Use this property to change the way iCalendar is displayed

Syntax

controlname.**DisplayMode** [= *displaymode*]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

iCalendar can be programmed to display itself in one of four modes:

Mode	Setting	Description
Date	1 – DATE_MODE	Only display the Date edit box
Time	2 – TIME_MODE	Only display the time edit box
Date and Time	3 – DATE_TIME_MODE	Display both the date and time edit boxes
Calendar	4 – CALENDAR_MODE	Only display the monthly calendar

The settings are defined as constants in the iCalendarConstants file.

You should not change this property at run-time since the display appearance may effect they way your user interface looks.

See Also

Use this property to get the current month as a string

Syntax

controlname.**LongMonthName**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

String

Remarks

This read-only property provides the current long month name as a string. e.g. January.

See Also

Use this property to get the current month as a string

Syntax

controlname.**ShortMonthName**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

String

Remarks

This read-only property provides the current short month name as a string. e.g. Jan.

See Also

Use this property to get the current day name as a string

Syntax

controlname.**LongDayName**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

String

Remarks

This read-only property provides the current long day name as a string. e.g. Monday.

See Also

Use this property to get the current day name as a string

Syntax

controlname.**ShortDayName**

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

String

Remarks

This read-only property provides the current short day name as a string. e.g. Mon.

See Also

Use this property to get or set the current iCalendar date.as a string

Syntax

controlname.**DateStr** [= date]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

String

Remarks

iCalendar is always set to a date known as the current date. When iCalendar is initialised this is set to the system date. Use this property to get or set the current date as a string.

The date string must be formatted according to the [DateFormat](#) property

Example

DateStr = "12/01/92"

Use this property to get or set the current iCalendar time.as a string

Syntax

controlname.**TimeStr** [= time]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

String

Remarks

iCalendar is always set to a time known as the current time. When iCalendar is initialised this is set to the system time. Use this property to get or set the current time as a string.

The time string must be formatted according to the [TimeFormat](#) property

Example

TimeStr = "12:00:00"

Use this property to get or set the time qualifier - AM or PM for 12 hour clock formats

Syntax

controlname.**TimeQualifier** [= date]

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Type

Short

Remarks

Use this property to specify whether a 12 hour time is AM or PM or Unspecified

Setting	Value
AM	1 - TIME_QUALIFIER_AM_INT
PM	2 - TIME_QUALIFIER_PM_INT
Default	3 - TIME_QUALIFIER_DEFAULT_INT

The values are defined as constants in the iCalendarConstants file

Example

TimeQualifier = TIME_QUALIFIER_AM_INT

iCalendar provides a comprehensive range of methods for date and time manipulation and calculations.

iCalendar methods include:

<u>CompareDatesEx</u>	Compares any two dates to check whether one is equal to, less than or greater than the other
<u>CompareDates</u>	Compares a date with the current date to check whether it is equal to, less than or greater than the current date
<u>CompareTimesEx</u>	Compares any two times to check whether one is equal to, less than or greater than the other
<u>CompareTimes</u>	Compares a time with the current time to check whether it is equal to, less than or greater than the current time
<u>DateDiffEx</u>	Determines the number of years, months and days between two specified dates
<u>DateDiff</u>	Determines the number of years, months and days between the specified date and the current date
<u>DeltaDateEx</u>	Adds or subtracts specified number of years, months and days to or from a specified date
<u>DeltaDate</u>	Adds or subtracts specified number of years, months and days to or from the current date
<u>DeltaTimeEx</u>	Adds or subtracts specified number of hours, minutes and seconds to or from a specified time
<u>DeltaTime</u>	Adds or subtracts specified number of hours, minutes and seconds to or from the current time
<u>GetDate</u>	Get the current date as a formatted string.
<u>GetDayOfWeekEx</u>	Gets the day of the week for a specified date
<u>GetLongDayNameEx</u>	Gets the day name for a specified date
<u>GetLongMonthNameEx</u>	Gets the month name for a specified date
<u>GetShortDayNameEx</u>	Gets the day name for a specified date
<u>GetShortMonthNameEx</u>	Gets the month name for a specified date
<u>GetTime</u>	Get the current time as a formatted string.
<u>SetDate</u>	Set the current date using a formatted string
<u>SetTime</u>	Set the current time using a formatted string
<u>TimeDiffEx</u>	Determines the number of hours, minutes and seconds between two specified times
<u>TimeDiff</u>	Determines the number of hours, minutes and seconds between the specified time and the current time

See Also

[Properties](#)

[Examples](#)

Gets the current iCalendar date as a formatted string

Syntax

controlname.**GetDate** (String FormatSpec)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

String

Parameters

FormatSpec The preferred format specification of the date.

Remarks

Formats the current iCalendar date according to the FormatSpec parameter and returns the date as a string. If FormatSpec is empty then the date is formatted according to the [DateFormat](#) property.

For a full description of Format Specification strings see the [DateFormat](#) property

Example

GetDate (“dd/mmmm/yyyy”) will return “01/January/1997”

GetDate (“dddd dd mmm yy”) will return “Wednesday 01 Jan 97”

See Also

[SetDate](#)

Sets the current iCalendar Date using a specified format.

Syntax

controlname. **SetDate** (String FormatSpec, String Date)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

None

Parameters

FormatSpec	A valid date format
Date	A date string

Remarks

This sets the current iCalendar date to Date parameter and updates the [DateStr](#), [Year](#), [Month](#) and [Day](#) properties

The FormatSpec parameter is used to decode the Date parameter. You can pass an empty string as the FormatSpec in which case the current date format will be used to decode the Date parameter. If the Date parameter does not match the specified FormatSpec the [LastError](#) property is set.

For a full description of Format Specification strings see the [DateFormat](#) property

Examples

DateStr = "12/1/97" set the current date

DateFormat = "dd/mm/yy" set the current date format

SetDate ("dd/mmm/yyyy", "12/Mar/1992") will set DateStr to "12/03/92"

SetDate ("dd/mmm/yyyy", "12/12/92") will cause an error

SetDate ("", "1/11/99") will set DateStr to "1/11/99"

See Also

[DateFormat](#)

[GetDate](#)

Gets the current iCalendar time as a formatted string

Syntax

controlname.**GetTime** (String FormatSpec)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

String

Parameters

FormatSpec The preferred format specification of the time.

Remarks

Formats the current iCalendar time according to the FormatSpec parameter and returns the time as a string. If FormatSpec is empty then the time is formatted according to the [TimeFormat](#) property.

For a full description of Format Specification strings see the [TimeFormat](#) property

Example

GetTime (“hh:mm:ss”) will return “08:22:45”

GetTime (“hh:mm:ss tt”) will return “08:22:45 AM”

See Also

[SetTime](#)

Sets the current iCalendar Time using a specified format.

Syntax

controlname. **SetTime** (String FormatSpec, String Time)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

None

Parameters

FormatSpec	A valid time format
Time	A time string

Remarks

This sets the current iCalendar time to Time parameter and updates the TimeStr, Hour, Minute and Second properties. If a time qualifier (AM, PM) is not mentioned, iCalendar will automatically set the time as AM. This does not apply when the Time parameter uses the 24 hour format.

The FormatSpec parameter is used to decode the Time parameter. You can pass an empty string as the FormatSpec in which case the current time format will be used to decode the Time parameter. If the Time parameter does not match the specified FormatSpec the LastError property is set.

For a full description of Format Specification strings see the TimeFormat property

Examples

TimeStr = "13:01:01" set the current time

TimeFormat = "HH:mm:ss" set the current time format

SetTime ("HH:mm", "12:12") will set TimeStr to "12:12:01"

SetTime ("HH:mm:ss", "12:12") will cause an error

SetTime ("", "12:12:12") will set TimeStr to "12:12:12"

See Also

TimeFormat property

GetTime

Compares a date with the current iCalendar date.

Syntax

controlname.**CompareDates** (String Date1)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

Short

Parameters

Date1 A date string in any of the specified date formats

Remarks

Effectively subtracts Date1 from the current date

Comparison is performed starting with the year field, then the month field and finally the day field. If there is a difference in one of the fields, the result is returned immediately.

Returns 0 if current date is equal to Date1

Returns -1 if current date is greater than Date1

Returns 1 if current date is less than Date1

Example

SetDate ("1/1/97")

CompareDates ("1/1/97") will return 0

CompareDates ("1/1/96") will return -1

CompareDates ("1/2/97") will return 1

See Also

[CompareDatesEx](#)

[CompareTimes](#)

method_comparetimesex

Compares a time with the current iCalendar time.

Syntax

controlname.**CompareTimes** (String TimeSrc)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

Short

Parameters

Time1 A time string in any of the specified time formats

Remarks

Effectively subtracts Time1 from the current date

Comparison is performed starting with the hour field, then the minute field and finally the second field. If there is a difference in one of the fields, the result is returned immediately.

Returns 0 if current time is equal to TimeSrc

Returns -1 if current time is greater than TimeSrc

Returns 1 if current time is less than TimeSrc

Example

TimeStr = ("12:00:00 PM")

CompareTimes ("12:00:00 PM") will return 0

CompareTimes ("08:45:00") will return -1

CompareTimes ("18:00:00") will return 1

See Also

[CompareTimesEx](#)

Compares two date strings

Syntax

controlname.**CompareDatesEx** (String Date1, String Date2)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

Short

Parameters

Date1 A date string in any of the specified date formats
Date2 A date string in any of the specified date formats

Remarks

Comparison is performed starting with the year field, then the month field and finally the day field. If there is a difference in one of the fields, the result is returned immediately. Effectively subtracts Date2 from Date1

Returns 0 if Date1 is equal to Date2

Returns -1 if Date1 is less than Date2

Returns 1 if Date1 is greater than Date2

Example

CompareDatesEx ("1/1/97", "1/1/97") will return 0

CompareDatesEx ("1/1/97", "1/2/97") will return -1

CompareDatesEx ("1/1/97", "1/1/96") will return 1

See Also

[CompareDates](#) method

Compares two time strings

Syntax

controlname.**CompareTimesEx** (String Time1, String Time2)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

Short

Parameters

Time1	A time string in any of the specified time formats
Time2	A time string in any of the specified time formats

Remarks

Comparison is performed starting with the hour field, then the minute field and finally the second field. If there is a difference in one of the fields, the result is returned immediately. Effectively subtracts Time2 from Time1

Returns 0 if Time1 is equal to Time2

Returns -1 if Time1 is less than Time2

Returns 1 if Time1 is greater than Time2

Example

CompareDatesEx ("6:00:00 PM", "18:00:00") will return 0

CompareDatesEx ("08:00:00 AM", "08:00:00 PM") will return -1

CompareDatesEx ("18:00:00", "14:00:00") will return 1

See Also

[CompareTimes](#)

Performs date addition or subtraction on the current iCalendar date.

Syntax

controlname.**DeltaDate** (Short iCalType, Long Days, Long Months, Long Years)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

String

Parameters

iCalType	Reserved – this should always be 0
Days	The number of days to be added to or deducted from the current date
Months	The number of months to be added to or deducted from the current date
Years	The number of years to be added to or deducted from the current date

Remarks

The specified amount of years, months and days are added to or subtracted from the current iCalendar Date.

This will update the DateStr, Day, Month and the Year properties and will return the modified Date formatted according to the DateFormat property

Examples

```
SetDate("25 December 1987")
```

```
DateFormat("dd/MM/yyyy")
```

```
DeltaDate(0,7,0,0) will return 01/01/1988
```

```
SetDate("1/1/2000")
```

```
DateFormat("dd/MM/yyyy")
```

```
DeltaDate(0,-1,-1,-1) will return 31/11/1998
```

See Also

[DeltaDateEx](#)

Performs date addition or subtraction.

Syntax

controlname.**DeltaDateEx** (String Date, Short iCalType, Long Days Long Months, Long Years)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

String

Parameters

Date	A date string in any of the specified date formats
iCalType	Reserved – this should always be 0
Days	The number of days to be added to or deducted from the Date parameter
Months	The number of months to be added to or deducted from the Date parameter
Years	The number of years to be added to or deducted from the Date parameter

Remarks

The specified number of days, months and years are added to or subtracted from the specified date. This will return a date string formatted according to the [DateFormat](#) property. The current iCalendar settings are not effected. See the [DeltaDate](#) method for examples.

See Also

[DeltaDate](#)

Performs addition or subtraction on the current iCalendar time.

Syntax

controlname.**DeltaTime** (Short iCalType, Long Hours, Long Minutes, Long Seconds)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

String

Parameters

iCalType	Reserved – this should always be 0
Hours	The number of hours to be added to or deducted from the current time
Minutes	The number of minutes to be added to or deducted from the current time
Seconds	The number of seconds to be added to or deducted from the current time

Remarks

The specified number of hours, minutes and seconds are added or subtracted. This will update the Hour, Minute, and Second properties and will return the modified Time formatted according to the TimeFormat property. The DateStr property (and the corresponding Day, Month and Year properties) may also be affected if the time crosses the day boundary (see Example 3)

Example 1

TimeStr = "12:00:00 PM"

TimeFormat = "hh:mm:ss tt"

DeltaTime(0,2,30,10) will return "02:30:10 PM"

Example 2

SetTime("13:15:20")

TimeFormat("H:m:s")

DeltaTime(0,-4,-5,-71) will return "9:9:9"

Example 3

TimeStr = "12:00:01 AM"

DateStr = "1/1/2000"

TimeFormat = "hh:mm:ss"

DeltaTime(0,0,0,-2) will return "11:59:59 PM" and will set the date to "31/12/1999"

See Also

DeltaTimeEx

Performs time addition or subtraction.

Syntax

controlname.**DeltaTimeEx** (String Time, Short iCalType, Long Hours, Long Minutes, Long Seconds)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

String

Parameters

Time	A time string in any of the specified time formats
iCalType	Reserved – this should always be 0
Hours	The number of hours to be added to or deducted from the current time
Minutes	The number of minutes to be added to or deducted from the current time
Seconds	The number of seconds to be added to or deducted from the current time

Remarks

The specified amount of hours, minutes and seconds are added to or subtracted from the specified Time..

This will return the result of the calculation as a string formatted according to the [TimeFormat](#) property.

Example

DeltaTimeEx("09:10:05", 0, 2, 5, 20) will return 11:15:25

DeltaTimeEx("03:45:59", 0, -1, -5, -58) will return 02:40:01

See Also

[DeltaTime](#)

Determines the time span between the current iCalendar date and the date parameter.

Syntax

controlname.**DateDiff** (String Date, Short iCalType)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

Short

This value indicates 1 for success and 0 for failure

Parameters

Date	A date string in any of the specified date formats
iCalType	Reserved – This should always be 0

Remarks

Finds the number of days, months and years difference between the current iCalendar date and the user specified date and updates the EDays, EMonths and EYears properties accordingly. The elapsed values are always positive and are normalised to give the whole number of years, months and days – i.e. EMonths will never be greater than 11 and EDays will never be greater than 30. Intervening leap years are taken into account.

Example

SetDate("12 March 1992")

DateDiff("12/8/96",0) returns SUCCESS and updates the above properties as follows:

EDays = 0

EMonths = 5

EYears = 4

See Also

[DateDiffEx](#)

Determines the time span between the current iCalendar time and a specified time.

Syntax

controlname.**TimeDiff** (String Time, Short iCalType)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

Short

This value indicates 1 for success and 0 for failure

Parameters

Time	A time string in any of the specified time formats
iCalType	Reserved – This should always be 0

Remarks

Finds the number of hours, minutes and seconds difference between the current iCalendar time and the user specified time and updates the EHours, EMinutes and ESeconds properties accordingly. The elapsed values are always positive and are normalised to give the whole number of hours, minutes and seconds – i.e. EMinutes and ESeconds will never be greater than 59.

Example

SetTime("11:00:15")

TimeDiff("09:10:10",0) returns SUCCESS and updates the above properties as follows:

EHours = 1

EMinutes = 50

ESeconds = 10

See Also

[TimeDiffEx](#)

Returns the day of the week for a given date

Syntax

controlname.**GetWeekDayEx** (String DateStr)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

Short

Parameters

DateStr A date string in any of the specified date formats

Remarks

Gets the week day for a given date as an integer value from 1 to 7 where 1 is Monday through to 7 is Sunday.

Example

GetDayOfWeekEx("1/1/96") returns the value 1

See Also

Determines the time span between 2 user defined date parameters.

Syntax

controlname.**DateDiffEx** (String Date1, String Date2, Short iCalType)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

Short

This value indicates 1 for success and 0 for failure

Parameters

Date1	A date string in any of the specified date formats
Date2	A date string in any of the specified date formats
iCalType	Reserved – This should always be 0

Remarks

Finds the number of days, months and years between the 2 given dates and updates the EDays, EMonths and EYears properties accordingly. The elapsed values are always positive and are normalised to give the whole number of years, months and days – i.e. EMonths will never be greater than 11 and EDays will never be greater than 30. Intervening leap years are taken into account.

Example

DateDiffEx("12/7/96", "2/2/97", 0) returns SUCCESS and updates the above properties as follows:

EDays = 21

EMonths = 6

EYears = 0

See Also

[DateDiff](#)

Determines the time span between 2.user defined time parameters

Syntax

controlname.**TimeDiffEx** (String Time1, String Time2, Short iCalType)

controlname is the name of the **iCalendar** Control object, for example, iCalendar1.

Return Value

Short

This value indicates 1 for success and 0 for failure

Parameters

Time1 A time string in any of the specified time formats

Time2 A time string in any of the specified time formats

iCalType

Remarks

Finds the number of hours, minutes and seconds between the 2 times and updates the EHours, EMinutes and ESeconds properties accordingly. The elapsed values are always positive and are normalised to give the whole number of hours, minutes and seconds – i.e. EMinutes and ESeconds will never be greater than 59.

Example

TimeDiffEx(“09:10:10”, “12:12:12”, 0) returns SUCCESS and updates the above properties as follows:

EHours = 3

EMinutes = 2

ESeconds = 2

See Also

[TimeDiff](#)

In order to help you quickly get started with using **iCalendar** we have included a Visual Basic sample application with this product.

The sample application is installed in the directory where you chose to install iCalendar as follows :-

<InstallDirectory> \ SAMPLES \ VB \

We have also included files containing the constant definitions which you may find useful for writing your applications. These include files are installed as follows :-

<InstallDirectory> \ SAMPLES \ MFC \ iCalendarConstants.h for C / C++

<InstallDirectory> \ SAMPLES \ VB \ iCalendarConstants.bas for Visual Basic

