

# RE: Regional settings modification

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Hello Tom, thank you for replying

I do not think it is as simple as that (although i would like it to be so....)

Let me explain a bit more:

I have an application with about 900 money form fields over 90 different forms.

This application is intended for different countries and differend currency symbols.

I know how to achieve the correct formating using the locale regional setting and with `Me![fieldname].Format = "Currency"` one can apply those settings.

But now i was contacted by a user who has an english regional setting (and want's to keep it) and who would still like to get values in the fields like 1 000,00 € for instance without changing his regional settings. Changing his settings also affects his other applications and he has to switch over all the time.

Meanwhile, other users want to have 1 000,00 FrS for instance....

So i defined a public variable 'moneyunit' to represent the currency symbol and changed my format statements as follows:

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Me![fieldname].Format = "#,##0.00 " & moneyunit & ";-#,##0.00 " & moneyunit & "; ; "
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Ok so good, but now the thousand separator symbol and decimal symbol are giving me: 1,000.00 € with english regional settings and not 1 000,00 €.

They are still derived from the regional settings.

So i was wondering if it is possible to define ones own money formating string or to influence the regional settings on startup and set it back to the original country afterwards.

Any suggestion?

Rob

"Tom Wickerath" wrote:

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Hi Rob,

I don't think there is any need to change the regional setting to accomplish this. I live in the US, where \$ is the currency setting. A few years ago, I helped on an Access application for the Merseyside Police Dept. in England. I simply copied the pound symbol and used it in the format property for text boxes. It worked just fine. For example: Format: £ 0.00

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"Rob" wrote:

Hi all,  
to follow up on a still open question about currency formatting, could someone tell me if it is possible to change the computers regional settings form currency with vb-code on startup of an Access2003-application and set it back again when quitting?

This is to achieve a customised currency format that would not imply permanent display changes for other applications (unless they are run simultaneously).?

Many thanks in advance  
Rob