

Re: returning a value from a form

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Hi Jeff,

Many thanks for your reply. You're totally right in saying that there is absolutely no way to ensure that the print action was **completed** successfully. I was thinking of **forcing** the operator to take (at least to try to) a printout. I assumed that, once the print job is started by the operator, he/she will take it as a personal challenge to finish the print job in the case of a misfeed, etc (straight psychology which works in a majority of cases), and a retry will be made (I have provided the means).

Anyway, I can see that this is quite difficult and unsure to maintain for printouts, and I will try to use the method you have described. On the other hand, is there a chance to return a value from a form when it's closed? Currently I'm using a field on a table as a semaphore to pass result information between forms, and although it works, it does not look like a proper solution.

Best wishes,

Engin

"Jeff Boyce" <JeffBoyce_IF@msn.com-DISCARD_HYPHEN_TO_END> wrote in message news:u2\$6nh1FFHA.2180@TK2MSFTNGP10.phx.gbl...

> Engin

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> *I've seen similar requests before, but don't think I've ever seen a*

> *"solution." Here's a couple reasons why...*

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> *You send a <print> to the printer, but the printer is out of*

> *paper/ink/... -- is your printer smart enough to know that it didn't*

> *print,*

> *and can it tell your PC?*

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> *You send a <print> to the printer and it "grabs" three sheets of paper*

> *(humidity must be up today) and spreads your print page across all three.*

> *Even if you printer is smart enough to know that it DID print and can tell*

> *your PC, and your PC can tell Access, you still didn't get what you*

> *wanted,*

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> *right?!*
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> *The kinds of solutions I've seen here involve adding code to ask the USER*
> *if*
> *s/he got printed what s/he wanted, then using that answer to indicate*
> *"successful printing".*
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> --
> *Good luck*
>
> *Jeff Boyce*
> <Access MVP>
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> *"oldguy" <engin.tarhan@kopiteknik.com.tr> wrote in message*
> *news:ePzZdKzFFHA.3928@TK2MSFTNGP15.phx.gbl...*
>> *Using Access 2002 on WinXP.*
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>> *In one of the event procedures of Form1, I'm opening Form2, which has a*
>> *Print button which opens a report (if the user clicks a button) which*
>> *must*
>> *be printed for the operation to continue.*
>>
>> *It's possible to return from Form2 without opening the report.*
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>> *I want to be able to determine whether the report is printed or not.*
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>> *I could not find anywhere (well, in the help, or on the Internet) which*
>> *tells me if it's possible to return a value (a boolean or an integer or a*
>> *string) from a report and/or form, and if yes, how.*
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>> *Any hint will be sufficient (I hope), and will be warmly welcome.*
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>> *Engin.*
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