

MAPI/Outlook contacts encoding

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Hi all,

I'm somewhat confused about what encoding I should expect contracts retrieved through MAPI (from Outlook) to be in, whether they're address book entries or IPF.Contact entries.

I haven't specified MAPI_UNICODE to any of the MAPI functions because most of them just return errors when I do that. Nevertheless, I seem to be getting back contacts containing non-ASCII characters.

If MAPI returns non-ASCII strings, are they always supposed to be in Unicode? Or can they be in some other encoding? And if so, how do I figure out what the encoding is? Will it always be the default system encoding? Does Outlook always use a certain encoding? Or is there some API?

Thanks!
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