

Re: Member Variables Naming Convention

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Dave,

BTW, I found two interesting bullets in a Microsoft document [link below] regarding the use of hungarian notation and the "_" prefix in field names:

Yeah, those were the ones I was thinking about. Microsoft is being very one-sided about not using those prefixes. If you see where they talk about control names, please pass it along.

I must argue here that my examples of txtFirstName and lblFirstName indicate both type and semantics. However, I use the notation in other controls even when there is no ambiguity, but I'm going to try to break that habit for my next project. Do I really need to know that a field is a Control by looking at its name when I have intellisense and tooltips on hand at all times? – I don't think so, but I'll see how it goes ;)

I think it is still useful. Yes, Intellisense offers assistance here but I often print code and review it in more detail. Also, for more complex code, it may just be more efficient to know what a variable refers to just by looking.

In the end, I have mixed feelings about this. I'm all for cleaning things up, but I've been programming a long, long time and readability is important. I'm not 100% sure I'm ready to abandon prefixes that tell me about a particular variable.

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