

Re: Setting The Delimiter Character for a .Csv file with Excel

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I don't think you can enter the hex 6. Some funny hex characters work ok, but I couldn't get alt-0006 or ctrl-f to work.

But what you can do is run a macro that can use that hex character.

Select your range to parse, then turn on the macro recorder and do the text to columns procedure.

But specify Other and a vertical bar (or any character that isn't used in your data).

Then turn off the macro recorder.

If anything got parsed, hit edit|undo to put things back the way they belong.

Now hit alt-f11 to get to the VBE.

You'll see the recorded code with a portion that looks like:

```
OtherChar:=""  
change it to  
OtherChar:=Chr(6)
```

Then back to excel and select your range and use alt-f8 to select your macro and run it.

Gary wrote:

I'm really only trying to find out how to enter a hex value into the delimiter prompt on the import file wizard. There is a check box for Tab so I'm assuming there must be a way to enter a different hex value.

Thanks for your reply,
Gary
"Joel" wrote:

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Here is my own code for reading CSV. It can be modified to change the comma to the character &H6. I suspect you may be reading binary data, if so the code need significant modifications. binary data has to be read one character at a time and the file has to opened in binary mode.

```
Sub GetCSVData()
```

```
Const ForReading = 1, ForWriting = 2, ForAppending = 3  
Const TristateUseDefault = -2, TristateTrue = -1, TristateFalse = 0
```

```
Set fsread = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
```

```
'default folder
```

```
Folder = "C:\temp\test"
```

```
Newfolder = Application.GetOpenFilename("CSV (*.csv),*.csv")
```

```
If Not Newfolder = False Then
```

```
Folder = ""
```

```
Do While InStr(Newfolder, "\") > 0
```

```
Folder = Folder & Left(Newfolder, InStr(Newfolder, "\"))
```

```
Newfolder = Mid(Newfolder, InStr(Newfolder, "\") + 1)
```

```
Loop
```

```
'remove last character which is a \
```

```
Folder = Left(Folder, Len(Folder) - 1)
```

```
End If
```