

Re: Make Form stay on top until application is deactivated

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That sounds no different than specifying the Owner parameter in VB's Show statement ...

form2.show vbmodeless, form1

This will make it topmost to the app – albeit not modal – and allow other apps to appear over it.

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"Ken Wickes [MSFT]" <kenwic@online.microsoft.com> wrote in message news:eIufYK0\$EHA.2876@TK2MSFTNGP12.phx.gbl...

: CreateWindow hwndParent arg will set the owner for a top-level window.

See

: this from MSDN

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: "Handle to the parent or owner window of the window being created. To create

: a child window or an owned window, supply a valid window handle. This

: parameter is optional for pop-up windows. "

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: I agree it is confusing but the param and the GetWindowLong field are

: overloaded. They do mean parent for child windows and owner for top-level

: windows.

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: Ken Wickes [MSFT]

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: "Tom Esh" <tjeshGibberish@suscom.net> wrote in message

: news:g2nlu01oko3sm9k00hjdaih8cr95ieqfrl@4ax.com...

: > On Sun, 16 Jan 2005 12:43:36 -0800, "Ken Wickes [MSFT]"

: > <kenwic@online.microsoft.com> wrote:

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: >>Setting the owner of an existing window sounds a little dangerous to me.

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: > Hi Ken,

microsoft.public.vb.com: Re: Make Form stay on top until application is deactivated

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: > Never had a problem with it. AFIK the owner / owned relationship (not
: > to be confused with parent / child BTW) effects only the zorder and
: > visibility behavior. I've found the SDK docs to be sometimes confusing
: > with regard to owner/owned vs parent/child relationships since they
: > often use the terms interchangeably (and incorrectly). For example the
: > the defined name of the GWL_HWNDPARENT constant used with
: > Get/SetWindowlong would imply that it relates to parent/child, when in
: > fact it does not. (A more appropriate name choice would have been
: > GWL_HWNDOWNER.) Using SetParent OTOH is a different story and caution
: > would definitely be advisable :-)
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: >>Can't you just set the parent/owner param of CreateWindow or whatever
the
: >>VB
: >>equivalent is?
: > CreateWindow's hwndParent arg is entirely different as it set's the
: > parent (not the owner). If you're referring to the Ownerform argument
: > to VB's show statement, I can't see how it's useful in this case
: > because it only accepts a Form object. My guess is behind the scenes
: > it's calling SetWindowLong with GWL_HWNDPARENT anyway, which AFIK is
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