

## Re: Update a graphic and save it

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Thanks Mike,

After posting the question, I had found some information including the link you provided. In process of reading all the info now. I had discovered that saving the image as opposed to the picture would keep the text I had written, but since the image won't fit on the screen, saving it also causes it to get 'truncated' to that portion that was visible in the picturebox at the time it was saved. Thought that I might be able to get away with loading the bitmap to an image control and then calling `textout(image1.picture.handle, .....`, but that did not work either. So back to reading I found on [EDais.mvps.org](http://EDais.mvps.org).

Thanks again

Terry

"Mike D Sutton" <[EDais@xxxxxxxx](mailto:EDais@xxxxxxxx)> wrote in message [news:eFjxBuseGHA.2416@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:eFjxBuseGHA.2416@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)

New to this so bear with me. I am printing to a "pre-printed" form. The user wishes to pre-view and capture a 'picture' of this as well as print it. So my basic idea is to scan in the form and then 'update it' with the text that I am going to send to the printer, and then save the updated image as a new file. Had hoped that it would be as easy as loading a picture box with the image, printing on it and saving the image with the `savepicture` function, but that doesn't work! So it looks like I need to get into the API. Anyone have some code they want to share? Also, since I am going to pre-view the form, how do I 'scale' it down to fit on the screen? Any help or comments are greatly appreciated.

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Should work, make sure you're saving the .Image as opposed to .Picture property though.

If you want to go the API route then my SaveDIB() function here will do the image writing part for you:

<http://groups.google.co.uk/group/microsoft.public.vb.winapi.graphics/msg/26cdd9a91c0020df>

Hope this helps,

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