

Re: Using Cross-References in Text Boxes

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No disagreement with your advice, just with some of the "dicta." I agree that frames might be preferable, but I have used fields in text boxes including merge fields, date fields, and AutoText fields. Reaching them to force an update is a pain, but they do seem to update upon document creation from a template. Haven't tried REF fields or even StyleRef.

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Word New User FAQ & Web Directory:

<URL: <http://addbalance.com/word/index.htm>>

Intermediate User's Guide to Microsoft Word (supplemented version of Microsoft's Legal Users' Guide)

<URL: <http://addbalance.com/usersguide/index.htm>>

See also the MVP FAQ: <URL: <http://www.mvps.org/word/>> which is awesome!

This message is posted to a newsgroup. Please post replies and questions to the newsgroup so that others can learn from my ignorance and your wisdom.

"John McGhie [MVP - Word]" <john@mcghie.name> wrote in message news:BCAC79CC.EB4E%john@mcghie.name...

> Hi Tanya:

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> No. A limitation of text boxes is that they are in the "Graphics Story" of

> the document. They are not in the "Text". So fields and cross-references and numbering do not work in them.

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> You may be able to change the Text Boxes for "Frames". Select the text box

> then right-click it and choose Properties. Look around in that dialog for a

> button in the bottom right corner of one of the tabs that says "Convert to Frame". Click it.

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> A Frame enables many of the same facilities as a text box, but it *is* in the text layer and field objects *do* work within it.

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> Cheers

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> This responds to article <19c501c426f1\$fb130cc0\$a601280a@phx.gbl>, from > "Tanya Davis" <anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com> on 21/4/04 2:10 AM:

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> > The cross-references in my document do not update, but > > when I click the link they do go to the right text in the > > document. The cross-reference will not update with the

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> > correct page number. My question: Can I update cross-
> > references in text boxes?
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> Please respond only to the newsgroup to preserve the thread.
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