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Chapter 1

message

1.1 GUIEnvironment/Message Guide

GUIEnvironment

Message Handling

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General message handling
  Gadget messages
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Menu message
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Other message classes
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1.2 GUIEnvironment Message Handling

Because GUIEnvironment is based on intuition and gadtools it is necessary to use own message handling and parsing !

So GUIEnvironment offers some own message handling functions which have to be called instead of the exec or gadtools message handling functions !

GUIEnvironment uses the window's user port for all message handling as default message port. This can be changed using the GUI_MsgPort tag.

You can use WaitGUIMsg to wait for a message concerning the GUI or if you have to wait for different signals, use the GetGUIMsg function.

If one of these functions is called and a message arrives, the message entry fields of the GUIInfo structure are filled in with the appropriate values.

If you have specified a hook function, now this hook is called. You can examine this message and handle it.

If you don't want GUIEnv to handle this message any more, return TRUE.

If you return FALSE, GUIEnvironment now will also handle this message.

When the message was handled by your hook function, the application will never hear of this message ! This is also the case if the message could be handled internal by GUIEnvironment.

For more information about the message handling see the chapters about the different message classes.

The intuitMsg entry of the GUIInfo structure points to a copy of the message. This could be a "real" IntuiMessage or if running under OS3.0+ a extended IntuiMessage !

The msgClass and the msgCode fields contain the belonging message information. It might be that they differ from the entries in the intuitMsg copy ! This happens every time GUIEnvironment converts message, for example for the key equivalents !

SEE ALSO

The GUIInfo structure

The message hook

1.3 Resizing GUI message

Every time a IDCMP_NEWSIZE message arrives, GUIEnvironment tries to resize the GUI. This is only possible if you have used the gadget description flags !

If the GUI can't be resized, the application will get this message, otherwise it won't hear of any resizing message !

Actually, if the application really should get this message, it has to free the GUI first and then to recreate it or to exit ! Because the first time an error occurs concerning the GUI, GUIEnvironment refuses to handle this GUI !

1.4 Refreshing GUI message

GUIEnvironment does all the refreshing for the application. The refresh must be done by GUIEnvironment, so your hook function should NOT handle this message class.

You can specify a hook function which is called with every refreshing message. It is called after GUIEnvironment has done it's refreshing and between the calls to gadtools GTBeginRefresh and GTEndRefresh !

SEE ALSO

The refreshing hook

1.5 Other message classes

All other message classes must be handled by the application. If a IDCMP_VANILLAKEY message arrives you can use the msgCharCode entry of the GUIInfo structure to ask for the message character code ! But use this entry ONLY WITH IDCMP_VANILLAKEY messages !

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