
Subject: Re: Directory separators

Posted by [Dave Greenwood](#) on Tue, 13 Feb 2001 16:32:25 GMT

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Ben Tupper <btupper@bigelow.org> wrote:

> Howdy,

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> I have been using the following function to select the appropriate OS
> specific directory separator. I have two questions about it: (1) what
> is the correct directory separator in VMS?, and (2) is there a built-in
> means of getting the same information?

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> Thanks,

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> Ben

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> ;-----START

> FUNCTION SYSSEP

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> Case StrLowerCase(!Version.OS_Family) of

> 'unix': Return, '/'

> 'win': Return, '\'

> 'macos': Return, ':'

> 'vms': Return, "

> Else: Return, "

> EndCase

>

> End

> ;-----END

Paul van Delst is correct that "." separates subdirectories in VMS.

However, the most frequent use that I've seen for a case statement like the above is to separate the directory specification from a file name.

In that case you'd want "]"". To complete Paul's example:

DISK\$NAME1:[PAULV.DIR.SUBDIR.SUBSUBDIR]filename.ext

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%STD-W-DISCLAIMER, I only speak for myself
