
Subject: Re: CW_FORM

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 27 Nov 2002 19:30:38 GMT

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miki (miki.guglie@virgilio.it) writes:

> I developed a GUI using CW_FORM to build forms with several columns of
> buttons and test fields, but when I tested the software under different OS I
> realized that with some OS the forms built with CW_FORM are not aligned
> (i.e., the third button of the first column is lower than the third text
> field on the second column and the last button is much lower than the last
> field). How could I fix that?

I think you have two choices for fixing this:

1. Lower your expectations (easiest)
2. Build your own forms by hand (hardest)

RSI's engineers, bless them, are very, very good.
But most of them have never been to art school,
and apparently most engineering departments are
still scrimping on Aesthetics 101. So the chance
that something like alignment would be addressed
in a compound widget from RSI is not as good as
we would like it to be, probably.

And, to be fair, when you try to do something
as ambitious as CW_FORM *AND* you want to make
it cross-platform, the challenges are formidable,
if not impossible to solve.

I always build my own forms because I am...well...
nuts. But even that is not a perfect solution because
every time someone runs the code on a platform other
than mine (and cares enough to report it to me) I end
up tweaking it here and there. Some days it seems an
endless task. :-(

Cheers,

David

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