
Subject: Re: Calling DirectInput from IDL
Posted by [Karl Schultz](#) on Wed, 18 Feb 2004 17:25:17 GMT
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You might consider using the ul (ULONG) member in IDL_ALLTYPES to pass the DD handle around. Also, ptring may be a better choice if you have 6.0.

You would need to cast the handle to a LPDIRECTINPUT8 in the Destroy routine, and in any others that need the handle.

So you might want to try something like:

In create:

```
IDL_VPTR vpHandle;  
vpHandle = IDL_GettmpULong((IDL_ULONG)g_pDI);  
return vpHandle;
```

In destroy:

```
LPDIRECTINPUT8    pDIID;  
pDIID = (LPDIRECTINPUT8) argv[0]->value.ul;
```

Code untested, but may give you an idea.

Karl

"IDLUser" <bbhyun2001@yahoo.com> wrote in message
news:a1d082bc.0402171504.5d0197df@posting.google.com...

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>  
> #define STRICT  
> #define DIRECTINPUT_VERSION 0x0800  
> ;  
> ;  
> ;  
> #define SAFE_DELETE(p) { if(p) { delete (p); (p)=NULL; } }  
> #define SAFE_RELEASE(p) { if(p) { (p)->Release(); (p)=NULL; } }  
>  
> LPDIRECTINPUT8    g_pDI          = NULL;
```

```

> ;
> ;
> ;
> extern IDL_VPTR IDL_CDECL diTestBedINI_HC(int argc,IDL_VPTR
> argv[],char* argk)
> {
> // called in IDL: pbDirectInputID = diTestBedINI_HC();
>
> HRESULT hr;
> if( FAILED( hr = DirectInput8Create( GetModuleHandle(NULL),
> DIRECTINPUT_VERSION, IID_IDirectInput8, (VOID**)&g_pDI, NULL ) ) )
> IDL_Message(IDL_M_NAMED_GENERIC,IDL_MSG_LONGJMP," Fail to get the DI
> Instance");
>
> UCHAR *store;
> IDL_VPTR new_array;
> IDL_LONG dims[1];
>
> dims[0] = sizeof(g_pDI);
> store = (UCHAR *)malloc(dims[0]);
> memcpy(store,&g_pDI,dims[0]);
> new_array = IDL_ImportArray(1,dims,IDL_TYP_BYTE,store,NULL,NULL);
> return new_array;
>
> }
>
> void IDL_CDECL diTestBedDestroy_HC(int argc,IDL_VPTR argv[],char*
> argk)
> {
> // called in IDL: diTestBedDestroy_HC,pbDirectInputID;
> char *pDIID;//??
>
> IDL_ENSURE_ARRAY(argv[0]);
> pDIID = (char*)argv[0]->value.arr->data;//??
> SAFE_RELEASE(pDIID);//??
>
> }
> //error C2227: left of '->Release' must point to class/struct/union
>
> --BB

```

Subject: Re: Calling DirectInput from IDL
 Posted by [andrew.cool](#) on Wed, 18 Feb 2004 23:25:00 GMT
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Andrew

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Posted by [Rick Towler](#) on Thu, 19 Feb 2004 00:15:34 GMT
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I have written a direct input DLM that you may want to look at. You could
easily fold force feedback effects into it and you would get the keyboard
and mouse for free.

Compiled dlm and example program and docs are available here:

<http://www.acoustics.washington.edu/~towler/directInputDLM.html>

Source is here:

<http://www.acoustics.washington.edu/~towler/programs/directInputSource.zip>

-Rick

Subject: Re: Calling DirectInput from IDL
Posted by [bbhyun2001](#) on Thu, 19 Feb 2004 06:17:00 GMT
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andrew.cool@dsto.defence.gov.au (Andrew Cool) wrote in message
news:<c6d70400.0402181525.3658fed@posting.google.com>...
> bbhyun2001@yahoo.com (IDLUser) wrote in message
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Wow! Everything is changed in a day. Thanks Karl and Andrew for
responding to my mail and special thanks for my God, Rick Towler, for
letting us see his efforted source code :) Thanks you all again.

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<Dr. Nick Riviera> Stop! You're embarrassing me!</Dr. Nick>

I think my salary doesn't justifies that title. Plus, I don't know if I want to be associated with such a saintly moniker. The members of the IDL EPA seem like quite a raucous bunch and I would like them to think that I could fit right in.

:)

-Rick
