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Posted by [lance.luvaul](#) on Fri, 09 Aug 2013 08:41:46 GMT

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Thanks in advance,
Lance

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Posted by [lance.luvaul](#) on Wed, 14 Aug 2013 08:51:29 GMT

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Finally figured out how to do this. After you've instantiated your NG surface object (and assuming it's the only one), you can set the scale_vertex_color property this way:

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svc[3] = clip  
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The first arg to i(g|s)etproperty is a path-like string that qualifies the itools visualization object. If 'surface' isn't unique enough, I believe you can use igetid() somehow immediately after instantiating the NG surface to get the fully qualified string (looks something like: "/TOOLS/GRAPHIC/WINDOW/VIEW_1/VISUALIZATION LAYER/DATA SPACE/SURFACE").

Hope this helps someone else...

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Posted by [lance.luvaul](#) on Wed, 14 Aug 2013 12:52:06 GMT

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Here's another way to do it:

```
oSystem = _IDLitSys_GetSystem()  
oVis = oSystem->IDLitContainer::GetByIdentifier(igetid('surface'))  
ovis->getproperty, scale_vertex_color=svc  
svc[3] = clip  
ovis->setproperty, scale_vertex_color=svc
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