

Using the Logger32 External Interface

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A series of Windows messages have been coded that allow message exchange between Logger32 and a user-developed application, and data transfer using [ADIF](#) formatted strings.

The first step in establishing communication between your application and Logger32 your application must identify the hWnd of the Logger32 MDI:

```
Dim L32hWnd as long
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```
L32hWnd = FindWindow(vbNullString, "Logger32")
```

If Logger32 is not running, your application must retry periodically until Logger32 is running.

Second, your application must register/identify an unused Windows message (Logger32 supports up to 5 simultaneous external applications):

```
Dim L32Msg as long
```

```
L32Msg = RegisterWindowMessage("Logger32 1").
```

```
PostMessage L32hWnd, L32Msg, 1, GhW ' GhW is the hWnd of your main form
```

Logger32 will reply to you with a message number 0. If the L32Msg you send is in use by another external application, the IParam will be set to 0. If the L32Msg is unused, then the IParam will be set to 1. If your connect request was rejected (IParam is 0), then your application must retry using a different L32Msg:

```
L32Msg = RegisterWindowMessage("Logger32 2").
```

```
PostMessage L32hWnd, L32Msg, 1, GhW ' GhW is the hWnd of your main form
```

Logger32 currently supports up to 5 external interface applications. Your application can retry the connection using a RegisteredWindowMessage "Logger32 1" to "Logger32 5".

When your application has successfully connected to Logger32 (you receive a message number 0 with an IParam of 1), you must now send a message number 2 to Logger32 with an IParam of the TextBox(hWnd) Logger32 is to send text strings to. If your application does not want unsolicited data from Logger32, then you set the IParam to 0:

```
PostMessage L32hWnd, L32Msg, 2, TextBox(hWnd)
```

Immediately following the message 2 to Logger32 you have the option to send a message 3 to Logger32. Setting the IParam to 0 (or simply not sending a message 3) will tell Logger32 to not send any [DX Spot information](#) to your application (I suspect most applications will not want to receive [DX Spots](#) from Logger32). Setting the IParam to 1:

```
PostMessage L32hWnd, L32Msg, 3, 1
```

will tell Logger32 to send [ADIF](#) formatted text to your application for each [DX Spot](#) received by Logger32. If you have previously set the message 2 IParam to 0 (no TextBox hWnd provided to Logger32) and you set the message 3 IParam to 1 (telling Logger32 to send you [DX Spot](#) information) Logger32 will complain, generate a warning message and turn off the request.

Logger32 will respond by doing three things:

- a) Logger32 sends your application a message number 3. The IParam of this message is the hWnd of a TextBox in Logger32 your application sends **ADIF** formatted text strings to.
- b) Logger32 sends your application a message 100. The IParam of this message is the radio frequency (in **Hz**).
- c) If your application has OK'd the receipt of unsolicited text strings from Logger32 (you sent a TextBox hWnd as the IParam of your message number 2), Logger32 will send your application a WM_SETTEXT message and put the current Radio Mode in the TextBox you have identified. The format of the text is (say) <APP_RADIO_MODE:3>SSB

The basic connection and synchronization between Logger32 and your application is complete. Logger32 will respond to the following additional messages from your application:

4. IParam is 0. Your application tells Logger32 it has stopped. Logger32 will free up the RegisteredWindowMessage your application was using.
5. IParam is 0. Your application tells Logger32 to shut down.
6. IParam is 0. Your application relinquishes **PTT** control. Logger32 assumes **PTT** control and initialized **PTT** ports/keying lines.
7. IParam is 0. Your application assumes control of the **PTT**.
8. IParam is 0. Your application tells Logger32 to key the **PTT**.
9. IParam is 0. Your application tells Logger32 to unkey the **PTT**.
10. IParam is the hWnd of a TextBox in your application to write to. Logger32 will respond with an **ADIF** formatted text string in the following format <APP_SET_FREQ_MODE:27>18132.012|CW The frequency is in **KHz** and the decimal separator will be in the correct format for the PC's regional settings.
11. IParam is 0. Your application tells Logger32 to release **CAT** control of the Radio.
12. IParam is 0. Your application tells Logger32 to take **CAT** control of the Radio.
13. IParam is 0. If the Logger32 Mode controlled by Sound Card option is checked, then <APP_FORCE_MODE:x> messages from your application will change Logger32 Mode.
14. IParam is 0. Disables the feature turned on by message 13. Remember to turn this off when your application closes.
15. If IParam is 1 then a flag is set so that Logged QSOs will be marked for QSLing. If IParam is 0 then the flag is turned off.
16. If IParam is 1 then a flag is set so that Logged QSOs will be marked for eQSLing. If IParam is 0 then the flag is turned off.
17. If IParam is 1 then a flag is set so that Logged QSOs will be marked for LoTW. If IParam is 0 then the flag is turned off.

Logger32 will send the following additional messages to your application:

100. The IParam contains the radio frequency in **Hz**. This message is sent whenever the radio frequency changes.

No more are currently coded ... all you have to do is ask.

Data is exchanged between your application and Logger32 by writing **ADIF** formatted text strings to identified TextBoxes. It is suggested/recommended that the user utilize the TextBox_Change event as a trigger to process the **ADIF** data received.

Logger32 recognizes the following **ADIF** strings:

<EOR> If received without additional text, Logger32 will clear all current entries in the [Logbook Entry Window](#).

<APP_TAB> If received without additional text, this simulates moving the focus from the [Callsign field](#) of the Logger32 [Logbook Entry Window](#). Automatic functions (like [QRZ lookup](#), [Previous QSOs lookup](#), auto-populate of data from previous QSOs, etc. are triggered.

<CALL:x> Callsign is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<RST_RCVD:x> The RST Received is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<RST_SENT:x> The RST Sent is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<NAME:x> The name is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<APP_TIME_ON:x> is in the Microsoft timestamp format (example: 39470.6737384259) and sets the ADIF QSO_DATE and TIME_ON fields.

<APP_TIME_OFF:x> is in the Microsoft timestamp format (example: 39470.6737384259) and sets the ADIF TIME_OFF field.

<APP_QSL:1>Y sets the Logger32 QSL flag on. Any other character(s) turns the flag off.

<APP_eQSL:1>Y sets the Logger32 eQSL flag on. Any other character(s) turns the flag off.

<APP_LoTW:1>Y sets the Logger32 LoTW flag on. Any other character(s) turns the flag off.

<COMMENT:x> the comment is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<QTH:x> the QTH is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<ADDRESS:x> the address is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<STATE:x> if the user has assigned STATE as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the Primary Administrative Subdivision is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<CNTY:x> if the user has assigned CNTY as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the Secondary Administrative Subdivision is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<GRIDSQUARE:x> if the user has assigned [GRIDSQUARE](#) as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the [gridsquare](#) is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<IOTA:x> if the user has assigned IOTA as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the IOTA is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<STX:x> if the user has assigned STX as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the transmitted serial number is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<SRX:x> if the user has assigned SRX as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the received serial number is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<QSL_VIA:x> if the user has assigned QSL_VIA as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the QSL information is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<SAT_NAME:x> if the user has assigned SAT_NAME as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the satellite name is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<SAT_MODE:x> if the user has assigned SAT_MODE as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the satellite mode is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<PROP_MODE:x> if the user has assigned PROP_MODE as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the propagation mode is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<FREQ_RX:x> if the user has assigned FREQ_RX as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the receive frequency is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<TEN_TEN:x> if the user has assigned TEN_TEN as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the 10x10 number is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<USER_1:x> if the user has assigned USER_1 as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the user defined data is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<USER_2:x> if the user has assigned USER_2 as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the user defined data is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<USER_3:x> if the user has assigned USER_3 as a [user field](#) on the [Logbook Entry window](#) then the user defined data is placed on the [Logbook Entry window](#).

<APP_LOGQSO:x> will log data currently on the [Logbook Entry window](#). This may be sent as standalone data, or part of a complete QSO to be logged..

<FREQ:x> if the Logger32 Radio Type is set to none, then this data (in [KHz](#)) will simulate a change of radio frequency in Logger32.

<MODE:x> if the data received does not match the mode of the [Logbook Entry window](#), a warning message is generated.

<APP_FORCE_MODE:x> This will change the mode in the [Logbook Entry window](#). The message is intended to be used when Logger32 does not have control of the radio. If Logger32 has control of the radio, the Mode you have forced may be overwritten by the mode from the next poll.

<APP_SET_FREQ_MODE:x> Logger32 will set the radio frequency and radio mode to the data

received. The format is (say) <APP_SET_FREQ_MODE:14>14003.451|CW-R Note that the frequency is in [KHz](#).

<APP_CLICK_DXSPOT:x> This simulates clicking on a [DX Spot](#) in Logger32. Your application must pass both the frequency (in [KHz](#)) and the DX station callsign. The format is (say) <APP_CLICK_DXSPOT:13>14003.01|K4CY.

Logger32 sends the following [ADIF](#) strings to your application (if you have allowed unsolicited data to be sent):

<CALL:x> is sent if the Callsign is changed on the [Logbook Entry window](#)

<RST_SENT:x> is sent when the RST_SENT field is changed on the [Logbook Entry window](#)

<RST_RCVD:x> is sent when the RST_RCVD field is changed on the [Logbook Entry window](#)

<NAME:x> is sent when the NAME field is changed on the [Logbook Entry window](#)

<MODE:x> is sent when the MODE of the [Logbook Entry window](#) is changed.

<APP_RADIO_MODE:x> is sent when the radio mode is changed.

<APP_DXSPOT_CALLSIGN:x> is sent when a [DX Spot](#) is received.

<APP_DXSPOT_FREQ:x> is sent when a [DX Spot](#) is received.

<APP_DXSPOT_BAND:x> is sent when a [DX Spot](#) is received. The band is derived from the Logger32 [BandPlan](#).

<APP_DXSPOT_MODE:x> is sent when a [DX Spot](#) is received. The operation mode (i.e. [SSB](#), [CW](#), [RTTY](#), etc.) mode is derived from the Logger32 [BandPlan](#).

<APP_DXSPOT_COLOR:x> is sent when a [DX Spot](#) is received if the [DX Spot](#) is highlighted.

<EOR> is sent when Logger32 clears the [Logbook Entry window](#).

If you write an application or interface to Logger32, please check the code handles frequency strings where the decimal separator may be either a period or a comma (depending on the users PC Regional Settings). Also, please ensure you handles the connect sequence correctly so that you don't tie up more than one RegisteredWindowMessage. The sample code provides a working sample.

Finally, please make sure you release any resources (including your assigned RegisteredWindowMessage when your application closes.