

**Quick Border OCX**

**Version 3.0**

**User Manual**

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## Introduction

# Quick Border

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We developed **Quick Border** for our own internal use within our software applications, we have developed many applications over the years.

These range from simple stand alone systems, to systems in use within large organisations including Hospitals, etc.

**Quick Border** will allow you to drag / drop the **QB** object on your form, when you do this a border is automatically generated to fit the size you have made the object;

- \* Choose the background colours
- \* Choose the border colours, fill colours
- \* Even set the border size, spacing and inner colours

All of which is done by setting a simple properties.

- \* **BackColor, BorderColor, BorderFillColor**
- \* **BorderSize, BorderSpacing, BorderVisible**
- \* **Enabled, InnerColor**

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# Updates

## Updates

Updates are automatically notified to all developers / registered user.

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## Getting Support

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### Help With Our Components

If you're having trouble with one of our components, here are a few general suggestions. First, take a look at the sample programs. Usually, there is a sample program that shows how to use every feature of our components. These can be quite helpful.

These sample programs are located in the default installation folders eg: **c:\program files\hestor\quickborders\Samples**

Second, if you haven't already, take a look at the help file and/or manual. They spell out what each of the Properties, Events, Methods, Objects and Interfaces does. If you are still having trouble with one of our components, please feel free to contact us to get help. When you do, make sure that you have as much information about your problem ready as possible.

The more you tell us, the better we can help you.

### Help With General Programming

Many people come to us with questions about general programming issues. We would love to help everyone learn to become great programmers, but we simply don't have the time.

We would always suggest that you read books, try by example, take a look at someone else's coding, when buying books try the likes of **ebay** first, you can save a huge amount on books purchased that have already been used, and as a rule - as any developer will tell you - you only ever need just a chapter from a book - we personally have hundreds and hundreds of books in the office and the vast majority of them are secondhand !

## Getting Support

You can receive support for our products from our FAQ, web site or e-mail.

### This Help File

This help file is fully searchable. We suggest that you try that first before anything else. By searching in this help file, you'll be searching all of the reference information for this component and all of the FAQ questions and answers.

### FAQ

You can find our FAQ at <http://www.ocx.hestor.com/Faqs.html>

### E-Mail

If you cannot find the answer to your question on our web site, you can email us directly at [support@hestor.com](mailto:support@hestor.com).

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#### **Online Via Website**

You can purchase a full licence by visiting our website at the following address;

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As a good will gesture we will allow each developer to use their licence key for the OCX on both a fixed computer and their own laptop / notebook.

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#### **Email / Telephone Direct**

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We are based in the United Kingdom, support via telephone is offered between the hours of 9:00am to 5.00pm UK time.

You can call the support line on **+ 44 (0) 161 660 1366**

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## Quick Border Reference

### *Quick Border Overview*

#### Quick Border's Overview

We developed **QuickBorder** for our own internal use within our software applications, we have developed many applications over the years.

These range from simple stand alone systems, to systems in use within large organisations including Hospitals, etc.

**QuickBorder's** will allow you to create a complete border just by dropping the object on the form in design mode and the sizing it to your requirement.

- \* You can Set the Size of the Borders shown
- \* Set all the different colours; Background, Border, Fill Color, Inner Color
- \* Just by changing the spacing the entire panel can look completely different, take a look at the samples.

All of which is done by setting a simple property.

- \* **BackColor, BorderColor, BorderFillColor,**
- \* **BorderSize, BorderSpacing, BorderVisible,**
- \* **Enabled, InnerColor**

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## *Technical / Distribution Information*

#### Technical / Distribution Information

Active X Control

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***Fancy Fonts OCX***

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| <b>FILENAME</b>       | Hestor_QuickBorder.Ocx   |
| <b>Object Name</b>    | QuickBorder  |
| <b>Object ID</b>      | EE2604CF-54E2-4330-AC9A-D2495D4A748B   |
| <b>Compatibility</b>  | VB 5.0 and 6.0, VFP 5.0 and 6.0, other languages   |
| <b>DLL's required</b> | None. This is a light ActiveX control that requires no extra DLLs to operate. This means that your installation packages will be smaller. And, your web pages will load faster, since there are no extra DLL's to download |
| <b>Registration</b>   | You will need to register the OCX control within your installation programme.  |

## Distribution Note

When you develop and distribute an application that uses this component:

1. The ActiveX control (Hestor\_FancyFonts.ocx) must be included in the installation package.
2. Use RegSvr32.EXE (or any other install package) to register the OCX.
3. Install the component file(s) into the user's Windows SYSTEM32 folder.  
The component file(s) has/have version information built into it.  
During installation, ensure that you are not overwriting a newer version.
4. **DO NOT** include the component's .LIC file.

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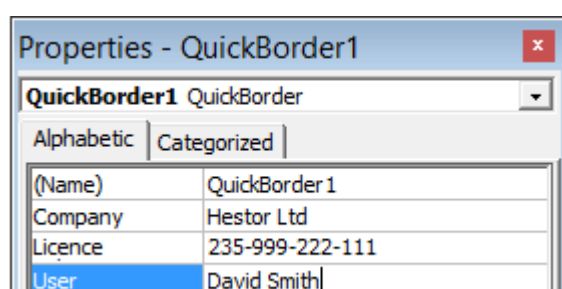
## License Key Registration - How to register

### License Key Registration - How to register

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#### Method 1 - Design Mode

After placing the object onto your Form, press F4 - bring up the property window and enter your registration details.



Enter in your Company, Licence and User details as they appear in the registration email we have sent you.

Once entered into the object properties, the NAG screen will not be shown.

## Method 2 - Programmatically

You can enter your registration details via coding, this is then processed at run time.

### **Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)**

```
With QuickBorder1
    .Company = "Hestor Ltd"
    .Licence = "122-837D-203-72F"
    .User = "Davids"
End With
```

- \* To complete a registration process, you need to specify the three fields above;
- \* Company Name, Licence Number & User Name - all of these details are emailed to you upon successful purchase of a valid licence subscription.
- \* You can confirm the licence has been successful by calling the Property CallKey, for example;

```
Dim bSuccess as Boolean

bSuccess = QuickBorder.CofnrmKey

MsgBox "Key Status (True = Valid, False - Invalid) : " & bSuccess
```

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## ***NAG Screen - Valid licece details required***

### **NAG Screen - Valid licence details required**

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Until you have purchased and registered your details, the NAG screen will appear periodically.



Enter in your Company, Licence and User details as they appear in the registration email we have sent you.

Once entered into the object properties, the NAG screen will not be shown either at Design or Run time.

See License Key Registration for further information on how to register your purchase details.

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## Tutorials

### *Basic Example (VB)*

#### Basic Examples

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Within the installation folder you will find the **Samples** folder, this contains sample application.

Load up the example and run it, you can see the borders are all different shapes, sizes and colours.

As developers, we find that the best way for coding is by looking, seeing and following.

You can see that the border can not only be different sizes but can also have different spacing settings.

- \* **Colours**                      - Various colours can be set, background, border, border fill & inner fill
- \* **Spacing**                      - You can set the spacing sized used by the border object.
- \* **BorderVisible**              - Turn on / off the outer edge border to achieve yet another look.

You can add / alter coding to these examples and re-run them, you can also change a lot of the properties in DESIGN time - these are actively shown in DESIGN time.

Try playing with the different examples and the different settings for the properties, you can come up with some amazing examples.

If you need clarification on any of the properties and you can't find the solution within the help guides, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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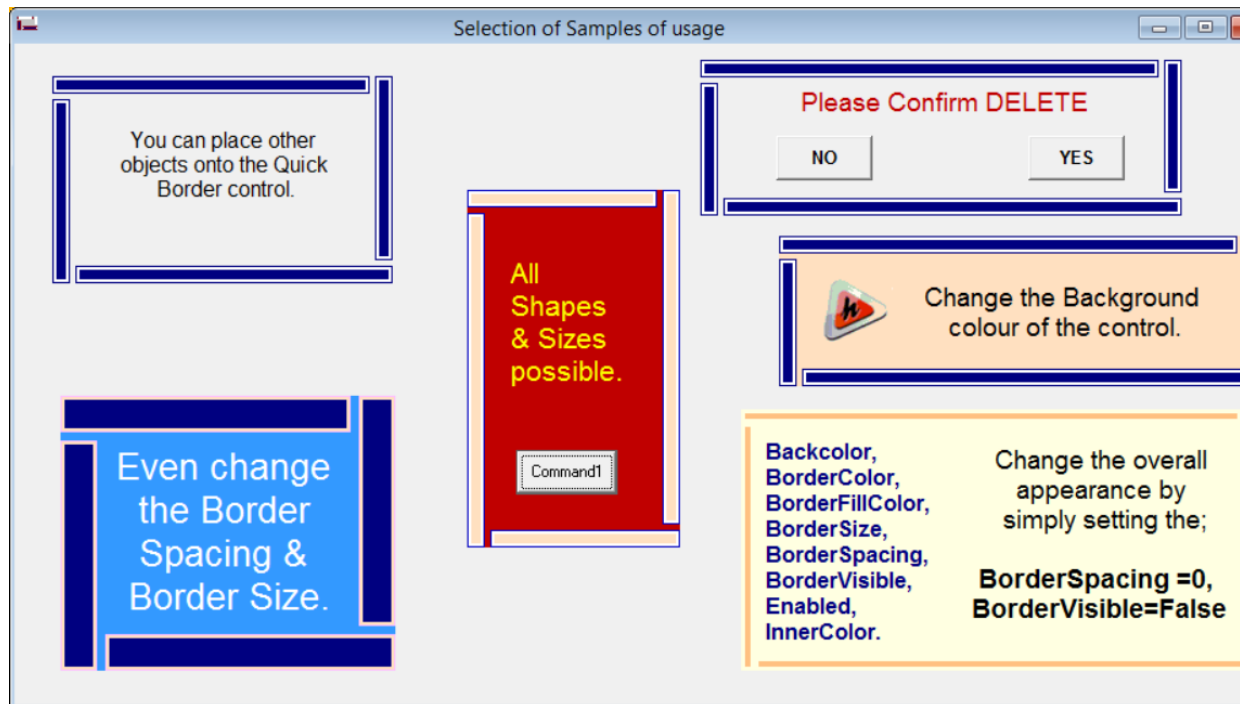
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## Samples - Various

#### Basic Examples - the Example

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Within the installation folder you will find the **Samples** folder, you will find the **Example** project



So as you can see, the one object can create a whole range of panels, you can simply add other objects onto the **QuickBorder** object.

In design time, click onto an object and change the settings, as you do this the object will refresh.

Some amazing effective can be produce by mixing the properties, the choice is endless !

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## Methods

### About

Displays the **About** Box.

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#### Syntax

[Visual Basic]

**object.About**

The syntax of the **About** method has these parts;

| Part   | Description                       |
|--------|-----------------------------------|
| object | Required. A QuicBorder component. |

#### Remarks

This method displays the About Box for the control.

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### Confirm Key

Returns a value to indicate if the current licence key is valid.

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#### Syntax

[Visual Basic]

**object.ConfirmKey [=confirmkey]**

The syntax of the **ConfirmKey** property has these parts;

| Part   | Description             |
|--------|-------------------------|
| object | A QuicBorder component. |

confirmkey

A Boolean expression that determines whether your licence key is valid.

**Remarks**

Each QuickBorder object requires licence validation, make sure you either set these values into the objects properties at design time or set them within your coding at run time.

**Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)**

With QuickBorder1

```
.Company = "Hestor Ltd"
.User = "Davids"
.License = "239-2398-D34-2817"
```

End With

```
Dim TestKey as Boolean
```

```
TestKey=QuickBorder1.ConfirmKey
```

```
IF TestKey=True then MsgBox "Your Key is VALID" ELSE MsgBox "Sorry Key not accepted"
```

\* Remember that the properties can be entered at design time onto the object itself (Visual Basic 6 - press F4), thus removing the need to manually add the coding above.

**Data Type**

**Boolean**

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**Enabled**

Enables or disables the object from running in LIVE mode.

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**Syntax**

[Visual Basic]

**object.Enabled [=enabled]**

The syntax of the **Enabled** property has these parts;

| Part    | Description  |
|---------|--|
| object  | A QuickBorder component.   |
| enabled | A Boolean expression that determines whether the object is running in LIVE mode. |

**Remarks**

Each QuickBorder object can be shown either running (LIVE - TRUE) or not (PAUSED - FALSE).

The caption will be displayed in accordance with the property settings your have chosen regardless of this setting.

**Data Type**

**Boolean**

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## Properties

### ***BackColor***

Returns or sets the **BackColor** of the QuickBorder control.

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#### Syntax

[Visual Basic]

***object***.BackColor [= backcolor]

The syntax of the **BackColor** property has these parts;

| Part      | Description   |
|-----------|---|
| object    | A QuickBorder component.  |
| backcolor | A color that determines the background color of the QuickBorder's object. |

#### Remarks

You can achieve some great looking borders by settings properties such as the **BackColor**, **BorderColor**, **BorderFillColor**, **InnerColor** and other properties, see the example coding in the Samples folders.

#### **Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)**

```
With QuickBorder1
    .BackColor= &H8000000F&
    .BorderColor=vbGreen
    .BorderFillColor=vbYellow
    .ForeColor = vbRed
    .InnerColor= vbBlue
    .Visible= True
End With
```

\* In the above example, the object will have a green outer border, a yellow filling color, Red foreground and the Inner colour will be set to Blue.

#### Data\_Type

**OLE\_COLOR**

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## BorderColor

Returns or sets the **BorderColor** of the Quick Border control.

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### Syntax

[Visual Basic]

**object.BorderColor** [= bordercolor]

The syntax of the **BorderColor** property has these parts;

| Part        | Description   |
|-------------|---|
| object      | A QuickBorder component.  |
| bordercolor | A color that determines the border color of the QuickBorder's object. |

### Remarks

You can achieve some great looking borders by settings properties such as the **BackColor**, **BorderColor**, **BorderFillColor**, **InnerColor** and other properties, see the example coding in the

Samples folders.

### Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)

```
With QuickBorder1
    .BackColor= &H8000000F&
    .BorderColor= vbGreen
    .BorderFillColor= vbYellow
    .ForeColor = vbRed
    .InnerColor= vbBlue
    .Visible= True
End With
```

\* In the above example, the object will have a green outer border, a yellow filling color, Red foreground and the Inner colour will be set to Blue.

### Data\_Type

**OLE\_COLOR**

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## BorderFillColor

Returns or sets the **BorderFillColor** of the QuickBorder control.

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### Syntax

[Visual Basic]

**object.BorderFillColor** [= borderfillcolor]

The syntax of the **BorderFillColor** property has these parts;

| Part      | Description  |
|-----------|--|
| object    | A QuickBorder component.   |
| backcolor | A color that determines the border fill color of the QuickBorder's object. |

### Remarks

You can achieve some great looking borders by settings properties such as the **BackColor**, **BorderColor**, **BorderFillColor**, **InnerColor** and other properties, see the example coding in the Samples folders.

### Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)

```
With QuickBorder1
    .BackColor= &H8000000F&
    .BorderColor=vbGreen
    .BorderFillColor=vbYellow
    .ForeColor = vbRed
    .InnerColor= vbBlue
    .Visible= True
End With
```

\* In the above example, the object will have a green outer border, a yellow filling color, Red foreground and the Inner colour will be set to Blue.

### Data\_Type

**OLE\_COLOR**

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## Company

Returns / sets your **Company** details, registered users.

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### Syntax

[Visual Basic]

**object.Company [= company]**

The syntax of the **Company** property has these parts;

| Part    | Description   |
|---------|---|
| object  | A QuickBorder's component.  |
| company | A String expression that contains your company information as from your registration details. |

### Remarks

The property company is used as a way of setting your registration details into the system, this can either be set within the Design Mode or in Run Time.

#### Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)

```
With QuickBorder1
    .Company = "Hestor Ltd"
    .Licence = "122-837D-203-72F"
    .User = "Davids"
End With
```

- \* To complete a registration process, you need to specify the three fields above;
- \* Company Name, Licence Number & User Name - all of these details are emailed to you upon successful purchase of a valid licence subscription.
- \* You can confirm the licence has been successful by calling the Property CallKey, for example;

```
Dim bSuccess as Boolean

bSuccess = QuickBorder1.CofnrmKey

MsgBox "Key Status (True = Valid, False - Invalid) : " & bSuccess
```

### Data Type

**String**

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## BorderStyle

Returns or sets the **BorderStyle** property, changing the appearance of the width of the overall border

### Syntax

[Visual Basic]

**object.BorderStyle [= bordersize]**

The syntax of the **BorderStyle** property has these parts;

| Part        | Description   |
|-------------|---|
| object      | A QuickBorder's component.                          |
| BorderStyle | An integer value indicating the size of the border. |

### Remarks

- \* If set to true then the object will have an edging line drawn around it, you can set the color by using the properties **BackColor**, **BorderColor**, **BorderFillColor**, **InnerColor**
- \* Take a look at the Samples included, these are in the folders **Samples**, these can be very effective.

### Data\_Type

**Integer**

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## BorderSpacing

Returns or sets the **BorderSpacing** of the Quick Border control.

### Syntax

[Visual Basic]

**object.BorderSpacing [= borderspacing]**

The syntax of the **BorderSpacing** property has these parts;

| Part          | Description  |
|---------------|--|
| object        | A QuickBorder's component.   |
| borderspacing | An integer value changing the spacing shown within each part of the border |

## Remarks

As you change the border spacing you will see your object change, play around with this to you get the look you want.

### Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)

```

With QuickBorder1
    .BackColor= &H8000000F&
    .BorderColor=vbGreen
    .BorderFillColor=vbYellow
    .BorderSize=200
    .ForeColor = vbRed
    .InnerColor= vbBlue
    .Visible= True
End With

```

## Data\_Type

**Integer**

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## Enabled

Returns or sets whether the control is **Enabled**.

## Syntax

[Visual Basic]

***object.Enabled* [= enabled]**

The syntax of the **Enabled** property has these parts;

| Part    | Description  |
|---------|--|
| object  | A QuickBorders component.                              |
| enabled | A Boolean expression either being set as TRUE or FALSE |

## Remarks

- \* Even though the object may have the **Enabled** status effect set as FALSE the object will be shown in accordance with the other properties.

## Data\_Type

**Boolean**

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# Flashing Color

Returns or sets the **Inner Color** of the Quick Border's control.

## Syntax

[Visual Basic]

***object.InnerColor* [= innercolor]**

The syntax of the **InnerColor** property has these parts;

| Part       | Description  |
|------------|--|
| object     | A QuickBorder's component.                               |
| innercolor | The color that determines the inner color of the border. |

## Remarks

The object can be set to a single color or set to flash between two colors, the primary color is the **forecolor** the secondary is this one - the **flashingcolor**, this can either be set within the Design Mode or in Run Time.

**Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)**

```

With FancyFonts1
    .Caption = "Welcome to Fancy Fonts"
    .ForeColor = vbRed
    .FlashingColor = vbBlue
    .FlashingEnabled = True
    .Interval = 3000
End With

```

\* In the above example, the object will flash every 3 seconds between RED and BLUE, to stop the flashing, set the **.FlashingEnabled = FALSE**

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**BorderVisible**

Returns or sets the **Flashing Enabled** property, turning on / off flashing of the control.

---

**Syntax**

[Visual Basic]

**object.FlashingEnabled [= flashingenabled]**

The syntax of the **FlashingEnabled** property has these parts;

| Part            | Description  |
|-----------------|--|
| object          | A FancyFonts component.                                |
| flashingenabled | A Boolean expression either being set as TRUE or FALSE |

**Remarks**

- \* If set to true then the object will be flashing, this is dependant on other properties being set, if Visible is set the FALSE then no flashing of the object will occur.
- \* The shadow background of the object will NOT change color, likewise if the Flashing Color and ForeColor are the same no flashing will be visible !

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## ***InnerColor***

Returns or sets the **Font** of the Fancy Fonts control.**Syntax**

[Visual Basic]

***object.Font [= font]***The syntax of the **Font** property has these parts;

| Part   | Description  |
|--------|--|
| object | A FancyFonts component.                                |
| font   | A Font Object that is used by the FancyFont's control. |

**Remarks**

You can achieve some great looking borders by settings properties such as the **BackColor**, **BorderColor**, **BorderFillColor**, **InnerColor** and other properties, see the example coding in the Samples folders.

***Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)******Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)***

```

With QuickBorder1
    .BackColor= &H8000000F&
    .BorderColor= vbGreen
    .BorderFillColor= vbYellow
    .ForeColor = vbRed
    .InnerColor= vbBlue
    .Visible= True
End With

```

\* In the above example, the object will have a green outer border, a yellow filling color,

Red foreground and the Inner colour will be set to Blue.

## Data\_Type

**IFontDisp**

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## Licence

Returns / sets your **Licence** details, registered users.

## Syntax

[Visual Basic]

***object.Licence*** [= licence]

The syntax of the **Company** property has these parts;

| Part    | Description   |
|---------|---|
| object  | A Quick Border component.   |
| licence | A String expression that contains your licence information as from your registration details. |

## Remarks

The property licence is used as a way of setting your registration details into the system, this can either be set within the Design Mode or in Run Time.

### Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)

```
With QuickBorder1
    .Company = "Hestor Ltd"
    .Licence = "122-837D-203-72F"
    .User = "Davids"
End With
```

- \* To complete a registration process, you need to specify the three fields above;
- \* Company Name, Licence Number & User Name - all of these details are emailed to you upon successful purchase of a valid licence subscription.
- \* You can confirm the licence has been successful by calling the Property CallKey, for example;

```
Dim bSuccess as Boolean
```

```
bSuccess = QuickBorder.CofnrmKey
```

```
MsgBox "Key Status (True = Valid, False - Invalid) : " & bSuccess
```

## Data Type

**String**

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## User

Returns / sets your **User** details, registered users.

## Syntax

[Visual Basic]

**object.User [= user ]**

The syntax of the **Company** property has these parts;

| Part   | Description  |
|--------|--|
| object | A Quick Border component.  |
| user   | A String expression that contains your user information as from your registration details. |

## Remarks

The proeprty licence is used as a way of setting your registration details into the system, this can either be set within the Design Mode or in Run Time.

### Example Coding (Visual Basic 6)

```
With QuickBorder1
    .Company = "Hestor Ltd"
    .Licence = "122-837D-203-72F"
    .User = "Davids"
End With
```

\* To complete a registration process, you need to specify the three fields above;

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```
Dim bSuccess as Boolean
```

```
bSuccess = QuickBorder1.CofnrmKey
```

```
MsgBox "Key Status (True = Valid, False - Invalid) : " & bSuccess
```

## Data Type

### String

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## FAQ's

### ***Does Quick Border work with VB net***

#### **Does Quick Border work with VB.net**

We have test the control in as many programming languages as possible, likewise as many different versions of Windows as possible.

If however, you come across an instance where the control wont work with the programming language you are using then please do get in touch with us.

If you need any assistance or wish to ask any questions please email [support@hestor.com](mailto:support@hestor.com)

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### ***I can't stop the NAG Screen from showing***

#### **I can't stop the NAG Screen from showing**

We have tested and tested over and over again to ensure that the NAG screen is only ever shown when the control is unlicensed.

As soon as you enter in your registration details the NAG screen will NOT be shown again.

If you are shaving issues with this, follow the example shown in the '**License Key Registration - How to register**' listed under the Fancy Fonts Reference section.

If you need any assistance or wish to ask any questions please email [support@hestor.com](mailto:support@hestor.com)

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### ***I need something else can you help ?***

#### **I need something else can you help ?**

We have developed many applications over the years, ranging from single programmes to entire automation network solutions for hospitals and the likes.

We have the ability to produce coding that will work with web interfaces, mobile devices, laptops. desktops.

We have produced software for biometric devices, swipe cards, NFC readers, VFD poles and a range of other hardware.

We also have our own DATA Centre capabilities, host our own web servers, dns servers, mail cleaners, etc.

So if you need any assistance or wish to ask any questions please email [support@hestor.com](mailto:support@hestor.com)

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## ***The HTML doesn't work***

### **The HTML doesn't work**

We have had reports of some Anti Virus software and possibly Anti Malware programmes blocked the launching of the user's default web browser.

We suggest that you ensure your application is added to their white list if they have a white list facility.

If you need any assistance or wish to ask any questions please email [support@hestor.com](mailto:support@hestor.com)

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