

## ActiveX PDF Viewer OCX

### 1. Introduction

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ActiveX PDF Viewer OCX is an ActiveX control which enables your application to display and interact with PDF files. Simply place the control on your form, set the Path property, and you are all set! ActiveX PDF Viewer OCX does not require Adobe Reader or any other PDF reading program and is .NET compatible.

Features:

- Link and hyperlink support
- Form field support
- Print support
- Extract text from PDF files
- Open password-protected PDF files
- Save PDF file pages as image files
- Add comments, images, and text to PDF file pages
- Bookmark support
- Extract PDF file pages
- Extract images from PDF file
- Find text in PDF file
- Set PDF form field values
- Zoom in and Zoom out support
- Open PDF files from an ADO Data Stream Object

### 2. Using with Visual Basic 6

To add ActiveX PDF Viewer OCX to your Visual Basic 6.0 project:

- From the Project Menu select **Components...**
- Select control **SkySof ActiveX PDF Viewer**
- Click the OK Button
- The control will now appear in your toolbox
- Drag and drop the control on your form, resize it as desired

There are two methods of opening a PDF file with the control:

```
Dim strFile As String
Dim b As Boolean
strFile = "C:\Documents\file.pdf"
PDFViewer1.Path = strFile
b = PDFViewer1.OpenPDF
If b = False Then
```

```
MsgBox "Unable to open file."  
EndIf
```

## OR

```
Dim strFile As String  
Dim b As Boolean  
strFile = "C:\Documents\file.pdf"  
b = PDFViewer1.OpenPDF(strFile)  
If b = False Then  
    MsgBox "Unable to open file."  
EndIf
```

PDF files located on web servers can also be opened. But, you must download them to a disk drive before opening them. For example:

```
Dim strWebFile As String  
Dim strLocalFile As String  
Dim b As Boolean  
strWebFile = "http://www.getfilez.com/axpdfvw.pdf"  
strLocalFile = "C:\Program Files\SkySof ActiveX PDF Viewer\axpdfvw.pdf"  
PDFViewer1.BeginDownload strWebFile, strLocalFile  
'Allow time for file to be downloaded. See VB Demo for example.  
b = PDFViewer1.OpenPDF(strLocalFile)  
If b = False Then  
    MsgBox "Unable to open file."  
EndIf
```

### 3. Using with VBA for Access

How to add ActiveX PDF Viewer OCX to your Access Form

- Open Access and create a new blank database
- Create a new form in Design View. You should now be in design mode
- From the Insert Menu select "ActiveX Control..."
- Select SkySof.PDFViewer and click the OK Button
- The control should appear on the form
- Resize and move the control on the form as desired
- Add a button to the form. If the wizard appears cancel it
- Right-click on the button to invoke the popup menu
- Select "Build Event..." then select Code Builder and click OK Button
- You should be inside the Visual Basic Development Environment
- Within the Command\_Click enter the following code:  
PDFViewer0.OpenPDF "C:\Program Files\SkySof ActiveX PDF Viewer\axpdfvw.pdf"
- Save your changes and close Visual Basic
- Save the form and close it
- Double-click on the form to run it.
- Click the button. The PDF should appear!
- Experiment by changing the PDF path to a local file such as:

PDFViewer0.OpenPDF "c:\temp\myfile.pdf"

#### 4. Using with .NET

How to add ActiveX PDF Viewer OCX to your .NET project

- Open Visual Studio .NET
- Right-click on the toolbox and select "Add/Remove Items..."
- Select the COM Components Tab
- Check SkySof.PDFViewer and click OK Button
- The control should appear in the toolbox as "SkySof.PDFViewer" or "PDFViewer"
- Double-click on the control to add to your form
- Resize and move the control on the form as desired
- Add a button to the form
- Double-click on the button to access code editor and enter the following code within the Click event:  
AxPDFViewer1.OpenPDF("C:\Program Files\SkySof ActiveX PDF Viewer\axpdfvw.pdf", "", 1, 100)
- Change the anchor property of AxPDFViewer1 to Top, Bottom, Left, Right
- Run the application and click on the button. The PDF should appear!

#### 5. Purchase Information

The pricing for ActiveX PDF Viewer OCX through <http://www.regnow.com> is as follows:

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## 6. Methods

**AddComment** - Method to add a comment to the active PDF file. Note: PDF must not be encrypted.

ByVal lngIcon As IconType	Icon type: Note,Comment,Help,Insert,Key,NewPara,Para
strText As String	Comment text
ByVal lngStartPage As Long	Start page number. If -1 then use last page
ByVal lngEndPage As Long	End page number. If -1 then use last page
ByVal dblX As Double	Comment X coordinate position
ByVal dblY As Double	Comment Y coordinate position
ByVal dblPopupX As Double	Comment popup X coordinate position
ByVal dblPopupY As Double	Comment popup Y coordinate position
ByVal dblPopupWidth As Double	Comment popup width
ByVal dblPopupHeight As Double	Comment popup height
ByVal strTitle As String	Comment title
ByVal dblRed As Double	Comment red color value. 0 through 1.0
ByVal dblGreen As Double	Comment green color value. 0 through 1.0
ByVal dblBlue As Double	Comment blue color value. 0 through 1.0
Optional ByVal blnOpen As Boolean	Show Comment popup automatically?

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**AddImageFile** - Method to add an image to the active PDF file. Note: PDF must not be encrypted.

strImageFile As String	Image file to use
ByVal lngStartPage As Long	Start page number. If -1 then use last page
ByVal lngEndPage As Long	End page number. If -1 then use last page
ByVal dblX As Double	Image X coordinate position
ByVal dblY As Double	Image Y coordinate position
ByVal dblSize As Double	Image size. 0.5 = 50%
Optional ByVal intTransparency As Integer	Image transparency. 0 = none, 50 = 50%, 100 = invisible

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**AddText** - Method to add text to the active PDF file. Note: PDF must not be encrypted.

strText As String	Text to use
ByVal lngStartPage As Long	Start page number. If -1 then use last page
ByVal lngEndPage As Long	End page number. If -1 then use last page
ByVal dblX As Double	Image X coordinate position
ByVal dblY As Double	Image Y coordinate position
ByVal dblSize As Double	Image size. 0.5 = 50%
ByVal dblRed As Double	Comment red color value. 0 through 1.0
ByVal dblGreen As Double	Comment green color value. 0 through 1.0
ByVal dblBlue As Double	Comment blue color value. 0 through 1.0
Optional ByVal intTransparency As Integer	Image transparency. 0 = none, 50 = 50%, 100 = invisible
Optional ByVal dblRotation As Double	A value 0 through 360
Optional ByVal lngFontID As FontType	A value 0 through 12

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**BeginDownload** - Method to download a file from a web server.

strURL As String	Download from location
strFile As String	Download to file

Returns: Boolean

**CollapseBookmarks** - Method to collapse all bookmarks for the active PDF file. Note: PDF must not be encrypted.

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**ExpandBookmarks** - Method to expand all bookmarks for the active PDF file. Note: PDF must not be encrypted.

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**ExtractHyperlinks** – Method to extract hyperlinks from the active PDF file.

Optional lngPage As Long	The page number to use
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Returns: String (A comma-delimited string of hyperlinks)

**ExtractImages** – Method to extract images from the active PDF file and save to image files.

ByVal strFilePath As String	The file folder to save in
strFileName As String	The file name to save as

Returns: Long Integer (The number of image files extracted)

**ExtractPageImages** – Method to extract images from the current page of the active PDF file.

ByVal strFilePath As String	The file folder to save in
strFileName As String	The file name to save as

Returns: Long Integer (The number of image files extracted)

**ExtractPages** – Method to extract specified pages from the active PDF file and save to PDF file.

strOutputPDFfile As String	The PDF file to create
strPages As String	Range of pages to use as string. Example: 1-3,5,7

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**FindText** – Method to find the specified text in the active PDF file.

ByVal strText As String	The text to search for
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Optional lngPage As Long                      The page number to use (If zero then all pages are used)  
Optional blnCaseSensitive As Boolean        Case sensitive search?

Returns: String (a list of comma-delimited page numbers and number of occurrences)

**FindTextAndHighlight** – Method to find the specified text in the active PDF file and highlight in new PDF file.

strOutputPDFfile As String                      The PDF file to create with highlighted text  
ByVal strText As String                        The text to search for  
Optional lngPage As Long                      The page number to use (If zero then all pages are used)  
Optional blnCaseSensitive As Boolean        Case sensitive search?

Returns: String (a list of comma-delimited page numbers and number of occurrences)

**FirstPage** – Method to go to the first page of active PDF document.

**GetChildOutlines** – Method to get the child bookmarks for the active bookmark.

tv As Object                                      TreeView control to populate with bookmarks  
NodParent As Object                            The active tree node to expand

This method should be used in the TreeView's Expand subroutine. Sample VB code:

```
Private Sub TreeView1_Expand(ByVal Node As MSCComctlLib.Node)
'expand the TreeView
Call PDFViewer1.GetChildOutLines(TreeView1, Node)
End Sub
```

**GetFormFields** – Method to get all the form fields for the active PDF file and store to text file.

strTextfile As String                        Text file to save too

Returns: String (list of PDF form fields)

**GetOutlines** – Method to populate a Microsoft Windows TreeView control with bookmarks from the active PDF file. If no bookmarks exist the page numbers will be used.

tv As Object                                      TreeView control to populate with bookmarks

This method should follow the OpenPDF method. To move to the bookmark's page when the bookmark is clicked on in the TreeView enter the following VB code in the TreeView's NodeClick subroutine:

```
Private Sub TreeView1_NodeClick(ByVal Node As MSCComctlLib.Node)
Dim iPosit As Integer
Dim Page As Long

If Val(Node.Tag) = 0 Then
Exit Sub
```

```

End If
iPosit = InStr(Node.Tag, "|")

'retrieve the page and position inside the page
Page = Val(Left(Node.Tag, iPosit - 1))

Screen.MousePointer = vbHourglass
PDFViewer1.Page = Page
Screen.MousePointer = vbDefault
End Sub

```

**GetScrollMaxValue** - Method to return the maximum value of either the vertical or horizontal scrollbar.

eBar As ScrollBarConstants                      Either Vertical or Horizontal

Returns: Long

**GetScrollMinValue** - Method to return the minimum value of either the vertical or horizontal scrollbar.

eBar As ScrollBarConstants                      Either Vertical or Horizontal

Returns: Long

**GetScrollValue** - Method to return the value of either the vertical or horizontal scrollbar.

eBar As ScrollBarConstants                      Either Vertical or Horizontal

Returns: Long

**HasPassword** - Method to determine if a PDF file is protected with a password.

Optional ByVal strPDF As String                      PDF file to check for password

Returns: Boolean (True if PDF is encrypted)

**LastPage** - Method to go to the last page of active PDF document.

**NextPage** - Method to go to the next page.

**OpenPDF** - Method to open a PDF file and display it in the component.

Optional ByVal strPDF As String                      PDF file to open  
Optional ByVal strPassword As String                      Password to use (if any)  
Optional ByVal lngPage As Long                      Page to display. Page 1 is the default  
Optional ByVal lngDotsPerInch As Long                      Dots per inch. 100 is the default

Returns: String ("OK" if PDF was opened successfully)

**OpenPDFstream** - Method to open a PDF file stored as an ADO data stream object.

ByVal objStream As Object	Stream object to open
Optional ByVal strPassword As String	Password to use (if any)
Optional ByVal lngPage As Long	Page to display. Page 1 is the default
Optional ByVal lngDotsPerInch As Long	Dots per inch. 100 is the default

Returns: String ("OK" if stream object was opened successfully)

**PreviousPage** - Method to go to the previous page.

**PrintPDF** - Method to print a PDF file.

Optional ByVal strPrinter As String	Printer to use. Use default printer if not specified
Optional ByVal lngStartPage As Long	Start page number. Default is page 1
Optional ByVal lngEndPage As Long	End page number. Use last page if not specified
Optional ByVal lngPageScaling As PageScalingType	Scale type: None,FitToPaper,ShrinkLargePages
Optional ByVal blnAutoRotateCenter As Boolean	Auto rotate center? Default is True
Optional ByVal strTitle As String	Document title

Returns: Boolean (True if PDF printed successfully)

**RemovePassword** - Method to remove the password for the active PDF file.

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**SavePageAsImage** - Method to save the current page in the active PDF file as an image file.

strImageFile As String	Image file to create
lngImageType As ImageType	Image type: BMP,JPG,WMF,EMF,EPS,PNG,GIF,TIF
lngDotsPerInch As Long	Dots per inch. Default value is 100

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**SavePageAsTextFile** - Method to save the current page in the active PDF file as a text file.

strTextfile As String	Text file to create
Optional ByVal lngOption As Long	Text type option: (see below)

Readable (0) = Extract text in human readable format

Deprecated (1) = Deprecated

SimpleCSV (2) = Return a CSV string including font, color, size and position of each piece of text on the page

Using the more accurate text extraction algorithm:

AdvancedCSV (3) = Return a CSV string for each piece of text on the page with the following format:

Font Name, Text Color, Text Size, X1, Y1, X2, Y2, X3, Y3, X4, Y4, Text

The co-ordinates are the four points bounding the text, measured in points

(1/72 inch) with the bottom-left corner of the page as the origin. Co-ordinate

order is anti-clockwise with the bottom left corner first.

CSVwords (4) = Similar to option 3, but individual words are returned, making searching for words easier

CSVwithWidths (5) = Similar to option 3 but character widths are output after each line  
CSVwordsWithWidths(6) = Similar to option 4 but character widths are output after each line  
AdvancedReadable (7) = Extract text in human readable format with improved accuracy compared to option 0  
AdvancedReadableNoFormat (8) = Similar to option 7 but without layout formatting

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**SavePDFAsTextFile** - Method to save the active PDF file as a text file.

strTextfile As String	Text file to create
Optional ByVal lngStartPage As Long	Start page number. Default is page 1
Optional ByVal lngEndPage As Long	End page number. If not specified the last page is used
Optional ByVal lngOption As Long	Text type option: (see below)

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Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**ScrollControl** - Method to scroll the PDF control either vertically or horizontally.

eBar As ScrollBarConstants	Either Vertical or Horizontal
lngValue As Long	Value to use

**SetFormFieldDefaultValue** - Method to set the specified form field's default value. Note: PDF must not be encrypted.

strFieldName As String	Field name to use
strFieldValue As String	Field value to use
Optional blnFlatten As Boolean	Flatten the form field?

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**SetFormFields** - Method to set multiple form field values and create many PDF files from an ODBC-compliant recordset. Note: PDF must not be encrypted and table field names must match form field names (field names are case-sensitive).

strConnection As String	Connection string to use
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strSQL As String	SQL SELECT statement to use
ByVal strPath As String	File path where PDFs will be created
strFile As String	File name to use (appended with sequential number)
Optional blnFlattenFields As Boolean	Flatten all the form fields?
Optional blnReadOnlyFields As Boolean	Make all the fields read only?

Returns: String (“OK” = success, otherwise an error message is returned)

**SetFormFieldValue** - Method to set the specified form field's value. Note: PDF must not be encrypted.

strFieldName As String	Field name to use
strFieldValue As String	Field value to use
Optional blnFlatten As Boolean	Flatten the form field?
Optional blnReadOnly As Boolean	Make the field read only?

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**SetFormPDF** - Method to set the PDF form file.

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**SetInitialView** - Method to set the initial view for the active PDF file. Note: PDF must not be encrypted.

ByVal lngPageMode As PageModeType Page mode: Normal,ShowOutlines,ShowThumbnails,FullScreen

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**SetPageLayout** - Method to set the page layout for the active PDF file. Note: PDF must not be encrypted.

ByVal lngPageLayout As PageLayoutType Page layout: Single,OneColumn,TwoColumnsLeft,etc.

Returns: Integer (1 = success)

**UnloadPDF** - Method to unload the active PDF file and release resources.

## 7. Properties

**Border** - Get/set the border style to use for the component.

**ControlBackgroundColor** - Get/set the background color of the control.

**DotsPerInch** - Get/set the dots per inch of the PDF page to be displayed.

**FitHeight** - Get/set value to determine if the PDF page should fit the height of the control window.

**FitWidth** - Get/set value to determine if the PDF page should fit the width of the control window.

**Hwnd** - Get the handle number (long integer) of the control.

**IsPDFLoaded** - Get the status of active PDF (boolean) in the control.

**LinkPage** - Get the active link page number that was clicked.

**Page** – Get/set the current page number (long integer) of the active PDF file.

**PageTotal** – Get the total page count (long integer) of the active PDF file.

**Password** – Get/set the password for the active PDF file.

**Path** – Get/set the file path for the active PDF file.

**StoreLinks** – Get/set a Boolean value to determine if page links will stored and executed when clicked.

**TempPath** – Get/set the folder where temporary files will be created.

## **8. Events**

**Change** - Runs when the control has been changed.

**Click** – Runs when a mouse click is performed on the control.

**DoubleClick** - Runs when a mouse double-click is performed on the control.

**DownloadComplete** - Runs after the file has downloaded.

**DownloadError** - Runs if an error occurs while the file is being downloaded.

**DownloadProgress** - Runs while the file is being downloaded.

**DownloadStarted** - Runs before the file is downloaded. See BeginDownload method.

**KeyDown** - Runs when a key is pressed down while the control has focus.

**KeyPress** - Runs when a key is pressed while the control has focus.

**KeyUp** - Runs when a key is released while the control has focus.

**MouseDown** – Runs when a mouse button is pressed down on the control.

**MouseMove** – Runs when the mouse cursor passes over the control.

**MouseUp** – Runs when a mouse button is released while on the control.

**Paint** – Runs when the control is repainted.

**Resize** – Runs when the control is resized.

## **9. Other PDF Products**

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