



This is part of **Family API** which allow to create dual-os version of program runs under OS/2 and DOS

**Note:** This is legacy API call. It is recommended to use 32-bit equivalent

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This call obtains a collating sequence table (for characters hex 00H through FFH) that resides in the country information file. It is used by the [SORT](#) utility to sort text according to the collating sequence.

### Syntax

DosGetCollate (Length, Country, MemoryBuffer, DataLength)

### Parameters

;Length (USHORT) - input: Length, in bytes, of the data area (MemoryBuffer). A length value of 256 is sufficient. ;Country (PCOUNTRYCODE) - input: Address of the country information structure ;MemoryBuffer (PCHAR) - output: Address of the collating table. This memory area is provided by the caller. The size of the area is provided by the input parameter Length. If it is too small to hold all the available information then as much information as possible is provided in the available space (in the order that the data would appear). If the amount of returned data does not fill the memory area provided by the caller, the unaltered memory is set at 0. ;The buffer format for the returned information is: Byte Description

```
0    Sort weight of ASCII (0)
1    Sort weight of ASCII (1)
.
.
.
```

255 Sort weight of ASCII (255) ;DataLength (PUSHORT) - output : Address of the length, in bytes, of the collate table.

### Returns

;rc (USHORT) - return:Return code descriptions are: \*0 NO\_ERROR \*396  
ERROR-NLS\_NO\_COUNTRY\_FILE \*397 ERROR-NLS\_OPEN\_FAILED \*398  
ERROR\_NO\_COUNTRY\_OR\_CODEPAGE \*399 ERROR-NLS\_TABLE\_TRUNCATED

### Remarks

The returned country-dependent information can be for the default country and current process code page or for a specific country and code page. For more information see [DosSetCp](#).

## Bindings

### C

```
<PRE> typedef struct _COUNTRYCODE { /* ctryc */  
  
USHORT country; /* country code */  
  
USHORT codepage; /* code page */  
  
} COUNTRYCODE;  
  
#define INCL_DOSNLS  
  
USHORT rc = DosGetCollate(Length, Structure, MemoryBuffer, DataLength);  
  
USHORT Length; /* Length of data area provided */ PCOUNTRYCODE Structure; /* Input data structure  
*/ PCHAR MemoryBuffer; /* Collate table (returned) */ PUSHORT DataLength; /* Length of collate table  
(returned) */  
  
USHORT rc; /* return code */ </PRE>
```

### MASM

```
<PRE> COUNTRYCODE struc  
  
ctryc_country dw ? ;country code  
ctryc_codepage dw ? ;code page  
  
COUNTRYCODE ends  
  
EXTRN DosGetCollate:FAR INCL_DOSNLS EQU 1  
  
PUSH WORD Length ;Length of data area provided PUSH@ OTHER Structure ;Input data structure  
PUSH@ OTHER MemoryBuffer ;Collate table (returned) PUSH@ WORD DataLength ;Length of collate  
table (returned) CALL DosGetCollate  
  
Returns WORD </PRE>
```

### Example

This example gets a collating sequence table for codepage 850 and the current country. <PRE>  
#define INCL\_DOSNLS #define CURRENT\_COUNTRY 0 #define NLS\_CODEPAGE 850  
  
COUNTRYCODE Country; CHAR CollBuffer[256]; USHORT Length; USHORT rc;  
  
Country.country = CURRENT\_COUNTRY; Country.codepage = NLS\_CODEPAGE;

rc = DosGetCollate(sizeof(CollBuffer), /\* Length of data area provided \*/

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        &Country,          /* Input data structure */
        CollBuffer,       /* Data area to contain collate table
*/
        &Length);        /* Length of table */

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| Family API |                 |  |
|------------|-----------------|--|
| DOS        | Process Manager | DosBeep DosExit DosSleep DosExecPgm  |
|            | File Manager    | DosChDir DosChgFilePtr DosClose DosDelete DosDupHandle DosMkDir DosMove DosQCurDir DosQCurDisk DosSetFileMode DosOpen DosQFileInfo DosRead DosQFileMode DosQFSInfo DosQVerify DosRmdir DosSelectDisk DosFindClose DosFindFirst DosFindNext DosSetFileInfo DosSetVerify DosWrite DosFileLocks DosSetFHandState DosNewSize DosBufReset DosQFHandState DosSetFSinfo DosShutdown |
|            | Memory Manager  | DosFreeSeg DosSubAlloc DosSubFree DosSubSet DosAllocHuge DosAllocSeg DosReallocHuge DosReallocSeg DosGetHugeShift DosCreateCSAlias   |
|            | NLS             | DosCaseMap DosGetCtryInfo DosGetDBCSEv DosSetCtryCode DosGetCollate DosGetMessage DosInsMessage DosPutMessage  |
|            | Date and Time   | DosSetDateTime DosGetDateTime  |
|            | Devices         | DosDevConfig DosDevIOct1 DosDevIOct2   |
|            | Signals         | DosHoldSignal DosSetSigHandler   |
|            | Misc            | BadDynLink DosGetEnv DosGetMachineMode DosGetVersion DosError DosErrClass DosSetVec  |
| KBD        |                 | KbdCharIn KbdFlushBuffer KbdGetStatus KbdSetStatus KbdStringIn KbdPeek   |
| VIO        |                 | VioGetBuf VioGetConfig VioGetCurPos VioGetCurType VioGetPhysBuf VioReadCellStr VioReadCharStr VioScrollUp VioScrollDn VioScrollLf VioScrollRt VioScrUnLock VioSetCurPos VioSetCurType VioSetMode VioGetMode VioShowBuf VioWrtCellStr VioWrtCharStr VioWrtCharStrAtt VioWrtNAttr VioWrtNCell VioWrtNChar VioWrtTTY VioScrLock VioPopUp  |
| Tools      |                 | BIND   |
| Modules    |                 | DOSCALLS.DLL VIOCALLS.DLL KBDCALLS.DLL MSG.DLL   |
| Libraries  |                 | API.LIB OS2386.LIB FAPI.LIB DOSCALLS.LIB SUBCALLS.LIB  |

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