



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 reads a string of characters from the display starting at the specified location.

### Syntax

VioReadCharStr (CharStr, Length, Row, Column, VioHandle)

### Parameters

;CharStr (PCH) - output : Address of the buffer where the character string is returned. ;Length (USHORT) - input/output : Address of the buffer length in bytes. ;Row (USHORT) - input : Starting row of the field to read, 0 is the top row. ;Column (USHORT) - input : Starting column of the field to read, 0 is the leftmost column. ;VioHandle (HVIO) - input : This must be zero unless the caller is a Presentation Manager application, in which case it must be the value returned by VioGetPs.

### Return Code

rc (USHORT) - return Return code descriptions are: \* 0 NO\_ERROR \* 355 ERROR\_VIO\_MODE \* 358 ERROR\_VIO\_ROW \* 359 ERROR\_VIO\_COL \* 436 ERROR\_VIO\_INVALID\_HANDLE \* 465 ERROR\_VIO\_DETACHED

### Remarks

If a string read comes to the end of the line and is not complete, then the string read continues at the beginning of the next line. If the read comes to the end of the screen and is not complete, the read terminates and the length is set to the number of characters read.

### PM Considerations

VioReadCharStr reads a character string from the Advanced VIO presentation space starting at the specified location.

### Example Code

## C Binding

```
<PRE> #define INCL_VIO
```

```
USHORT rc = VioReadCharStr(CharStr, Length, Row, Column, VioHandle);
```

```
PCH CharStr; /* Character buffer */ PUSHORT Length; /* Length of buffer */ USHORT Row; /* Starting row location */ USHORT Column; /* Starting column location */ HVIO VioHandle; /* Video handle */
```

```
USHORT rc; /* return code */ </PRE>
```

## MASM Binding

```
<PRE> EXTRN VioReadCharStr:FAR INCL_VIO EQU 1
```

```
PUSH@ OTHER CharStr ;Character buffer PUSH@ WORD Length ;Length of buffer PUSH WORD Row ;Starting row location PUSH WORD Column ;Starting column location PUSH WORD VioHandle ;Video handle CALL VioReadCharStr
```

```
Returns WORD </PRE>
```

## Note

Text based on [http://www.edm2.com/index.php/VioReadCharStr\\_\(FAPI\)](http://www.edm2.com/index.php/VioReadCharStr_(FAPI))

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