

How to improve the performance of your application by making your Tab-Control a container.

When the *allow-container* style is set, a tab control becomes a container control.

```
03 screen1-tc-1 tab-control
   tab-to-add ("Page1", "Page2")
   allow-container.
```

By making the tab control a container, you remove the need to manage the tab switch by intercepting the CMD-TABCHANGED event and updating the screen with the DISPLAY verb. The tab switch is automatically managed by the runtime Framework. This simplifies your coding and also reduces traffic in thin client and WebClient environments, which improves performance.

There are two ways to add controls to a Tab-Control with the Allow-Container style:

by using a Format 2 DISPLAY statement. E.g.

```
display scr-page-1 upon screen1-tc-1(1)
```

or

by setting the attributes TAB-GROUP and TAB-GROUP-VALUE on the screen entry. E.g.

```
03 scr-page-1 tab-group screen1-tc-1, tab-group-value 1.
   05 entry-field
   ...
03 scr-page-2 tab-group screen1-tc-1, tab-group-value 2.
   05 list-box
   ...
```

Example – Here's a tab-control with two pages with the allow-container style

SCREEN SECTION.

```
01 Mask.
   03 Tb1-container
     tab-control
     line      2
     col       2
     lines     17 cells
     size      68 cells
```

allow-container

```
.  
03 tb1-container-page1  
  tab-group Tb1-container tab-group-value 1.  
05 label  
  line      4  
  col      4  
  title     "This is the first page"  
.br/>05 ef1-container  
  entry-field  
  line      6  
  col      4  
.br/>03 tb1-container-page2  
  tab-group Tb1-container tab-group-value 2.  
05 label  
  line      4  
  col      4  
  title     "This is the second page"  
.br/>05 cb1-container  
  combo-box  
  line      6  
  col      4.
```

PROCEDURE DIVISION.

MAIN.

...

display Mask

modify Tb1-container tab-to-add ("Page1", "Page2")

modify Cb1-container item-to-add ("item1", "item2")

...

perform until crt-status = 27

accept Mask

on exception

continue

end-accept

if crt-status = 2

...

end-if

end-perform.

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