

Some Tools for Microsoft Access Developers

I have been developing Microsoft Access software since 1992. During that time I have developed various functions to automate tedious housekeeping functions and interface to various Windows functions.

Because we had clients all around the world I also developed a way to send them software modifications that only contained updated objects and did not overwrite their entire software file.

These functions are designed for front end (software)/backend (data) Access installations and are suitable for 32 bit versions of Access 2010 or higher. These are custom database files and have a .cdb suffix. At the time of writing (March 2023) Outlook did not have a problem with attached cdb files but I still preferred to send them in zip files.

Instructions

Import all objects from adt32.accdb into your development software

Copy cdbtmpl.accdb to the directory your software is normally installed in and make sure that it is included in your installation package

To create a custom database file call the function makeCDB()

To enable your users to update the software open the UpdateSoftware form.