



# DosMove

This call moves a file object to another location and changes its name.

## Syntax

DosMove (OldPathName, NewPathName, Reserved)

## Parameters

;OldPathName (PSZ) - input : Address of the old path name of the file to be moved. ;NewPathName (PSZ) - input : Address of the new path name of the file. ;Reserved (ULONG) - input : Reserved and must be set to zero.

## Return Code

rc (USHORT) - return Return code descriptions are: \*0 NO\_ERROR \* 2 ERROR\_FILE\_NOT\_FOUND \* 3 ERROR\_PATH\_NOT\_FOUND \* 5 ERROR\_ACCESS\_DENIED \* 17 ERROR\_NOT\_SAME\_DEVICE \* 26 ERROR\_NOT\_DOS\_DISK \* 32 ERROR\_SHARING\_VIOLATION \* 36 ERROR\_SHARING\_BUFFER\_EXCEEDED \* 87 ERROR\_INVALID\_PARAMETER \* 108 ERROR\_DRIVE\_LOCKED \* 206 ERROR\_FILENAME\_EXCED\_RANGE \* 250 ERROR\_CIRCULARITY\_REQUESTED \* 251 ERROR\_DIRECTORY\_IN\_CDS

## Remarks

This call is often used to change only the name of a file or subdirectory, allowing the file object to remain in the same subdirectory. Global file name characters are not allowed in the source or target name.

If the paths specified are different, this allows the subdirectory location of the file object to be changed as well. If a drive is specified for the target, it must be the same as the one specified or implied by the source.

Any attempts to move a parent subdirectory to one of its descendant subdirectories are rejected, because a subdirectory cannot be both an ancestor and a descendant of the same subdirectory. Any attempts by a process to move the current subdirectory or any of its ancestors are also rejected.

Attributes (times and dates) of the source file object are moved to the target. If read-only files exist in the target path, they are not replaced.

DosQSysInfo is called during initialization by an application to determine the maximum path length allowed by OS/2.

DosMove can be used to change the case of a file on an FSD drive. The following example would change the name of the file to "File.Txt". DosMove("file.txt", "File.Txt")

## Family API Considerations

Some options operate differently in the DOS mode than in the OS/2 mode. Therefore, the following restriction applies to DosMove when coding for the DOS mode:

File names passed to OldPathName and NewPathName are truncated by the system in the DOS mode only. The application must truncate all files passed to OldPathName and NewPathName in the OS/2 mode or an error code is returned.

### Example Code

## C Binding

```
<PRE> #define INCL_DOSFILEMGR

USHORT rc = DosMove(OldPathName, NewPathName, Reserved);

PSZ OldPathName; /* Old path name string */ PSZ NewPathName; /* New path name string */ ULONG
0; /* Reserved (must be zero) */

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

## MASM Binding

```
<PRE> EXTRN DosMove:FAR INCL_DOSFILEMGR EQU 1

PUSH@ ASCIIZ OldPathName ;Old path name string PUSH@ ASCIIZ NewPathName ;New path name
string PUSH DWORD 0 ;Reserved (must be zero) CALL DosMove

Returns WORD </PRE>
```

## Note

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

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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