

Acacia Barcodes for Crystal Reports November 2003

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Overview

Acacia Barcodes for Crystal Reports provides support for printing EAN 8, EAN 13 and UPC-A (UUC12) Barcodes within a Crystal report.

No DLLs are required. A Crystal Reports formula field is used to calculate the layout of the barcode.

Note: The supplied formula does not perform any validation of the check digit within the barcode number.

Installation and Use

Install the supplied True Type font, 'ean-sh.ttf' using Fonts within the Windows Control Panel.

Create a formula in the Crystal report for the barcode to be displayed.

Copy and paste the contents of the file, 'EANBarcode_Formula.txt' into the formula.

The screenshot shows the 'Formula Editor: @EANBarcode' window. The 'Crystal Syntax' dropdown is selected. The main text area contains the following code:

```
// This formula creates an EAN8, EAN13 or UPC-A (UCC12) Barcode
// depending on the length of the barcode string, i.e. 8,12 or 13 digits.
// The font of this formula field must be set to "EAN Readable"
// The font size typically should be 20 points or greater.
// No validation is performed on the barcode number and check digit in this formula.

local stringvar BC;
// Set the value of BC to the database string that holds the barcode.
BC := {inmstk.BAR_CODE};

Local NumberVar array Pattern;

Pattern := [10,10,10,10,10,
           10,20,10,20,20,
           10,20,20,10,20,
           10,20,20,20,10,
           20,10,10,20,20,
           20,20,10,10,20,
           20,20,20,10,10,
           20,10,20,10,20]
```

Callouts in the image provide the following instructions:

- Copy and paste the contents of the file, 'EANBarcode_Formula.txt' into the formula.
- Ensure that Crystal Syntax is selected.
- Set the value of BC to equal the barcode string from the database.

In the formula it is important to set the value of BC to equal the string that holds the barcode number.

For example: `BC := {inmstk.BAR_CODE};`

Where inmstk is the example Inventory Master Stock table and BAR_CODE is the field in the table that holds the barcode number in this example.

Place the formula field on the report, set its font to 'EAN Readable' and set its size to at least 20 pts.

Sample Valid Barcodes

The following are samples of valid barcodes for the different barcode formats support by the Acacia Barcodes:

EAN 8 sample

20123123



EAN 13 sample

2012312312311



UPC-A sample

201231231212



Demonstration Version Limitations

The Demonstration version of Acacia Barcodes for Crystal Reports is fully functional. However some of the barcode characters show the word ' Demo' in addition the barcode bars.

The digits 0, 1, 2 & 3 do not include the ' Demo' notation.

Hence the sample barcode numbers shown above will be displayed normally.

Supplied Files

The following files are contained within the distributed zip file:

ean-sh.ttf	V2.04 November 2003
EANBarcode_Formula.txt	V1.1 November 2003
ReadMe.pdf (this file)	November 2003

Updates & Contact Info

Visit www.acaciacons.com.au for updates.

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