

How can I use the REGISTER.ID function in Excel?

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The REGISTER.ID function in Excel is a helpful tool that allows users to register their personal identification number, commonly known as an ID, within a specific cell in an Excel spreadsheet. This function can be used to keep track of important information, such as employee IDs, client IDs, or product IDs. By utilizing the REGISTER.ID function, users can easily access and reference this data within their Excel spreadsheets. This function is simple to use and can greatly enhance organization and efficiency within a spreadsheet.

Important: Caution Incorrectly editing the registry may severely damage your operating system, requiring you to reinstall it. Microsoft cannot guarantee that problems resulting from editing the registry incorrectly can be resolved. Before editing the registry, back up any valuable data. For the most recent information about using and protecting your computer's registry, see Microsoft Windows Help.

This article describes the formula syntax and usage of the **REGISTER.ID** function in Microsoft Excel.

Description

Returns the register ID of the specified dynamic link library (DLL) or code resource that has been previously registered. If the DLL or code resource has not been registered, this function registers the DLL or code resource and then returns the register ID.

REGISTER.ID can be used on worksheets (unlike REGISTER), but you cannot specify a function name and argument names with REGISTER.ID.

For more information about DLLs and code resources and data types, see [Using the CALL and REGISTER functions](#).

Note: Because Microsoft Excel for Windows and Microsoft Excel for the Macintosh use different types of code resources, REGISTER.ID has a slightly different syntax for each operating environment.

Syntax

REGISTER.ID(module_text,procedure,)

The REGISTER.ID function syntax has the following arguments:

Module_text Required. Text specifying the name of the DLL that contains the function in Microsoft Excel for Windows.

Procedure Required. Text specifying the name of the function in the DLL in Microsoft Excel for Windows. You can also use the ordinal value of the function from the EXPORTS statement in the module-definition file (.DEF). The ordinal value or resource ID number must not be in text form.

Type_text Optional. Text specifying the data type of the return value and the data types of all arguments to the DLL. The first letter of type_text specifies the return value. If the function or code resource is already registered, you can omit this argument.

Examples

The following formula registers the GetTickCount function from 32-bit Microsoft Windows and returns the register ID:

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REGISTER.ID("Kernel32", "GetTickCount", "J!")
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Assuming that GetTickCount was already registered on another sheet using the preceding formula, the following formula returns the register ID for GetTickCount:

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REGISTER.ID("Kernel32", "GetTickCount")
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