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## MacWorkStation 3.1: Interprets Semicolon as End of Command

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TOPIC -----

Regarding MacWorkStation 3.1 (specifically version b6):

I am sending a D010 with a dialog ID and item ID (for example, D010 209;3;), where item ID 3 is an editable text field, to get the text. However, my text contains some semicolons, which MacWorkStation uses as an end-of-line marker!

How can I return all of the text, including all of the semicolons?

DISCUSSION -----

The only way you can send a semicolon and not have it interpreted as the end of a command is to have it enclosed within double quotes (";").

The MacWorkStation manual has the following example:

"This string contains a semicolon;"

The string you are sending must be the entire string parameter for that specific MacWorkStation command, although the command itself and any other parameters would be outside the quoted string.

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