

How do I put more than 32,000 characters into a rich text control?

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Last time we looked at loading an entire file into a rich text control. The code runs great, until you try to use it to display a license agreement provided by your legal department, and then some paranoid user reports that they can't read past page seven. (What, somebody reads those things?) What's going on?

If you don't specify otherwise, the maximum number of characters in a rich edit control is 32,767 characters. (This limit exists for compatibility with the original rich edit control.) You can raise the limit with the `EM_EXLIMITTEXT` message. Therefore, we need to slip the line

```
SendMessage(hwnd, EM_EXLIMITTEXT, 0, -1);
```

into the program before it calls `FillRichEditFromStream`.

Next time, the mystery of rich edit printing.

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