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CreateTableDef

Creates a new **TableDef object** in the current **database**.

tags:

This method offers the capacity to create from the Basic code a new table independently from the underlying RDBMS. Thus without using SQL. However only a limited set of options are available for field descriptions.

Methods

Applies to ...

Object	Description
Database	The representation of the database currently connected to a Base (*.odb) document.

Syntax

Set *tabledef* = *database.CreateTableDef (name)*

Arguments - Returned value

Argument	Type	Optional	Description	Returned value
name	String	N	The name of the new table	A tabledef object

Remarks

- The *CreateTableDef* method may be applied ONLY from a macro executed from a Base (*.odb) document, said otherwise, not from a **standalone form**. The *database* object should be returned by the **Application.CurrentDb** method.
- To become fully viable the new *TableDef* object has to be **added** explicitly to the **TableDefs collection**.
- Between the execution of the *CreateTableDef* and the *Add* methods one or more fields should have been created thru the **CreateField** method.
- If the object specified by *name* is already a member of the *TableDefs* collection (the comparison is NOT case-sensitive !!), the existing table is erased without warning.

Error messages

Argument nr. ... [Value = '...'] is invalid
Method 'Database.CreateTableDef' not applicable in this context

See also

Add

CreateField

CreateQueryDef

TableDefs

TableDef

QueryDefs

QueryDef

Example

Build a new table in the database without using SQL

```

Dim oDatabase As Object, oTable As Object
    Set oDatabase = Application.CurrentDb()
    Set oTable = oDatabase.CreateTableDef("myNewTable")
    With oTable
        .CreateField("myAutoIncrFld", dbLong, , dbAutoIncrField)
        .CreateField("myDecimalFld", dbDecimal, 10.4)
    End With
    oDatabase.TableDefs().Add(oTable)

```

Add a field to an existing table

```

Set oTable = oDatabase.TableDefs("myExistingTable")
oTable.CreateField("myBinaryFld", dbBinary)

```

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