

Method: WshShell.SendKeys

WshShell.SendKeys strKeyString

The **SendKeys** method sends one or more keystrokes to the active window as if they were typed at the keyboard. This method is similar to VB's SendKeys method.

Each ordinary key can be represented by the character of the key itself. For example, the key sequence ABCD can be represented simply by "ABCD". Some special keys, such as the control keys, function keys, '{', '}', '[', ']', etc... are encoded in a string enclosed by braces ({}).

The following table shows the list of special characters and their respective encoding for SendKeys.

Key	Code
{	{{}
}	{}}
[{[]}
]	{}]}
~	{~}
+	{+}
^	{^}
%	{%}
BACKSPACE	{BACKSPACE}, {BS}, or {BKSP}
BREAK	{BREAK}
CAPS LOCK	{CAPSLOCK}
DEL or DELETE	{DELETE} or {DEL}
DOWN ARROW	{DOWN}
END	{END}
ENTER	{ENTER} or ~
ESC	{ESC}
HELP	{HELP}
HOME	{HOME}
INS or INSERT	{INSERT} or {INS}
LEFT ARROW	{LEFT}
NUM LOCK	{NUMLOCK}
PAGE DOWN	{PGDN}
PAGE UP	{PGUP}

PRINT SCREEN	{PRTSC}
RIGHT ARROW	{RIGHT}
SCROLL LOCK	{SCROLLLOCK}
TAB	{TAB}
UP ARROW	{UP}
F1	{F1}
F2	{F2}
F3	{F3}
F4	{F4}
F5	{F5}
F6	{F6}
F7	{F7}
F8	{F8}
F9	{F9}
F10	{F10}
F11	{F11}
F12	{F12}
F13	{F13}
F14	{F14}
F15	{F15}
F16	{F16}

To specify keys combined with any combination of the SHIFT, CTRL, and ALT keys, precede the key code with one or more of the following codes:

Key	Code
+	SHIFT
^	CTRL
%	ALT

For example, the following **strKeyString** produces the CTRL-ALT-DELETE keystroke combination: "%^{DELETE}"