

## KbdOpen

### Bindings: C, MASM

This call creates a new logical keyboard.

`KbdOpen (KbdHandle)`

`KbdHandle (PHKBD)` - output Address of the logical keyboard.

`rc (USHORT)` - return Return code descriptions are:

0	NO_ERROR
440	ERROR_KBD_NO_MORE_HANDLE
441	ERROR_KBD_CANNOT_CREATE_KCB
464	ERROR_KBD_DETACHED
504	ERROR_KBD_EXTENDED_SG

### Remarks

`KbdOpen` blocks while another thread has the keyboard focus (by way of `KbdGetFocus`) until the thread with the focus issues `KbdFreeFocus`. Therefore, to prevent `KbdOpen` from blocking, it is recommended that `KbdOpen` be issued only while the current thread has the focus. For example:

`KbdGetFocus` wait until focus available on handle 0 `KbdOpen` get a logical keyboard handle `KbdOpen` get another logical keyboard handle `KbdOpen` get yet another logical keyboard handle `KbdFreeFocus` give up the focus on handle 0.

### C bindings

```
#define INCL_KBD

USHORT rc = KbdOpen(KbdHandle);

PHKBD KbdHandle; /* Keyboard handle */

USHORT rc; /* return code */
```

### MASM bindings

```
EXTRN KbdOpen:FAR
INCL_KBD EQU 1

PUSH@ WORD KbdHandle ;Keyboard handle
CALL KbdOpen

Returns WORD
```

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