

# Access Tab Control, Unicode,

# Format



Use in Excel too!



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# Downloads

- Tab Control examples

<https://msaccessgurus.com/tool/TabControl.htm>

- Checkbox Format examples + Unicode Character Map:

<https://msaccessgurus.com/tool/UnicodeFormatCheckbox.htm>

- presentation

[https://msaccessgurus.com/presentation/TabControl\\_Unicode\\_Format.htm](https://msaccessgurus.com/presentation/TabControl_Unicode_Format.htm)

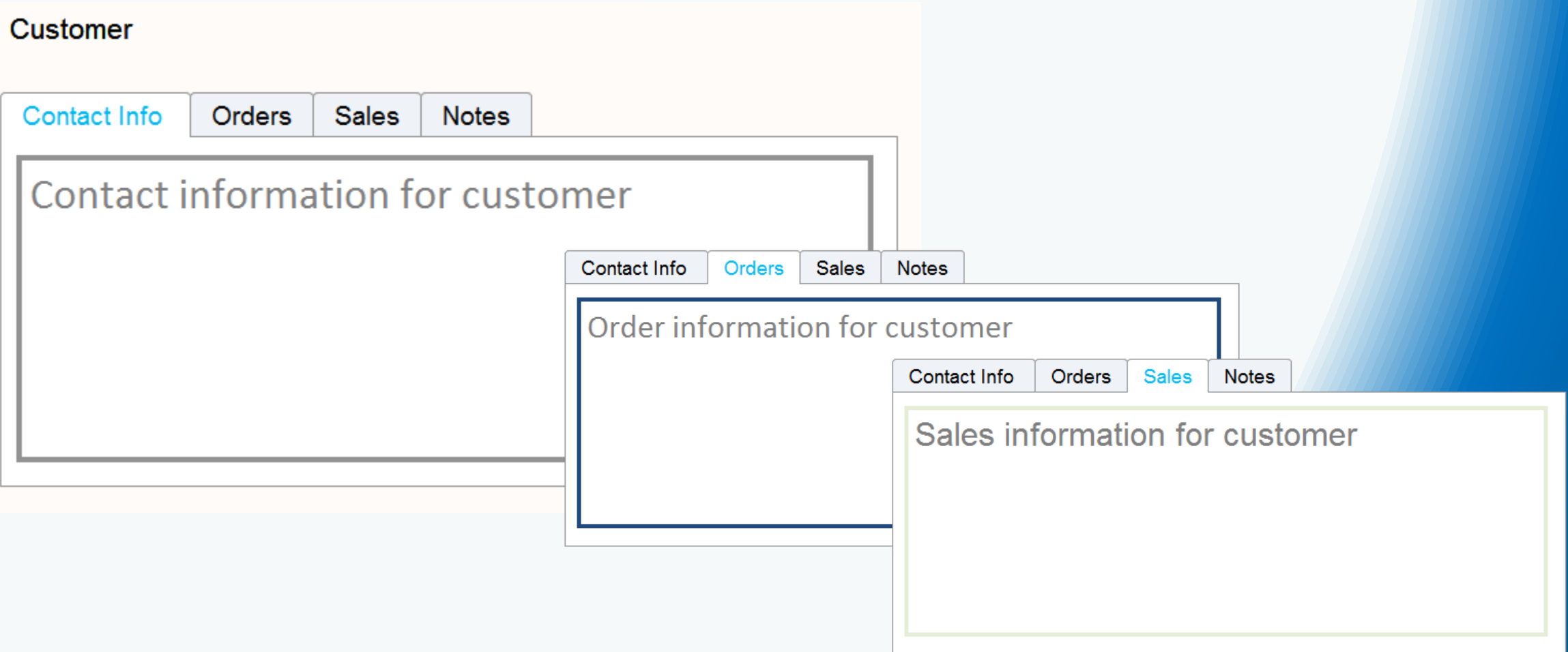
# Tab Control

Tab Control example

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# Why use a Tab Control?

- handy way to organize information on forms



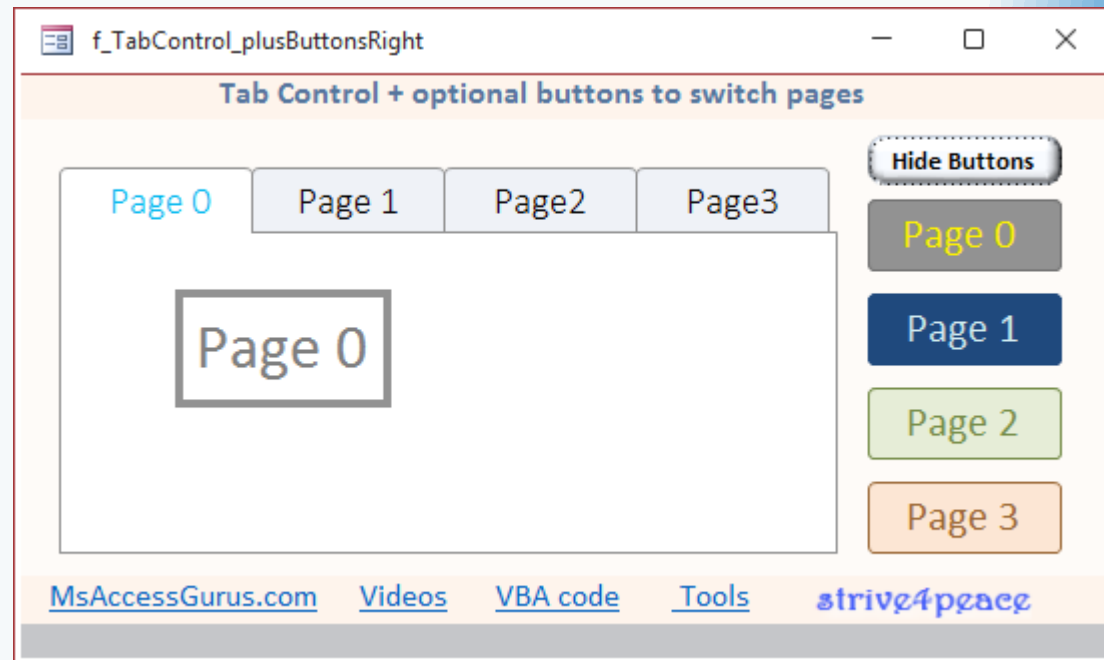
# Tab Control Pages

- The Tab Control has Pages
- Each Page has a Caption to identify it
- As you click on a page, what shows will change
- PageIndex starts at 0 and determines the order that a page is displayed
- When Pages are rearranged, the PageIndex changes.



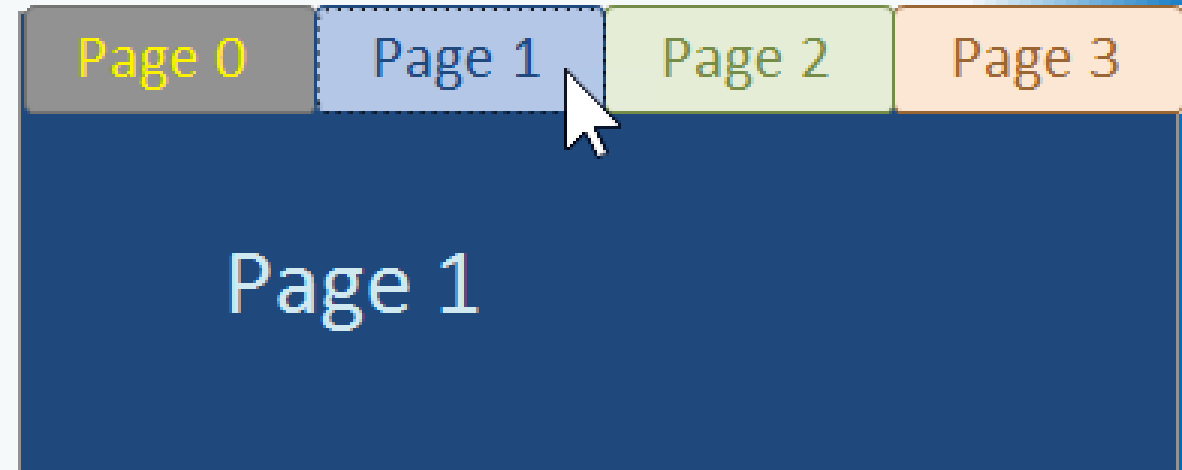
# Command Buttons set PageIndex

- You can use command buttons to set PageIndex to switch pages
- `Me.TabControlName.Value = PageIndex`
- another time you might want to set PageIndex is when a form loads, perhaps based on `OpenArgs`



# Command buttons look like tabs

- Tab Control Pages don't have the ability to show color
- Set Tab Control Style to 'None' and use command button to change pages
- maybe also change Tab Control PressedColor on each Page Click event



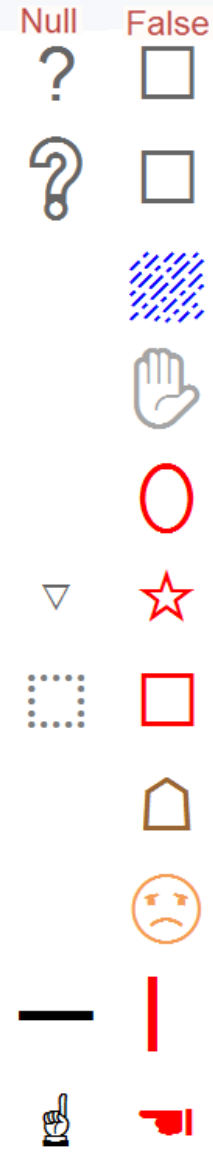
# Unicode in the Format Property

Checkbox Format examples + Unicode Character Map:

<https://msaccessgurus.com/tool/UnicodeFormatCheckbox.htm>



# Change Display with Format



f\_FORMAT\_CHECKBOXES\_UNICODE

**Unicode in Format property of Textbox** *instead of Checkbox so you can control Color and Size*

**Click to Change** True **Format code** Positive;Negative;Zero;Null SELECT and COPY  
1=True (SS); -1=True (Access); 0=False; Null

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Checked   Not Checked</b> Decimal Unicode True 9745 OR False 9744 OR Null ?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ; <input type="checkbox"/> ; "?"
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Ballot</b> Decimal Unicode True 9745 OR False 9744 OR Null 10068	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ; <input type="checkbox"/> ; ?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Sunshine   Rain</b> Decimal Unicode True 9745 OR False 9926	☀; ☀; ☔; [Blue]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Victory Hand   Raised Hand</b> Decimal Unicode True 9996 OR False 9995	✌[Blue]; ✌[Blue]; 🙌
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Filled   Open Oval / vertical ellipse</b> Decimal Unicode True 11054 OR False 11055	●; ●; ○ [Red]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Filled   Open Star   open triangle</b> ▾ Decimal Unicode True 9733 OR False 9734 OR Null 9663	★ [Blue]; ★ [Blue]; ☆ [Red]; ▾
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Filled   Open   Dotted Box</b> Decimal Unicode True 11035 OR False 9744 OR Null 11034	■ [Blue]; ■ [Blue]; □ [Red]; □
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Cup   Open House</b> Decimal Unicode True 9749 OR False 8852	☕; ☕; 🏠
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Smile   Frown</b> Decimal Unicode True 9786 OR False 9785	😊; 😊; 😞
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Blocks</b> Decimal Unicode True 9608 OR False 9614 or Null 9473	▬; ▬;   [Red]; — [Black]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Finger Point Forward   Back   Up</b> Decimal Unicode True 9755 OR False 9754 or Null 9757	👉; 👉; 👈 [red]; 👆 [black]

# Format Codes

## Number

- four parts: 1. positive; 2. negative; 3. 0 (zero); 4. Null

## Text

- two parts: 1. text; 2. Null or ""

## Colors

- Black, Blue, Green, Cyan, Red, Magenta, Yellow, White

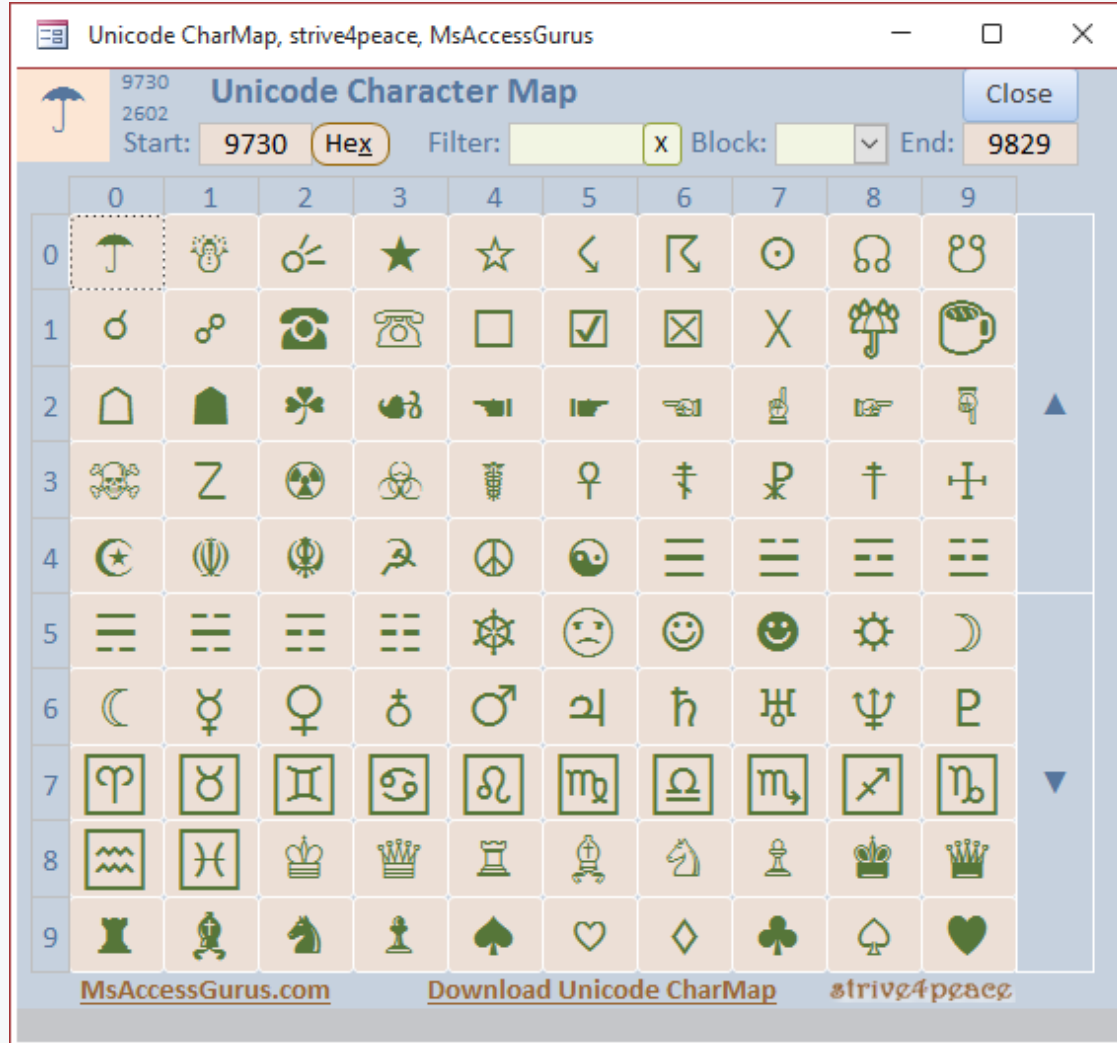
## Excel

- Excel cells can also have a custom Format

# Unicode Character Map

slightly improved version in the Checkbox database

# f\_UNICODE\_CharacterMap



# About

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