

How to use pdf layers with pdf sdk in C# using ByteScout Premium Suite

How to write a robust code in C# to use pdf layers with pdf sdk with this step-by-step tutorial

The sample shows instructions and algorithm of how to use pdf layers with pdf sdk and how to make it run in your C# application. ByteScout Premium Suite: the bundle that includes twelve SDK products from ByteScout including tools and components for PDF, barcodes, spreadsheets, screen video recording. It can use pdf layers with pdf sdk in C#.

Want to save time? You will save a lot of time on writing and testing code as you may just take the C# code from ByteScout Premium Suite for use pdf layers with pdf sdk below and use it in your application. Follow the instructions from scratch to work and copy the C# code. Applying C# application mostly includes various stages of the software development so even if the functionality works please test it with your data and the production environment.

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Source Code Files:

```
using System.Diagnostics;
using System.Drawing;
using Bytescout.PDF;
using SolidBrush = Bytescout.PDF.SolidBrush;

namespace Layers
{
    /// <summary>
    /// This example demonstrates how to add layers with optional content.
    /// </summary>
    class Program
    {
        static void Main()
        {
            // Create new document
            Document pdfDocument = new Document();
            pdfDocument.RegistrationName = "demo";
            pdfDocument.RegistrationKey = "demo";
            // Add page
            Page page = new Page(PaperFormat.A4);
            pdfDocument.Pages.Add(page);

            Canvas canvas = page.Canvas;

            // Add main layer
            Layer allContents = new Layer("Main Layer");
            canvas.BeginMarkedContent(allContents);

            // Add sub-layer
            Layer layer1 = new Layer("Square");
            canvas.BeginMarkedContent(layer1);
            canvas.DrawRectangle(new SolidBrush(new ColorRGB(0, 255, 0)), 20, 20, 100,
            canvas.EndMarkedContent());

            // Add second sub-layer
            Layer layer2 = new Layer("Circle");
            canvas.BeginMarkedContent(layer2);
            canvas.DrawCircle(new SolidBrush(new ColorRGB(255, 0, 0)), 70, 180, 50);
            canvas.EndMarkedContent();

            // Add third sub-layer
            Layer layer3 = new Layer("Triangle");
            canvas.BeginMarkedContent(layer3);
            canvas.DrawPolygon(new SolidBrush(new ColorRGB(0, 0, 255)), new PointF[] {
            canvas.EndMarkedContent();

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            pdfDocument.OptionalContents.Layers.Add(layer1);
            pdfDocument.OptionalContents.Layers.Add(layer2);
            pdfDocument.OptionalContents.Layers.Add(layer3);
            pdfDocument.OptionalContents.Layers.Add(allContents);

            // Configure layers
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        // Group sub-layers
        OptionalContentGroup group = new OptionalContentGroup();
        group.Add(new OptionalContentGroupLayer(layer1));
        group.Add(new OptionalContentGroupLayer(layer2));
        group.Add(new OptionalContentGroupLayer(layer3));

        // Order sub-layers
        pdfDocument.OptionalContents.Configuration.Order.Add(new OptionalContentGroupLayer(layer1));
        pdfDocument.OptionalContents.Configuration.Order.Add(group);

        // Make the third layer invisible by default (for example)
        pdfDocument.OptionalContents.Configuration.OFF.Add(layer3);

        // Force the PDF viewer to show the layers panel initially
        pdfDocument.PageMode = PageMode.OptionalContent;

        // Save document to file
        pdfDocument.Save("result.pdf");

        // Cleanup
        pdfDocument.Dispose();

        // Open result document in default associated application (for demo purposes)
        ProcessStartInfo processStartInfo = new ProcessStartInfo("result.pdf");
        processStartInfo.UseShellExecute = true;
        Process.Start(processStartInfo);
    }
}

```

VIDEO

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