Text

An important graphic object is text. Using such a graphic object allows to insert a text descriptions, explanations, comments etc. into a picture. One of the most important task of text strings is displaying of current (live) values of D2000 system objects. The format of such strings is special - for detailed information see the topic Format masks.

To insert a text into a picture

- a. In the Drawing toolbar, click the button Text
- b. Write required text into the input edit field opened on the screen.

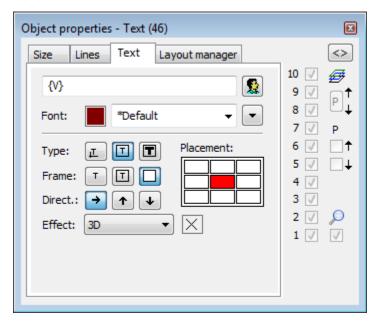


1. In the picture, click on the position you want to insert the text.

Note: A text string inserted into a picture can contain up to 250 characters.

Text parameters

For a graphic object of *Text* type, you can define various parameters such as color, text font, type etc. The parameters are being defined in the palette Object properties.



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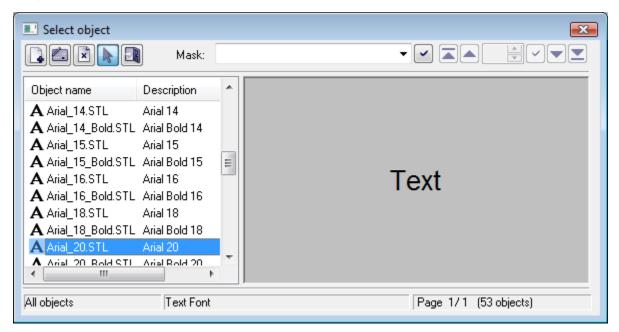
The input edit field contains a text entered during creating the graphic object. It is possible to change it.

Color

Selection of a text color. Clicking the color sample opens the color palette. Clicking a color in the palette sets the color as the color for the text

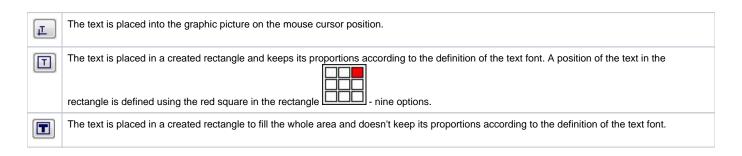
Font

Clicking the button **Font** opens the dialog box containing a list of defined text fonts. A font, selected from the list will be used for the ext object. The right side of the dialog box contains a list of defined text fonts and the left side contains the sample of selected text font. For more information on text fonts see the topic Text fonts.



Type

Definition of a type for placing the text into the picture.



Frame

For the types (in rectangle) and (in all rectangle), it is possible to define a method of drawing the rectangle - frame outlining given text.

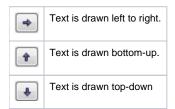




There will drawn a frame line and a frame fill. Parameters of the frame line (color, style, width, line join) and frame fill (fill, pattern) can be defined in the tab Lines.

Direction

Definition of a direction for drawing the text.



Effect

The dropdown box is placed in the corner right bottom of the tab. Selection of a text effect. The following figures show usage of the effects.

Normal	Normal - no effect
Back	Back - text with a background
Shade	Shade - shadow effect
Space	Space - space effect
Space 2	Space 2 - space effect 2
3-dimensional	3D - 3D effect

Note: The effect Background will drawn the rectangle of defined text in a color defined in the parameter 2nd color. This color will be also used during displaying the object in D2000 HI - used displayed palette takes no effect on the background defined by this effect.

2nd color

Selection of the color, that is used for text effects.



Related pages:

Drawing graphic objects
Graphic object manipulation functions