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VMware Horizon Session Enhancement SDK 3.3



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# VMware Horizon Session Enhancement SDK Programming Guide

This document, *VMware Horizon Session Enhancement SDK Programming Guide*, provides information about developing applications using the VMware Horizon® Session Enhancement Application Programming Interface (API). VMware provides several software development kit (SDK) products, each of which targets different developer communities and platforms.

## Intended Audience

This guide is intended for software developers who want to create applications that are used remotely over a VMware Horizon 7, VMware Horizon 8, or VMware Horizon Cloud Service on Microsoft Azure connection.

# Overview of the VMware Horizon Session Enhancement SDK

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With the VMware Horizon Session Enhancement Software Development Kit (SDK), you can develop applications that communicate between a client and a remote desktop over a Horizon connection using the Blast Extreme or PCoIP display protocol.

The SDK contains resources such as documentation, include files, and code samples, to help you develop applications that use the VMware Horizon Session Enhancement API.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Introduction to the VMware Horizon Session Enhancement API](#)
- [What's New in VMware Horizon Session Enhancement SDK 3.3](#)
- [About VMware Horizon Session Enhancement Key Concepts](#)
- [VMware Horizon Session Enhancement Program Flow](#)
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## Introduction to the VMware Horizon Session Enhancement API

The VMware Horizon Session Enhancement API specifies how the client side and the desktop side of an application can communicate over a Horizon connection. All interactions with the API are asynchronous.

Any software that uses the Horizon Session Enhancement API must have two components:

- Application
  - This is the code that runs on a remote desktop.

- Plug-In

This is the code that is installed on a client.

The Horizon Session Enhancement API consists of two distinct APIs:

- Remote Procedure Call (RPC) API

The RPC API provides an asynchronous, callback-driven communication channel between applications that run on a remote desktop and a plug-in that runs on a client. The RPC API also handles the marshaling and un-marshaling of parameters.

- Overlay API

The Overlay API solves the problem of displaying rendered images on the client. Images appear to a user as a local window on the remote desktop.

## OpenSSL Issue

The Horizon Session Enhancement API dynamically loads the OpenSSL library to implement its security features. If a software's application and plug-in components also dynamically load the OpenSSL library in the same way as the Horizon Session Enhancement API, you must adhere to the following rules to prevent crashes or exceptions.

- 1 Plug-in components must not call the CRYPTO\_set\_locking\_callback(), CRYPTO\_set\_id\_callback(), and CRYPTO\_set\_add\_lock\_callback() functions since vmware-remotemks already call these functions.
- 2 Application components must set up the preceding callbacks before loading the Horizon Session Enhancement API library. They must also ensure that those callbacks are valid before unloading the Horizon Session Enhancement API library.
- 3 If the code is shared by both the plug-in and application components, you must call the preceding three callback functions if CRYPTO\_get\_locking\_callback() returns NULL. You must call those three functions to set callbacks at the same time.

## Supported Versions of Horizon Software

The Horizon Session Enhancement API supports the following types of pods.

- Horizon pods running Horizon 7 or Horizon 8 (Horizon 2006 and later) software.

To support the latest features and interfaces of the Horizon Session Enhancement API, ensure that your Horizon pods are running on the latest release version of Horizon 7 or Horizon 8.

- Horizon Cloud pods in Microsoft Azure.

To support the latest features and interfaces of the Horizon Session Enhancement API, ensure that your Horizon Cloud pods are running on the latest release version of the pod manifest.

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**Note** If your pods are running on an older release version of Horizon software or of the Horizon Cloud Service on Microsoft Azure pod manifest, some features and interfaces of the Horizon Session Enhancement API are not supported.

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## Supported Client Operating Systems

The Horizon Session Enhancement API supports all Windows, Linux, and Mac operating systems that the Horizon Client software supports. For more information about supported operating systems, see the [VMware Horizon Client Documentation](#).

## What's New in VMware Horizon Session Enhancement SDK 3.3

The following list summarizes the new features and changes found in version 3.3 of the VMware Horizon Session Enhancement SDK.

- The Overlay API offers improvements for displaying rendered images.
- This version of the SDK no longer ships with a copy of `VDPService.dll`. To preserve compatibility with previous and future releases of Horizon, you must use the copy of `VDPService.dll` that is installed with the Horizon agent software. For more information, see the "Remote Desktop" section under [Installation](#).
- This version of the SDK includes a `.cpp` file that replaces the import library from previous versions. The `.cpp` file provides API entry points and the code for loading `VDPService.dll`.

## About VMware Horizon Session Enhancement Key Concepts

To effectively use the VMware Horizon Session Enhancement API, it is important to become familiar with the key concepts in Horizon Session Enhancement.

### Connection

A connection refers to a Horizon session over the Blast Extreme or PCoIP protocol. You cannot alter a connection through the Horizon Session Enhancement API, but you can determine the current state of a connection. If a connection is not in the connected state, no action can be taken with the API. You can receive notification of a change in a connection's state using `VDPService_ChannelNotifySink` through the `v1.0OnConnectionStateChanged` callback. You can also retrieve the current state of a connection using the `v1.GetConnectionState` method that is found in the `VDPService_ChannelInterface` API.

## Channel

A channel represents the link between a remote application and a local plug-in. The state of a channel is not necessarily the same as the state of a connection.

You can receive notification of a change in the state of a channel through the `VDPService_ChannelNotifySink` function that you register with the channel. The `v1.OnChannelStateChanged` callback delivers the state change. You can query the current state of a channel using the `v1.GetChannelState` method in `VDPService_ChannelInterface`.

## Side Channel

A side channel represents an additional link between a remote application and a local plug-in. A side channel belongs to a channel object and is set up via channel. A side channel can only be established after a channel object is connected. A side channel is designed to reduce application response time when there is network congestion in the main channel. For example, an application can use the main channel to transfer real-time control messages and use the side channel to transfer large amounts of user data.

## Channel Context

A channel context is a wrapper for the parameters and return values of a remote call. A channel context holds all of the information for the receiver of a remote call to determine which method is requested. Interaction with the channel context is done using `VDPRPC_ChannelContextInterface`.

## Overlay

An overlay is a window or image that is displayed over another so that the image or window overlay appears to be part of the underlying UI. This is typically done for video that plays locally, but needs to appear as if it is playing on the remote machine.

## Remote Procedure Call

A remote procedure call (RPC) is an invocation of a method on a non-local machine. Typically, the remote machine publishes a set of methods that it responds to, and the client invokes the methods through some channel. A call to `v1.Invoke` initiates an RPC.

## Sink

A sink is a structure of function pointers and is used to communicate asynchronously with user code. Each API call has one or more sets of sinks. The user must register the sinks to receive the necessary callbacks that give the user important information.

## Variant

To ease cross-platform communication, all parameters that are used with the VDP RPC API are wrapped in the VDP\_RPC\_VARIANT data type. This data type contains an identifier that indicates the type of data in the structure and the data itself. The use of variants is done through `VDPRPC_VariantInterface`.

# VMware Horizon Session Enhancement Program Flow

A typical Horizon Session Enhancement program flow involves the initialization of an application, a plug-in, threads, and a channel. It also includes sink registration, the calling of RPC and Overlay API methods, and shutting down.

## Application Initialization

The user controls the startup of the remote side of the Horizon Session Enhancement system. Upon application launch, the user code calls the `VDPService_ServerInit` method and gets the `VDP_SERVICE_QUERY_INTERFACE` structure. The user code then calls the `QueryInterface()` method to fetch all the interfaces that it needs to do its work.

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**Note** If `QueryInterface()` returns FALSE, your Horizon software version does not support the function interface that you are trying to fetch.

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## Plug-In Initialization

On the local side, it is the Horizon Session Enhancement system that initializes the plug-in code. In the `VDPService_PluginInit` call, the user code must store the passed-in reference to the `VDP_SERVICE_QUERY_INTERFACE` structure and use it to request all the interfaces that it needs. At this point the user code is only loaded. Once the matching application for the loaded plugin starts, `VDPService_PluginCreateInstance` is called. In this callback, the user may return a pointer that is returned in each callback, so that the user code can maintain its state. To match a plug-in and an application, `VDPService` calls the plug-in's `VDPService_PluginGetTokenName` method and compares the string that is returned with the string that is given by the application.

Before returning from the `VDPService_PluginCreateInstance` callback, the user code must call `Connect` from `VDPService_ChannelInterface`.

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**Note** Due to a limitation in the underlying protocol used, the `TokenName` variable must be less than 16 bytes in length.

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## Sink Registration

To receive callbacks from the Horizon Session Enhancement system, you must register sinks for different notifications. The first sink to register is `VDPService_ChannelNotifySink`. This sink notifies you of changes to the connection state, the channel state, and when the application has created an object. For more information about object creation, see [Channel Object](#). To register the sink,

use the `v1.RegisterChannelNotifySink` method in `VDPService_ChannelInterface`. After the sink is registered, you receive a handle for that sink that you can use to unregister the sink. You must register `VDPService_ChannelNotifySink` before you call `v1.Connect` to ensure that you receive a notification when the channel is available.

After you register `VDPService_ChannelNotifySink`, you most likely will not receive a callback for a connection state change. This is because by the time the application or plug-in is started, the connection is likely to be in the connected state. To confirm that the connection is in the proper state prior to any actions, use the `GetConnectionState` method.

In addition to `VDPService_ChannelNotifySink`, the following sinks exist:

- `VDPRPC_ObjectNotifySink`

This is for individual channel objects.

- `VDPRPC_RequestCallback`

This is for callbacks for each RPC call.

- `VDPOverlayGuest_Sink`

This is for important overlay notifications for the guest.

- `VDPOverlayClient_Sink`

These are for important overlay notifications for the client.

## Thread Initialization

On the application side, the main thread is the one that the user calls `VDPService_ServerInit` on. On the plug-in side, the main thread is the one that the `VDPService_PluginCreateInstance` callback is received on. For other threads, you must call `ThreadInitialize` before you call any other method in the RPC APIs or the Overlay APIs.

If a thread is no longer needed, you must uninitialized it by calling the `v1.ThreadUninitialize` method.

## Channel

For communication to occur, the channel between the application and the plug-in must be active. To initialize the channel connection, call the `v1.Connect` method. It must be called on both sides of the connection for each channel. To shut down a channel, call the `v1.Disconnect` method.

After you call `v1.Disconnect`, or whenever the channel is in a disconnected state, you must free all your channel objects using the `v1.DestroyChannelObject` method. If the channel is connected again, you must recreate any required objects.

## Query Interface

`QueryInterface()` returns an interface, or a structure of function pointers. Both applications and plug-ins must call `QueryInterface()` to retrieve the necessary interfaces.

The query interface data type VDP\_SERVICE\_QUERY\_INTERFACE is a structure that is defined in `vdpService.h`. The application and the plug-in receive a reference to this structure differently. The structure has two members: a version attribute, and a function pointer. The version attribute notifies the user's application which version of the APIs are available. The function pointer is how the user's code will access the other APIs in the system. The function pointer has the following definition.

```
Bool (*QueryInterface) (const GUID *iid, void *iface);
```

The `QueryInterface()` function fetches the functions that the user needs to interact with the Horizon Session Enhancement API. The following table lists the GUIDs that are defined by Horizon Session Enhancement and the function lists that the GUIDs return.

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**Note** If `QueryInterface()` returns FALSE, your Horizon software version does not support the function interface that you are trying to fetch.

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**Table 1-1. Horizon Session Enhancement GUIDs**

GUID	Returned Function List	Version	Header File
GUID_VDPRPC_VariantInterface_V1	VDPRPC_VariantInterface	v1	vdprpc_interface.h
GUID_VDPRPC_ChannelObjectInterface_V3	VDPRPC_ChannelObjectInterface	v3	vdprpc_interfaces.h
GUID_VDPRPC_ChannelObjectInterface_V4	VDPRPC_ChannelObjectInterface	v4	vdprpc_interfaces.h
GUID_VDPRPC_ChannelContextInterface_V2	VDPRPC_ChannelContextInterface	v2	vdprpc_interfaces.h
GUID_VDPOverlay_GuestInterface_V2	VDPOverlay_GuestInterface	v2	vdpOverlay.h
GUID_VDPOverlay_GuestInterface_V3	VDPOverlay_GuestInterface	v3	vdpOverlay.h
GUID_VDPOverlay_GuestInterface_V4	VDPOverlay_GuestInterface	v4	vdpOverlay.h
GUID_VDPOverlay_ClientInterface_V2	VDPOverlay_ClientInterface	v2	vdpOverlay.h
GUID_VDPOverlay_ClientInterface_V3	VDPOverlay_ClientInterface	v3	vdpOverlay.h
GUID_VDPOverlay_ClientInterface_V4	VDPOverlay_ClientInterface	v4	vdpOverlay.h
GUID_VDPService_ChannellInterface_V2	VDPService_ChannellInterface	v2	vdpService_interface.s.h
GUID_VDPService_ChannellInterface_V3	VDPService_ChannellInterface	v3	vdpService_interface.s.h
GUID_VDPService_ChannellInterface_V4	VDPService_ChannellInterface	v4	vdpService_interface.s.h
GUID_VDPService_ServerInterface_V1	VDPService_ServerInterface	v1	vdpService_interface.s.h
GUID_VDPService_LocalJobInterface_V1	VDPService_LocalJobInterface	v1	vdpService_interface.s.h

**Table 1-1. Horizon Session Enhancement GUIDs (continued)**

<b>GUID</b>	<b>Returned Function List</b>	<b>Version</b>	<b>Header File</b>
GUID_VDPRPC_StreamDataInterface_V2	VDPRPC_StreamDataInterface	v2	vdprpc_interfaces.h
GUID_VDPService_ObserverInterface_V1	VDPService_ObserverInterface	v1	vdpService_interface.h

The following sample code shows how to request an interface.

```
VDP_SERVICE_QUERY_INTERFACE qi;
VDPService_ChannelInterface ci;
qi.QueryInterface(&GUID_VDPService_ChannelInterface_V1, &ci);
```

## Application

The user launches the application, which is the component that runs on the remote desktop. After the Application starts and `vdpService.dll` is loaded, the application calls `VDPService_ServerInit()`. When the application exits, it must call `VDPService_ServerExit()`. The following table describes the two server functions.

**Table 1-2. Horizon Session Enhancement Server Functions**

<b>Function</b>	<b>Description</b>
<code>VDPService_ServerInit</code>	The application calls this function when it starts. It must pass an identifying string (the token) to the function. The function returns a pointer to <code>VDP_SERVICE_QUERY_INTERFACE</code> and the channel handle for this application, which uses the channel handle to initialize user threads.
<code>VDPService_ServerExit</code>	The application calls this function when it closes down.
<code>VDPService_ServerInit2</code>	Same as <code>VDPService_ServerInit</code> but for a different session. Caller needs to have sufficient privilege.
<code>VDPService_ServerExit2</code>	Same as <code>VDPService_ServerExit</code> but for a different session. Caller needs to have sufficient privilege.

The following sample code shows how an application initializes.

```
/* program startup (_tWinMain for example) */
VDP_SERVICE_QUERY_INTERFACE qi;
void *channelHandle;
VDPRPC_VariantInterface vi;
VDPOverlay_GuestInterface ogi;
/* other interfaces omitted */
VDPService_ServerInit("example" /* token */, &qi, &channelHandle);
qi.QueryInterface(&GUID_VDPRPC_VariantInterface_V1, &vi);
qi.QueryInterface(&GUID_VDPOverlay_GuestInterface_V1, &ogi);
/* ... */
```

## Plug-in

The main difference between the plug-in and the application is that the Horizon software loads the code on the client. Therefore, the user-compiled code must be in a DLL or a shared object that the system loads. The plug-in must export the following functions.

**Table 1-3. Horizon Session Enhancement Exported Plug-In Functions**

Function	Description
VDPService_PluginInit	Invoked when the DLL or SO is loaded. The plug-in receives its reference to VDP_SERVICE_QUERY_INTERFACE.
VDPService_PluginInitWithPathF n	Similar to the VDPService_PluginInit function, but with an additional parameter for the absolute path to where the plug-in is loaded from the disk.
VDPService_PluginExit	Invoked when the DLL or SO is unloaded and the user session ends.
VDPService_PluginGetTokenName	Horizon Session Management uses this function to match the plug-in with the application. The token that this function returns must match the token that the matching application passes to VDPService_ServerInit for communication to occur.
VDPService_PluginCreateInstanc e	Invoked when a new channel's identifier matches the one that VDPService_PluginGetTokenName returns. More than one instance of a plug-in may exist. Horizon Session management matches instances of the plug-in to the correct channel.
VDPService_PluginDestroyInstan ce	Called when the channel this plug-in instance runs on closes.

## RPC API

With the RPC API, applications and plug-ins can communicate across channels. You must perform all VDPService initialization steps before you call the RPC API.

### Channel Object

Before communication can occur, a channel object with the same name must exist on both sides of the connection. To create a channel object, call the v1.CreateChannelObject method. It does not matter whether the channel object is created in the application or in the plug-in first. The initial state of the channel object is disconnected.

When a channel object is created, a message is sent to the other side of the connection, where the callback function v1.OnPeerObjectCreated is called. To create a matching object, call the v1.CreateChannelObject method. After the matching object is created, the state of the object on both sides is connected and both sides receive a state change notification.

After a channel object is connected, you can request a side channel for this object. There are two types of side channels: virtual side channel and TCP side channel. A virtual side channel is an additional virtual channel. A TCP side channel is a TCP socket connection between a client and an agent. When a side channel is established and both sides receive a state change notification, the state of the channel object will change to VDP\_RPC\_OBJ\_SIDE\_CHANNEL\_CONNECTED.

For a TCP side channel, an agent application can switch to stream data mode to save resources. In stream data mode, all VDPService internal threads will be exited and an application has to use a TCP socket to send data to and receive data from a plug-in. RPC packets can be created and parsed by stream data APIs.

## Invoke

After you create a channel object, you can invoke an RPC with the v1.Invoke method. You must make the v1.Invoke call on the thread that you create the object on, unless the object is configured to allow invoke on any thread.

The v1.Invoke call requires a ChannelContext data structure, which is a wrapper for all the data for the RPC, such as the command, parameters, and so on. You create a context with the v1.CreateContext function. After the context is created, add information for the RPC to the context with the VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface methods and pass the context to v1.Invoke. Even though you create the context, if the call to Invoke succeeds, the API is responsible for freeing the context. This is because of the asynchronous nature of the API. When the call to v1.Invoke returns, the context might still be in use.

Each channel context has a unique ID that you can retrieve with the v1.GetId method. The ID of a context that is passed to an v1.Invoke call is returned as a parameter in the v1.OnDone and v1.OnAbort handlers. You can use the ID to map the callbacks to the v1.Invoke call that they refer to. The ID of a context that is passed to the handlers represents the return values from the other end of the connection and does not match the originating context ID.

## Variant

All data that you add to a channel context must be in a VDP\_RPC\_VARIANT data structure. The following code sample shows how to add data to a variant and append it to a context.

```
VDP_RPC_VARIANT var;
VDPRPC_VariantInterface varIface;
VDPRPC_ChannelContextInterface ctxtIface;
void *contextHandle;

// Call VariantInit() before using the variant
// Failure to call VariantInit() can cause memory corruption issues
varIface.v1.VariantInit(&var);

// Add the parameters to the context
varIface.v1.VariantFromInt32(&var, 32);
ctxtIface.v1.AppendParam(contextHandle, &var);

// The same variant can be used for multiple parameters
varIface.v1.VariantFromString(&var, "sample string");
ctxtIface.v1.AppendNamedParam(contextHandle, "sample param", &var);
```

```
// Call VariantClear() after all parameters are added to the context
// Failure to call VariantClear() can lead to memory leaks
varIface.v1.VariantClear(&var);
```

It is recommended that you use the `RPCVariant` class included with the sample code.

You must call `v1.VariantInit` before using a variant to avoid causing memory corruption.

After each use of a variant, call the `v1.VariantClear` method to ensure that all resources are freed.

## OnInvoke

On a successful `v1.Invoke` call, the peer object receives an `v1.OnInvoke` callback. In this callback you receive a channel context. The context contains all of the information for the call. To respond, add the appropriate return code and return values to the channel context, which is returned to the caller when the `v1.OnInvoke` call returns.

## Application Shutdown

The application must call `VDPService_ServerExit`.

## Plug-In Shutdown

The following functions are called during the plug-in shutdown process.

- `VDPService_PluginDestroyInstance` is called when the channel associated with the remote desktop application is closed. Each call to `VDPService_PluginCreateInstance` has a corresponding call to `VDPService_PluginDestroyInstance`.
- `VDPService_PluginExit` is called when the Horizon session ends, immediately before the plugin DLL is unloaded. The plug-in must free all resources and shut down.

## Overlay API

With the Overlay API, you can overlay a window or an image on top of another window or image. You typically do this to make video that is playing locally appear as if it is playing on a remote machine.

## Guest Setup

To use the Overlay API, the first step is to initialize the guest interface by calling the `v1.Init` method. After a successful initialization, register the window that you want to overlay by calling the `v1.RegisterWindow` or `v3.RegisterWindow` method. The size and position of the registered window are tracked and sent to the client automatically. If the client does not reject the registered window, you receive the `v1.OnOverlayReady` callback. When you receive this callback, you call the `v1.EnableOverlay` function to display the overlay on the client.

When you are finished with the window, unregister it by calling `v1.UnregisterWindow`.

## Client Setup

On the client, the first step is to initialize the interface by calling `v1.Init`, which returns a context ID. You use the ID to identify the plug-in instance. When the guest registers a window, the client is notified through the `v1.OnWindowRegistered` sink callback, which gives you a window ID. You need both the context ID and the window ID to update the overlay.

After you receive the `v1.OnOverlayReady` callback, you can start displaying your image by calling the `v1.Update` or `v2.Update` method. The API does not keep a copy of the image unless the `copyImage` flag is set to true. If you do not own the image resource or you need to free it, you must set the `copyImage` flag.

When you are finished with the overlay, call the `v1.Exit` method.

## Virtual Channel and Side Channel Security

This topic describes the security features of virtual channels and side channels which run over Horizon session connections.

### Virtual Channel Security

Virtual channels run over the session connection that is established by the remote protocol and rely on security offered by the protocol. The communication over these supported protocols is highly secure and based on industry-recommended security practices. The endpoints negotiate the actual session encryption algorithm that is used by the selected protocol.

In addition, you can increase the security of virtual channels by configuring a list of allowed channels. This configuration allows only the channels in the list to be opened by legitimate requests and prevents all other channels from being opened. To create the allow list, add the channels as registry entries to the .reg file included with the SDK. For more information, see [VMware Knowledge Base \(KB\) article 84156](#).

For detailed information about the types of security offered by the supported protocols, see the “Understanding Client Connections” topic in the *Horizon Architecture Planning* guide, which is part of the [VMware Horizon Documentation](#).

To configure the cipher suites and protocols used by the client, follow the client-specific procedure described in the “Configuring Security Protocols and Cipher Suites for Specific Client Types” topic in the *Horizon Client and Agent Security* guide, which is part of the [VMware Horizon Documentation](#).

For information about the security features of Horizon Cloud Service on Microsoft Azure, see the [VMware Horizon Cloud Service on Microsoft Azure Security Considerations](#) technical white paper, available from [VMware Digital Workspace Tech Zone](#).

## Side Channel Security

Side channels rely on the Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) 128-cipher algorithm in Cipher Block Chaining (CBC) mode. The algorithm uses an explicit initialization Vector (IV) as a confidentiality mechanism within the context of the IPsec. The random number is generated on the remote desktop and exchanged through the main virtual channel which is secured by the protocol's security layer. This exchange does not require any negotiation for an SSL/TLS handshake. The application using the side channel must opt in to use the encryption.

The following API methods provide the implementation details for the encryption:

- `v1.CreateChannelObject()`: Use config flags to negotiate the encryption support between sender and receiver.
- `v3.GetObjectOptions()`: Use this function to verify whether both the sender and receiver support encryption.
- `v3.CreateContext()`: Use this function to create the encryption context before send and invoke events.

## Installation

To use the Horizon Session Enhancement API, you must use `vdpService.dll`, which is installed by the Horizon agent software.

## Remote Desktop

The file `vdpService.dll` must exist on the remote desktop. When you install the Horizon agent software, this file is automatically installed on the remote desktop. For the location of the installation directory, see the registry at `HKLM\Software\VMware, Inc.\VMware VDM\RemoteExperienceAgent\InstallPath`. The 64-bit version of `vdpService.dll` is installed under `x64` in the same directory.

To load `vdpService.dll`, use the code in `vdpService_import.cpp` which is included with the SDK.

## Client

The file `vdpService.dll` (.so, .dylib) already exists on the client system and is loaded by Horizon Client. Your plugin must not load `vdpService.dll`, because loading extra copies can cause problems.

## Windows Client

Copy the `vdpService` RPC plug-ins to the registry at `HKLM\Software\VMware, Inc.\VMware VDPService\Plugins`.

## Linux Client

Copy the vdpService RPC plug-ins to `/usr/lib/vmware/view/vdpService`. Make sure that the plug-ins have the execute permission.

## Mac Client

For instructions on using the Horizon Session Enhancement SDK with a Mac client, see [VMware Knowledge Base \(KB\) article 85186](#).

## Sample Code

The Horizon Session Enhancement SDK includes a directory called `samples` that contains examples of how to use the API.

# Data Types and Error Codes

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The Horizon Session Enhancement API has three groups of data types. The API also specifies error codes for various error conditions.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Data Types](#)
- [Error Codes](#)

## Data Types

The Horizon Session Enhancement API uses the data types VDP Service, VDP RPC, and Overlay.

### VDP Service Data Types

Table 2-1. VDPService Data Types

Data Type	Description
VDPService_ConnectionState	This enum indicates the current state of the remote connection.
VDPService_ChannelState	This enum indicates the current state of a particular channel.
VDPService_SessionType	This enum indicates the type of the current session (Blast Extreme or PCoIP).

### VDP RPC Data Types

The VDP RPC data types are for use with the VDP RPC API.

Table 2-2. VDP RPC Data Types

Data Type	Description
VDP_RPC_VARENUM	This enum indicates the type of data that is stored in a VDP_RPC_VARIANT.
VDP_RPC_BLOB	Stores data that does not fit in any predefined VDP_RPC_VARENUM. Because VDP Service sends the data as is, it cannot protect against changes in byte endianness or structure alignment and padding. Use care to avoid errors.
VDP_RPC_VARIANT	Wraps the data for the RPC calls. Any data that is sent with the Invoke call must be contained in a VDP_RPC_VARIANT.

**Table 2-2. VDP RPC Data Types (continued)**

<b>Data Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
VDPRPC_ObjectState	Represents the state of an object. Only objects in the VDP_RPC_OBJ_CONNECTED state can be used in the <code>Invoke</code> call.
VDPRPC_ObjectConfigurationFlag	Used to configure channel objects with <code>ChannelObjectInterface.v1.CreateChannelObject</code> .
VDPRPC_ChannelContextOps	Used to configure the channel contexts with <code>ChannelContextInterface.v2.SetOps</code> .
VDPRPC_SideChannelType	Virtual side channel or TCP side channel.

## VDP Overlay Data Types

The VDP Overlay data types are for use with the Overlay API. They are found in `vdpOverlay.h`.

**Table 2-3. VDP Overlay Guest Data Types**

<b>Data Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
VDPOverlay_WindowId	An identifier that represents a remote or guest-side overlay. In earlier versions of the API, the windowId and the HWND were the same but in the current version they can be different.
VDPOverlay_HWND	A representation of the native OS window.
VDPOverlay_UserArgs	Parameter that is passed through to the callback on the remote side.
VDPOverlay_LayoutMode	This enum represents all of the different layouts that the VDP Overlay API supports.
VDPOverlay_Error	Returned by many of the Overlay functions. Indicates the results that may occur.
VDP_OVERLAY_INFO_STR_MAX_LEN	The maximum length, including the NULL terminator, of an information string rendered on top of an overlay. The value of this constant is set to 1024 bytes.

**Table 2-4. VDP Overlay Client Data Types**

<b>Data Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
VDPOverlayClient_ContextId	Returned from <code>VDPOverlayClient_Init</code> . This ID is used in every call to the Client API.
VDPOverlay_OverlayId	An identifier that represents a local or client-side overlay that doesn't map to a window in the remote desktop. An OverlayId can be used in any function that takes a WindowId but a WindowId can not be used as an OverlayId.

**Table 2-4. VDP Overlay Client Data Types (continued)**

<b>Data Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
VDPOverlayClient_OverlayInfo	<p>This structure is used in the call to <code>VDPOverlayClient::GetInfo()</code>.</p> <p>In V1 the first member of <code>VDPOverlayClient_OverlayInfo</code> was <code>cbSize</code> which was set by the caller to determine the version of the struct. But doing that was not backward compatible. For example, a program written to V2 would return an error if it called <code>GetInfo()</code> because the size wouldn't be set correctly.</p> <p>Starting with V2 the first member of <code>VDPOverlayClient_OverlayInfo</code> is a version and is set by <code>GetInfo()</code> to the version of the function that filled the structure. For backward compatibility when calling <code>v1.GetInfo()</code> the caller must set <code>version = VDP_OVERLAY_INFO_V1_SIZE</code> before calling <code>v1.GetInfo()</code>.</p>

**Table 2-4. VDP Overlay Client Data Types (continued)**

<b>Data Type</b>	<b>Description</b>																
VDPOverlayClient_InfoStringProperties	<p>This structure is used in the calls to <code>VDPOverlayClient::v4.GetInfoStringProperties()</code> and <code>VDPOverlayClient::v4.SetInfoStringProperties()</code>. V1 through V3 of <code>VDPOverlayClient_Interface</code> do not support this structure. The members of this structure are defined as follows.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><b>Member</b></th><th><b>Description</b></th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><code>enabled</code></td><td>A Boolean that activates/deactivates the information string.</td></tr> <tr> <td><code>fgColor</code></td><td>An uint32 specifying the foreground/text color used to render the information string. 0 specifies the default foreground color.</td></tr> <tr> <td><code>bgColor</code></td><td>An uint32 specifying the background color used to render the information string. 0 specifies the default background color.</td></tr> <tr> <td><code>xBox</code></td><td>An int32 specifying the horizontal distance between the background and the edge of the overlay. Positive numbers position the background on the left. Negative numbers position the background on the right. 0 uses the default margin.</td></tr> <tr> <td><code>yBox</code></td><td>An int32 specifying the vertical distance between the background and the edge of the overlay. Positive numbers position the background on the top. Negative numbers position the background on the bottom. 0 uses the default margin.</td></tr> <tr> <td><code>wBox</code></td><td>An int32 defining the width of the background. Positive numbers denote the maximum width of the background. The text will be scaled to fit in this width using the LETTERBOX_SHRINK_ONLY layout mode. Negative numbers denote an absolute width for the background. The text will be scaled to fit in this width using the LETTERBOX layout mode. 0 sizes the background to the width of the text.</td></tr> <tr> <td><code>hBox</code></td><td>An int32 defining the height of the background. Positive numbers denote the maximum height of the background. The text will be scaled to fit in this height using the LETTERBOX_SHRINK_ONLY layout mode. Negative numbers denote an absolute height for the background. The text will be scaled to fit in this height using the LETTERBOX layout mode. 0 sizes the background to the height of the text.</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Description</b>	<code>enabled</code>	A Boolean that activates/deactivates the information string.	<code>fgColor</code>	An uint32 specifying the foreground/text color used to render the information string. 0 specifies the default foreground color.	<code>bgColor</code>	An uint32 specifying the background color used to render the information string. 0 specifies the default background color.	<code>xBox</code>	An int32 specifying the horizontal distance between the background and the edge of the overlay. Positive numbers position the background on the left. Negative numbers position the background on the right. 0 uses the default margin.	<code>yBox</code>	An int32 specifying the vertical distance between the background and the edge of the overlay. Positive numbers position the background on the top. Negative numbers position the background on the bottom. 0 uses the default margin.	<code>wBox</code>	An int32 defining the width of the background. Positive numbers denote the maximum width of the background. The text will be scaled to fit in this width using the LETTERBOX_SHRINK_ONLY layout mode. Negative numbers denote an absolute width for the background. The text will be scaled to fit in this width using the LETTERBOX layout mode. 0 sizes the background to the width of the text.	<code>hBox</code>	An int32 defining the height of the background. Positive numbers denote the maximum height of the background. The text will be scaled to fit in this height using the LETTERBOX_SHRINK_ONLY layout mode. Negative numbers denote an absolute height for the background. The text will be scaled to fit in this height using the LETTERBOX layout mode. 0 sizes the background to the height of the text.
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**Table 2-4. VDP Overlay Client Data Types (continued)**

Data Type	Description
VDPOverlay_Error	Returned by many of the Overlay functions. Indicates the results that may occur.
VDPOverlay_ImageFormat	This enum defines the pixel format of an image passed to <code>VDPOverlayClient_Interface.v2.Update()</code> . Note that <code>VDPOverlayClient_Interface.v1.Update()</code> always assumes <code>VDP_OVERLAY_BGRX</code> formatted images.

## Error Codes

The Horizon Session Enhancement API specifies codes to indicate errors.

### OnAbort Reason Error Codes

If the call to the `VDPRPC_ChannelObjectInterface.v1.OnInvoke()` method fails due to a Horizon Session Enhancement error, the supplied `OnAbort` method is called and the last parameter to this method contains one of the following error codes.

**Table 2-5. OnAbort Reason Error Codes**

Code	Description
<code>VDP_RPC_E_APARTMENT_UNINITIALIZED</code>	This error occurs if the <code>OnInvoke</code> call is made on a thread that is not initialized to be used with the Horizon Session Management API.
<code>VDP_RPC_E_APARTMENT_THREAD</code>	This error occurs if the <code>OnInvoke</code> call involves an object that was not created on the calling thread and the object is not configured to allow <code>OnInvoke</code> calls on different threads.
<code>VDP_RPC_E_OBJECT_NOT_CONNECTED</code>	This error occurs if the object handle that is used for the <code>OnInvoke</code> call points to an object that is not connected. This error indicates that the peer object on the remote side is not yet created.
<code>VDP_RPC_E_PARAMETER</code>	One of the required parameters that is passed to the <code>OnInvoke</code> call is invalid.
<code>VDP_RPC_E_MEMORY</code>	The system fails to allocate the required memory to send the request.

## VDP Overlay Error Codes

If an error occurs, many of the methods that are defined in `vdpOverlay.h` return one of the following errors.

**Table 2-6. VDP Overlay Error Codes**

Code	Description
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS</code>	No error. The call is successful.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED</code>	The call fails because the VDP Overlay components are not properly loaded in the Horizon environment.

**Table 2-6. VDP Overlay Error Codes (continued)**

<b>Code</b>	<b>Description</b>
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_ALREADY_INITIALIZED	This error is only returned from the <code>VDPOverlayGuest_Interface.v1.Init()</code> call. The guest Overlay system is already initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the required parameters that is passed to the call is invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_ALLOCATION_ERROR	The system fails to allocate the required memory or system resource to handle the call.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NO_MORE_OVERLAYS	This error results from a failed attempt to register a window and may be received in the <code>VDPOverlayGuest_Sink.v1.OnOverlayCreateError()</code> or <code>VDPOverlayClient.v2.CreateOverlay()</code> callback. This error may be due to a client-side error. It can also occur if the call tries to register a window that is already registered with a different plug-in.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_OVERLAY_REJECTED	This error results from a failed attempt to register a window and is returned in the reason field of the <code>VDPOverlayGuest_Sink.v1.OnOverlayRejected()</code> callback. This error occurs if the client does not accept the overlay registration request.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_OVERLAY_NOT_READY	This error occurs when either <code>VDPOverlayGuest_Interface.v1.EnableOverlay</code> or <code>VDPOverlayGuest_Interface.v1.DisableOverlay</code> fails. It indicates that the registered window is not ready, that is, the <code>VDPOverlayGuest_Sink.v1.OnOverlayReady()</code> callback is not yet received.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The window ID that is specified in the call is not yet registered. Many Overlay methods may return this error.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_ALREADY_REGISTERED	The window is already registered. This error can be returned from the <code>VDPOverlayGuest_Interface.v1.RegisterWindow()</code> method.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_LOCAL_OVERLAY	The <code>overlayId</code> of a guest-side overlay was passed to a function that can only be called on a local overlay.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low level library. This error code should be treated as similar to <code>INVALID_PARAMETER</code> .
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_SUPPORTED_BY_CLIENT	The version of the client-side VDP Overlay API does support the feature.

# Channel Interaction Functions

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The Horizon Session Enhancement SDK contains the header file `vdpService_interfaces.h`. This file declares two structures of function pointers, `VDPService_ChannelInterface` and `VDPService_ObserverInterface`.

You can use the `VDPService_ChannelInterface` APIs to interact with the remote connection or channel. With `VDPService_ObserverInterface`, two components within the same process can communicate with each other.

`VDPService_ChannelInterface` consists of the following functions:

- v1.Connect
- v1.Disconnect
- v1.GetChannelState
- v1.GetConnectionState
- v1.Poll
- v1.RegisterChannelNotifySink
- v1.ThreadInitialize
- v1.ThreadUninitialize
- v1.UnregisterChannelNotifySink
- v2.GetSessionType
- v2.SwitchToStreamdataMode
- v3.Poll

`VDPService_ObserverInterface` consists of the following functions:

- v1.Broadcast
- v1.RegisterObserver
- v1.UnregisterObserver

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [v1.Broadcast](#)
- [v1.Connect](#)
- [v1.Disconnect](#)
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- [v2.SwitchToStreamDataMode](#)
- [v3.Poll](#)

## v1.Broadcast

Broadcasts a given name's message to all observers. Basically, it will call all registered callbacks.

This function is a member of `VDPService_ObserverInterface`.

### Method Signature

```
BOOL (*v1.Broadcast)(const char *name, const void *cookie, const void *data);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
name	The name of the message.
cookie	User-defined data. It can be as simple as request ID.
data	Message data.

### Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Success
FALSE	Failure

## v1.Connect

Starts the channel connection. You must call v1.Connect on both the application and the plug-in side, though the order does not matter. Call this method prior to exiting the VDPSERVICE\_PluginCreateInstance callback.

This function is a member of VDPSERVICE\_ChannelInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.Connect)(void);
```

### Parameters

None

### Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Call succeeded.
FALSE	Call failed.

## v1.Disconnect

Closes the underlying channel connection. You can call this method on either the plug-in or the application side.

This function is a member of VDPSERVICE\_ChannelInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.Disconnect)(void);
```

### Parameters

None

### Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Call succeeded.
FALSE	Call failed.

## v1.GetChannelState

Queries the current state of the channel connection between application and plug-in instances. The channel to query is determined by the ID of the calling thread.

This function is a member of `VDPService_ChannelInterface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPService_ChannelState (*v1.GetChannelState)(void);
```

### Parameters

None

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_SERVICE_CHAN_UNINITIALIZED	The channel for this thread could not be found.
VDP_SERVICE_CHAN_DISCONNECTED	The channel is inactive.
VDP_SERVICE_CHAN_PENDING	The channel is open on the calling end, but not yet connected.
VDP_SERVICE_CHAN_CONNECTED	The channel is active.

## v1.GetConnectionState

Used to query the state of the underlying user session. Note that depending on when a sink was registered, you might not receive a callback noting that the connection state has changed. Use this method to determine the state of the connection at any time.

This function is a member of `VDPService_ChannelInterface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPService_ConnectionState (*v1.GetConnectionState)(void);
```

### Parameters

None

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_SERVICE_CONN_UNINITIALIZED	The user session cannot be found.
VDP_SERVICE_CONN_DISCONNECTED	The user session is currently inactive.

Value	Description
VDP_SERVICE_CONN_PENDING	The user session is not connected, but active on the calling end.
VDP_SERVICE_CONN_CONNECTED	The user session is active.

## v1.Poll

Allows the Horizon Session Enhancement system to process any waiting events. This call is required on any thread that the v1.ThreadInitialize call was made to so that the Horizon Session Enhancement system can function. If there are no waiting events, this call will just return.

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**Note** All waiting events will be processed, so control may not be returned to you for some time. Most events will cause calls to registered sinks. Callbacks might be fired.

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On Windows, if the thread uses its own message loop, using the method is not required.

This function is a member of VDPService\_ChannelInterface.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.Poll)(void);
```

### Parameters

None

### Return Values

None

## v1.RegisterChannelNotifySink

Registers the given VDPService\_ChannelNotifySink with the channel associated with the calling thread. You may register any number of sinks, and each will receive a callback when an event occurs.

The sinkHandle parameter will be set to the handle assigned to the given sink. This is used to unregister the sink with the channel.

This function is a member of VDPService\_ChannelInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.RegisterChannelNotifySink)(const VDPService_ChannelNotifySink *sink, void *userData, uint32 *sinkHandle);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
sink	The sink to register with the channel.
userData	Data that will be passed into any callbacks to this sink. Can be NULL.
sinkHandle	Set to the handle assigned to this sink.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The sink was successfully registered.
FALSE	Sink registration failed.

## v1.RegisterObserver

Registers an observer with the given name and callbacks.

This function is a member of `VDPService_ObserverInterface`.

## Method Signature

```
VDPService_ObserverId (*v1.RegisterObserver)(const char *name, void *context,
VdpServiceObserverCallback cb);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
name	The name of message caller is interested.
context	Context pointer caller want to passed in callback.
cb	Callback function when given name message is available.

## Return Values

Value	Description
uint32	The ID of the registered observer or 0 (failed).

## v1.ThreadInitialize

Initializes the thread for use with the Horizon Session Enhancement APIs. This method must be called on any thread that is not the main thread. Do not call this method on the thread that received the `VDPService_PluginCreateInstance` callback or that the `VDPService_ServerInit` call was made from.

This function is a member of `VDPService_ChannelInterface`.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.ThreadInitialize)(void *channelHandle, uint32 unusedFlag);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
channelHandle	Represents the channel instance that this plug-in instance is running on. The channel handle is returned from the VDPService_ServerInit call or passed from the VDPService_PluginCreateInstance method.
unusedFlag	Currently unused.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The thread was successfully initialized.
FALSE	Thread initialization failed.

## v1.ThreadUninitialize

Uninitializes the calling thread, freeing all resources associated with Horizon Session Enhancement. No API calls must be made from this thread after this call. Only call this method on threads that had v1.ThreadInitialize invoked.

This function is a member of VDPService\_ChannelInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.ThreadUninitialize)(void);
```

## Parameters

None

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The thread was successfully uninitialized.
FALSE	Thread uninitialization failed.

## v1.UnregisterChannelNotifySink

Removes the sink associated with the given handle from the list of sinks that the channel associated with the calling thread will notify of Horizon Session Enhancement events.

This function is a member of VDPService\_ChannelInterface.

## Method Signature

```
(*v1.UnregisterChannelNotifySink)(uint32 sinkHandle);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
sinkHandle	The handle returned from v1.RegisterChannelNotifySink of the sink to be unregistered.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The sink that matches the given handle was successfully unregistered.
FALSE	The sink is still registered with the handle.

## v1.UnregisterObserver

Unregisters an observer with the given name and callbacks.

This function is a member of VDPService\_ObserverInterface.

## Method Signature

```
BOOL (*v1.UnregisterObserver)(VDPService_ObserverId id);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
id	The observer id returned from v1.RegisterObserver.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Unregister succeeded.
FALSE	Unregister failed.

## v2.GetSessionType

Gets the current virtual channel type.

This function is a member of VDPService\_ChannelInterface.

## Method Signature

```
VDPService_SessionType (*v2.GetSessionType)(void);
```

## Parameters

None

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_SERVICE_NONE_SESSION	Session type not determined yet.
VDP_SERVICE_PCOIP_SESSION	vdpservice is running in a PCoIP session.
VDP_SERVICE_BLAST_SESSION	vdpservice is running in a Blast Extreme session.

## v2.SwitchToStreamDataMode

Switches vdpservice to TCP socket mode. This is an agent-only feature. In this mode, user can use output socket handle to send and receive data via a TCP socket handler. All internal vdpservice threads are terminated in order to save resources. Only VDPRPC\_StreamDataInterface and VDPService\_ServerExit APIs can be called for the data processing and final clean-up.

This function is a member of VDPService\_ChannelInterface.

## Method Signature

```
BOOL (*v2.SwitchToStreamDataMode)(const char *tcpObjName, void *channelHandle, int *fd);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
tcpObjName	The name of the object which requested the TCP side channel.
channelHandle	Represents the channel interface that this plug-in is running on. The channelHandle is returned from the Vdpservice_ServerInit call or passed from the VDPService_PluginCreateInstance method.
fd	Output TCP socket handle.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Switching to stream data mode succeeded.
FALSE	Switching to stream data mode failed.

## v3.Poll

Allows the Horizon Session Enhancement system to process any waiting events. This call is required on any thread that the v1.ThreadInitialize call was made to so that the Horizon Session

Enhancement system can function. If there are no waiting events, this call will be blocked until the next event or timeout is reached.

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**Note** All waiting events will be processed, so control may not be returned to you for some time. Most events will cause calls to registered sinks. Callbacks might be fired.

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On Windows, if the thread uses its own message loop, using the method is not required.

This function is a member of `VDPService_ChannelInterface`.

## Method Signature

```
void (*v3.Poll)(int timeout);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
timeout	The time limit after which the <code>Poll</code> method will return.

## Return Values

None

# RPC Functions

# 4

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## v1.AppendNamedParam

Append the given Variant as a parameter to the given context and assign it a name. Note that the parameter is added to the end of the list with all parameters, even those without assigned names.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.AppendNamedParam)(void *contextHandle, const char *name, const VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The context to append the parameter to.
name	Name to assign to the parameter.
v	The data for the new parameter.

### Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Parameter successfully added.
FALSE	Unable to append the parameter to the given context.

## v1.AppendNamedRetVal

Similar to v1.AppendReturnVal but also assigns a name to the return value. The return value is added to the end of the list of all return values, even those without assigned names.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.AppendNamedRetVal)(void *contextHandle, const char *name, const VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	Context to add the return value to.
name	Name for the given return value.
v	Data for the return value.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Name and return value successfully added.
FALSE	Failed to add return value.

## v1.AppendParam

Adds the given Variant to the context as a parameter for the method. Appends the parameter to the end of the list.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.AppendParam)(void *contextHandle, const VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The handle for the context to add the parameter to.
v	Variant to store in the context. A copy of the data is made.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Data was successfully stored.
FALSE	Failed to append the Variant to the context.

## v1.AppendRetVal

Add the given Variant as a return value. The return values can be thought of as out parameters in a procedure call. The user can return any data desired here. The Variant is added to the end of the return value list.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.AppendRetVal)(void *contextHandle, const VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The handle for the context to append to.
v	Data to append.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Return value was successfully added.
FALSE	Failed to add the given Variant as a return value.

## v1.CreateChannelObject

Creates a channel object with the given name. This call, with the same object name, must be made on both the plug-in and the application for communication to occur.

Objects begin in the VDP\_RPC\_OBJ\_PENDING state. After the peer object is created, which might be prior to the call, the state goes to VDP\_RPC\_OBJ\_CONNECTED. The sink registered with the object receives notifications of events involving the new object. A handle for the created object is returned in the objectHandle parameter

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**Note** Objects must be used on the thread on which they are created, unless configured with the VDP\_RPC\_OBJ\_CONFIG\_INVOKE\_ALLOW\_ANY\_THREAD flag. If this option is used, the user is responsible for thread safety.

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This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelObjectInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.CreateChannelObject)(const char *name, const VDPRPC_ObjectNotifySink *sink, void *userData,
VDPRPC_ObjectConfigurationFlags configFlags, void **objectHandle);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
name	Name for the created object.
sink	Sink to be registered with the new object.
userData	Data to be sent to all sink callbacks. Can be NULL.
configFlags	Set of configuration options for the new object.
objectHandle	Handle for the created object is stored here.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The object was successfully created.
FALSE	Creation of the object failed.

## v1.CreateContext

Allocates and returns a new channel context to be used for an RPC.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelObjectInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.CreateContext)(void *objectHandle, void **ppcontextHandle);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
objectHandle	A handle for a valid channel object.
ppcontextHandle	A handle for the new channel context is returned here.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The new context was successfully created and returned.
FALSE	Context creation failed.

## v1.DestroyChannelObject

Frees all resources associated with the given channel object.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelObjectInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.DestroyChannelObject)(void *objectHandle);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
objectHandle	The handle, returned from CreateChannelObject, for the object to destroy.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The object was successfully destroyed.
FALSE	Destruction of the object failed.

## v1.DestroyContext

Frees all resources associated with a given context. Call this method only on contexts that you have created using `CreateContext()`. Only contexts that will not be used should be destroyed by the user.

This function is a member of `VDPRPC_ChannelObjectInterface`.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.DestroyContext)(void *contextHandle);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The handle for the context to destroy.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The new context was successfully destroyed.
FALSE	Destruction of the context failed.

## v1.GetCommand

Queries the command code that was assigned to the given context. Use this method to determine the remote method that was being called. Use the `SetCommand` method to set the command code. If 0 is returned, use `GetNamedCommand` to fetch the command code.

This function is a member of `VDPRPC_ChannelContextInterface`.

### Method Signature

```
uint32 (*v1.GetCommand)(void *contextHandle);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The handle for the context to query.

## Return Values

Value	Description
uint32	The uint32 command code set for this context. 0 indicates the command was not set as a uint32.

## v1.GetId

Returns the unique ID for the given context. This ID can be used to map callbacks to the Invoke call that they refer to.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

### Method Signature

```
uint32 (*v1.GetId)(void *contextHandle);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The handle for the context to be queried.

## Return Values

Value	Description
uint32	The ID for the given context.

## v1.GetMinimalStreamDataSize

Gets the minimal stream data size before checking the RPC packet length.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_StreamDataInterface.

### Method Signature

```
int (*v1.GetMinimalStreamDataSize)(int fd);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
fd	A valid socket handle returned by v2.SwitchToStreamDataMode.

## Return Values

Value	Description
uint32	The minimal size.

## v1.GetNamedCommand

Gets the command code assigned to the given context as a string. If the command was not stored as a string, this method returns FALSE, and you must use the GetCommand method instead to get the command code.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.GetNamedCommand)(void *contextHandle, char *buffer, int bufferSize);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The handle for the context to query.
buffer	Out parameter that the name is to be stored in.
bufferSize	Size of the buffer to store the name.

### Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Named command successfully returned.
FALSE	The command was not stored as a string.

## v1.GetNamedParam

Fetch the parameter at the given index and return the name, if any, that was assigned to the parameter. If no name was given, the name parameter remains untouched.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.GetNamedParam)(void *contextHandle, int index, char *name, int nameSize, VDP_RPC_VARIANT *copy);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The context to fetch the parameter from.
index	The index of the parameter to return.
name	The buffer to store the assigned name in. Can be NULL if you are not interested in the name.

Parameter	Description
nameSize	Size of the passed-in buffer.
copy	Variant into which the parameter data is to be copied.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Parameter at the given index returned and name (if any) found.
FALSE	Unable to fetch the parameter and name at the given index.

## v1.GetNamedRetVal

Fetches the return value at the given index. Also returns the name assigned to the return value. This returned value might be empty, for example, if the length of the name is 0.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.GetNamedRetVal)(void *contextHandle, int index, char *name, int nameSize, const VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	Context to query.
index	Index of the return value to fetch.
name	Buffer to store the name into. Can be NULL.
nameSize	Size of the name buffer.
v	Variant to copy the return value data into.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Successfully fetched the return value and name at the given index.
FALSE	Failed to find the return value or the name.

## v1.GetObjectName

Queries the given object for the name it was assigned at creation.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelObjectInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.GetObjectName)(void *objectHandle, char *buf, uint32 bufSize);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
objectHandle	The handle, returned from CreateChannelObject, for the object to query.
buf	The name of the object is stored in this parameter.
bufSize	Size of the passed-in buf.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The name was successfully returned.
FALSE	An error occurred and the name was not returned.

## v1.GetObjectState

Queries the current state of the given object.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelObjectInterface.

## Method Signature

```
VDPRPC_ObjectState (*v1.GetObjectState)(void *objectHandle);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
objectHandle	The handle, returned from CreateChannelObject, for the object to query.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_RPC_OBJ_UNINITIALIZED	Object with the given handle could not be found.
VDP_RPC_OBJ_DISCONNECTED	Matching peer object was destroyed.
VDP_RPC_OBJ_PENDING	Object created locally, waiting for other end to create a peer object.
VDP_RPC_OBJ_CONNECTED	Given object is connected to its peer on the other side of the channel.

## v1.GetParam

Fetches the parameter at the given index. The parameter list index begins at zero.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.GetParam)(void *contextHandle, int i, VDP_RPC_VARIANT *copy);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The context to query.
i	Index of the parameter to fetch.
copy	VARIANT into which the parameter is to be copied.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Parameter at the given index was successfully returned.
FALSE	Unable to find parameter at the given index.

## v1.GetParamCount

Returns the number of parameters appended to the given context.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

## Method Signature

```
int (*v1.GetParamCount)(void *contextHandle);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The handle for the context to query.

## Return Values

Value	Description
int	Number of parameters stored in the given context.

## v1.GetReturnCode

Queries the return code of a Remote Procedure Call (RPC). The return code is meant to indicate the success or failure of the remote method call, or as an error code.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

## Method Signature

```
uint32 (*v1.GetReturnCode)(void *contextHandle);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The handle of the context to query.

## Return Values

Value	Description
uint32	Return code set for the given context.

## v1.GetRetVal

Fetches the return value at the given index. Index of the return values begin at zero.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.GetRetVal)(void *contextHandle, int i, const VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The context to query.
i	Index of the return value to fetch.
v	Variant into which the return value data is to be copied.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Return value successfully fetched.
FALSE	Failed to locate return value at the given index.

## v1.GetRetValCount

Returns the number of Variants stored in the given context as return values.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

## Method Signature

```
int (*v1.GetReturnValCount)(void *contextHandle);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The context to query.

## Return Values

Value	Description
int	Number of return values stored in the given context.

## v1.GetStreamDataHeaderTail

Obtains the header and tail data for stream data mode to send via the TCP socket. This function is mainly for optimization by eliminating a memcpy.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_StreamDataInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.GetStreamDataHeaderTail)(int fd, int *reqId, int reqCmd, VDP_RPC_BLOB *blob, char *header, int headerBufLen, char *tail, int tailBufLen);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
fd	A valid socket handle return by v2.SwitchToStreamDataMode.
reqId	RPC request ID is returned here for the caller to track each request.
reqCmd	Request command.
blob	Blob data which will be sent using the TCP socket.
header	Buffer to hold header data.
headerBufSize	Header buffer size. Must be greater than or equal to the size returned by v1.GetStreamDataHeaderTailSize.
tail	Buffer to hold header data.
tailBufLen	Tail buffer size. Must be greater than or equal to the size returned by v1.GetStreamDataHeaderTailSize.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Successfully obtained the header and the tail.
FALSE	Failure.

## v1.GetStreamDataHeaderTailSize

Obtains the size of the header and the tail for stream data mode (TCP socket) if neither compression nor encryption is needed. Because stream data mode is an agent-only feature, data needs to be encapsulated in RPC format to the client. This API is used to calculate the size of the header and the tail.

This function is a member of `VDPRPC_StreamDataInterface`.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.GetStreamDataHeaderTailSize)(int fd, int dataSize, int *headerLen, int *tailLen);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
fd	A valid socket handle returned by <code>SwitchToStreamDataMode</code> .
dataSize	The size of the data that the client intends to send.
headerLen	The size of the header is returned here.
TailLen	The size of the tail is returned here.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Successfully obtained the sizes.
FALSE	Failure. Must be invalid socket handle.

## v1.GetStreamDataInfo

Parses stream data information from received binary data.

This function is a member of `VDPRPC_StreamDataInterface`.

### Method Signature

```
int (*v1.GetStreamDataInfo)(int fd, const char *recvData, int *reqId, int *reqType, int *reqCmd,
VDP_RPC_BLOB *blob);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
fd	A valid socket handle returned by v2.SwitchToStreamDataMode.
recvData	Data that needs to be parsed.
reqId	RPC request ID is returned here.
reqType	RPC request type is returned here.
reqCmd	RPC request command is returned here.
blob	Blob data that is sent by client is returned here.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Successfully parsed recvData as an RPC packet.
FALSE	Failure.

## v1.GetStreamDataSize

Gets the RPC packet length. The parameter recvData must have at least the minimal-size amount of data.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_StreamDataInterface.

## Method Signature

```
int (*v1.GetStreamDataSize)(int fd, const char *recvData);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
fd	A valid socket handle returned by v2.SwitchToStreamDataMode.
recvData	Data that needs to be parsed.

## Return Values

Value	Description
uint32	The size of the whole RPC packet.

## v1.Invoke

Initiates an RPC between the given object and its peer on the other end of the channel.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelObjectInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.Invoke)(void *objectHandle, void *contextHandle, const VDPRPC_RequestCallback *callback,
void *userData);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
objectHandle	Handle for the object to send the RPC through.
contextHandle	A handle for the context containing the data for this RPC callback.
callback	User-supplied callbacks to be used after the Invoke call.
userData	User-supplied data that will be passed to the callback methods. Can be NULL.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Invoke call succeeded and RPC was sent.
FALSE	No RPC was sent due to an error.

## v1.SetCommand

Sets the command code for the given context. The command code represents the remote method that the context is meant to represent.

**Note** You can also store the command as a string using SetNamedCommand. However, you can only use one method. If you call SetNamedCommand after calling SetCommand, the uint32 command code is overwritten. Do not use 0 as the command code because the Horizon Session Enhancement system uses 0 to indicate an error.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.SetCommand)(void *contextHandle, uint32 command);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The handle for the context to set.
command	The command code for the context.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Context command code was successfully set.
FALSE	Unable to set the command code.

## v1.SetNamedCommand

Sets the command code for the given context with a name. You can either set the command as a uint32 (using SetCommand) or as a string, using this method. Use only one method. If you try to use both, the second command used will overwrite the previous command.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.SetNamedCommand)(void *contextHandle, const char *command);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The handle for the context to set.
command	The command string to use.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Command string was successfully set.
FALSE	Unable to set the command string.

## v1.SetReturnCode

Sets the return code for the given context. This should be done in the OnInvoke callback. This value represents the success or failure of the remote call.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.SetReturnCode)(void *contextHandle, uint32 code);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	The handle for the context to set.
code	Value for the return code.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Return code of the context set
FALSE	Unable to set the return code.

## v1.VariantClear

Clears and frees any resources held by the given Variant. Call this method whenever you are finished with a Variant.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantClear)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to clear.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The Variant is returned to initialized state.
FALSE	The Variant is unchanged.

## v1.VariantCopy

Copies the data held from the Variant **src** to the Variant **target**. Any data held by **target** is overwritten. Any data previously held in **target** is freed before being overwritten with the data in **src**.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantCopy)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *target, const VDP_RPC_VARIANT *src);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
target	The variant to copy the data to.
src	The variant to copy the data from.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Copy succeeded.
FALSE	Copy failed. The target is unchanged.

## v1.VariantFromBlob

Stores a copy of the given VDP\_RPC\_BLOB in the given Variant. Use this method only for data that does not fit any of the other types. Data is sent as-is, so changes in architecture (such as sending from the Linux client to the Windows guest) and differences in structure padding and alignment can cause problems with your data.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantFromBlob)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v, VDP_RPC_BLOB *blob);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to set.
blob	The VDP_RPC_BLOB to copy.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The VDP_RPC_BLOB was successfully copied into the Variant.
FALSE	Setting the Variant failed.

## v1.VariantFromChar

Stores the given char in the given Variant and sets the internal type properly.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantFromChar)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v, char c);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to set.
c	The char to store.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The char was successfully stored in the Variant.
FALSE	Setting the Variant failed.

## v1.VariantFromDouble

Stores the given double in the given Variant and sets the internal type properly.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantFromDouble)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v, double d);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to set.
d	The double to store.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The double was successfully stored in the Variant.
FALSE	Setting the Variant failed.

## v1.VariantFromFloat

Stores the given float in the given Variant and sets the internal type properly.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantFromFloat)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v, float f);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to set.
f	The float to store.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The float was successfully stored in the Variant.
FALSE	Setting the Variant failed.

## v1.VariantFromInt32

Stores the given int32 in the given Variant and sets the internal type properly.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantFromInt32)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v, int32 i);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to set.
i	The int32 to store.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The int32 was successfully stored in the Variant.
FALSE	Setting the Variant failed.

## v1.VariantFromInt64

Stores the given int64 in the given Variant and sets the internal type properly.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantFromInt64)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v, int64 i);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to set.
i	The int64 to store.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The int64 was successfully stored in the Variant.
FALSE	Setting the Variant failed.

## v1.VariantFromShort

Stores the given short in the given Variant and sets the internal type properly.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantFromShort)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v, short s);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to set.
s	The short to store.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The short was successfully stored in the Variant.
FALSE	Setting the Variant failed.

## v1.VariantFromStr

Stores a copy of the given const char \* in the given Variant and sets the internal type properly.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantFromStr)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v, const char *str);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to set.
str	The const char * to copy.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The const char * was successfully copied into the Variant.
FALSE	Setting the Variant failed.

## v1.VariantFromUInt32

Stores the given uint32 in the given Variant and sets the internal type properly.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantFromUInt32)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v, uint32 ui);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to set.
ui	The uint32 to store.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The uint32 was successfully stored in the Variant.
FALSE	Setting the Variant failed.

## v1.VariantFromUInt64

Stores the given uint64 in the given variant and sets the internal type properly.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantFromUInt64)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v, uint64 ui);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to set.
ui	The uint64 to store.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The uint64 was successfully stored in the variant.
FALSE	Setting the variant failed.

## v1.VariantFromUShort

Stores the given unsigned short in the given Variant and sets the internal type properly.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantFromUShort)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v, unsigned short us);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to set.
us	The unsigned short to store.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The unsigned short was successfully stored in the Variant.
FALSE	Setting the Variant failed.

## v1.VariantInit

Initializes the given VDP\_RPC\_VARIANT. To prevent memory corruption issues, you must initialize a variant before using it.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_VariantInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.VariantInit)(VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
v	The variant to be initialized.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The variant was successfully initialized.
FALSE	Initialization failed.

## v2.FreeStreamDataPayload

Frees payload memory for the blob data that is returned by v2.GetStreamData or v2.GetStreamDataInfo.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_StreamDataInterface.

## Method Signature

```
int (*v2.FreeStreamDataPayload)(VDP_RPC_BLOB *payload);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
payload	Blob data that needs to be freed.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Payload successfully freed.
FALSE	Failed to free payload data.

## v2.GetStreamData

Obtains the stream data to send via the TCP socket. This API is used when data needs either compression or encryption. It also works if neither of them is needed, but the data involves one additional memory allocation and `memcpy`. Be sure to call v2.FreeStreamDataPayload to avoid a memory leak.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_StreamDataInterface.

## Method Signature

```
int (*v2.GetStreamData)(int fd, uint32 ctxOptions, int *reqId, int reqCmd, VDP_RPC_BLOB *blob,
VDP_RPC_BLOB *payload);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
fd	A valid socket handle returned by v2.SwitchToStreamDataMode.
ctxOptions	Compression and encryption options.
reqId	RPC request ID is returned here for caller to track each request.
reqCmd	Request command.
blob	Blob data that needs to be sent.
payload	Actual RPC packet data is returned in payload.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Payload creation succeeded.
FALSE	Payload creation failed.

## v2.GetStreamDataInfo

Same as v1.GetStreamDataInfo except for one more parameter, bNeedCleanup, to indicate whether the blob data needs to be cleaned up. The size of recvData has to be greater than or equal to the size returned by v1.GetStreamDataSize.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_StreamDataInterface.

## Method Signature

```
int (*v2.GetStreamDataInfo)(int fd, const char *recvData, int *reqId, int *reqType, int reqCmd, Bool
*bNeedCleanup, VDP_RPC_BLOB *blob);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
fd	A valid socket handle returned by v2.SwitchToStreamDataMode.
recvData	Data that needs to be parsed.
reqId	RPC request ID is returned here.
reqType	RPC request type is returned here.
reqCmd	RPC request command is returned here.

Parameter	Description
bNeedCleanup	Boolean value is returned here to indicate if the blob data need to be freed by v2.FreeStreamDataPayload.
blob	Blob data that is sent from the client is returned here.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	RecvData is parsed as RPC packet successfully.
FALSE	Failure.

## v2.IsSideChannelAvailable

Determines whether a side channel of the given type is available for use by any channel object. Currently, only one object can use an available channel.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelObjectInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v2.IsSideChannelAvailable)(VDPRPC_SideChannelType type);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
type	Side channel type. Either virtual side channel (VDP_RPC_SIDE_CHANNEL_TYPE_PCOIP) or TCP side channel (VDP_RPC_SIDE_CHANNEL_TYPE_TCP)

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Side channel of the given type is available.
FALSE	Side channel of the given type is not available.

## v2.RequestSideChannel

Requests a particular type of side channel for a given object.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelObjectInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v2.RequestSideChannel)(void *objectHandle, VDPRPC_SideChannelType type, const char *token);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
objectHandle	Handle for the object.
type	The type of side channel being requested.
token	The name of the side channel to use. If NULL, the application token is used.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Request succeeded.
FALSE	Request failed.

## v2.SetOps

Sets channel context options. The most common use is to set the RPC call in post mode, which does not expect any response for this channel context.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelContextInterface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v2.SetOps)(void *contextHandle, VDPRPC_ChannelContextOps option, const VDP_RPC_VARIANT *v);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextHandle	Handle for a valid channel context.
option	Specifies how the RPC call should behave. This parameter can take the following VDPRPC_ChannelContextOps values:
<b>VDP_RPC_CHANNEL_CONTEXT_OPT_POST</b>	
<p>You must set this option before calling <code>Invoke()</code> on the sender side.</p> <p>If v is set to 0, the RPC is set to the default request mode. In request mode, a response is sent back from the peer and delivered to the application through the <code>OnDone</code> callback.</p> <p>If v is set to 1, the RPC is set to post mode. In post mode, the peer doesn't return a response and no <code>OnDone</code> callback is received for this RPC.</p>	
<b>VDP_RPC_CHANNEL_CONTEXT_OPT_BEGIN_ASYNC_RESULT</b>	
<p>You must set this option before returning from <code>OnInvoke</code> on the receiver side. This option has no effect on RPCs in post mode.</p> <p>If v is set to 0, the RPC operates in default synchronous mode. In synchronous mode, the response from the RPC is sent back to the sender immediately after <code>OnInvoke</code> returns.</p> <p>If v is set to 1, the RPC operates in asynchronous mode. In asynchronous mode, the response from the RPC is not sent until <code>v2.Set0ps</code> is called with the <code>VDP_RPC_CHANNEL_CONTEXT_OPT_END_ASYNC_RESULT</code> option.</p> <p>RPCs are processed on a single thread through the application's <code>OnInvoke</code> callback. If one RPC call takes a long time to execute, other RPC calls will be blocked until it finishes executing. Asynchronous mode is a way to process an RPC in a different thread so that other RPCs can be processed in parallel.</p>	
<b>VDP_RPC_CHANNEL_CONTEXT_OPT_END_ASYNC_RESULT</b>	
<p>When you set this option, the result of an asynchronous RPC is immediately sent back to the peer. Do not set this option on synchronous RPCs.</p>	
v	A uint32 that specifies whether a certain option is activated or deactivated. A value of 1 activates and a value of 0 deactivates the option.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Success
FALSE	Failure

## v3.CreateContext

Same as v1.CreateContext but supports compression and encryption options.

This function is a member of `VDPRPC_ChannelObjectInterface`.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v3.CreateContext)(void *objectHandle, uint32 options, void **ppcontextHandle);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
objectHandle	Handle for a valid channel object.
options	<p>Specifies whether compression and encryption will apply for this context. You can combine the uint32 values using the bitwise OR operator "   ". However, you can select only one encryption option and one compression option. To get the values supported by the current channel, use v3.GetObjectOptions.</p> <p>The following available encryption options are supported on the TCP side channel only. Other side channel types transfer data over the main channel, which is already encrypted and secured by the remote protocol.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ VDP_RPC_CRYPTO_AES</li> <li>■ VDP_RPC_CRYPTO_SALSA</li> </ul> <p>The following available compression options are supported on the main channel and all side channels.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ VDP_RPC_COMP_SNAPPY</li> <li>■ VDP_RPC_COMP_ZLIB</li> <li>■ VDP_RPC_COMP_MSFT</li> </ul>
ppcontextHandle	A handle of a new channel context is returned here.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	A new context was successfully created and returned.
FALSE	Context creation failed.

## v3.GetObjectOptions

Obtains the following object options after an object is created: (1) encryption and compression options which both sides agree on; and (2) side channel types which peer does not support.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelObjectInterface.

## Method Signature

```
Bool (*v3.GetObjectOptions)(void *objectHandle, uint32 *options);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
objectHandle	Handle for the object.
options	Returns a set of bits that determines which encryption and compression options are supported on this channel when calling v3.CreateContext. Bits not included in the returned set are reserved for internal use and can be disregarded.  The available encryption options are as follows. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ VDP_RPC_CRYPTO_AES</li><li>■ VDP_RPC_CRYPTO_SALSA</li></ul> The available compression options are as follows. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ VDP_RPC_COMP_SNAPPY</li><li>■ VDP_RPC_COMP_ZLIB</li><li>■ VDP_RPC_COMP_MSFT</li></ul>

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Request succeeded.
FALSE	Request failed.

## v4.GetObjectStateByName

Retrieves the current state of the given object based on the name of the object.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ChannelObjectInterface.

## Method Signature

```
VDPRPC_ObjectState (*v4.GetObjectStateByName)(const char *name);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
name	The name of the given object.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_RPC_OBJ_UNINITIALIZED	Object with the given handle could not be found.
VDP_RPC_OBJ_DISCONNECTED	Matching peer object was destroyed.
VDP_RPC_OBJ_PENDING	Object created locally, waiting for other end to create a peer object.
VDP_RPC_OBJ_CONNECTED	Given object is connected to its peer on the other side of the channel.

# Overlay Functions

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The vdpOverlay.h header file defines the set of functions to use in order to support overlay functionality in an application.

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- [VDPOverlayClient\\_Interface Functions](#)

## VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface Functions

With VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface functions, you can work with windows; enable and disable the client-side overlay; work with the layout mode for the overlay; send a message to the client-side plug-in; and release all allocated resources.

### v1.DisableOverlay

Deactivates the client-side overlay. Deactivating the overlay is a lightweight way to hide the client-side overlay. Unlike v1.UnregisterWindow(), resources used to maintain the overlay are not released.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface.

#### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.DisableOverlay)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_UserArgs userArgs);
```

#### Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The operating system window identifier. It must be previously registered with VDPOverlayGuest_RegisterWindow().
userArgs	Data that is to be passed to the client-side plug-in when VDPOverlayClient_OverlayEnabled event is sent.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The windowId or userArgs parameter was invalid, or there was an error with msg.

## v1.EnableOverlay

Enables the client-side overlay. Once the window is registered and ready, this function must be called to display the client-side overlay.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.EnableOverlay)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_UserArgs userArgs);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The operating system window identifier. It must be previously registered with <code>VDPOverlayGuest_RegisterWindow()</code> .
userArgs	Data that is to be passed to the client-side plug-in when <code>VDPOverlayClient_OverlayEnabled</code> event is sent.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The windowId or userArgs parameter was invalid, or there was an error with msg.

## v1.Exit for the Guest-Side Library

Frees all allocated resources held by the Horizon Session Enhancement Overlay APIs and unregisters all windows.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.Exit)(void);
```

### Parameters

None

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Overlay successfully shut down.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay was never initialized.

## v1.GetLayoutMode

Gets the current layout mode for the overlay. The layout mode is used to determine how an image is drawn (for example, scaled, cropped, and so on) when the size of the image does not match the size of the overlay.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.GetLayoutMode)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_LayoutMode *pLayoutMode);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. It must have been previously registered with <code>VDPOverlayGuest_RegisterWindow()</code> .
pLayoutMode	Current layout mode is stored here.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Current layout mode was successfully retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	pLayoutMode is NULL.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given <code>windowId</code> has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## v1.Init for the Guest-Side Library

Initializes the guest-side overlay library. This must be the first overlay API function called.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.Init)(const VDPOverlayGuest_Sink* sink, void* userData);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
sink	Function pointers called to notify users of overlay events.
userData	Parameter that is passed to sink function callbacks.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Initialization succeeded.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_ALREADY_INITIALIZED	Init has already been called.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	NULL sink parameter, or invalid sink version.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_ALLOCATION_ERROR	Internal system error.

## v1.IsOverlayEnabled

Queries whether the overlay associated with the given windowId is currently enabled.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.IsOverlayEnabled)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. It must have been previously registered with VDPOverlayGuest_RegisterWindow().

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	The overlay is enabled.
FALSE	The overlay is disabled.

## v1.IsWindowRegistered

Determines if a window is currently registered with the guest-side Overlay API.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
Bool (*v1.IsWindowRegistered)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay.

## Return Values

Value	Description
TRUE	Window is currently registered.
FALSE	The given window ID is not registered.

## v1.RegisterWindow

Registers a window to be overlaid. The position, size, and so on of the window are sent to the client so that a client-side plug-in can draw an area of the desktop UI that covers the window, giving the illusion that the drawing is happening on the guest side.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.RegisterWindow)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_UserArgs userArgs);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay cast to a <code>VDPOverlay_WindowId</code> . A window can only be registered once.
userArgs	Data that is to be passed to the client-side plug-in when the <code>OnWindowRegistered()</code> event handler is called.

## Return Values

Value	Description
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS</code>	Window was successfully registered.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED</code>	Overlay not initialized.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER</code>	Invalid window ID.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_ALLOCATION_ERROR</code>	Internal system error.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_ALREADY_REGISTERED</code>	The given window ID has already been registered with the Overlay system.

## v1.SendMsg for the Guest-Side Library

Sends a message to the client-side plug-in. The client's `OnUserMsg` event handler is called with the message.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.SendMsg)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, void *msg, uint32 msgLen);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. It must have been previously registered with VDPOverlayGuest_RegisterWindow(). VDP_OVERLAY_WINDOW_ID_NONE can also be passed if the message is not directed to a particular window.
msg	Buffer that contains the message.
msgLen	Size of the msg buffer.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	The message was sent to the client.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API has not been initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	Error occurred sending the supplied message.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given windowId has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## v1.SetLayoutMode

Sets the current layout mode for the overlay. The layout mode is used to determine how an image is drawn (for example, scaled, cropped, and so on) when the size of the image doesn't match the size of the overlay.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.SetLayoutMode)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_LayoutMode layoutMode);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. It must have been previously registered with VDPOverlayGuest_RegisterWindow().
layoutMode	Determines how the image is drawn. This can be one of the following VDPOverlay_LayoutMode values:
	<b>DP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_CENTER</b>
	The image will be drawn centered in the overlay and clipped to the size of the overlay. No scaling will take place.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_TILE</b>
	The image will be tiled to fill the overlay. The image is not scaled but will be clipped on the right/bottom edges of the overlay.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_SCALE / VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_SCALE_SHRINK_ONLY</b>
	The image will be drawn to fill the entire overlay. No attempt at maintaining the aspect ratio of the image is made.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_CROP / VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_CROP_SHRINK_ONLY</b>
	The image will be scaled to fill the entire overlay while maintaining the aspect ratio. Parts of the image will be clipped if necessary.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT LETTERBOX / VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT LETTERBOX_SHRINK_ONLY</b>
	The image will be scaled such that either the width or height of image will match the width/height of the overlay. The other dimension will be scaled to maintain the aspect ratio. No part of the image will be clipped but the image may not fill the entire overlay.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CENTER / VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CORNER</b>
	Multiple mode splits the overlay into 9 equal-sized boxes (like a tic-tac-toe board). The image is then scaled to fit into the center and corner boxes. This mode can be combined with any of the basic layout modes to determine how the image is scaled to fit in the box.  If, after applying the layout mode, the image doesn't fill the entire box, VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CENTER places the image in the center of each box and VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CORNER justifies the image within each box to the nearest corner of the overlay. When combined with basic layout modes that always fill the overlay (e.g. VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_SCALE and VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_TILE), the multiple modes VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CENTER and VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CORNER behave the same.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_TO_MULTIPLE (multipleMode, basicMode)</b>
	Where multipleMode must be either VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CENTER or VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CORNER, and basicMode must be one of the basic layout modes listed earlier in this table.  VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_TO_MULTIPLE returns a layout mode from the given multiple and basic layout modes.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The <code>windowId</code> or <code>layoutMode</code> parameter was invalid, or there was an error with <code>msg</code> .
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_LOCAL_OVERLAY	The <code>overlayId</code> of a guest-side overlay was passed to a function that can only be called on a local overlay.

## v1.UnregisterWindow

Unregisters a previously registered window. This method not only deactivates the client-side overlay, but also releases any resources allocated to maintain the overlay.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.UnregisterWindow)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_UserArgs userArgs);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
<code>windowId</code>	The window ID of the overlay. The <code>windowId</code> must have been previously registered with <code>VDPOverlayGuest_RegisterWindow()</code> .
<code>userArgs</code>	Data that is to be passed to the client-side plug-in when the <code>VDPOverlayClient_WindowUnregistered</code> event is sent.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Window was successfully unregistered.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay has not been initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given window ID was never registered with the Overlay system.

## v2.GetColorkey

Retrieves the color key currently assigned to the `windowId`.

The color key is `VDP_OVERLAY_HOST_COLORKEY_NONE` until the `windowId` is assigned a color key by the overlay services.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.GetColorkey)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, uint32* colorkey);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay, which must have been previously registered with VDPOverlayGuest_RegisteredWindow().
colorkey	A pointer to a uint32 that contains the color key.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Current information retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The windowId or colorkey parameter was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given windowId has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## v3.GetAreaRect

Gets the current constraining area of the overlay that was set by v3.SetAreaRect().

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v3.GetAreaRect)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_Rect* pRect);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. The windowId must have been previously registered.
pRect	A pointer to a VDPOverlay_Rect which returns the area of the window that is displaying the overlay. An area of all zeros indicates that the overlay doesn't have a constraining area set on it.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Constraining area of the overlay was successfully retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the parameter entries was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given windowId has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## v3.GetLayer

Gets the layer of an overlay as set by v3.SetLayer().

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v3.GetLayer)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, uint32* pLayer);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. The windowId must have been previously registered.
pLayer	Returns the layer of the overlay.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Layer of the overlay was successfully retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	pLayer is NULL.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given windowId has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## v3.RegisterWindow

Registers a window to be overlaid. The position, size, and so on, of the window are sent to the client so that a client-side plug-in can draw an area of the desktop UI that covers the window, giving the illusion that the drawing is happening on the guest side.

This function performs the same operations as v1.RegisterWindow() but supports additional options.

- A window can be registered multiple times, allowing you to use different areas of the window to display the overlay image. Use SetAreaRect() to define the area within the window for displaying the overlay image.
- The first parameter is a VDPOverlay\_HWND instead of a VDPOverlay\_WindowId. The size of a VDPOverlay\_WindowId is 32-bits but on 64-bit Windows an HWND is 64 bits. The parameter VDPOverlay\_HWND, which is defined as an HWND, removes the need to cast the HWND to a VDPOverlay\_WindowId. This solution guarantees that bits are not lost when casting.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v3.RegisterWindow)(VDPOverlay_HWND hWnd, VDPOverlay_UserArgs userArgs,
VDPOverlay_WindowId* pWindowId);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
hWnd	The operating system window identifier. A window can be registered multiple times.
userArgs	Data that is to be passed to the client-side plug-in when the OnWindowRegistered() event handler is called.
pWindowId	Returns a VDPOverlay_WindowId for use in other VDPOverlayGuest_Interface API calls.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Window was successfully registered.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	Invalid window ID.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_ALLOCATION_ERROR	Internal system error.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_ALREADY_REGISTERED	The given window ID has already been registered with the Overlay system.

## v3.SetAreaRect

Sets the area of the window for displaying the overlay.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v3.SetAreaRect)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_Rect* pRect);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The operating system window identifier. The windowId must have been previously registered.
pRect	A pointer to a VDPOverlay_Rect which defines the area of the window for displaying the overlay. Passing NULL removes the constraining area and displays the image in the entire area of the window.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the parameter entries was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given windowId has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## v3.SetLayer

Sets the layer on an overlay. If two overlays registered to the same window have overlapping area rectangles, you can specify which overlay is on top by setting its layer. Layers have no effect on overlays registered to different operating system windows.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v3.SetLayer)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, uint32 layer);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The operating system window identifier. The windowId must have been previously registered.
layer	The layer of the overlay. Overlays with a higher layer value will be on top of overlays with a lower layer value. If two overlays have the same layer value the overlay created last will be on top.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The windowId parameter was invalid.

## v4.GetAreaRect

Gets the current constraining area of the overlay that was set by `v4.SetAreaRect()`.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v4.GetAreaRect)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, Bool* pEnabled, Bool* pClipToWindow,
VDPOverlay_Rect* pRect);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. The windowId must have been previously registered.
pEnabled	A pointer to a Bool which returns the enabled flag passed to v4.SetAreaRect(). Pass NULL to not return the value.
pClipToWindow	A pointer to a Bool which returns the clipToWindow flag passed to v4.SetAreaRect(). Pass NULL to not return the value.
pRect	A pointer to a VDPOverlay_Rect which returns the rectangle passed to v4.SetAreaRect(). Pass NULL to not return the value.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Constraining area of the overlay was successfully retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the parameter entries was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given windowId has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## v4.GetBackgroundColor

Gets the current color used to paint the background of the overlay.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v4.GetBackgroundColor)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, uint32* pBackgroundColor);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. The windowId must have been previously registered.
pBackgroundColor	A pointer to a uint32 which returns the color passed to v4.SetBackgroundColor().

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	The current background color was successfully retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The windowId or pBackgroundColor parameter was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given windowId has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## v4.GetHWnd

With v1.RegisterWindow() the HWND and windowId are the same but v3.RegisterWindow() returns a unique windowId. This function provides a way to retrieve the original HWND used to register the window.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v4.GetHWnd)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_HWND* pHWnd);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. The windowId must have been previously registered.
pHWnd	A pointer to a VDPOverlay_HWND which returns the window handle used to register the window.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	The original HWND used to register the window was successfully retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	pHWnd is NULL.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given windowId has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## v4.GetInfoString

Gets the current information string for the overlay as set by v4.SetInfoString().

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v4.GetInfoString)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, char* infoStr, int32 infoStrSize);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. The windowId must have been previously registered.
infoStr	A pointer to a buffer that is filled with the current information string.
infoStrSize	The size of the infoStr buffer.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Current information retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the parameter entries was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given windowId has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## v4.SetAreaRect

Sets the area of the window for displaying the overlay. Same as v3.SetAreaRect(), but with additional parameters for turning on and off the rectangle area and for clipping the rectangle area to the window.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v4.SetAreaRect)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, Bool enabled, Bool clipToWindow,
VDPOverlay_Rect* pRect);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. The windowId must have been previously registered.
enabled	Determines when the area rectangle is enabled. If TRUE, the overlay is constrained to the given rectangle. If FALSE, the overlay will be displayed in the entire area of the window.
clipToWindow	Determines if the given area rectangle is clipped to the window.  <b>Note</b> The image displayed in the overlay is always clipped to the window.  When this flag is TRUE, the given area rectangle is clipped to the window before the layout mode is applied, such that the image is scaled down to fit inside the clipped area rectangle. When this flag is FALSE, the layout mode is applied first and then the image is clipped to the window. In this case, the image doesn't shrink when the bounds of the area rectangle extend past the bounds of the window, but less of the image is shown.
pRect	A pointer to a VDPOverlay_Rect which defines the area of the window for displaying the overlay. Passing NULL removes the constraining area and displays the image in the entire area of the window.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the parameter entries was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given windowId has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## v4.SetBackgroundColor

Sets the background color to use when painting the area of the window that the overlay covers. This color is visible in the area of the overlay that the image does not cover, for example, the borders of the image when the layout mode is VDP\_OVERLAY\_LAYOUT\_LETTERBOX. The background color is also visible if the image has an alpha channel.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v4.SetBackgroundColor)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, uint32 bgColor);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
windowId	The operating system window identifier. The windowId must have been previously registered.
bgColor	The color to use when painting the overlay, in XXRRGGBB format. The alpha value in the color is ignored and set to 0xFF. Pass 0 to turn off painting the background, which allows the application to show through.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The windowId or bgColor parameter was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to INVALID_PARAMETER.

## v4.SetInfoString

Sets a string that is rendered on top of the overlay. The string can contain arbitrary information which can assist with closed captioning or debugging information.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v4.SetInfoString)(VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, const char* infoStr);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description																																				
windowId	The window ID of the overlay. The windowId must have been previously registered.																																				
infoStr	The information string. The maximum string length is VDP_OVERLAY_INFO_STR_MAX_LEN bytes, including the NULL terminator.  The information string can contain the following macros:																																				
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The following escape characters are recognized, assuming that the string is read from a file or the registry. When hardcoding the information string in C/C++ code, you must also escape the backslash character itself.

Escape Character	Definition
<code>\n</code>	New line; the LF character ('\n' in C/C++) is also a new line
<code>\\$</code>	Dollar sign
<code>\\"</code>	Backslash

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the parameter entries was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_WINDOW_NOT_REGISTERED	The given windowId has not been registered with the Overlay API.

## VDPOverlayClient\_Interface Functions

With VDPOverlayClient\_Interface functions, you can work with an overlay, send a message to the guest-side plug-in, and release all allocated resources.

### v1.Exit for the Client-Side Library

Performs cleanup operations and releases all allocated resources.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

#### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.Exit)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId);
```

#### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().

#### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Overlay API was properly shut down.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	contextId was invalid.

### v1.GetInfo

Retrieves the current information about the overlay.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

#### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.GetInfo)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId,  
VDPOverlayClient_OverlayInfo* pOverlayInfo);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().
windowId	Window ID that was cached from a previous OnWindowRegistered() event.
pOverlayInfo	A pointer to a VDPOverlayClient_OverlayInfo structure which will be filled in with information about the overlay.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Current information retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The contextId or windowID parameter was invalid, or pOverlayInfo was NULL.

## v1.Init for the Client-Side Library

This function initializes the client-side overlay library. This method must be the first method called in the client-side Overlay API.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.Init)(const VDPOverlayClient_Sink* sink, void* userData,
                           VDPOverlayClient_ContextId* pContextId);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
sink	Function pointers called when events are generated by the Overlay API.
userData	Parameter that is passed to sink callbacks. Can be NULL.
pContextId	Returns an ID that identifies the instance of the API for this plug-in instance.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Overlay client API was initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Internal Horizon Session Enhancement initialization error.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The sink or pContextId parameter is NULL or sink reported an invalid version.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_ALLOCATION_ERROR	Internal system error.

## v1.SendMsg for the Client-Side Library

Sends a message to the guest-side plug-in. The guest's OnUserMsg() event handler is called with the message.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.SendMsg)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId,
void* msg, uint32 msgLen);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().
windowId	The window ID that was cached from a previous OnWindowRegistered() event. You may also pass VDP_OVERLAY_WINDOW_ID_NONE if the message is not directed to a particular window.
msg	A pointer to a buffer that contains the message.
msgLen	Size of the msg buffer in bytes. The maximum message length is VDP_OVERLAY_USER_MSG_MAX_LEN bytes.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	The message was sent.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The contextId or windowID parameter was invalid, or there was an error with msg.

## v1.Update

Updates the overlay with a new image. The updated image is displayed when the next frame is drawn.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.Update)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId,
void* pImage, int32 width, int32 height, int32 pitch, Bool copyImage);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().
windowId	Window ID that was received from a previous OnWindowRegistered() event.
pImage	A pointer to the RGBX pixels to copy to the overlay.

Parameter	Description
width	Width, in pixels, of the image pointed to by pImage. If the width of the image does not match the width of the overlay, the given image is drawn according the layout mode of the overlay.
height	Height, in pixels, of the image pointed to by pImage. If the height of the image does not match the height of overlay, the given image is drawn according the layout mode of the overlay.
pitch	Number of bytes that a single row of the image occupies. In the normal case, for BGRX images, this value is width multiplied by 4.
copyImage	If TRUE, a copy of the image data is made. If FALSE, no copy is made and the image data must remain valid until another call to VDPOverlayClient_Update() is made.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Image was updated.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The contextId, windowID, or pImage parameter was invalid.

## v2.CreateOverlay

Creates a local overlay.

The overlay is not tied to a window on the guest (such an overlay is referred to as a "guest created overlay"). Locally created overlays give the client complete control over the overlay but also require the client to do more of the work.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.CreateOverlay)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_OverlayId* pOverlayId);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().
pOverlayId	Returns a VDPOverlay_OverlayId that can be used to set properties on the overlay. This ID may also be passed to functions that take a VDPOverlay_WindowId, for example, Update(), GetInfo(), and so on.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The contextId parameter was invalid, or there pOverlayId is NULL.

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_ALLOCATION_ERROR	The system fails to allocate the required memory or system resource to handle the call.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NO_MORE_OVERLAYS	This error is returned when too many overlays have been created.

## v2.DestroyOverlay

Destroys a local overlay.

All the resources associated with the overlay are released. This function cannot be called on guest-created overlays.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.DestroyOverlay)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_OverlayId overlayId);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from <code>VDPOverlayClient_Init()</code> .
overlayId	An overlay ID that was returned from a previous call to <code>CreateOverlay()</code> .

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The <code>contextId</code> or <code>overlayId</code> parameter was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_LOCAL_OVERLAY	The <code>overlayId</code> of a guest-side overlay was passed to a function that can only be called on a local overlay.

## v2.DisableOverlay

Deactivates an overlay.

Deactivating an overlay is a lightweight way to hide an overlay. Unlike `DestroyOverlay()`, resources used to maintain the overlay are not released.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.DisableOverlay)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from <code>VDPOverlayClient_Init()</code> .
windowId	A window ID that was cached from a previous <code>OnWindowRegistered()</code> event.

## Return Values

Value	Description
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS</code>	No error. The function was successful.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED</code>	Overlay API was not initialized.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER</code>	The <code>contextId</code> or <code>windowId</code> parameter was invalid.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR</code>	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to <code>INVALID_PARAMETER</code> .

## v2.EnableOverlay

Activates an overlay that was previously deactivated.

An overlay can be deactivated if either the guest or client calls `DisableOverlay()` for the given window ID.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Interface`.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.EnableOverlay)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId
windowId);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from <code>VDPOverlayClient_Init()</code> .
windowId	A window ID that was cached from a previous <code>OnWindowRegistered()</code> event.

## Return Values

Value	Description
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS</code>	No error. The function was successful.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED</code>	Overlay API was not initialized.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER</code>	The <code>contextId</code> or <code>windowId</code> parameter was invalid.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR</code>	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to <code>INVALID_PARAMETER</code> .

## v2.GetInfo

Retrieves current information about the overlay.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.GetInfo)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId,
VDPOverlayClient_OverlayInfo* pOverlayInfo);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().
windowId	Window ID that was cached from a previous OnWindowRegistered() event.
pOverlayInfo	A pointer to a VDPOverlayClient_OverlayInfo structure which will be filled in with information about the overlay.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Current information retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The contextId or windowID parameter was invalid, or pOverlayInfo was NULL.

## v2.InitLocal

Initializes the client-side overlay library for use with local overlays only.

The overhead of creating an RPC connection to track guest side windows is not performed. You do not need to call this function if you have already called v1.Init().

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v1.InitLocal)(const VDPOverlayClient_Sink* sink, void* userData,
VDPOverlayClient_ContextId* pContextId);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
sink	Contains the function pointers that are called when events are generated by the Overlay library.
userData	The parameter that is passed to event handler whenever an event is delivered.
pContextId	Returns an ID that is used to identify the instance of the API. This ID must be passed to all other API functions. This ID is also passed when calling the sink handlers.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The sink or userData parameter was invalid, or pContextId is NULL.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_ALLOCATION_ERROR	The system fails to allocate the required memory or system resource to handle the call.

## v2.SetClipRegion

Sets the clipping region on the overlay.

This function cannot be called on guest-created overlays.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.SetClipRegion)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_OverlayId
overlayId, VMRect* pClipRects, int32 nClipRects);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().
overlayId	An overlay ID that was returned from a previous call to CreateOverlay().
pClipRects	An array of VMRect's that describe the visible area of the overlay. The clipping information is relative to the screen. For example, 0,0 is the top-left corner of the screen. This means that the clipping information describes a specific area of the screen that does not change when the overlay is moved. A copy of the VMRect array is made so that the caller does not have to maintain the memory.
nClipRects	The number of VMRects in the pClipRects array. Passing the value of 0 for nClipRects removes the clip region.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The contextId or overlayId parameter was invalid, or pClipRects is NULL.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_LOCAL_OVERLAY	The overlayId of a guest-side overlay was passed to a function that can only be called on a local overlay.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to INVALID_PARAMETER.

## v2.SetColorkey

Sets the color key on a local overlay.

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**Note** The use of color keys is discouraged because they do not work well with the Blast protocol. To limit the area of the guest UI for rendering the overlay, use v2.SetClipRegion instead.

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This function cannot be called on guest-created overlays.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2SetColorkey)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_OverlayId overlayId, uint32 colorkey);
```

### Parameters

Paramater	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().
overlayId	An overlay ID that was returned from a previous call to CreateOverlay().
colorkey	An RGB value that will limit the area of the guest UI where the overlay is drawn. When a color key is set on an overlay only the pixels on the guest's UI that match the color key value will be updated. It is the caller's responsibility to draw the color key to an area on the guest's desktop that corresponds to the position of the overlay as set by SetPosition(). Passing VDP_OVERLAY_COLORKEY_NONE will remove the color key from the overlay.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The contextId, overlayId or colorkey parameter was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_LOCAL_OVERLAY	The overlayId of a guest-side overlay was passed to a function that can only be called on a local overlay.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to INVALID_PARAMETER.

## v2.SetLayer

Sets the layer on a local overlay.

This function cannot be called on guest-created overlays.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.SetLayer)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_OverlayId overlayId,
                           uint32 layer);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from <code>VDPOverlayClient_Init()</code> .
overlayId	An overlay ID that was returned from a previous call to <code>CreateOverlay()</code> .
layer	The layer of the overlay. Overlays with a higher layer value will be on top of overlays with a lower layer value. If two overlays have the same layer value the overlay created last will be on top.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The <code>contextId</code> or <code>overlayId</code> parameter was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_LOCAL_OVERLAY	The <code>overlayId</code> of a guest-side overlay was passed to a function that can only be called on a local overlay.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to <code>INVALID_PARAMETER</code> .

## v2.SetLayoutMode

Sets the current layout mode for the overlay.

The layout mode is used to determine how an image is drawn, for example, scaled, cropped, and so on, when the size of the image doesn't match the size of the overlay.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Interface`.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.SetLayoutMode)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId
                                    windowId, VDPOverlay_LayoutMode layoutMode);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from <code>VDPOverlayClient_Init()</code> .
windowId	A window ID that was cached from a previous <code>OnWindowRegistered()</code> event.
layoutMode	Determines how the image is drawn. This can be one of the following <code>VDPOverlay_LayoutMode</code> values:
	<b>DP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_CENTER</b>
	The image will be drawn centered in the overlay and clipped to the size of the overlay. No scaling will take place.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_TILE</b>
	The image will be tiled to fill the overlay. The image is not scaled but will be clipped on the right/bottom edges of the overlay.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_SCALE / VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_SCALE_SHRINK_ONLY</b>
	The image will be drawn to fill the entire overlay. No attempt at maintaining the aspect ratio of the image is made.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_CROP / VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_CROP_SHRINK_ONLY</b>
	The image will be scaled to fill the entire overlay while maintaining the aspect ratio. Parts of the image will be clipped if necessary.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_LETTERBOX / VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_LETTERBOX_SHRINK_ONLY</b>
	The image will be scaled such that either the width or height of image will match the width/height of the overlay. The other dimension will be scaled to maintain the aspect ratio. No part of the image will be clipped but the image may not fill the entire overlay.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CENTER / VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CORNER</b>
	Multiple mode splits the overlay into 9 equal-sized boxes (like a tic-tac-toe board). The image is then scaled to fit into the center and corner boxes. This mode can be combined with any of the basic layout modes to determine how the image is scaled to fit in the box.  If, after applying the layout mode, the image doesn't fill the entire box, <code>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CENTER</code> places the image in the center of each box and <code>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CORNER</code> justifies the image within each box to the nearest corner of the overlay. When combined with basic layout modes that always fill the overlay (e.g. <code>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_SCALE</code> and <code>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_TILE</code> ), the multiple modes <code>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CENTER</code> and <code>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CORNER</code> behave the same.
	<b>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_TO_MULTIPLE (multipleMode, basicMode)</b>
	Where <code>multipleMode</code> must be either <code>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CENTER</code> or <code>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_MULTIPLE_CORNER</code> , and <code>basicMode</code> must be one of the basic layout modes listed earlier in this table.  <code>VDP_OVERLAY_LAYOUT_TO_MULTIPLE</code> returns a layout mode from the given multiple and basic layout modes.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The contextId or windowID parameter was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_LOCAL_OVERLAY	The overlayId of a guest-side overlay was passed to a function that can only be called on a local overlay.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to INVALID_PARAMETER.

## v2.SetPosition

Sets the position of a local overlay.

This function cannot be called on guest-created overlays.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.SetPosition)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_OverlayId
overlayId, int32 x, int32 y);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().
overlayId	An overlay ID that was returned from a previous call to CreateOverlay().
x,y	The position of the overlay. The position is specified as the upper-left corner of the overlay in guest UI coordinates.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The contextId or overlayId parameter was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_LOCAL_OVERLAY	The overlayId of a guest-side overlay was passed to a function that can only be called on a local overlay.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to INVALID_PARAMETER.

## v2.GetSize

Sets the size of a local overlay.

This function cannot be called on guest-created overlays.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Interface`.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.SetSize)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_OverlayId overlayId,
int32 width, int32 height);
```

## Parameters

Paramater	Description
contextId	The ID returned from <code>VDPOverlayClient_Init()</code> .
overlayId	An overlay ID that was returned from a previous call to <code>CreateOverlay()</code> .
width, height	The size of the overlay in pixels. If the size of the image specified in <code>Update()</code> does not match the size of the overlay, the image is drawn as specified by the layout mode.

## Return Values

Value	Description
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS</code>	No error. The function was successful.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED</code>	Overlay API was not initialized.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER</code>	The <code>contextId</code> or <code>overlayId</code> parameter was invalid.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_LOCAL_OVERLAY</code>	The <code>overlayId</code> of a guest-side overlay was passed to a function that can only be called on a local overlay.
<code>VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR</code>	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to <code>INVALID_PARAMETER</code> .

## v2.Update

Updates the overlay with a new image. The updated image is displayed when the next frame is drawn.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Interface`.

## Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v2.Update)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId,
void* pImage, int32 width, int32 height, int32 pitch, VDPOverlay_ImageFormat format, uint32 flags);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from <code>VDPOverlayClient_Init()</code> .
windowId	Window ID that was received from a previous <code>OnWindowRegistered()</code> event.
pImage	A pointer to the RGBX pixels to copy to the overlay.

Parameter	Description
width	Width, in pixels, of the image pointed to by pImage. If the width of the image does not match the width of the overlay, the given image is drawn according the layout mode of the overlay.
height	Height, in pixels, of the image pointed to by pImage. If the height of the image does not match the height of overlay, the given image is drawn according the layout mode of the overlay.
pitch	Number of bytes that a single row of the image occupies. In the normal case, for BGRX images, this value is width multiplied by 4.
format	The pixel format of the image. This is one of the values in VDPOverlay_ImageFormat.
flags	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ VDP_OVERLAY_UPDATE_FLAG_NONE - Place holder denoting that no flags are being passed.</li> <li>■ VDP_OVERLAY_UPDATE_FLAG_COPY_IMAGE - If set, a copy of the image data is made. If FALSE, no copy is made and the image data must remain valid until another call to Update() is made.</li> <li>■ VDP_OVERLAY_UPDATE_FLAG_SHARED_SURFACE - Allows a DirectX surface handle to be passed in place of a pointer to the image. Shared surfaces are not supported on all video cards or with all image formats, so the application must be prepared to fall back to not using this flag and passing a pointer to the image in system memory.</li> </ul>

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Image was updated.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	The contextId, windowID, or pImage parameter was invalid.

## v3.GetTopology

Retrieves the topology of the Horizon desktop.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v3.GetTopology)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_Rect*
desktopBounds, int32* pszDesktopTopology, VDPOverlay_Rect* desktopTopology);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().
desktopBounds	Returns a rectangle which contains the bounding box for the entire Horizon desktop. Pass NULL to avoid returning this information.

Parameter	Description
pszDesktopTopology	A pointer to an int32. On input the value is the size of the desktopTopology array which will return the Horizon desktop topology. On output the value is the number of rectangles required to hold the entire desktop topology. This value may be larger than the size passed in if the desktopTopology array is too small to hold the entire desktop topology. Passing NULL is treated the same as *pszDesktopTopology == 0.
desktopTopology	A pointer to an array which returns the rectangles that make up the the Horizon desktop topology. Can be NULL only if pszDesktopTopology is NULL or *pszDesktopTopology == 0.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Current information retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the parameter entries was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to INVALID_PARAMETER.

## v4.GetInfoString

Gets the current information string for the overlay as set by v4.SetInfoString().

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v4.GetInfoString)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, char* infoStr, int32 infoStrSize);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().
windowId	The window ID that was cached from a prior OnWindowRegistered() event.
infoStr	A pointer to a buffer that is filled with the current information string.
infoStrSize	The size of the infoStr buffer.

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Current information retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the parameter entries was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to INVALID_PARAMETER.

## v4.GetInfoStringProperties

Gets the current information string for the overlay as set by v4.SetInfoString().

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v4.GetInfoStringProperties)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId,
VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlayClient_InfoStringProperties *pProperties);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from VDPOverlayClient_Init().
windowId	The window ID that was cached from a prior OnWindowRegistered() event.
pProperties	A pointer to a VDPOverlayClient_InfoStringProperties structure.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	Current information retrieved.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the parameter entries was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to INVALID_PARAMETER.

## v4.SetInfoString

Sets a string that is rendered on top of the overlay. The string can contain arbitrary information which can assist with closed captioning or debugging information.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Interface.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v4.SetInfoString)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId
windowId, const char* infoStr);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description																																				
contextId	The ID returned from <code>VDPOverlayClient_Init()</code> .																																				
windowId	The window ID that was cached from a prior <code>OnWindowRegistered()</code> event.																																				
infoStr	The information string. The maximum string length is <code>VDP_OVERLAY_INFO_STR_MAX_LEN</code> bytes, including the NULL terminator.  The information string can contain the following macros:																																				
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The following escape characters are recognized, assuming that the string is read from a file or the registry. When hardcoding the information string in C/C++ code, you must also escape the backslash character itself.

Escape Character	Definition
<code>\n</code>	New line; the LF character ('\n' in C/C++) is also a new line
<code>\\$</code>	Dollar sign
<code>\\"</code>	Backslash

## Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the parameter entries was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to INVALID_PARAMETER.

## v4.SetInfoStringProperties

Sets properties for how the information string is rendered.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Interface`.

### Method Signature

```
VDPOverlay_Error (*v4.SetInfoStringProperties)(VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId,
                                              VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlayClient_InfoStringProperties *pProperties);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
contextId	The ID returned from <code>VDPOverlayClient_Init()</code> .
windowId	The window ID that was cached from a prior <code>OnWindowRegistered()</code> event.
pProperties	A pointer to a <code>VDPOverlayClient_InfoStringProperties</code> structure. As a best practice, initialize the structure by calling <code>v4.GetInfoStringProperties()</code> if there are properties that you don't want to change.

### Return Values

Value	Description
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_SUCCESS	No error. The function was successful.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_NOT_INITIALIZED	Overlay API was not initialized.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_INVALID_PARAMETER	One of the parameter entries was invalid.
VDP_OVERLAY_ERROR_HOST_OVERLAY_ERROR	There is an error with a low-level library. This error code should be treated as similar to INVALID_PARAMETER.

# Channel Sinks

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To interact with and receive notifications of changes, you must register sinks with the Horizon Session Enhancement APIs. Channel sinks are common sinks.

These functions are members of `VDPService_ChannelNotifySink`.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [v1.OnChannelStateChanged](#)
- [v1.OnConnectionStateChanged](#)
- [v1.OnPeerObjectCreated](#)

## v1.OnChannelStateChanged

This method is invoked when there is a change in the channel connection that this plug-in instance uses.

This function is a member of `VDPService_ChannelNotifySink`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnChannelStateChanged)(void *userData, VDPService_ChannelState currentState,  
VDPService_ChannelState transientState, void *reserved);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	Parameter passed in to the <code>v1.RegisterChannelNotifySink</code> method. May be NULL.
currentState	The current state of the connection.
transientState	The state change that caused the callback. This can be different from <code>currentState</code> if other state changes have already taken place and are waiting to be processed.
reserved	Unused parameter.

### Return Values

None

## v1.OnConnectionStateChanged

This method is invoked when the connection in the underlying user session has changed its state.

This function is a member of `VDPService_ChannelNotifySink`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnConnectionStateChanged)(void *userData, VDPService_ConnectionState currentState,
VDPService_ConnectionState transientState, void *reserved);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
<code>userData</code>	Parameter passed in to the <code>v1.RegisterChannelNotifySink</code> method. May be NULL.
<code>currentState</code>	The current state of the connection.
<code>transientState</code>	The state change that caused the callback. This can be different from <code>currentState</code> if other state changes have already taken place and are waiting to be processed.
<code>reserved</code>	Unused parameter.

### Return Values

None

## v1.OnPeerObjectCreated

This method is invoked when an object was created on the other side of the channel connection, and no object with the same name exists locally.

This function is a member of `VDPService_ChannelNotifySink`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnPeerObjectCreated)(void *userData, const char *objName, void *reserved);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
<code>userData</code>	Parameter passed in to the <code>v1.RegisterChannelNotifySink</code> method. May be NULL.
<code>objName</code>	The name of the object created by the peer.
<code>reserved</code>	Unused parameter.

### Return Values

None

# RPC Sinks

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You must register RPC sinks to interact with and receive notifications of changes to RPC-specific Horizon Session Enhancement APIs.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [v1.OnAbort](#)
- [v1.OnDone](#)
- [v1.OnInvoke](#)
- [v1.OnObjectStateChanged](#)

## v1.OnAbort

This method is called when the `Invoke` call that this sink is registered with fails due to a Horizon Session Enhancement error.

This function is a member of `VDPRPC_RequestCallback`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnAbort)(void *userData, uint32 contextId, Bool userCancelled, uint32 reason);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The <code>userData</code> parameter passed to the <code>Invoke</code> method.
contextId	ID of the context that was passed to the <code>Invoke</code> method.
userCancelled	FALSE.
reason	A <code>VDP_RPC_E_*</code> error code.

### Return Values

None

## v1.OnDone

This method is called when the `Invoke` method that this sink is registered with returns from the peer. The `contextId` parameter maps to the ID of the context that is passed to the `Invoke` call. This ID does not match the ID of the context that `contextHandle` points to. The `contextHandle` parameter holds all of the return codes and values given by the peer.

This function is a member of `VDPRPC_RequestCallback`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnDone)(void *userData, uint32 contextId, void *contextHandle);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
<code>userData</code>	The <code>userData</code> parameter passed to the <code>Invoke</code> method.
<code>contextId</code>	ID of the context that was passed to the <code>Invoke</code> method.
<code>contextHandle</code>	Handle for the context that holds all of the return data from the peer.

### Return Values

None

## v1.OnInvoke

This method is invoked when the peer on the other end of the channel calls `Invoke`. The `contextHandle` parameter is used to retrieve the data given by the peer, using `VDPService_ChannelContextInterface`. This same context should be altered to hold the return values, and the context will be returned to the caller when this method returns.

This function is a member of `VDPRPC_ObjectNotifySink`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnInvoke)(void *userData, void *contextHandle, void *reserved);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
<code>userData</code>	The <code>userData</code> parameter passed in to the <code>CreateChannelObject</code> method. May be NULL.
<code>contextHandle</code>	Handle for the context that will contain the data for the call, and to hold the return values.
<code>reserved</code>	Unused parameter.

## Return Values

None

### v1.OnObjectStateChanged

Called when the state of the object this sink was registered with has changed.

This function is a member of VDPRPC\_ObjectNotifySink.

#### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnObjectStateChanged)(void *userData, void *reserved);
```

#### Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed in to the CreateChannelObject method. May be NULL.
reserved	Unused parameter.

## Return Values

None

# Overlay Sinks

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You must register overlay sinks to interact with and receive notifications of changes to overlay-specific Horizon Session Enhancement APIs.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [VDPOverlayGuest\\_Sink Functions](#)
- [VDPOverlayClient\\_Sink Functions](#)

## VDPOverlayGuest\_Sink Functions

The following topics describe the VDPOverlayGuest\_Sink functions.

### v1.OnOverlayCreateError

This event handler is called when the client-side overlay is not created due to an error. Note that the window that is associated with the overlay is automatically unregistered.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayGuest\_Sink.

#### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnOverlayCreateError)(void *userData, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_Error error);
```

#### Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed in to the Init call.
windowId	The window ID that this callback corresponds to.
error	The error that was encountered.

#### Return Values

None

## v1.OnOverlayReady

This event handler is called when the client-side overlay is ready to be displayed. It does not mean that the overlay is enabled or even that the client-side has loaded an image into the overlay. It means only that the overlay was properly created and is ready to display an image.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Sink`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnOverlayReady)(void *userData, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, uint32 response);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter that was passed to the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	The window ID that this callback corresponds to.
response	Client-side plug-in response.

### Return Values

None

## v1.OnOverlayRejected

This event handler is called when the client-side overlay is not created because the client-side plug-in rejected it. Note that the window that is associated with the overlay is automatically unregistered.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Sink`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnOverlayRejected)(void *userData, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, uint32 reason);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed in to the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	The window ID that this callback corresponds to.
reason	The client-side plug-in reason given for rejecting the overlay.

### Return Values

None

## v1.OnUserMsg (Guest Sink)

This event handler is called in response to a call to `v1.SendMsg` from the client.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayGuest_Sink`.

## Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnUserMsg)(void *userData, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, void *msg, uint32 msgLen);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed in to the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	The window ID that this message is sent to, or <code>VDP_OVERLAY_WINDOW_ID_NONE</code> if the message was not sent to a particular window.
msg	The message data. Not valid after the call returns.
msgLen	Length of <code>msg</code> , in bytes.

## Return Values

None

# VDPOverlayClient\_Sink Functions

The following topics describe the `VDPOverlayClient_Sink` functions.

## v1.OnLayoutModeChanged

This event handler is called when the layout mode for the overlay is changed. This event handler is for information only. No action is required by the plug-in.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Sink`.

## Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnLayoutModeChanged)(void *userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId,
VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_LayoutMode layoutMode);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The <code>userData</code> parameter passed to the <code>Init</code> method.
contextId	The context ID returned from the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	Window ID that corresponds to the referenced overlay.
layoutMode	The new layout mode.

## Return Values

None

## v1.OnOverlayDisabled

This event handler is called when the guest side deactivates the overlay using the `DisableOverlay` method, causing the current image in the overlay to be hidden. The overlay image data is maintained and will be re-displayed when the overlay is re-activated.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Sink`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnOverlayDisabled)(void *userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId,
                            VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_UserArgs userArgs);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed to the <code>Init</code> method.
contextId	The context ID returned from the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	Window ID that corresponds to the deactivated overlay.
userArgs	Value passed by the guest side to the <code>DisableOverlay</code> call.

### Return Values

None

## v1.OnOverlayEnabled

This event handler is called when the guest side activates the overlay using the `EnableOverlay` method. This event handler causes the current image in the overlay to be displayed.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Sink`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnOverlayEnabled)(void *userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId
                            windowId, VDPOverlay_UserArgs userArgs);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed to the <code>Init</code> method.
contextId	The context ID returned from the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	Window ID that corresponds to the activated overlay.
userArgs	Value passed by the guest side to the <code>EnableOverlay</code> call.

### Return Values

None

## v1.OnUserMsg (Client Sink)

This event handler is used when the guest-side application has called the SendMsg method.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Sink.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnUserMsg)(void *userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, void *msg, uint32 msgLen);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed in to the Init call.
contextId	The context ID returned from the Init call.
windowId	The window ID that this message is sent to, or VDP_OVERLAY_WINDOW_ID_NONE if the message was not sent to a particular window.
msg	The message data. Not valid after the call returns.
msgLen	Length of msg, in bytes.

### Return Values

None

## v1.OnWindowObscured

This event handler is called when the guest-side window that the overlay is tracking is completely obscured. The client-side can use this event as a hint to scale back drawing to the overlay.

This function is a member of VDPOverlayClient\_Sink.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1OnWindowObscured)(void *userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed to the Init method.
contextId	The context ID returned from the Init call.
windowId	Window ID that corresponds to the obscured overlay.

### Return Values

None

## v1.OnWindowPositionChanged

This event handler is called when the guest-side window that the overlay is tracking changes position. The overlay is drawn at the new location. This event handler is for information only. No action is required by the plug-in.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Sink`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnWindowPositionChanged)(void *userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId,
VDPOverlay_WindowId int32 x, int32 y);
```

### Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed to the <code>Init</code> method.
contextId	The context ID returned from the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	Window ID that corresponds to the repositioned overlay.
x	New X position with the display.
y	New Y position with the display.

### Return Values

None

## v1.OnWindowRegistered

This event handler is called when the guest-side application registers a window using the `RegisterWindow` method. You can reject the request by setting `reject` to TRUE. Use the `response` parameter to return a reason to the guest. You can also use `response` to send a message to the guest in the non-rejected case.

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**Note** Cache the `windowId` parameter because it is required to identify the overlay to the Overlay API.

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This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Sink`.

### Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnWindowRegistered)(void *userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId,
VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_UserArgs userArgs, Bool *reject, uint32 *response);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed in to the <code>Init</code> call.
contextId	The context ID returned from the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	The window ID representing the new overlay.
userArgs	Value sent by the guest-side in the <code>RegisterWindow</code> call.
reject	Set to TRUE to deny the request to create an overlay.
response	Response sent back to the guest.

## Return Values

None

## v1.OnWindowSizeChanged

This event handler is called when the guest-side window that the overlay is tracking changes size. The old overlay image is redrawn according to the layout mode of the overlay. This event handler is for information only. No action is required by the plug-in.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Sink`.

## Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnWindowSizeChanged)(void *userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId,
    VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, int32 width, int32 height);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed to the <code>Init</code> method.
contextId	The context ID returned from the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	Window ID that corresponds to the resized overlay.
width	New width of the window.
height	New height of the window.

## Return Values

None

## v1.OnWindowUnregistered

This event handler is called when the guest-side unregisters a window using the `UnregisterWindow` method. The window ID is no longer valid, and the overlay associated with the window ID is destroyed.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Sink`.

## Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnWindowUnregistered)(void *userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId,
VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, VDPOverlay_UserArgs userArgs);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed to the <code>Init</code> method.
contextId	The context ID returned from the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	Window ID for the window that was unregistered.
userArgs	Value sent by the guest-side application in the <code>UnregisterWindow</code> call.

## Return Values

None

## v1.OnWindowVisible

This event handler is called when the guest-side window that the overlay is tracking was obscured but now is at least partially visible.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Sink`.

## Method Signature

```
void (*v1.OnWindowVisible)(void *userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId
windowId);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed to the <code>Init</code> method.
contextId	The context ID returned from the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	Window ID that corresponds to the overlay that is now partially visible.

## Return Values

None

## v3.OnLayerChanged

This event handler is called when the layer for the overlay is changed. This event handler is for information only. No action is required by the plugin.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Sink`.

## Method Signature

```
void (*v3.OnLayerChanged)(void* userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, VDPOverlay_WindowId windowId, uint32 layer);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed to the <code>Init</code> method.
contextId	The context ID returned from the <code>Init</code> call.
windowId	The window ID.
layer	The new layer.

## Return Values

None

## v3.OnTopologyChanged

This event handler is called when the desktop topology of the Horizon client has changed. The `desktopTopology` array is only valid during the callback. This event handler is for information only. No action is required by the plugin.

This function is a member of `VDPOverlayClient_Sink`.

## Method Signature

```
void (*v3.OnTopologyChanged)(void* userData, VDPOverlayClient_ContextId contextId, const VDPOverlay_Rect* desktopBounds, int32 szDesktopTopology, const VDPOverlay_Rect* desktopTopology);
```

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
userData	The userData parameter passed to the <code>Init</code> method.
contextId	The context ID returned from the <code>Init</code> call.
desktopBounds	The desktop bounding box.
szDesktopTopology	The size of the <code>desktopTopology</code> array.
desktopTopology	The desktop topology.

## Return Values

None