

Re: Using Notification to track component creation...

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- > *First, though, I'd like to see if a reliable drop-onto-stock-form*
- > *unit/component solution can be achieved, even if not optimal, for*
- > *educational reasons if nothing else. Unless I'm failing to understand*
- > *something, creating a custom form descendant seems a project-wide approach*
- > *instead of a component approach.*

Forms are really like any other visual control. There are some differences as far as the Delphi IDE and streaming mechanism are concerned, but logically one should approach them as one does any other component. The advantage of using form inheritance is that it can be easily applied to every form in a project. The disadvantage, IMO, is that the form needs detailed knowledge of the component types it owns. Dropping an unknown control onto a translatable form may mean that the control is not (fully) translated. I don't think though that there is any way out of this dilemma. Even if the translation is done by each component, one may still have problems with new controls.