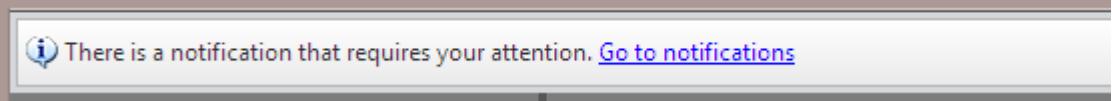


# Message bar items



There is a notification that requires your attention. [Go to notifications](#)

Message Bar items are messages with an accompanying hyperlink that, when clicked, navigates the user to a location in the navigation tree.

## Adding Message Bar items

Add a message bar item with [NavInsertItem](#).

```
void AddMessageBarItem(LPCWSTR text, LPCWSTR link)
{
    // First get the root of the MESSAGEBAR domain
    NAVSETITEM messageBarRootData;
    memset(&messageBarRootData, 0, sizeof(NAVSETITEM));
    if( !NavGetItem(_T("MESSAGEBAR"), &messageBarRootData) )
    {
        return;           // Failed to find MESSAGEBAR root
    }
    NavHandle messageBarRoot = messageBarRootData.hItem;

    // Now add a simple message bar item
    NAVSETITEM newItem;
    memset(&newItem, 0, sizeof(newItem));
    newItem.flags = NI_FLAG_MESSAGEBAR_ICONWARNING;           // The icon we want to show.
    NI_FLAG_MESSAGEBAR_ICONINFO, NI_FLAG_MESSAGEBAR_ICONWARNING and
    NI_FLAG_MESSAGEBAR_ICONSHIELD
    newItem.EventMask = NI_EVENT_MOUSE_LCLICK;                // Need click events to navigate
    somewhere when the link is clicked
    newItem.strLabel = L"This is a message bar message";
    newItem.strDestination = L"NAVIGATIONTREE\\ControlPanel\\Events"; // Override
    description field as the FQN or alias to navigate to when the link is clicked
    newItem.lParam = 0;           // Custom context data
    newItem.pInterface = &notificationInterface;           // Interface to handle messages
    from the message bar
    NavInsertItem(messageBarRoot, _T("MyComponentWarningEvents"), &newItem);
}
```

Items added in the manner shown above display the strLabel text as the message, followed by a link that says "Go There". If you click the link, the WMC navigates to the location specified in strDestination. You can provide a custom formatted message and link by specifying the NI\_FLAG\_MESSAGEBAR\_CUSTOMMESSAGE flag . See [Custom link text](#).

The flags field of the NAVSETITEM structure dictates how the message bar item will be handled.

Flag	Description
NI_FLAG_MESSAGEBAR_ICONWARNING	The type of icon to show. Mutually exclusive.
NI_FLAG_MESSAGEBAR_ICONINFO	
NI_FLAG_MESSAGEBAR_ICONSHIELD	
NI_FLAG_MESSAGEBAR_NOTIFY	Notify the item of the click as opposed to navigating to the location. Calls the NavItemNotify handler of the notification interface supplied in <a href="#">NavInsertItem</a> , passing in the strDestination as the FQL. Without this flag the default behaviour is to go to a navigation location.
NI_FLAG_MESSAGEBAR_CUSTOMMESSAGE	Specify to supply message text with an embedded link with customised text. See below for details.

## Custom link text

By default a message bar item contains user-supplied text followed by a hyperlink with the text **Go There**. You can supply a custom message that allows you to set the hyperlink text as well as place it anywhere within the message. To do so set the flag NI\_FLAG\_MESSAGEBAR\_CUSTOMMESSAGE in flags field of the NAVSETITEM structure and provide a message in strLabel, enclosing the hyperlink portion in <a></a> tags. e.g.

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    {
        return;           // Failed to find MESSAGEBAR root
    }
    NavHandle messageBarRoot = messageBarRootData.hItem;

    NAVSETITEM newItem;
    memset(&newItem, 0, sizeof(newItem));
    newItem.flags = NI_FLAG_MESSAGEBAR_CUSTOMMESSAGE;
    newItem.EventMask = NI_EVENT_MOUSE_LCLICK;

    newItem.strLabel = L"This is the text <a>with an embedded link</a> to navigate
to";
    newItem.strDestination = _T("{Notifications}");      // where to go to
    newItem.lParam = (LPARAM)this;
    newItem.pInterface = &notificationInterface;
    NavInsertItem(hMessageBar, _T("NotificationWarning"), &newItem);
    NavHandle messageBarItem = newItem.hItem;
}
```