

# System.UIntPtr Structure

```
[ILASM]
.class public sequential sealed serializable UIntPtr
extends System.ValueType

[C#]
public struct UIntPtr
```

## Assembly Info:

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- *Public Key:* [00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 04 00 00 00 00 00 00]
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  - CLSCompliantAttribute(true)

## Type Attributes:

- CLSCompliantAttribute(false)

## Summary

An implementation-specific type that is used to represent a pointer or a handle.

## Inherits From: System.ValueType

**Library:** RuntimeInfrastructure

**Thread Safety:** This type is safe for multithreaded operations.

## Description

The **System.UIntPtr** type is designed to be an implementation-sized pointer. An instance of this type is expected to be the size of a **native unsigned int** for the current implementation.

For more information on the **native unsigned int** type, see Partition II of the CLI Specification.

[*Note:* **System.UIntPtr** instances can also be used to hold handles.

The **System.IntPtr** type is CLS-compliant while the **System.UIntPtr** type is not. The **System.UIntPtr** type is provided mostly to maintain architectural symmetry with the **System.IntPtr** type.]

# 1 UIntPtr(System.UInt32) Constructor

```
2 [ILASM]
3 public rtspecialname specialname instance void
4 .ctor(unsigned int32 value)
5
6 [C#]
7 public UIntPtr(uint value)
```

## 7 Summary

8 Constructs a new **System.UIntPtr** structure using the specified  
9 **System.UInt32** containing a pointer or a handle.

## 10 Parameters

Parameter	Description
<i>value</i>	A <b>System.UInt32</b> containing a pointer or handle.

# UIntPtr(System.UInt64) Constructor

```
[ILASM]
public rtspecialname specialname instance void
.ctor(unsigned int64 value)

[C#]
public UIntPtr(ulong value)
```

## Summary

Constructs a new **System.UIntPtr** structure using the specified **System.UInt64** containing a pointer or a handle.

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
<i>value</i>	A <b>System.UInt64</b> containing a pointer or a handle.

## Exceptions

Exception	Condition
<b>System.OverflowException</b>	The current platform is a 32-bit platform and the value of the current instance is greater than <b>System.UInt32.MaxValue</b> .

# 1 UIntPtr.Zero Field

```
2 [ILASM]  
3 .field public static initOnly valuetype System.UIntPtr Zero  
4 [C#]  
5 public static readonly UIntPtr Zero
```

## 6 Summary

7 Represents a pointer or handle that has been initialized as zero.

## 8 Description

9 [Note: The value of this field is not **null**, but is instead a pointer which  
10 has been assigned the value zero. Use this field to efficiently  
11 determine whether an instance of **System.UIntPtr** has been set to a  
12 value other than zero. For example, if *uip* is a **System.UIntPtr**  
13 instance, using *uip != UIntPtr.Zero* is more efficient than *uip != new*  
14 *UIntPtr(0)* to test if *uip* has been set to a value other than zero.]

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# 1 UIntPtr.Equals(System.Object) Method

```
2 [ILASM]  
3 .method public hidebysig virtual bool Equals(object obj)  
4  
5 [C#]  
6 public override bool Equals(object obj)
```

## 6 Summary

7 Determines whether the current instance and the specified  
8 **System.Object** represent the same type and value.

## 9 Parameters

Parameter	Description
<i>obj</i>	The <b>System.Object</b> to compare to the current instance.

## 12 Return Value

15 **true** if *obj* is a **System.UIntPtr** instance and has the same value as  
16 the current instance. If *obj* is a null reference or is not an instance of  
17 **System.UIntPtr**, returns **false**.

## 18 Description

19 [Note: The method overrides **System.Object.Equals**.]  
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# 1 UIntPtr.GetHashCode() Method

```
2 [ILASM]  
3 .method public hidebysig virtual int32 GetHashCode()  
4 [C#]  
5 public override int GetHashCode()
```

## 6 Summary

7 Generates a hash code for the current instance.

## 8 Return Value

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10 A **System.Int32** containing the hash code for the current instance.

## 11 Description

12 [Note: The algorithm used to generate the hash code is unspecified.]

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14 [Note: This method overrides **System.Object.GetHashCode.**]

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# UIntPtr.op\_Equality(System.UIntPtr, System.UIntPtr) Method

```
[ILASM]
.method public hidebysig static specialname bool
op_Equality(valuetype System.UIntPtr value1, valuetype
System.UIntPtr value2)

[C#]
public static bool operator ==(UIntPtr value1, UIntPtr
value2)
```

## Summary

Determines whether the two specified instances of **System.UIntPtr** represent the same value.

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
<i>value1</i>	The first <b>System.UIntPtr</b> to compare for equality.
<i>value2</i>	The second <b>System.UIntPtr</b> to compare for equality.

## Return Value

**true** if *value1* represents the same value as *value2*; otherwise, **false**.

# UIntPtr.op\_Inequality(System.UIntPtr, System.UIntPtr) Method

```
[ILASM]
.method public hidebysig static specialname bool
op_Inequality(valuetype System.UIntPtr value1, valuetype
System.UIntPtr value2)

[C#]
public static bool operator !=(UIntPtr value1, UIntPtr
value2)
```

## Summary

Determines whether two specified instances of **System.UIntPtr** represent different values.

## Parameters

Parameter	Description
<i>value1</i>	The first <b>System.UIntPtr</b> to compare for inequality.
<i>value2</i>	The second <b>System.UIntPtr</b> to compare for inequality.

## Return Value

**true** if *value1* represents a different value than *value2*; otherwise, **false**.

# UIntPtr.ToPointer() Method

```
[ILASM]
.method public hidebysig instance class System.Void*
ToPointer()

[C#]
unsafe public void* ToPointer()
```

## Summary

Converts the value of the current instance to a pointer to **void**.

## Type Attributes:

- CLSCompliantAttribute(false)

## Return Value

A pointer to **void**.

## Description

[Note: A pointer to **void** points to memory containing data of an unspecified type.]

This method is not CLS-compliant. For a CLS-compliant alternative use **System.IntPtr.ToPointer**.

# 1 UIntPtr.ToString() Method

```
2 [ILASM]  
3 .method public hidebysig virtual string ToString()  
  
4 [C#]  
5 public override string ToString()
```

## 6 Summary

7 Returns a **System.String** representation of the value of the current  
8 instance.

## 9 Return Value

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11 A **System.String** representation of the current instance.

## 12 Description

13 [Note: If **System.UIntPtr.Size** for the current instance is 4,  
14 **System.UIntPtr.ToString** is equivalent to  
15 **System.UInt32.ToString()**; otherwise, this method is equivalent  
16 to **System.UInt64.ToString()**.  
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18 This method overrides **System.Object.ToString.**  
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# 1 UIntPtr.ToInt32() Method

```
2 [ILASM]
3 .method public hidebysig instance unsigned int32 ToUInt32()
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5 [C#]
6 public uint ToUInt32()
```

## 6 Summary

7 Converts the value of the current instance to a **System.UInt32**.

## 8 Return Value

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10 A **System.UInt32** containing the same value as the current instance.

## 11 Exceptions

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Exception	Condition
<b>System.OverflowException</b>	The current platform is not a 32-bit platform and the value of the current instance is greater than <b>System.UInt32.MaxValue</b> .

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## 1 UIntPtr.ToInt64() Method

```
2 [ILASM]  
3 .method public hidebysig instance unsigned int64 ToUInt64()  
4  
5 [C#]  
6 public ulong ToUInt64()
```

### 6 Summary

7 Converts the value of the current instance to a **System.UInt64**.

### 8 Return Value

9  
10 A **System.UInt64** containing the same value as the current instance.

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# UIntPtr.Size Property

```
[ILASM]
.property int32 Size { public hidebysig static specialname
int32 get_Size() }

[C#]
public static int Size { get; }
```

## Summary

Gets the size in bytes of a pointer or a handle for the current implementation.

## Property Value

A **System.Int32** containing the number of bytes of a pointer or handle for the current implementation. The value of this property is equal to the number of bytes contained by the **native unsigned int** type in the current implementation.

## Description

This property is read-only.

For more information on the **native unsigned int** type, see Partition II of the CLI Specification.