

Request for additional annotations in Symbols for Legacy Computing

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1. Introduction

This document requests additional annotations for three characters in the Symbols for Legacy Computing block to clarify their expected appearance and usage. I am making this request as a result of feedback I have received personally since the introduction of the Symbols for Legacy Computing block in Unicode 13.0.

2. U+1FB81 HORIZONTAL ONE EIGHTH BLOCK-1358

This character was used as part of the MouseText character set on the Apple IIgs to draw the title bar of the active window. In order to indicate this usage and allow for variance in the design of the title bar, it is requested that the following annotations be added to U+1FB81:

= window title bar

* may have any horizontally repeating pattern in place of one eighth blocks 3 and 5

3. U+1FB98 UPPER LEFT TO LOWER RIGHT FILL and U+1FB99 UPPER RIGHT TO LOWER LEFT FILL

The first set of source glyphs for these characters (which came from Commodore systems) filled one half the total area whereas the second set of source glyphs (which came from MSX systems) filled one quarter the total area. In order to allow for this variance, it is requested that the following annotation be added to U+1FB98 and U+1FB99:

* The filled area typically covers between one quarter and one half the total area. Diagonal lines should be of uniform width.