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### **Preface**

This book provides programming and reference information for developers working with Sun Java<sup>TM</sup> System Message Queue (formerly Sun<sup>TM</sup> ONE Message Queue) 3.5 SP1, who want to use the C language binding to the Message Queue Service to send, receive, and process Message Queue messages.

This preface contains the following sections:

- Audience for This Guide
- Organization of This Guide
- Conventions
- Other Documentation Resources

# Audience for This Guide

This guide is meant for developers who want to use the C-API in order to write C messaging programs that can interact with the Message Queue broker to send and receive JMS messages.

# Organization of This Guide

This guide is designed to be read from beginning to end. The following table briefly describes the contents of each chapter:

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Chapter	Description
Chapter 1, "Introduction"	Introduces the basic concepts, operations, and architecture of Message Queue messaging. Contains some material on programming and configuration issues to improve performance and throughput.
Chapter 2, "Building and Running Message Queue C Clients"	Explains how to compile and link Message Queue C clients. Introduces the Message Queue C-Client sample applications that are shipped with Message Queue and explains how you set up your environment to run these examples.
Chapter 3, "Using the C API"	Explains how you use the C-API to construct, to send, to receive, and to process messages. This chapter also covers error and thread handling.
Chapter 4, "Reference"	Provides complete reference information for the Message Queue C-API: data structures and functions. It also lists and describes the contents of the C-API header files.
Appendix A, "Message Queue C API Error Codes"	Lists the code and descriptive string returned for errors that are returned by C library functions.

# Conventions

This section provides information about the conventions used in this document.

### **Text Conventions**

**Table 2** Document Conventions

Format	Description
italics	Italicized text represents a placeholder. Substitute an appropriate clause or value where you see italic text. Italicized text is also used to designate a document title, for emphasis, or for a word or phrase being introduced.

Table 2 Document Conventions (Continued)

Format	Description
monospace	Monospace text represents example code, commands that you enter on the command line, directory, file, or path names, error message text, class names, method or function names (including all elements in the signature), package names, reserved words, and URL's.
[]	Square brackets to indicate optional values in a command line syntax statement.
ALL CAPS	Text in all capitals represents file system types (GIF, TXT, HTML and so forth), environment variables (IMQ_HOME), or acronyms (Message Queue, JSP).
Key+Key	Simultaneous keystrokes are joined with a plus sign: Ctrl+A means press both keys simultaneously.
Key-Key	Consecutive keystrokes are joined with a hyphen: Esc-S means press the Esc key, release it, then press the S key.

# **Directory Variable Conventions**

Message Queue makes use of three directory variables, one of which is relevant to C clients. Table 3 describes this variable and explains how it is used on the Solaris, Windows, and Linux platforms.

Table 3 Message Queue Directory Variable Used by C Clients

Variable	Description
IMQ_HOME	This is generally used in Message Queue documentation to refer to the Message Queue base directory (root installation directory):
	<ul> <li>On Solaris, there is no root Message Queue installation directory. Therefore, IMQ_HOME is not used in Message Queue documentation to refer to file locations on Solaris.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>On Windows, the root Message Queue installation directory is set by the Message Queue installer (by default, as C:\Program Files\Sun\MessageQueue3).</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>On Linux, there is no root Message Queue installation directory.</li> <li>Therefore, IMQ_HOME is not used in Message Queue documentation to refer to file locations on Linux.</li> </ul>

In this guide, IMQ\_HOME is shown *without* platform-specific environment variable notation or syntax (for example, \$IMQ\_HOME on UNIX). Path names generally use UNIX directory separator notation (/).

### Other Documentation Resources

In addition to this guide, Message Queue provides additional documentation resources.

# The Message Queue Documentation Set

The documents that comprise the Message Queue documentation set are listed in Table 4 in the order in which you would normally use them.

 Table 4
 Message Queue Documentation Set

Document	Audience	Description	
Message Queue Installation Guide	Developers and administrators	Explains how to install Message Queue software on Solaris, Linux, and Windows platforms.	
Message Queue Release Notes	Developers and administrators	Includes descriptions of new features, limitations, and known bugs, as well as technical notes.	
Message Queue Java Client Developer's Guide	Developers	Provides a quick-start tutorial and programming information for developers of Java client programs using the Message Queue implementation of the JMS or SOAP/JAXM APIs.	
Message Queue Administration Guide	Administrators, also recommended for developers	Provides background and information needed to perform administration tasks using Message Queue administration tools.	
Message Queue C Client Developer's Guide	Developers	Provides programming and reference documentation for developers of Message Queue C client programs.	

### Online Help

Message Queue 3.5 SP1 includes command-line utilities for performing Message Queue message service administration tasks. To access the online help for these utilities, see the Message Queue Administration Guide.

Message Queue 3.5 SP1 also includes a graphical user interface (GUI) administration tool, the Administration Console (imgadmin). Context sensitive online help is included in the Administration Console.

### **Example Client Applications**

A number of example applications that provide sample client application code are included in a directory that depends upon the operating system (see the *Message* Queue Administration Guide).

Sample applications that illustrate the C-API are listed and described in Chapter 2, "Building and Running Message Queue C Clients" on page 43.

See the README file located in that directory for guidance on how to run the sample programs.

## The Java Message Service (JMS) Specification

The JMS specification can be found at the following location:

http://java.sun.com/products/jms/docs.html

The specification includes sample JMS Java client code.

# Related Third-Party Web Site References

Third-party URLs are referenced in this document and provide additional, related information.

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## Introduction

This chapter provides an overall introduction to Sun Java™ System Message Queue 3.5 SP1 (formerly Sun™ ONE Message Queue) and to JMS concepts and programming issues of interest to developers. It is written specifically for the C developer who wants to interface with a Message Queue Message Service in order to send messages to and receive messages from another Message Queue client. Message Queue clients can reside on the same or on different platforms. The chapter covers the following topics:

- "What Is Message Queue?" on page 19
- "Message Queue Messaging System Architecture" on page 22
- "The JMS Programming Model" on page 24
- "Client Design Issues" on page 29
- "Configuring Connections" on page 38
- "Managing Flow Control" on page 40

# What Is Message Queue?

The Message Queue product is a standards-based solution to the problem of reliable, asynchronous messaging for distributed applications. Message Queue is an enterprise messaging system that implements the Java<sup>TM</sup> Message Service (JMS) open standard: it is a JMS provider.

With Message Queue software, processes running on different platforms and operating systems can connect to a common Message Queue message server (broker) to send and receive information. Application developers are free to focus on the business logic of their applications, rather than on the low-level details of how their applications communicate across a network. Developers can use two programming interfaces to establish a connection to the broker, and send or receive messages:

- C clients use the API described in this manual to send messages to and retrieve messages from a Message Queue broker.
- Java clients use the Java API, described in the Message Queue Java Client
  Developer's Guide, to send messages to and receive messages from a Message
  Queue broker.

Message Queue administrators can use a variety of tools to set up destinations on the broker and to configure the broker in response to performance and reliability requirements. Administrative functions and tools are described in the *Message Queue Administration Guide*.

## Message Queue Features

Message Queue has features that exceed the minimum requirements of the JMS specification. Among these features are the following:

**Centralized administration** Provides both command-line and GUI tools for administering a Message Queue message service and managing application-specific aspects of messaging, such as destinations and security.

**Scalable message service** Allows you to service increasing numbers of JMS clients (components or applications) by balancing the load among a number of Message Queue message service components (*brokers*) working in tandem (*multi-broker cluster*).

**Tunable performance** Lets you increase performance of the Message Queue message service when less reliability of delivery is acceptable.

**Multiple transports** Supports the ability of JMS clients to communicate with each other over a number of different transports and using secure (SSL) connections.

**C-API** Allows you to integrate legacy systems into a Message Queue messaging system and to create light-weight clients that do not require an underlying JVM.

See the *Message Queue Release Notes* for documentation of JMS compliance-related issues.

### Java and C Interfaces

While this manual revisits a number of topics presented in the Message Queue Java Client Developer's Guide, there are differences between the two interfaces and the JMS features they support. Some of these differences are summarized below, but this list is not exhaustive. If you plan to write a Message Queue C client, you should read this manual in full.

The C interface, compared to the Java interface

- Does not support the use of administered objects.
- Supports only two message types (text and bytes); it does not support map, stream, or object message types.
- Does not support consumer-based flow control
- Does not support queue browsers.
- Does not support JMS application server facilities (ConnectionConsumer, distributed transactions).
- Does not support distributed transactions.
- Does not support receiving SOAP messages sent by a Message Queue Java client.

Like the Java interface, the C interface does support the following:

- Publish/subscribe and point-to-point connections.
- Synchronous and asynchronous receives.
- CLIENT, AUTO, and DUPS\_OK acknowledgement modes.
- Local transactions
- Session recover
- Temporary topics and queues
- Message selectors

### **Product Editions**

The Message Queue product is available in two editions: Platform and Enterprise—each corresponding to a different licensed capacity. The C-API is only supported on the Enterprise Edition. For more information about these editions and for instructions on how you upgrade Message Queue from one edition to another, see the the Message Queue Installation Guide.

# Message Queue Messaging System Architecture

This section briefly describes the main parts of a Message Queue messaging system. While as a developer, you do not need to be familiar with the details of all of these parts or how they interact, a high-level understanding of the basic architecture will help you understand features of the system that impact Message Queue C client design and development.

The main parts of a Message Queue messaging system, shown in Figure 1-1, are the following:

**Message Queue Client** A Message Queue client can be written in C or Java, and it can send and/or receive Message Queue messages.

**Message Queue message server** The Message Queue message server is the heart of a messaging system. It consists of a broker that provides delivery services for the system. These services include connections to C or Java clients, message routing and delivery, persistence, security, and logging. The message server also maintains physical destinations to which clients send messages, and from which the messages are delivered to consuming clients. The Message Queue message server is described in detail in the *Message Queue Administration Guide*.

**Message Queue client runtime** The Message Queue C and Java client runtimes provide Message Queue C and Java clients respectively with an interface to the Message Queue message server. They support all operations needed for clients to send messages to destinations and to receive messages from such destinations. The Message Queue C client runtime is described in detail in "Message Production and Consumption" on page 33.

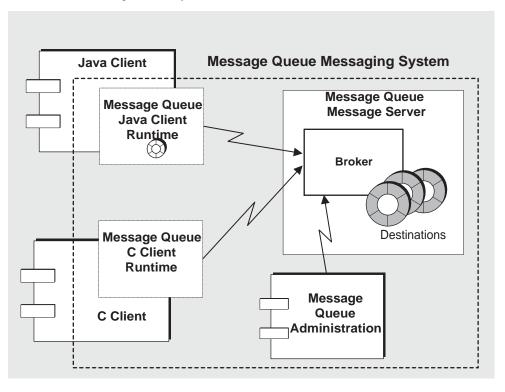


Figure 1-1 Message Queue System Architecture

Message Queue message service The Message Queue message service includes one or more Message Queue servers and Message Queue client runtime support.

**Message Queue Administration** Message Queue provides a number of administrative tools for managing a Message Queue messaging system. These tools are used to manage the message server, security, messaging application resources, and persistent data. These tools are generally used by Message Queue administrators and are described in the Message Queue Administration Guide.

Message Queue Messaging System The Message Queue messaging system includes the Message Queue message service and Message Queue administration.

# The JMS Programming Model

This section briefly describes the programming model of the JMS specification. The JMS programming model is the foundation for the design of a Message Queue C client. Although the C-API does not provide an exhaustive implementation of the JMS programming model, this section is provided as a review of the most important concepts and terminology (defined for that model), which also apply to Message Queue C client design.

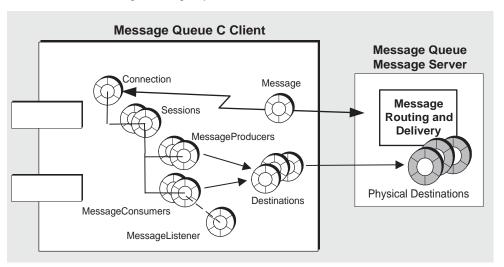
In the JMS programming model, JMS clients (components or applications) interact using a JMS application programming interface (API) to send and receive messages. In this context, it is important to understand that a C client's interface is specific to the Message Queue provider and cannot be used with other JMS providers. A messaging application that includes a C client cannot be handled by another JMS provider.

This section introduces the C data types and functions used by a Message Queue C client for delivery of messages. The main data types, which are opaque to the user and accessible only through the C functions, are shown in Figure 1-2 and described in the following sections.

## Message

In the Message Queue product, data is exchanged using JMS messages—messages that conform to the JMS specification. According to the JMS specification, a message is composed of three parts: a header, properties, and a body.

Properties are optional—they provide values that clients can use to filter messages. A body is also optional—it contains the actual data to be exchanged.



**Figure 1-2** JMS Programming Objects

#### Header

A header is required of every message. Header fields contain values used for routing and identifying messages.

Some header field values are set automatically by Message Queue during the process of producing and delivering a message, some depend on settings specified when message producers send a message, and others are set on a message-by-message basis by the client using the MQSetMessageHeader function. The following table lists the header fields defined (and required) by JMS and their corresponding names, as defined by the C-API.

**Table 1-1** JMS-defined Message Header

JMS Message Header Field	C-API Message Header Property Name
JMSDestination	Defined implicitly when a producer sends a message to a destination, or when a consumer receives a message from a destination.
JMSDeliveryMode	MQ_PERSISTENT_HEADER_PROPERTY
JMSExpiration	MQ_EXPIRATION_HEADER_PROPERTY
JMSPriority	MQ_PRIORITY_HEADER_PROPERTY
JMSMessageID	MQ_MESSAGE_ID_HEADER_PROPERTY

<b>Table 1-1</b> JMS-defined Message Header (C	(Continued)
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JMS Message Header Field	C-API Message Header Property Name
JMSTimestamp	MQ_TIMESTAMP_HEADER_PROPERTY
JMSRedelivered	MQ_REDELIVERED_HEADER_PROPERTY
JMSCorrelationID	MQ_CORRELATION_ID_HEADER_PROPERTY
JMSReplyTo	Set by the MQSetMessageReplyTo function, and obtained by the MQGetMessageReplyTo function.
JMSType	MQ_MESSAGE_TYPE_HEADER_PROPERTY

For additional information about each property type and the agent who sets it, see Table 4-6 on page 173.

### **Properties**

When data is sent between two processes, other information besides the payload data can be sent with it. These descriptive fields, or *properties*, can provide additional information about the data; for example, which process created it, the time it was created, and information that uniquely identifies the structure of each piece of data. Properties (which can be thought of as an extension of the header) consist of property name and property value pairs, as specified by a C client. A C client can set message properties when initializing a handle to a properties data type and passing that handle to the MQSetMessageProperties function.

Having registered an interest in a particular destination, consuming clients can fine-tune their selection by specifying certain property values as selection criteria. For instance, a client might indicate an interest in Payroll messages (rather than Facilities) but only Payroll items concerning part-time employees located in New Jersey. Messages that do not meet the specified criteria are not delivered to the consumer.

### Message Body Types

JMS specifies six classes (or types) of messages. The C-API supports only two of these types, as described in Table 1-2. If a Message Queue C client expects to receive messages from a Message Queue Java client, it will be unable to process messages whose body types are other than those described in Table 1-2.

**Table 1-2** C-API Message Body Types

Туре	Description
TextMessage	A message whose body contains a Java string, for example an XML message.
BytesMessage	A message whose body contains a stream of uninterpreted bytes.

### **Destination**

A *destination* refers to where a message is destined to go. A *physical destination* is a JMS message service entity (a location on the broker) to which producers send messages and from which consumers receive messages. The message service provides the routing and delivery for messages sent to a physical destination.

When a Message Queue C client creates a destination programmatically using the MQCreateDestination function, a destination name must be specified. The function initializes a handle to a destination data type that holds the identity (name) of the destination. The important thing to remember is that this function does *not* create the physical destination on the broker; this must be done by the administrator. The destination that is created programmatically however *must* have the exact same name and type as the physical destination created on the broker.

Destination names starting with "mq" are reserved and should not be used by client programs.

### Connection

A *connection* is a JMS client's configured connection to a Message Queue message service. Both allocation of communication resources and authentication of a client take place when a connection is created. Hence it is a relatively heavy-weight object, and most clients do all their messaging with a single connection. A connection is used to create sessions.

### Session

A *session* is a single-threaded context for producing and consuming messages. While there is no restriction on the number of threads that can use a session, the session should not be used *concurrently* by multiple threads. It is used to create the message producers and consumers that send and receive messages, and defines a

serial order for the messages it consumes and the messages it produces. A session supports reliable delivery through a number of acknowledgement options or by using transactions. A transacted session can combine a series of sequential operations into a single transaction that can span a number of producers and consumers. You need to create a session before you can create its consumers or producers.

## Message Producer

A client uses a *message producer* to send messages to a physical destination. You can create a message producer with a specified destination or you can specify a destination when you send each message. You can also specify a delivery mode, priority, and time-to-live for a message producer that govern all messages sent by a producer, except when explicitly over-ridden.

## Message Consumer

A client uses a *message consumer* to receive messages from a physical destination. A message consumer can have a message selector that allows the message service to deliver only those messages to the consumer that match the selection criteria. A message consumer can support either synchronous or asynchronous consumption of messages (see "Synchronous and Asynchronous Consumption" on page 36).

# Message Listener

To support asynchronous communication, a Message Queue C client must write a callback function of type MQMessageListenerFunc. You pass a pointer to this function when you create an asynchronous message consumer. A client is said to *consume* a message when a session thread invokes this callback function.

# Client Design Issues

This section describes a number of messaging issues that impact Message Queue C client design.

## **Programming Domains**

When you create a session, you can specify one of two message delivery models: point-to-point and publish/subscribe. You specify the message delivery model for a C-Message Queue client by specifying either MQ\_QUEUE\_DESTINATION or MQ\_TOPIC\_DESTINATION for the destinationType parameter when you call the MOCreateDestination function.

**Point-to-Point (Queue Destinations)** A message is delivered from a producer to one consumer. In this delivery model, the destination type is a *queue*. Messages are first delivered to the queue destination, then delivered from the queue, one at a time, depending on the queue's delivery policy, to one of the consumers registered for the queue. Any number of producers can send messages to a queue destination, but each message is guaranteed to be delivered to—and successfully consumed by—only *one* consumer. If there are no consumers registered for a queue destination, the queue holds messages it receives, and delivers them when a consumer registers for the queue.

**Publish/Subscribe (Topic destinations)** A message is delivered from a producer to any number of consumers. In this delivery model, the destination type is a *topic*. Messages are first delivered to the topic destination, then delivered to *all* active consumers that have *subscribed* to the topic. Any number of producers can send messages to a topic destination, and each message can be delivered to any number of subscribed consumers. Topic destinations also support the notion of *durable subscriptions*. A durable subscription represents a durable consumer that is registered with the topic destination but can be inactive at the time that messages are delivered. When the consumer subsequently becomes active, it receives the messages. If there are no consumers registered for a topic destination, the topic does not hold messages it receives, unless it has durable subscriptions for inactive consumers.

### Client Identifiers

Clients need to be identified to a broker both for authentication purposes and to keep track of durable subscriptions.

For authentication purposes, you need to provide a user name and password. The administrator is responsible for setting up a user repository against which the broker can validate this name and password. See the *Message Queue Administration Guide* for more information.

To keep track of durable subscriptions, Message Queue uses a unique *client identifier* that associates a client's connection with state information maintained by the message service on behalf of the client. By definition, a client identifier is unique, and applies to only one connection at a time.

Client identifiers are used in combination with a durable subscription name (see "Publish/Subscribe (Topic destinations)" on page 29) to make sure that each durable subscription corresponds to only one user. If a durable subscriber is inactive at the time that messages are delivered to a topic destination, the broker retains messages for that subscriber and delivers them when the subscriber once again becomes active. The only way for the broker to identify the subscriber is through its client ID. You can specify a client ID using the clientID parameter to the MQCreateConnection function.

## Reliable Messaging

Reliable messaging depends on a message's delivery mode and the use of transactions or acknowledgements to ensure the reliability of persistent messages.

### **Delivery Mode**

JMS defines two delivery modes: persistent and non-persistent:

- Persistent messages are guaranteed to be delivered and successfully consumed once and only once. Reliability is at a premium for such messages.
- Non-persistent messages are guaranteed to be delivered at most once. Reliability is not a major concern for such messages.

A message's delivery mode is set to be persistent by default. You can override this setting by using the MQSendMessageExt function and setting the delivery mode to MQ\_NONPERSISTENT\_DELIVERY.

Reliable messaging guarantees the delivery of persistent messages to and from a destination. There are two aspects of assuring reliability in the case of *persistent* messages. One is to assure that their delivery to and from a message service is successful. The other is to assure that the message service does not lose these messages before delivering them to consumers.

### Acknowledgements and Transactions

You can ensure reliable messaging by using either of two general mechanisms supported by a Message Queue session: acknowledgements or transactions.

#### **Acknowledgements**

Both messages that are sent and messages that are received can be acknowledged.

In the case of message producers, if you want the broker to acknowledge its having received a non-persistent message (to its physical destination), you must set the broker's MQ\_ACK\_ON\_PRODUCE\_PROPERTY to MQ\_TRUE. If you do so, the sending function will return only after the broker has acknowledged receipt of the message. By default, the broker acknowledges receipt of persistent messages.

In the case of message consumers, you can specify one of several acknowledge modes for the consuming session when you create that session. Acknowledgements on the consuming side means that the client runtime acknowledges delivery and consumption of all messages from a physical destination before the message service deletes the message from that destination. For more information about a session's acknowledge modes, see "Acknowledge Modes" on page 80 and the description of the MQ\_ACK\_ON\_ACKNOWLEDGE\_PROPERTY in Table 4-2 on page 77.

#### **Transactions**

A session can also be configured as transacted, in which case work spanning a session's producers or consumers is combined into an atomic unit—a *transaction*. The Message Queue-C API provides functions for committing, or rolling back a transaction. (See "Transacted Sessions" on page 58 for more information.) The C runtime does not support distributed transactions, that is a transaction cannot include operations involving other resource managers, such as database systems.

As messages are produced or consumed within a transaction, the broker tracks the various sends and receives, completing these operations only when the client issues a call to commit the transaction. If a particular send or receive operation within the transaction fails, an exception is raised. The application can handle the

exception by ignoring it, retrying the operation, or rolling back the entire transaction. When a transaction is committed, all the successful operations are completed. When a transaction is rolled back, all successful operations are cancelled.

The scope of a transaction is always a single session. That is, one or more producer or consumer operations performed in the context of a single session can be grouped into a single local transaction.

Since transactions span only a single session, you cannot have an end-to-end transaction encompassing both the production and consumption of a message. (In other words, the delivery of a message to a destination and the subsequent delivery of the message to a client cannot be placed in a single transaction.)

### Persistent Storage

The other important aspect of reliability is assuring that once persistent messages are delivered to their destinations, the message service does not lose them before they are delivered to consumers. This means that upon delivery of a persistent message to its destination, the message service must place it in a persistent data store. If the message service goes down for any reason, it can recover the message and deliver it to the appropriate consumers. While this adds overhead to message delivery, it also adds reliability.

A message service must also store durable subscriptions. This is because to guarantee delivery in the case of topic destinations, it is not sufficient to recover only persistent messages. The message service must also recover information about durable subscriptions for a topic, otherwise it would not be able to deliver a message to durable consumers when they become active.

Messaging applications that are concerned about guaranteeing delivery of persistent messages must either employ queue destinations or employ durable subscriptions to topic destinations.

The way in which the message service handles persistent messages depends upon a session's delivery mode. For more information, see "Delivery Mode" on page 30.

#### Performance Trade-offs

The more reliable the delivery of messages, the more overhead and bandwidth are required to achieve it. The trade-off between reliability and performance is a significant design consideration. You can maximize *performance* and throughput by choosing to produce and consume non-persistent messages. On the other hand, you can maximize *reliability* by producing and consuming persistent messages

using a transacted session. Between these extremes are a number of options, depending on the needs of an application, including the use of Message Queue-specific persistence and acknowledgement properties (see "Managing Flow Control" on page 40.).

## Message Production and Consumption

The Message Queue C client runtime provides Message Queue C clients with an interface to the Message Queue message server—it supplies these clients with all the data types and functions introduced in "The JMS Programming Model" on page 24. It supports all operations needed for clients to send messages to destinations and to receive messages from such destinations.

This section provides a high level description of how the Message Queue C client runtime supports message production and consumption. Figure 1-3 on page 33 illustrates how message production and consumption involve an interaction between clients and the Message Queue C client runtime, while message delivery involves an interaction between the Message Queue C client runtime and Message Queue message servers.

Message Queue
C Client

Message Server

Message production

Message delivery consumption

Message Queue
C Client Runtime

Message Queue
Destinations

Figure 1-3 Messaging Operations

Once a client has created a connection to a broker, created a session as a single-threaded context for message delivery, and created a message producer or a message consumer to access particular destinations in a message server, production (sending) or consumption (receiving) of messages can proceed.

### Message Production

In message production, a message is created by the client, and sent over a connection to a destination on a broker. If the message delivery mode has been set to persistent (guaranteed delivery, once and only once), the client thread blocks until the broker acknowledges that the message was delivered to its destination and stored in the broker's persistent data store. If the message is not persistent, no broker acknowledgement is returned by the broker, and the client thread does not block.

In the case of persistent messages, to increase throughput on sends, you can set the connection to *not* require broker acknowledgement (see "Connection Properties" on page 76), but this eliminates the guarantee that persistent messages are reliably delivered.

### Message Consumption

Message consumption is more complex than production. Messages arriving at a destination on a broker are delivered over a connection to the Message Queue client runtime under the following conditions:

- The client has set up a consumer for the given destination.
- The selection criteria for the consumer, if any, match that of messages arriving at the given destination.
- The connection has been told to start delivery of messages.

Messages delivered over the connection are distributed to the appropriate Message Queue sessions where they are queued to be consumed by the appropriate message consumers, as shown in Figure 1-4.

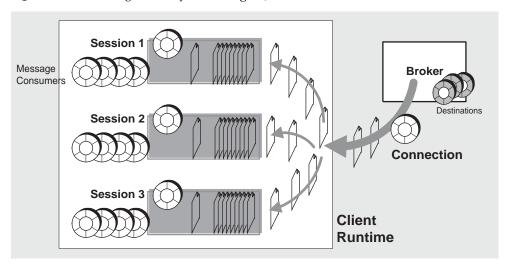


Figure 1-4 Message Delivery to Message Queue Client Runtime

Messages are fetched off each session queue one at a time (a session is single threaded). A message can consumed synchronously or asynchronously. A message is said to be *consumed* either when one of the MQReceiveMessage... functions returns (synchronously) or when the callback function associated with the asynchronous consumer returns.

When a broker delivers messages to the client runtime, it marks the messages accordingly, but does not really know if they have been consumed. Therefore, the broker waits for the client to acknowledge receipt of a message before deleting the message from the broker's destination. If a connection fails, and another connection is subsequently established, the broker will re-deliver all previously delivered but unconsumed messages, setting their message header MQ\_REDLIEVERED\_HEADER\_PROPERTY field.

There are three acknowledgment options that you can set for a client session:

- AUTO\_ACKNOWLEDGE: the session automatically acknowledges each message consumed by the client.
- CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE: the client explicitly acknowledges after one or more
  messages have been consumed. This option gives the client the most control.
  This acknowledgement takes place by calling the MQAcknowledgeMessages
  function, causing the session to acknowledge all messages that have been
  consumed by the session up to that point. (This could include messages
  consumed asynchronously by many different message listeners in the session,
  independent of the order in which they were consumed.)

 DUPS\_OK\_ACKNOWLEDGE: the session acknowledges after ten messages have been consumed (this value is not currently configurable) and doesn't guarantee that messages are delivered and consumed only once. Clients use this mode if they don't care if messages are processed more than once.

Each of the three acknowledgement options requires a different level of processing and bandwidth overhead. AUTO\_ACKNOWLEDGE consumes the most overhead and guarantees reliability on a message by message basis, while DUPS\_OK\_ACKNOWLEDGE consumes the least overhead, but allows for duplicate delivery of messages.

In the case of the AUTO\_ACKNOWLEDGE or CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE options, the threads performing the acknowledgement, or committing a transaction, will block, waiting for the broker to return an acknowledgement of the client acknowledgement. This broker acknowledgement guarantees that the broker has deleted the corresponding persistent message and will not send it twice—which could happen were the client or broker to fail, or the connection to fail, at the wrong time.

To increase throughput, you can configure the connection to *not* require broker acknowledgement of client acknowledgements, but this eliminates the guarantee that persistent messages are delivered once and only once.

#### NOTE

In the DUPS\_OK\_ACKNOWLEDGE mode, the session does not wait for broker acknowledgements. This option is used in Message Queue C clients for which duplicate messages are not a problem. Also, you can call the MQRecoverSession function to explicitly request redelivery of messages that have been received but not yet acknowledged by the client. When redelivering such messages, the broker will set the header field MQ\_REDLIEVERED\_HEADER\_PROPERTY.

### Synchronous and Asynchronous Consumption

There are two ways a Message Queue C client can consume messages: either synchronously or asynchronously.

In *synchronous consumption*, a client gets a message by calling one of the MQReceive... functions. The client thread blocks until the function returns. This means that if no message is available, the client blocks until a message does become available or until the receive function times out (if it was called with a time-out specified). In this model, a client thread can only consume messages one at a time.

In asynchronous consumption, a client creates a callback function of type MQMessageListenerFunc and passes a pointer to it as a parameter to one of the MQCreateAsync...MessageConsumer functions. A client consumes a message when the session invokes this function. In this model, the client thread does not block because the thread listening for and consuming the message belongs to the Message Queue client runtime.

#### Message Selection

JMS defines a mechanism by which a message service can perform message filtering and routing based on criteria placed in message selectors. A producing client can define application-specific properties for a message, and a consuming client can indicate its interest in messages using selection criteria based on such properties. This simplifies the work of the client and eliminates the overhead of delivering messages to clients that do not need them. However, it adds some additional overhead to the message service processing the selection criteria. Message selector syntax and semantics are outlined in the JMS specification.

Use the MQSetMessageProperties function to set properties that can be used in message filtering.

#### Message Order and Priority

In general, all messages sent to a destination by a single session are guaranteed to be delivered to a consumer in the order they were sent. However, if they are assigned different priorities, the messaging system will attempt to deliver higher priority messages first.

Beyond this, the ordering of messages consumed by a client can have only a rough relationship to the order in which they were produced. This is because the delivery of messages to a number of destinations and the delivery from those destinations can depend on a number of issues that affect timing, such as the order in which the messages are sent, the sessions from which they are sent, whether the messages are persistent, the lifetime of the messages, the priority of the messages, the message delivery policy of queue destinations (see the *Message Queue Administration Guide*), and message service availability.

## **Configuring Connections**

The Message Queue client runtime supports all the operations described in "Message Production and Consumption" on page 33. It also provides connection properties that you can set to specify a broker to connect to, configure a secure connection, optimize resources, performance, and message throughput.

Connection properties can be grouped into the following categories:

- Connection Handling
- Reliability
- Flow Control
- Security
- Version Information

Each of these categories is discussed in the following sections with a description of the properties that you can set to configure the behavior of the broker. All broker properties are described in detail in Table 4-2 on page 77.

### **Connection Handling**

Connections to a message server are specified by a broker host name and port number.

- Set MQ\_BROKER\_NAME\_PROPERTY to specify the broker name.
- Set MQ\_BROKER\_PORT\_PROPERTY to specify the broker port.
- Set the connection property MQ\_CONNECTION\_TYPE\_PROPERTY to specify the underlying transport protocol. Possible values are TCP or SSL.

Currently, the C-API does not support auto-reconnect or failover, which allows the client runtime to automatically reconnect to a broker if a connection fails.

### Reliability

Two connection properties enable the acknowledgement of messages sent to the broker and of messages received from the broker. These are described in "Message Production and Consumption" on page 33. In addition to setting these properties, you can also set MQ\_ACK\_TIMEOUT\_PROPERTY, which determines the maximum time that the client runtime will wait for any broker acknowledgement before throwing an exception.

### Flow Control

A number of connection properties determine the use and flow of Message Queue control messages by the client runtime. Messages sent and received by Message Queue clients and Message Queue control messages pass over the same client-broker connection. Because of this, delays may occur in the delivery of control messages, such as broker acknowledgements, if these are held up by the delivery of JMS messages. To prevent this type of congestion, Message Queue meters the flow of JMS messages across a connection.

- Set MQ\_CONNECTION\_FLOW\_COUNT\_PROPERTY to specify the number of Message
  Queue messages in a metered batch. When this number of messages is
  delivered to the client runtime, delivery is temporarily suspended, allowing
  any control messages that had been held up to be delivered. Message delivery
  is resumed upon notification by the client runtime, and continues until the
  count is again reached.
- MQ\_CONNECTION\_FLOW\_LIMIT\_PROPERTY specifies the maximum number of
  unconsumed messages that can be delivered to a client runtime. When the
  number of messages reaches this limit, delivery stops and resumes only when
  the number of unconsumed messages drops below the specified limit. This
  helps a consuming client that is taking a long time to process messages from
  being overwhelmed with pending messages that might cause it to run out of
  memory.
- MQ\_CONNECTION\_FLOW\_LIMIT\_ENABLED\_PROPERTY specifies whether the value MQ\_CONNECTION\_FLOW\_LIMIT\_PROPERTY is used to control message flow.

The C API does not currently support consumer-level flow control.

### Security

The C-API supports the SSL transport protocol, which supports SSL v2, SSL v3, and TLS standards. For more information on how to set up and create a secure connection, see "Working With Secure Connections" on page 56 for more information.

### Version Information

Properties that specify the version of the Message Queue product are set by the C client runtime and can be read using the MQGetMetaData function.

## Managing Flow Control

Because of the mechanisms by which messages are delivered to and from a broker, and because of the Message Queue control messages used to assure reliable delivery, there are a number of factors that affect reliability and performance. These factors include: delivery mode, acknowledgement mode, message flow metering, and message flow limits.

Although these factors are quite distinct, their interactions can complicate the task of balancing reliability with performance. Specifically, because client messages and Message Queue control messages flow across the same connection between the client and the broker, you need to understand how to balance the requirement for reliability with the need for throughput. This section describes how you can balance these requirements to manage flow control.

### **Delivery Mode**

The delivery mode specifies whether a message is to be delivered at most once (non-persistent) or once and only once (persistent). These different reliability requirements imply different degrees of overhead. Specifically, the management of persistent messages requires greater use of broker control messages flowing across a connection.

### Acknowledgement Mode

The setting of the acknowledgement mode impacts reliability and affects the number of client and broker acknowledgement messages passing over a connection:

- In the AUTO\_ACKNOWLEDGE mode, a client message-consumed acknowledgement and broker acknowledgement (a confirmation of the client message-consumed acknowledgement) are required for each consumed message, and the delivery thread blocks waiting for the broker acknowledgement.
  - In this mode, with a synchronous receiver, it is possible for a message to be partially processed, but lost, if the system fails before the message is consumed. For increased reliability, you can use the CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE mode or a transacted session to guarantee no message is lost if the system fails.
- In the CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE mode client message-consumed acknowledgements and broker acknowledgements are batched (rather than being sent one-by-one). This conserves connection bandwidth and generally reduces the overhead for broker acknowledgements, as compared to the AUTO ACKNOWLEDGE mode.
- In the DUPS\_OK\_ACKNOWLEDGE mode, throughput is improved even further, because client acknowledgements are batched and because the client thread does not block (broker acknowledgements are not requested). However, in this case, the same message can be delivered and consumed more than once.

### Message Flow Metering

The connection property MQ\_CONNECTION\_FLOW\_COUNT\_PROPERTY governs the batching of messages so that only a set number are delivered; when the batch has been delivered, delivery of JMS messages is suspended, and pending control messages are delivered. This cycle repeats, as other batches of JMS messages are delivered, followed by queued-up control messages.

You should keep the value of MQ\_CONNECTION\_FLOW\_COUNT\_PROPERTY low if the client is doing operations that require many responses from the broker; for example, the client is using the CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE or AUTO\_ACKNOWLEDGE modes, persistent messages, transactions, or if the client is adding or removing consumers. If, on the other hand, the client has only simple consumers on a connection using DUPS\_OK mode, you can increase the value of

MQ\_CONNECTION\_FLOW\_COUNT\_PROPERTY without compromising performance.

## Building and Running Message Queue C Clients

This chapter provides information about building Message Queue C client applications and making sure these programs have adequate run-time support. It also lists the sample Message Queue C Client programs that are included with the Message Queue installation, and explains how you should run them

For information on how to use the API, see Chapter 3, "Using the C API" on page 47. For complete reference information, please see Chapter 4, "Reference" on page 73.

## **Getting Ready**

Message Queue provides several sample Message Queue C-client applications that illustrate how to send and receive messages. These sample applications are installed in the ...demo\C directory. Before you run these applications, read through the next two sections to make sure that you understand the general procedure and requirements for building and running Message Queue C-Client programs.

## **Building Programs**

This section explains how you build Message Queue programs from C source files. You should already be familiar with writing and compiling C applications. The Message Queue C client includes the header files (mqcrt.h), the C client runtime shared library mqcrt, and its direct dependency libraries. When writing a Message Queue C client application, you should include the header files and link to the runtime library mqcrt. Note that the Message Queue C-API runtime library is a 32-bit library. For each platform, Table 2-1 lists the installed location of the header files and the supporting runtime library.

**Table 2-1** Locations of C-API Libraries and Header Files

Platform	Library	Header File
Solaris	/opt/SUNWimq/lib	/opt/SUNWimq/include
Linux	/opt/imq/lib	/opt/imq/include
Windows	IMQ_HOME\lib	IMQ_HOME\include

You should use the appropriate compiler for your platform, as described in the *Message Queue Installation Guide*.

When compiling a Message Queue C client application, you need to specify the preprocessor definition for supporting Message Queue fixed-size integer types. The preprocessor definition for each platform is shown in Table 2-2.

**Table 2-2** Preprocessor Definitions for Supporting Fixed-Size Integer Types

Platform	Definition	
Solaris	SOLARIS	
Linux	LINUX	
Windows	WIN32	

When building a Message Queue C client application, you should be aware that the Message Queue C runtime library is a multi-threaded library and requires C++ runtime library support:

- **On Solaris**, this support is provided by the Sun WorkShop 6 libCrun C++ runtime library.
- On LINUX, this support is provided by the gcc/g++ libstdc++ runtime library.

 On Windows, this support is provided by Microsoft Windows Visual C++ runtime library msvcrt.

### **Providing Runtime Support**

To run a Message Queue C-client application, you need to make sure that the application can find the mqcrt shared library. Please consult the documentation for your compiler to determine the best way to do this.

You also need to make sure that the appropriate C++ runtime support library, as described in "Building Programs" on page 43 is available.

On Windows you also need to make sure that your application can find the dependent libraries NSPR and NSS that are shipped with Message Queue. These may be different from the NSPR and NSS libraries that are installed on your system to support the Netscape browser and the Application Server. The magnet shared library depends directly on the NSPR and NSS versions installed with Message Queue. If a different version of the libraries are loaded at runtime, you may get a runtime error specifying that the libraries being used are incompatible.

## Working With the Sample C-Client Programs

This section describes the sample C-Client programs that are installed with Message Queue and explains how you should build them and run them.

### **Building the Sample Programs**

The following commands are meant to illustrate the process of building and linking the sample application Producer.c on the Solaris, Linux, and Windows platforms. The commands include the preprocessor definitions needed to support fixed-size integer types. For options used to support multithreading, please consult documentation for your compiler.

#### ➤ To Compile and Link on Solaris

```
CC -compat=5 -mt -DSOLARIS -I/opt/SUNWimq/include -o Producer \
    -L/opt/SUNWimq/lib -lmqcrt Producer.c
```

#### ➤ To Compile and Link on Linux

```
g++ -DLINUX -D REENTRANT -I/opt/imq/include -o Producer \
    -L/opt/imq/lib -lmqcrt Producer.c
```

#### ➤ To Compile on Windows

```
cl /c /MD -DWIN32 -I%IMQ HOME%\include Producer.c
```

#### ➤ To Link on Windows

```
link Producer.obj /NODEFAULTLIB msvcrt.lib \
    /LIBPATH:%IMO_HOME%\lib mqcrt.lib
```

### Running the Sample Programs

Sample C client program files are installed in the ...demo\C directory. These include the following:

- Producer.c and Consumer .c, which illustrate how you send a message and receive it synchronously.
- ProducerAsyncConsumer.c, which illustrates how you send a message and receive it asynchronously.
- RequestReply.c, which illustrates how you send and respond to a message that specifies a reply-to destination.

The sample programs expect you to specify a destination as a command-line argument. You can either create one or more physical destinations on the broker by using the administration utility imqcmd before running the sample programs, or you can use the broker's auto-creation feature by specifying any destination name on the command line used to start the program.

Before you run any sample programs, you should start the broker. You can display output describing the command-line options for each program by starting the program with the -help option.

The ...demo\C directory also includes a README file that explains how you should run these samples. For example, the following command, runs the program Producer. It specifies that the program should connect to the broker running on the host MyHost and port 8585, and that it should send a message to the destination My Topic:

```
C: Producer -h MyHost -p 8585 -d MyTopic
```

# Using the C API

This chapter describes how to use C functions to accomplish specific tasks and provides brief code samples to illustrate some of these tasks. (For clarity, the code examples shown in the following sections omit a function call status check.)

Following a brief discussion of overall design and a summary of client tasks, the topics covered include the following:

- "Message Queue C Client Setup Operations" on page 48
- "Working With Properties" on page 50
- "Working With Connections" on page 54
- "Working With Sessions and Destinations" on page 57
- "Working With Messages" on page 61
- "Error Handling" on page 68
- "Memory Management" on page 69
- "Thread Management" on page 70
- "Logging" on page 72

This chapter does not provide exhaustive information about each function. For detailed function information, please see the description of that function in Chapter 4, "Reference" on page 73.

For information on building Message Queue C programs, see Chapter 2, "Building and Running Message Queue C Clients" on page 43.

## Message Queue C Client Setup Operations

The general procedures for producing and consuming messages are introduced below. The procedures have a number of common steps which need not be duplicated if a client is both producing and consuming messages.

#### ➤ To Set Up a Message Queue C Client to Produce Messages

- 1. Call the MQCreateProperties function to get a handle to a properties object.
- 2. Use one or more of the MQSet... Property functions to set connection properties that specify the name of the broker, its port number, and its behavior.
- **3.** Use the MQCreateConnection function to create a connection.
- **4.** Use the MQCreateSession function to create a session and to specify its acknowledge mode and its receive mode. If the session will be used only for producing messages, use the receive mode MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE to avoid creating a thread for asynchronous message delivery.
- **5.** Use the MQCreateDestination function to specify a physical destination on the broker. The destination name you specify must be the same as the name of the physical destination.
- **6.** Use the MQCreateMessageProducer function or the MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination function to create a message producer. (If you plan to send a lot of messages to the same destination, you should use the MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination function.)
- 7. Use the MQCreateBytesMessage function or the MQCreateTextMessage function to get a newly created message handle.
- **8.** Call the MQCreateProperties function to get a handle to a properties object that will describe the message header properties. This is only required if you want to set a message header property.
- **9.** Use one or more of the MQSet... Property functions to set properties that specify the value of the message header properties you want to set.
- **10.** Use the MQSetMessageHeaders function, passing a handle to the properties object you created in Step 8 and Step 9.
- **11.** Repeat Step 8 if you want to define custom message properties, and then use the MQSetMessageProperties function to set these properties for your message.

- 12. Use the MQSetMessageReplyTo function if you want to specify a destination where replies to the message are to be sent.
- **13.** Use one of the MQSendMessage... functions to send the message.

#### ➤ To Set Up a Message Queue C Client to Consume Messages Synchronously

- Call the MQCreateProperties function to get a handle to a properties object.
- Use one or more of the MQSet... Property functions to set connection properties that specify the name of the broker, its port number, and its behavior.
- **3.** Use the MQCreateConnection function to create a connection.
- **4.** Use the MQCreateSession function to create a session and to specify its receive mode. Specify MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE for a synchronous session.
- 5. Use the MQCreateDestination function to specify a destination on the broker from which the consumer is to receive messages. The destination name you specify must be the same as the name of the physical destination.
- **6.** Use the MQCreateMessageConsumer function or the MQCreateDurableMessageConsumer function to create a consumer.
- **7.** Use the MQStartConnection function to start the connection.
- **8.** Use one of the MQReceiveMessage... functions to start message delivery.

#### To Set Up a Message Queue C Client to Consume Messages Asynchronously

- Call the MQCreateProperties function to get a handle to a properties object.
- Use one or more of the MQSet... Property functions to set connection properties that specify the name of the broker, its port number, and its behavior.
- Use the MQCreateConnection function to create a connection.
- **4.** Use the MQCreateSession function to create a session and to specify its acknowledge mode and its receive mode. Specify MQ\_SESSION\_ASYNC\_RECEIVE for asynchronous message delivery.
- 5. Use the MQCreateDestination function to specify a destination on the broker from which the consumer is to receive messages. The logical destination name you specify must be the same as the name of the physical destination.

- **6.** Write a callback function of type MQMessageListenerFunc that will be called when the broker starts message delivery. In the body of this callback function, use the functions listed in Table 3-9 on page 67, to process the contents of the incoming message.
- 7. Use the MQCreateAsyncMessageConsumer function or the MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer function to create a consumer.
- **8.** Use the MQStartConnection function to start the connection and message delivery.

## Working With Properties

When you create a connection, set message header properties, or set user-defined message properties, you must pass a handle to a properties object. You use the MQCreateProperties function to create this object and to obtain a handle to it. When you receive a message, you can use specific MQGet...Property functions to obtain the type and value of each message property.

This section describes the functions you use to set and get properties. A *property* is defined as a key-value pair.

### Setting Connection and Message Properties

You use the functions listed in Table 3-1 to create a handle to a properties object, and to set properties. You can use these functions to create and define properties for connections or for individual messages.

**Table 3-1** Functions Used to Set Properties

Function	Description
MQCreateProperties	Creates a properties object and passes back a handle to it.
MQSetBoolProperty	Sets an MQBool property.
MQSetStringProperty	Sets an MQString property.
MQSetInt8Property	Sets an MQInt8 property.
MQSetInt16Property	Sets an MQInt16 property.
MQSetInt32Property	Sets an MQInt32 property.
MQSetInt64Property	Sets an MQInt64 property.

Table 3-1 Functions Used to Set Properties (Continued)

Function	Description
MQSetFloat32Property	Sets an MQFloat32 property.
MQSetFloat64Property	Sets an MQFloat64 property.

#### ➤ To Set Properties for a Connection

- 1. Call the MQCreateProperties function to get a handle to a newly created properties object.
- 2. Call one of the MQSet...Property functions to set one of the connection properties listed in Table 4-2 on page 77. At a minimum, you must specify the name of the host of the broker to which you want to connect and its port number.
  - Which function you call depends on the type of the property you want to set; for example, to set an MQString property, you call the MQSetStringProperty function; to set an MQBool property, you call the MQSetBoolProperty function; and so on. Each function that sets a property requires that you pass a key name and value; these are listed and described in Table 4-2.
- When you have set all the properties you want to define for the connection, you can then create the connection, by calling the MQCreateConnection function.

Once the connection is created with the properties you specify, you cannot change its properties. If you need to change connection properties after you have created a connection, you will need to destroy the old connection and its associated objects and create a new one with the desired properties. It is a good idea to think through the desired behavior before you create a connection.

Code Example 3-1 illustrates how you create a properties handle and how you use it for setting connection properties.

#### Code Example 3-1 Setting Connection Properties

```
MQStatus status;
MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle = MQ_INVALID_HANDLE;
status = (MQCreateProperties(&propertiesHandle);
status = (MQSetStringProperty(propertiesHandle,
           MQ_BROKER_HOST_PROPERTY, "localhost"));
```

#### **Code Example 3-1** Setting Connection Properties (Continued)

The Message Queue C client runtime sets the connection properties that specify the name and version of the Message Queue product; you can retrieve these using the MQGetMetaData function. These properties are described at the end of Table 4-2, starting with MQ\_NAME\_PROPERTY.

#### ➤ To Set Message Properties

Set message properties and message header properties using the same procedure you used to set connection properties. You can set the following message header properties for sending a message:

- MQ\_CORRELATION\_ID\_HEADER\_PROPERTY
- MQ\_MESSAGE\_TYPE\_HEADER\_PROPERTY

For more information, see MOSetMessageProperties.

### **Getting Message Properties**

When you receive a message, if you are interested in the message properties, you need to obtain a handle to the properties object associated with that message:

- Use the MQGetMessageProperties function to obtain a handle to the properties object for user-defined properties.
- If you are interested in any message header properties, use the MQGetMessageHeaderProperties function to obtain a handle to the header properties. See Table 4-5 on page 134.

Having obtained the handle, you can then iterate through the properties and then use the appropriate MQGet...Property function to determine the type and value of each property.

Table 3-2 lists the functions you use to iterate through a properties handle and to obtain the type and value of each property.

Table 3-2 Functions Used to Get Message Properties

Function	Description
MQPropertiesKeyIterationStart	Starts the iteration process through the specified properties handle
MQPropertiesKeyIterationHasNext	Returns $\texttt{MQ\_TRUE}$ if there are additional property keys left in the iteration.
MQPropertiesKeyIterationGetNext	Passes back the address of the next property key in the referenced property handle.
MQGetPropertyType	Gets the type of the specified property.
MQGetBoolProperty	Gets the value of the specified MQBool type property.
MQGetStringProperty	Gets the value of the specified ${\tt MQString}$ type property.
MQGetInt8Property	Gets the value of the specified MQInt8 type property.
MQGetInt16Property	Gets the value of the specified MQInt16 type property.
MQGetInt32Property	Gets the value of the specified MQInt32 type property.
MQGetInt64Property	Gets the value of the specified MQInt64 type property.
MQGetFloat32Property	Gets the value of the specified ${\tt MQFloat32}$ type property.
MQGetFloat64Property	Gets the value of the specified ${\tt MQFloat64}$ type property.

#### ➤ To Iterate Through a Properties Handle

- Start the process by calling the MQPropertiesKeyIterationStart function.
- Loop using the MQPropertiesKeyIterationHasNext function.
- **3.** Extract the name of each property key by calling the MQPropertiesKeyIterationGetNext function.
- **4.** Determine the type of the property value for a given key by calling the MQGetPropertyType function.
- **5.** Use the appropriate MQGet...Property function to find the value of the specified property key and type.

If you know the property key, you can just use the appropriate MQGet...Property function to get its value. Code Example 3-2 illustrates how you implement these steps.

#### **Code Example 3-2** Getting Property Values for a Message Header

## Working With Connections

All messaging occurs within the context of a connection: the behavior of the connection is defined by the properties set for that connection. These properties specify the following information:

- The host name and port of the broker to which you want to connect
- The transport protocol of the connection service used by the client
- How broker and client acknowledgements are handled to support messaging reliability
- How message flow is to be managed
- Whether the broker can handle secure messaging

You use the functions listed in Table 3-3 to create, start, stop, and close a connection.

**Table 3-3** Functions Used to Work with Connections

Function	Description
MQInitializeSSL	Initializes the SSL library. You must call this function before you create any connection that uses SSL.
MQCreateConnection	Creates a connection and passes back a handle to it.

Table 3-3 Functions Used to Work with Connections (Continued)

Function	Description
MQStartConnection	Starts the specified connection and starts or resumes delivery of messages.
MQStopConnection	Stops the specified connection.
MQGetMetaData	Returns a handle to name and version information for the Message Queue product.
MQCloseConnection	Closes the specified connection.

Before you create a connection, you must do the following:

- Define the connection properties. See "Setting Connection and Message Properties" on page 50 for more information.
- Specify a user name and password for the connection. See the Message Queue Administration Guide for information on how to set up users.
- Write a connection exception listener function. You will need to pass a reference to this listener when you create the connection. This function will be called synchronously when a connection exception occurs for this connection. For more information, see "Callback Type for Connection Exception" Handling" on page 82.
- If you want a secure connection, call the MQIntitializeSSL function to initialize security. This initializes the SSL library. See "Working With Secure Connections" on page 56 for more information.

When you have completed these steps, you are ready to call MQCreateConnection to create a connection. After you create the connection, you can create a session as described in "Working With Sessions and Destinations" on page 57.

When you send a message, you do not need to start the connection explicitly by calling MQStartConnection. You do need to call MQStartConnection before the broker can deliver messages to a consumer.

If you need to halt delivery in the course of processing messages, you can call the MQStopConnection function.

### Working With Secure Connections

To set up a secure connection, you need to call the MQInitializeSS1 function once (and only once) before you call the MQCreateConnection function, and you must set the MQ\_CONNECTION\_TYPE\_PROPERTY to SSL. Depending on the operating system, you might also need to locate or create NSS certificate database files.

The MQInitializeSS1 function initializes the NSS library. The certificateDatabasePath parameter you pass to the MQInitializeSSL function should point to a directory that contains the NSS files certN.db, keyN.db, and secmod.db (where N is a numeric digit). These certificate database files are opened read-only by the MQInitializeSSL function. You can generate the NSS certificate database files by using the Netscape or Mozilla browser. You can find the NSS certificate database files in the directory where the Netscape or Mozilla browser stores user settings, preferences, and bookmarks. For Mozilla, these files might not be created automatically. In that case, you can have them created by doing the following:

- **1.** Start the Mozilla browser.
- **2.** Choose Edit > Preferences > Privacy & Security > Certificates
- **3.** Click the Manager Certificates... button.

Solaris 8 or 9 comes with the Netscape browser, as does RedHat Linux. For Windows, you can download the Mozilla browser from the following location:

http://www.mozilla.org/

After you call the MQInitializeSSL function, you can call MQCreateConnection to create an SSL connection to the Message Queue broker by setting the connection property MQ\_CONNECTION\_TYPE\_PROPERTY to SSL. Setting the connection property MQ\_SSL\_BROKER\_IS\_TRUSTED to MQ\_TRUE (the default is MQ\_FALSE) is not tested or supported in this release. Before running your Message Queue C client application over SSL, you should configure the Message Queue broker to enable SSL-based connection services. See the Message Queue Administration Guide for instructions on configuring the broker.

### **Shutting Down Connections**

In order to do an orderly shutdown, you need to close the connection by calling MQCloseConnection and then to free the memory associated with the connection by calling the MQFreeConnection function.

- Closing the connection closes all sessions, producers, and consumers created from this connection. This also forces all threads associated with this connection that are blocking in the library to return.
- After all the application threads associated with this connection and its descendant sessions, producers, consumers, etc. have returned, the application can call the MOFreeConnection function to release all resources associated with the connection.

To get information about a connection, call the MQGetMetaData function. This returns name and version information for the Message Queue product.

## Working With Sessions and Destinations

A session is a single-threaded context for producing and consuming messages. You can create multiple producers and consumers for a session, but you are restricted to using them serially. In effect, only a single logical thread of control can use them.

Table 3-4 describes the functions you use to create and manage sessions.

Table 3-4 Functions Used to Work with Sessions

Function	Description
MQCreateSession	Creates the specified session and passes back a handle to it.
MQGetAcknowledgeMode	Passes back the acknowledgement mode of the specified session.
MQRecoverSession	Stops message delivery and restarts message delivery with the oldest unacknowledged message. (For non-transacted sessions.)
MQRollBackSession	Rolls back a transaction associated with the specified session.
MQCommitSession	Commits a transaction associated with the specified session.
MQCloseSession	Closes the specified session.

### Creating a Session

The MQCreateSession function creates a new session and initializes a handle to it in the sessionHandle parameter. The number of sessions you can create for a single connection is limited only by system resources. You can create a session after you have created a connection.

When you create a session, you specify whether it is transacted, the acknowledge mode, and the receive mode. After you create a session, you can create the producers, consumers, and destinations that use the session context to do their work.

#### Transacted Sessions

If you specify that a session be transacted, the acknowledge mode is ignored. Within a transacted session, the broker tracks sends and receives, completing these operations only when the client issues a call to commit the transaction. If a send or receive operation fails, an exception is raised. Your application can handle the exception by ignoring it, retrying it, or rolling back the entire transaction. When a transaction is committed, all the successful operations are completed. When a transaction is rolled back, all successful operations are cancelled.

#### Message Acknowledgement

When a message is delivered to a receiving client, the broker waits for the client to acknowledge receipt of a message before deleting the message from the broker's destination.

The receiving client can control messaging reliability by setting the session's acknowledge mode to one of the following values:

- MQ\_AUTO\_ACKNOWLEDGE specifies that the session automatically acknowledge each message consumed by the client.
- MQ\_CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE specifies that the client must explicitly acknowledge
  messages by calling MQAcknowledgeMessages. In this case, all messages are
  acknowledged that have been consumed up to the point where the
  acknowledge function is called.
- MQ\_DUPS\_OK\_ACKNOWLEDGE specifies that the session acknowledges receipt of messages after each ten messages are consumed.

The setting of the connection property MQ\_ACK\_ON\_ACKNOWLEDGE\_PROPERTY also determines the effect of some of these acknowledge modes. For more information, see Table 4-2 on page 77.

#### Receive Mode

You can specify a session's receive mode as either MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE or MO\_SESSION\_ASYNC\_RECEIVE. If the session you create will be used for sending messages only, you should specify MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE for its receive mode for optimization because the asynchronous receive mode automatically allocates an additional thread for the delivery of messages it expects to receive.

### Managing a Session

Managing a session involves using threads appropriately for the type of session (synchronous or asynchronous) and managing message delivery for both transacted and nontransacted sessions. For more information, see "Single-Threaded Session Control" on page 71.

- For a session that is not transacted, use the MQRecoverSession function to restart message delivery with the last unacknowledged message.
- For a session that is transacted, use the MQRollBackSession function to roll back any messages that were delivered within this transaction. Use the MQCommitSession function to commit all messages associated with this transaction.
- Use the MQCloseSession function to close a session and all its associated producers and consumers. This function also frees memory allocated for the session.

You can get information about a session's acknowledgment mode by calling the MQGetAcknowledgeMode function.

### **Creating Destinations**

After creating a session, you can create destinations or temporary destinations for the messages you want to send. Table 3-5 lists the functions you use to create and to get information about destinations.

Table 3-5 Functions Used to Work with Destinations

Functions	Description
MQCreateDestination	Creates a destination and initializes a handle to it.
MQCreateTemporaryDestination	Creates a temporary destination and initializes a handle to it.

**Table 3-5** Functions Used to Work with Destinations (*Continued*)

 Returns the type (queue or topic) of the specified destination.

The MQCreateDestination function creates a destination object and passes a handle to it back to you. In a production environment, the Message Queue administrator has to also create a *physical destination* on the broker, whose name and type is the same as that of the destination object, in order for messaging to happen. For example, if you use the MQCreateDestination function to create a queue destination called myMailQDest, the administrator has to create a physical destination on the broker named myMailQDest.

By default, the imq.autocreate.topic and imq.autocreate.queue properties for the broker are turned on. In this case, which is more convenient in a development environment, the broker automatically creates a physical destination whenever a message consumer or message producer attempts to access a non-existent destination. The auto-created physical destination will have the same name as that of the destination you created using the MQCreateDestination function.

You use the MQCreateTemporaryDestination to create a temporary destination. You can use such a destination to implement a simple request/reply mechanism. When you pass the handle of a temporary destination to the MQSetMessageReplyTo function, the consumer of the message can use that handle as the destination to which it sends a reply.

Temporary destinations are explicitly created by client applications and are automatically deleted when the connection is closed. They are maintained (and named) by the broker only for the duration of the connection for which they are created. Temporary destinations are system-generated uniquely for their connection and only their own connection is allowed to create message consumers for them.

Use the MQGetDestinationType function to determine the type of a destination: queue or topic. There may be times when you do not know the type of the destination to which you are replying: for example, when you get a handle from the MQGetMessageReplyTo function. Because the semantics of queue and topic destinations differ, you need to determine the type of a destination in order to reply appropriately.

## Working With Messages

This section describes how you use the C-API to complete the following tasks:

- Compose a message
- Send a message
- Receive a message
- Process a message

### Composing Messages

You can create either a text message or a bytes message. A message, whether text or bytes, is composed of a header, properties, and a body. Table 3-6 lists the functions you use to construct messages.

Table 3-6 Functions Used to Construct Messages

Function	Description
MQCreateBytesMessage	Creates an MQ_BYTES_MESSAGE message.
MQCreateTextMessage	Creates an MQ_TEXT_MESSAGE message.
MQSetMessageHeaders	Sets message header properties. (Optional)
MQSetMessageProperties	Sets user-defined message properties.
MQSetStringProperty	Sets the body of an MQ_TEXT_MESSAGE message.
MQSetBytesMessageBytes	Sets the body of an MQ_BYTES_MESSAGE message.
MQSetMessageReplyTo	Specifies the destination where replies to this message should be sent.

You begin by creating a message using either the MQCreateBytesMessage function or the MQCreateTextMessage function. Either of these functions return a message handle that you can then pass to the functions you use to set the message body, header, and properties using the functions listed in Table 3-6.

Use the MQSetStringProperty function to define the body of a text message; use the MQSetBytesMessageBytes function to define the body of a bytes message.

- Use the MQSetMessageHeaders to set any message header properties.
  - The message header can specify up to eight properties; most of these are set by the client runtime when sending the message or by the broker. The client can set MQ\_CORRELATION\_ID\_HEADER\_PROPERTY and MQ\_MESSAGE\_TYPE\_HEADER\_PROPERTY for sending a message.
- Use the MQSetMessageProperties function to set any user-defined properties for this message.

When you set message header properties or when you set additional user-defined properties, you must pass a handle to a properties object that you have created using the MQCreateProperties function. For more information, see "Working With Properties" on page 50.

You can use the MQSetMessageReplyTo function to associate a message with a destination that recipients can use for replies. To do this, you must first create a destination that will serve as your reply-to destination. Then, pass a handle to that destination when you call the MQSetMessageReplyTo function. The receiver of a message can use the MQGetMessageReplyTo function to determine whether a sender has set up a destination where replies are to be sent.

### Sending a Message

Messages are sent by a message producer within the context of a connection and a session. Once you have obtained a connection, created a session, and composed your message, you can use the functions listed in Table 3-7 to create a message producer and to send the message.

Which function you choose to send a message depends on the following factors:

- Whether you want the send function to override certain message header properties
  - Send functions whose names end in Ext allow you to override default values for priority, time-to-live, and delivery mode header properties.
- Whether you want to send the message to the destination associated with the message producer
  - If you created a message producer with no specified destination, you must used one of the ...ToDestination send functions. If you created a message producer with a specified destination, you must use one of the other send functions

Table 3-7 Functions for Sending Messages

Function	Action
MQCreateMessageProducer	Creates a message producer with no specified destination.
${\tt MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination}$	Creates a message producer with a specified destination.
MQSendMessage	Sends a message for the specified producer.
MQSendMessageExt	Sends a message for the specified producer and allows you to set priority, time-to-live, and delivery mode.
MQSendMessageToDestination	Sends a message to the specified destination.
MQSendMessageToDestinationExt	Sends a message to the specified destination and allows you to set priority, time-to-live, and delivery mode.

If you send a message using one of the functions that does not allow you to override header properties, the following message header fields are set to default values by the send function.

- MQ\_PERSISTENT\_HEADER\_PROPERTY will be set to MQ\_PERSISTENT\_DELIVERY.
- MQ\_PRIORITY\_HEADER\_PROPERTY will be set to 4.
- MO EXPIRATION HEADER PROPERTY will be set to 0, which means that the message will never expire.

To override these values, use one of the extended send functions. For a complete list of message header properties, see Table 4-5 on page 134.

Message headers also contain fields that can be set by the sending client; in addition, you can set user-defined message properties as well. For more information, see "Composing Messages" on page 61.

You can set the broker property MQ\_ACK\_ON\_PRODUCE\_PROPERTY to make sure that the message has reached its destination on the broker:

- By default, the broker acknowledges receiving persistent messages only.
- If you set the property to MQ\_TRUE, the broker acknowledges receipt of all messages (persistent and non-persistent) from the producing client.
- If you set the property to MQ\_FALSE, the broker does not acknowledge receipt of any message (persistent or non-persistent) from the producing client.

Note that "acknowledgement" in this case is not programmatic but internally implemented. That is, the client thread is blocked and does not return until the broker acknowledges messages it receives.

An administrator can set a broker limit, REJECT\_NEWEST, which allows the broker to avert memory problems by rejecting the newest incoming message. If the incoming message is persistent, then an exception is thrown which the sending client should handle, perhaps by retrying the send a bit later. If the incoming message is not persistent, the client has no way of knowing that the broker rejected it. The broker might also reject a message if it exceeds a specified limit.

### Receiving Messages

Messages are received by a message consumer in the context of a connection and a session. In order to receive messages, you must explicitly start the connection by calling the MQStartConnection function.

Table 3-8 lists the functions you use to create message consumers and to receive messages.

**Table 3-8** Functions Used to Receive Messages

Function	Description
MQCreateMessageConsumer	Creates the specified synchronous consumer and passes back a handle to it.
MQCreateDurableMessageConsumer	Creates a durable synchronous message consumer for the specified destination.
MQCreateAsyncMessageConsumer	Creates an asynchronous message consumer for the specified destination.
${\tt MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer}$	Creates a durable asynchronous message consumer for the specified destination.
MQUnsubscribeDurableMessageConsumer	Unsubscribes the specified durable message consumer.
MQReceiveMessageNoWait	Passes a handle back to a message delivered to the specified consumer if a message is available; otherwise it returns an error.
MQReceiveMessageWait	Passes a handle back to a message delivered to the specified consumer if a message is available; otherwise it blocks until a message becomes available.
MQReceiveMessageWithTimeout	Passes a handle back to a message delivered to the specified consumer if a message is available within the specified amount of time.

Table 3-8 Functions Used to Receive Messages (Continued)

Function	Description
MQAcknowledgeMessages	Acknowledges the specified message and all messages received before it on the same session
MQCloseMessageConsumer	Closes the specified consumer.

#### Working With Consumers

When you create a consumer, you need to make several decisions:

Do you want to receive messages synchronously or asynchronously?

If you create a synchronous consumer, you can call one of three kinds of receive functions to receive your messages. If you create an asynchronous consumer, you must specify the name of a callback function that the client runtime can call when a message is delivered to the destination for that consumer. For information about the callback function signature, see "Callback Type for Asynchronous Messaging" on page 81.

If you are consuming messages from a topic, do you want to use a durable or a nondurable consumer?

A durable consumer receives all the messages published to a topic, including the ones published while the subscriber is inactive. A nondurable consumer only receives messages while the subscriber is active.

The broker retains a record of this durable subscription and makes sure that all messages from the publishers to this topic are retained until they are either acknowledged by this durable subscriber or until they have expired. Sessions with durable subscribers must always provide the same client identifier. In addition, each consumer must specify a durable name using the durableName parameter, which uniquely identifies (for each client identifier) each durable subscription it creates.

A session's consumers are automatically closed when you close the session or connection to which they belong. However, messages will be routed to the durable subscriber while it is inactive and delivered when a new durable consumer is recreated. To close a consumer without closing the session or connection to which it belongs, use the MQCloseMessageConsumer function. If you want to close a durable consumer permanently, you should call the function MQUnsubscribeDurableMessageConsumer after closing it, to delete state information maintained by the broker on behalf of the durable consumer.

#### Receiving a Message Synchronously

If you have created a synchronous consumer, you can use one of three receive functions: MQReceiveMessageNoWait, MQReceiveMessageWait, or MQReceiveMessagewithTimeOut. In order to use any of these functions, you must have specified MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE for the receive mode when you created the session.

When you create a session you must specify one of several acknowledge modes for that session. If you specify MQ\_CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE as the acknowledge mode for the session, you must explicitly call the MQAcknowledgeMessages function to acknowledge messages that you have received. If the session is transacted, the acknowledge mode parameter is ignored.

When the receiving function returns, it gives you a handle to the delivered message. You can pass that handle to the functions described in "Processing a Message" on page 67, in order to read message properties and information stored in the header and body of the message.

#### Receiving a Message Asynchronously

To receive a message asynchronously, you must create an asynchronous message consumer and pass the name of an MQMessageListenerFunc type callback function. (Therefore, you must set up the callback function before you create the asynchronous consumer that will use it.) You should start the connection only after creating an asynchronous consumer. If the connection is already started, you should stop the connection before creating an asynchronous consumer.

You are also responsible for writing the message listener function. Mainly, the function needs to process the incoming message by examining its header, body, and properties, or it needs to pass control to a function that can do this processing. The client is also responsible for freeing the message handle (either from within the listener or from outside of the listener) by calling the MQFreeMessage function.

When you create a session you must specify one of several acknowledge modes for that session. If you specify MQ\_CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE as the acknowledge mode for the session, you must explicitly call the MQAcknowledgeMessages function to acknowledge messages that you have received.

For more information about the signature and content of a call back function, see "Callback Type for Asynchronous Messaging" on page 81.

When the callback function is called by the session delivery of a message, it gives you a handle to the delivered message. You can pass that handle to the functions described in "Processing a Message" on page 67, in order to read message properties and information stored in the header and body of the message.

### Processing a Message

When a message is delivered to you, you can examine the message's properties, type, headers, and body. The functions used to process a message are described in Table 3-9.

Table 3-9 Functions Used to Process Messages

Function	Description	
MQGetMessageHeaders	Gets message header properties.	
MQGetMessageProperties	Gets user-defined message properties.	
MQGetMessageType	Gets the message type: MQ_TEXT_MESSAGE or MQ_BYTES_MESSAGE	
MQGetTextMessageText	Gets the body of an MQ_TEXT_MESSAGE message.	
MQGetBytesMessageBytes	Gets the body of an MQ_BYTES_MESSAGE message.	
MQGetMessageReplyTo	Gets the destination where replies to this message should be sent.	

If you are interested in a message's header information, you need to call the MQGetMessageHeaders function. If you need to read or check any user-defined properties, you need to call the MQGetMessageProperties function. Each of these functions passes back a properties handle. For information on how you can read property values, see "Getting Message Properties" on page 52.

Before you can examine the message body, you can call the MQGetMessageType function to determine whether the message is a text or bytes message. You can then call the MQGetTextMessageText, or the MQGetBytesMessageBytes function to get the contents of the message.

Some message senders specify a reply destination for their message. Use the MQGetMessageReplyTo function to determine that destination.

## **Error Handling**

Nearly all Message Queue C functions return an MQStatus result. You can use this return value to determine whether the function returned successfully and, if not, to determine the cause of the error.

Table 3-10 lists the functions you use to get error information.

**Table 3-10** Functions Used in Handling Errors

Function	Description	
MQStatusIsError	Returns an MQ_TRUE if the specified MQStatus is an error.	
MQGetStatusCode	Returns the error code for the specified MQStatus.	
MQGetStatusString	Returns a descriptive string for the specified MQStatus.	
MQGetErrorTrace	Returns the calling thread's current error trace or $\mathtt{NULL}$ if no error trace is available.	

#### ➤ To Handle Errors in Your Code

- 1. Call MQStatusIsError, passing it an MQStatus result for the function whose result you want to test.
- 2. If the MQStatusIsError function returns MQ\_TRUE, call MQGetStatusCode or MQGetStatusString to identify the error.
- 3. If the status code and string information is not sufficient to identify the cause of the error, you can get additional diagnostic information by calling MQGetErrorTrace to obtain the calling thread's current error trace if this information is available.

Chapter 4, "Reference" on page 73, lists common errors returned for each function. In addition to these errors, the following error codes may be returned by any Message Queue C function:

- MQ\_STATUS\_INVALID\_HANDLE
- MQ OUT OF MEMORY
- MQ\_NULL\_PTR\_ARG

In addition, the MQ\_TIMEOUT\_EXPIRED can return from any Message Queue C function that communicates with the Message Queue broker if the connection MQ\_ACK\_TIMEOUT\_PROPERTY is set to a non-zero value.

## **Memory Management**

Table 3-11 lists the functions you use to free or deallocate memory allocated by the Message Queue-C client library on behalf of the user. Such deallocation is part of normal memory management and will prevent memory leaks.

The functions MQCloseConnection, MQCloseSession, MQCloseMessageProducer, and MQCloseMessageConsumer are used to free resources associated with connections, sessions, producers, and consumers.

**Table 3-11** Functions Used to Free Memory

Function	Description	
MQFreeConnection	Frees memory allocated to the specified connection.	
MQFreeDestination	Frees memory allocated to the specified destination.	
MQFreeMessage	Frees memory allocated to the specified message.	
MQFreeProperties	Frees memory allocated to the specified properties handle.	
MQFreeString	Frees memory allocated to the specified MQString.	

You should free a connection only after you have closed the connection with the MQCloseConnection function and after all of the application threads associated with this connection and its dependent sessions, producers, and consumers have returned.

You should not free a connection while an application thread is active in a library function associated with this connection or one of its dependent sessions, producers, consumers, and destinations.

Freeing a connection does not release resources held by a message associated with this connection. You must free memory allocated for this message by explicitly calling the MQFreeMessage function.

You should not free a properties handle if the properties handle passed to a function becomes invalid on its return. If you do, you will get an error.

## Thread Management

This section addresses a number of thread management issues that you should be aware of in designing and programming a Message Queue C client.

### Message Queue C Runtime Thread Model

The Message Queue C-API library creates the thread(s) needed to provide runtime support for a Message Queue C client. It uses NSPR (Netscape Portable Runtime) GLOBAL threads. NSPR GLOBAL threads are fully compatible with native threads on each supported platform. Table 3-12 shows the thread model that the NSPR GLOBAL threads map to on each platform. For more information on NSPR, please see

http://www.mozilla.org/projects/nspr/

**Table 3-12** Thread Model for NSPR GLOBAL Threads

Platform	Thread Model
Solaris	pthreads
Linux	pthreads
Windows	Win32 threads (from Microsoft Visual C++ runtime library msvcrt)

### Concurrent Use of Handles

Table 3-13 lists the handles (objects) used in a C client program and specifies which of these may be used concurrently and which can only be used by one logical thread at a time.

 Table 3-13
 Handles and Concurrency

Handle	Supports Concurrent Use	
MQDestinationHandle	YES	
MQConnectionHandle	YES	
MQSessionHandle	NO	
MQProducerHandle	NO	
MQConsumerHandle	NO	

**Table 3-13** Handles and Concurrency (Continued)

Handle	Supports Concurrent Use
MQMessageHandle	NO
MQPropertiesHandle	NO

### Single-Threaded Session Control

A session is a single-threaded context for producing and consuming messages. Multiple threads should not use the same session concurrently nor use the objects it creates concurrently. The only exception to this occurs during the orderly shutdown of the session or its connection when the client calls the MQCloseSession or the MQCloseConnection function.

- If a client wants to have one thread producing messages and other threads consuming messages, the client should use a separate session for its producing thread.
- Do not create an asynchronous message consumer while the connection is in started mode.
- A session created with MO\_SESION\_ASYNC\_RECEIVE mode uses a single thread to run all its consumers' MQMessageListenerFunc callback functions. Clients that want concurrent delivery should use multiple sessions.
- Do not call the MOStopConnection, MOCloseSession, or the MOCloseConnection functions from a MQMessageListenerFunc callback function. (These calls will not return until delivery of messages has stopped.)
- You should call the MQFreeConnection function after MQCloseConnection and all of the application threads associated with a connection and its sessions, producers, consumers, etc., have returned.

The Message Queue C runtime library provides one thread to a session in MQ\_SESSION\_ASYNC\_RECEIVE mode for asynchronous message delivery to its consumers. When the connection is started, all its sessions that have created asynchronous consumers are dedicated to the thread of control that delivers messages. Client code should not use such a session from another thread of control. The only exception to this is the use of MQCloseSession and MQCloseConnection.

### **Connection Exceptions**

When a connection exception occurs, the Message Queue C library thread that is provided to the connection calls its MQConnectionExceptionListenerFunc callback if one exists. If an MQConnectionExceptionListenerFunc callback is used for multiple connections, it can potentially be called concurrently from different connection threads.

You should not call the MQCloseConnection function in an MQConnectionExceptionListenerFunc callback. Instead the callback function should notify another thread to call MQCloseConnection and return.

## Logging

The Message Queue C-API library uses two environment variables to control execution-time logging:

- MQ\_LOG\_FILE specifies the file to which log messages are directed. If you do not specify a file name for this variable, stderr is used. If MQ\_LOG\_FILE is a directory name, it should include a trailing directory separator.
  - By default, .n (where n is 0, 1, 2,...) is appended to the actual log file name. This is used as a rotation index, and the indices are used sequentially when the maximum log file size is reached. You can use %g to specify a rotation index replacement in MQ\_LOG\_FILE after the last directory separator. Only the last %g is used if multiple %g's are specified. the %g replacement can be escaped with %. The maximum rotation index is 9, and the maximum log file size is 1 MB. These limits are not configurable.
- MQ\_LOG\_LEVEL specifies a numeric level that indicates the detail of logging information needed. A value of -1 specifies that nothing be logged. By default the level is set to 3.

## Reference

This chapter provides reference documentation for the Message Queue C-API. It includes information about the following:

- "Data Types" on page 73 describes the C declarations for data types used by Message Queue messaging
- "Function Reference" on page 83 describes the C functions that implement Message Queue messaging
- "Header Files" on page 183 describes the contents of the C-API header files

For information on building C-Message Queue programs, see Chapter 2, "Building and Running Message Queue C Clients" on page 43.

For information on how you use the C-API to complete specific programming tasks, see Chapter 3, "Using the C API" on page 47.

# Data Types

Table 4-1 summarizes the data types defined by the Message Queue C-API. The table lists data types in alphabetical order and provides cross references for types that require broader discussion.

Note that Message Queue data types designated as *handles* map to opaque structures (objects). Please do not attempt to dereference these handles to get to the underlying objects. Instead, use the functions provided to access the referenced objects.

 Table 4-1
 Message Queue C-API Data Type Summary

MQType	Description
ConstMQString	A constant MQString.
MQAckMode	An enum used to specify the acknowledgement mode of a session. Possible values include the following:
	MQ_AUTO_ACKNOWLEDGE MQ_CLIENT_ACKNOWLEDGE MQ_DUPS_OK_ACKNOWLEDGE MQ_SESSION_TRANSACTED.
	See "Acknowledge Modes" on page 80 for more information.
MQBool	A boolean that can assume one of two values:
	MQ_TRUE(=1) MQ_FALSE(=0).
MQChar	char type.
MQConnectionHandle	A handle used to reference a Message Queue connection. You get this handle when you call the MQCreateConnection function.
MQConsumerHandle	A handle used to reference a Message Queue consumer. A consumer can be durable, nondurable and synchronous, or asynchronous. You get this handle when you call one of the functions used to create consumers. See "Receiving Messages" on page 64 for more information.
MQDeliveryMode	An enum used to specify whether a message is sent persistently:
	MQ_NON_PERSISTENT_DELIVERY MQ_PERSISTENT_DELIVERY.
	You specify this value with the MQSendMessageExt function or the MQSendMessageToDestinationExt function.
MQDestinationHandle	A handle used to reference a Message Queue destination. You get this handle when you call the MQCreateDestination function or the MQCreateTemporaryDestination function.
MQDestinationType	An enum used to specify the type of a destination:
	MQ_QUEUE_DESTINATION MQ_TOPIC_DESTINATION.
	You set the destination type using the MQCreateDestination function or the MQCreateTemporaryDestination function.
MQError	A 32-bit unsigned integer.
${\tt MQConnectionExceptionListenerFunc}$	The type of a callback function used for connection exception handling. For more information, see "Callback Type for Connection Exception Handling" on page 82.
MQFloat32	A 32-bit floating-point number.

Table 4-1 Message Queue C-API Data Type Summary (Continued)

MQType	Description
MQFloat64	A 64-bit floating-point number.
MQInt16	A 16-bit signed integer.
MQInt32	A 32-bit signed integer.
MQInt64	A 64-bit signed integer.
MQInt8	An 8-bit signed integer.
MQMessageHandle	A handle used to reference a Message Queue message. You get this handle when you call the MQCreateBytesMessage function, or the MQCreateTextMessage function, or on receipt of a message.
MQMessageListenerFunc	The type of a callback function used for asynchronous message receipt. For more information, see "Callback Type for Asynchronous Messaging" on page 81.
MQMessageType	An enum passed back by the MQGetMessageType and used to specify the type of a message; possible values include the following:
	MQ_TEXT_MESSAGE MQ_BYTES_MESSAGE MQ_UNSUPPORTED_MESSAGE.
MQProducerHandle	A handle used to reference a Message Queue producer. You get this handle when you call MQCreateMessageProducer or MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination.
MQPropertiesHandle	A handle used to reference Message Queue properties. You use this handle to define or read connection properties and message headers or message properties. See "Working With Properties" on page 50 for more information.
MQReceiveMode	An enum used to specify whether consumers are synchronous or asynchronous. It can be one of the following:
	MQ_SESSION_SYNC_RECEIVE MQ_SESSION_ASYNC_RECEIVE.
	See MQCreateSession for more information.
MQSessionHandle	A handle used to reference a Message Queue session. You get this handle when you call the MQCreateSession function.
MQStatus	A data type returned by nearly all functions defined in mqcrt.h. See "Error Handling" on page 68 for more information on how you handle errors returned by Message Queue functions.
MQString	A null terminated UTF-8 encoded character string

 Table 4-1
 Message Queue C-API Data Type Summary (Continued)

MQType	Description
МQТуре	An enum used to return the type of a single property; possible values include the following:
	MQ_BOOL_TYPE
	MQ_INT8_TYPE
	MQ_INT16_TYPE
	MQ_INT32_TYPE
	MQ_INT64_TYPE
	MQ_FLOAT32_TYPE
	MQ_FLOAT64_TYPE
	MQ_STRING_TYPE
	MQ_INVALID_TYPE

## **Connection Properties**

When you create a connection using the MQCreateConnection function, you must pass a handle to an object of type MQPropertiesHandle. To set the properties referenced by this handle, you do the following:

- 1. Call the MQCreateProperties function to get a handle to a newly created properties object
- 2. Call a function to set one of the connection properties listed in Table 4-2.
  - Which function you call depends on the type of the property you want to set; for example, to set an MQString property, you call the MQSetStringProperty function; to set a MQBool property, you call the MQSetBoolProperty function; and so on. Each function that sets a property requires that you pass a key name (constant) and value; these are listed and described in Table 4-2.
- 3. When you have set all the properties you want to define for the connection, you can then create the connection, by calling the MQCreateConnection function.

The runtime library sets the connection properties that specify the name and version of the Message Queue product; you can retrieve these using the MQGetMetaData function. These properties are described at the end of Table 4-2, starting with MQ\_NAME\_PROPERTY.

Table 4-2 **Connection Properties** 

Key Name	Description
MQ_CONNECTION_TYPE_PROPERTY	An MQString specifying the transport protocol of the connection service used by the client. Supported types are TCP or SSL.
	Default: TCP
MQ_ACK_TIMEOUT_PROPERTY	A 32-bit integer specifying the maximum time in milliseconds that the client runtime will wait for any broker acknowledgement before returning an MQ_TIMEOUT_EXPIRED error. A value of 0 means there is no time-out.
	Default: 0
MO_BROKER_HOST_PROPERTY	An MQString specifying the broker host name to which to connect.
	No default.
MQ_BROKER_PORT_PROPERTY	A 32-bit integer specifying the broker's primary port number.
	No default.
MQ_ACK_ON_PRODUCE_PROPERTY	An MQBool specifying whether the producing client waits for broker acknowledgement of receipt of message from the producing client.
	If set to MQ_TRUE, the broker acknowledges receipt of all messages (persistent and non-persistent) from the producing client, and the producing client thread will block waiting for those acknowledgements.
	If set to MQ_FALSE, broker does not acknowledge receipt of any message (persistent or non-persistent) from the producing client, and the producing client thread will not block waiting for broker acknowledgements.
	<b>Default</b> : the broker acknowledges receipt of <i>persistent</i> messages only from the producing client, and the producing client thread will block waiting for those acknowledgements.

 Table 4-2
 Connection Properties (Continued)

Key Name	Description
MQ_ACK_ON_ACKNOWLEDGE_PROPERTY	An MQBool specifying whether the broker confirms (acknowledges) consumer acknowledgements. A consumer acknowledgement can be initiated either by the client's session or by the consuming client, depending on the session acknowledgement mode (see Table 4-3). If the session's acknowledgement mode is MQ_DUPS_OK_ACKNOWLEDGE, this flag has no effect.
	If set to MQ_TRUE, the broker acknowledges all consuming acknowledgements, and the consuming client thread blocks waiting for these broker acknowledgements.
	If set to MQ_FALSE, the broker does not acknowledge any consuming client acknowledgements, and the consuming client thread will not block waiting for such broker acknowledgements.
	Default: MQ_TRUE
	For more information, see the discussion for the MQAcknowledgeMessages function and "Message Acknowledgement" on page 58.
MQ_CONNECTION_FLOW_COUNT_PROPERTY	A 32-bit integer, greater than 0, specifying the number of Message Queue messages in a metered batch. When this number of messages is delivered from the broker to the client runtime, delivery is temporarily suspended, allowing any control messages that had been held up to be delivered. Payload message delivery is resumed upon notification by the client runtime, and continues until the count is again reached.
	Default: 100
MQ_CONNECTION_FLOW_LIMIT_ENBABLED _PROPERTY	An MQBool specifying whether the value MQ_CONNECTION_FLOW_LIMIT_PROPERTY is used to control message flow. Specify MQ_TRUE to use the value and MQ_FALSE otherwise.
	Default: MQ_FALSE

Table 4-2 Connection Properties (Continued)

Key Name	Description
MQ_CONNECTION_FLOW_LIMIT_PROPERTY	A 32-bit integer, greater than 0, specifying the maximum number of unconsumed messages the client runtime can hold for each connection. Note however, that unless MQ_CONNECTION_FLOW_LIMIT_ENBABLED_PROPERTY is MQ_TRUE, this limit is not checked.
	When the number of unconsumed messages held by the client runtime for the connection exceeds the limit, message delivery stops. It is resumed (in accordance with the flow metering governed by MQ_CONNECTION_FLOW_COUNT_PROPERTY) only when the number of unconsumed messages drops below the value set with this property.
	This limit prevents a consuming client that is taking a long time to process messages from being overwhelmed with pending messages that might cause it to run out of memory.
	Default: 1000
MQ_SSL_BROKER_IS_TRUSTED	An MQ_Bool specifying whether the broker is trusted.
	Default: MQ_TRUE
MQ_SSL_CHECK_BROKER_FINGERPRINT	An MQ_Bool. If it is set to MQ_TRUE and if MQ_SSL_BROKER_IS_TRUSTED is MQ_FALSE, the broker's certificate fingerprint is compared with the MQ_SSL_BROKER_CERT_FINGERPRINT property value in case of certificate authorization failure. If they match, the broker's certificate is authorized for use in the SSL connection.
	Default: MQ_FALSE
MQ_SSL_BROKER_CERT_FINGERPRINT	An MQString specifying the MD5 hash, in hex format, of the broker's certificate.
	Default: NULL
MQ_NAME_PROPERTY	An MQString that specifies the name of the Message Queue product. This property is set by the runtime library. See the MQGetMetaData function for more information.
MQ_VERSION_PROPERTY	An MQInt32 that specifies the version of the Message Queue product. This property is set by the runtime library. See the MQGetMetaData function for more information.
MQ_MAJOR_VERSION_PROPERTY	An MQInt32 that specifies the major version of the Message Queue product. For example, if the version is 3.5.0.1, the major version would be 3.
	This property is set by the runtime library. See the MQGetMetaData function for more information.

 Table 4-2
 Connection Properties (Continued)

Key Name	Description
MQ_MINOR_VERSION_PROPERTY	An MQInt32 that specifies the minor version of the Message Queue product. For example, if the version is 3.5.0.1, the minor version would be 5.
	This property is set by the runtime library. See the MQGetMetaData function for more information.
MQ_MICRO_VERSION_PROPERTY	An MQInt32 that specifies the micro version of the Message Queue product. For example, if the version is 3.5.0.1, the micro version would be 0.
	This property is set by the runtime library. See the MQGetMetaData function for more information.
MQ_SERVICE_PACK_PROPERTY	An MQInt32 that specifies the service pack version of the Message Queue product. For example, if the version is 3.5.0.1, the service pack version would be 1.
	This property is set by the runtime library. See the MQGetMetaData function for more information.

# Acknowledge Modes

The Message Queue runtime supports reliable delivery by using transacted sessions or through acknowledgement options set at the session level. When you use the MQCreateSession function to create a session, you must specify an acknowledgement option for that session using the acknowledgeMode parameter. The value of this parameter is ignored for transacted sessions.

Table 4-3 describes the effect of the options you can set using the acknowledgeMode parameter.

 Table 4-3
 acknowledgeMode Values

Enum	Description
MQ_AUTO_ACKNOWLEDGE	The session automatically acknowledges each message consumed by the client. This happens when one of the receive functions returns successfully, or when the message listener processing the message returns successfully.
MQ_CLIENT_ACKNOWLEDGE	The client explicitly acknowledges all messages for the session that have been consumed up to the point when the MQAcknowledgeMessages function has been called. See the discussion of the function MQAcknowledgeMessages for additional information.
MQ_DUPS_OK_ACKNOWLEDGE	The session acknowledges after ten messages have been consumed and does not guarantee that messages are delivered and consumed only once.

Table 4-3 acknowledgeMode Values (Continued)

Enum	Description
MQ_SESSION_TRANSACTED	This value is read only. It is set by the library if you have passed MQ_TRUE for the isTransacted parameter to the MQCreateSession function. It is returned to you by the MQGetAcknowledgeMode function if the session is transacted.

# Callback Type for Asynchronous Messaging

When you call the MQCreateAsyncMessageConsumer function or the MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer function, you must pass the name of an MQMessageListenerFunc type callback function that is to be called when the consumer receives a message to the specified destination.

The MQMessageListenerFunc type has the following definition:

```
MQError (* MQMessageListenerFunc)(
                   const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle,
                   const MQConsumerHandle consumerHandle,
                   MQMessageHandle messageHandle
                   void * callbackData);
```

#### **Parameters**

sessionHandle	The handle to the session to which this consumer belongs. The client runtime specifies this handle when it calls your message listener.
consumerHandle	A handle to the consumer receiving the message. The client runtime specifies this handle when it calls your message listener.
messageHandle	A handle to the incoming message. The client runtime specifies this handle when it calls your message listener.
callbackData	The void pointer that you passed to the function MQCreateAsyncMessageConsumer or the function MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer.

The body of a message listener function is written by the receiving client. Mainly, the function needs to process the incoming message by examining its header, body, and properties. The client is also responsible for freeing the message handle (either from within the handler or from outside the handler) by calling MQFreeMessage.

In addition, you should observe the following guidelines when writing the message listener function:

- If you specify MQ\_CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE as the acknowledge mode for the session, you must explicitly call the MQAcknowledgeMessages function to acknowledge messages that you have received. For more information, see the description of the function MQAcknowledgeMessages.
- Do not try to close the session (or the connection to which it belongs) and consumer handle in the message listener.
- It is possible for a message listener to return an error; however, this is
  considered a client programming error. If the listener discovers that the
  message is badly formatted or if it cannot process it for some other reason, it
  must handle the problem itself by re-directing it to an application-specific
  bad-message destination and process it later.

If the message listener does return an error, the client runtime will try to redeliver the message once if the session's acknowledge mode is either MQ\_AUTO\_ACKNOWLEDGE or MQ\_DUPS\_OK\_ACKNOWLEDGE.

# Callback Type for Connection Exception Handling

The client runtime will call this function when a connection exception occurs.

The MQConnectionExceptionListenerFunc type has the following definition:

#### **Parameters**

connectionHandle	The handle to the connection on which the connection exception occurred. The client runtime sets this handle when it calls the connection exception handler.
exception	An MQStatus for the connection exception that occurred. The client runtime specifies this value when it calls the exception handler.
	You can pass this status result to any functions used to handle errors to get an error code or error string. For more information, see "Error Handling" on page 68.
callbackData	Whatever void pointer was passed as the listenerCallbackData parameter to the MQCreateConnection for more information.

The body of a connection exception listener function is written by the client. This function will only be called synchronously with respect to a single connection. If you install it as the connection exception listener for multiple connections, then it must be reentrant.

Do not try to close the session (or the connection to which it belongs) in the exception listener.

# **Function Reference**

This section describes the C-API functions in alphabetical order. Table 4-4 lists the C-API functions.

Table 4-4 Message Oueue C-API Function Summary

Function	Description
MQAcknowledgeMessages	Acknowledges the specified message and all messages received before it on the same session.
MQCloseConnection	Closes the specified connection.
MQCloseMessageConsumer	Closes the specified consumer.
MQCloseMessageProducer	Closes the specified message producer without closing its connection.
MQCloseSession	Closes the specified session.
MQCommitSession	Commits a transaction associated with the specified session.

 Table 4-4
 Message Queue C-API Function Summary (Continued)

Function	Description
MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer	Creates a durable asynchronous message consumer for the specified destination.
MQCreateAsyncMessageConsumer	Creates an asynchronous message consumer for the specified destination.
MQCreateBytesMessage	Creates an MQ_BYTES_MESSAGE message.
MQCreateConnection	Creates a connection to the broker.
MQCreateDestination	Creates a a logical destination and passes a handle to it back to you.
MQCreateDurableMessageConsumer	Creates a durable synchronous message consumer for the specified destination.
MQCreateMessageConsumer	Creates a synchronous message consumer for the specified destination.
MQCreateMessageProducer	Creates a message producer with no default destination.
MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination	Creates a message producer with a default destination.
MQCreateProperties	Creates a properties handle.
MQCreateSession	Creates a session and passes back a handle to the session.
MQCreateTemporaryDestination	Creates a temporary destination and passes its handle back to you.
MQCreateTextMessage	Creates a text message.
MQFreeConnection	Releases memory assigned to the specified connection and to all resources associated with that connection.
MQFreeDestination	Releases memory assigned to the specified destination and to all resources associated with that destination.
MQFreeMessage	Releases memory assigned to the specified message.
MQFreeProperties	Releases the memory allocated to the referenced properties handle.
MQFreeString	Releases the memory allocated to the specified ${\tt MQString}.$
MQGetAcknowledgeMode	Passes back the acknowledgement mode of the specified session.
MQGetBoolProperty	Passes back a property of type MQBool.
MQGetBytesMessageBytes	Passes back the address and size of a MQ_BYTES_MESSAGE message body.
MQGetDestinationType	Passes back the type of the specified destination.

Table 4-4 Message Queue C-API Function Summary (Continued)

Function	Description
MQGetErrorTrace	Returns a string describing the stack at the time the specified error occurred.
MQGetFloat32Property	Passes back the value of the ${\tt MQFloat32}$ property for the specified key.
MQGetFloat64Property	Passes back the value of the ${\tt MQFloat64}$ property for the specified key.
MQGetInt16Property	Passes back the value of the ${\tt MQInt16}$ property for the specified key.
MQGetInt32Property	Passes back the value of the ${\tt MQInt32}$ property for the specified key.
MQGetInt64Property	Passes back the value of the ${\tt MQInt64}$ property for the specified key.
MQGetInt8Property	Passes back the value of the ${\tt MQInt8}$ property for the specified key.
MQGetMessageHeaders	Passes back a handle to the header of the specified message.
MQGetMessageProperties	Passes back a handle to the properties for the specified message.
MQGetMessageReplyTo	Passes back the destination where replies to this message should be sent.
MQGetMessageType	Passes back the type of the specified message.
MQGetMetaData	Passes back Message Queue version information.
MQGetPropertyType	Passes back the type of the specified property key.
MQGetStatusCode	Returns the code for the specified MQStatus result.
MQGetStatusString	Returns a string description for the specified MQStatus result.
MQGetStringProperty	Passes back the value for the specified property. <i>Type</i> (in the function name) can be String, Bool, Int8, Int16, Int32, Int64, Float32, Float64.
MQGetTextMessageText	Passes back the contents of an MQ_TEXT_MESSAGE message.
MQInitializeSSL	Initializes the SSL library. You must call this function before you create a connection that uses SSL.
MQPropertiesKeyIterationGetNext	Passes back the next property key in the properties handle.
MQPropertiesKeyIterationHasNext	Returns true if there is another property key in a properties object.
MQPropertiesKeyIterationStart	Starts iterating through a properties object.
MQReceiveMessageNoWait	Passes back a handle to a message delivered to the specified consumer.

 Table 4-4
 Message Queue C-API Function Summary (Continued)

Function	Description
MQReceiveMessageWait	Passes back a handle to a message delivered to the specified consumer when the message becomes available.
MQReceiveMessageWithTimeout	Passes back a handle to a message delivered to the specified consumer if a message is available within the specified amount of time.
MQRecoverSession	Stops message delivery and restarts message delivery with the oldest unacknowledged message.
MQRollBackSession	Rolls back a transaction associated with the specified session.
MQSendMessage	Sends a message for the specified producer.
MQSendMessageExt	Sends a message for the specified producer and allows you to set priority, time-to-live, and delivery mode.
MQSendMessageToDestination	Sends a message to the specified destination.
MQSendMessageToDestinationExt	Sends a message to the specified destination and allows you to set message header properties.
MQSetBoolProperty	Sets an ${\tt MQBool}$ property with the specified key to the specified value.
MQSetBytesMessageBytes	Sets the message body for the specified ${\tt MQ\_BYTES\_MESSAGE}$ message.
MQSetFloat32Property	Sets an ${\tt MQFloat}$ 32 property with the specified key to the specified value.
MQSetFloat64Property	Sets an ${\tt MQFloat}$ 64 property with the specified key to the specified value.
MQSetInt16Property	Sets an MQInt16 property with the specified key to the specified value.
MQSetInt32Property	Sets an ${\tt MQInt}$ 32 property with the specified key to the specified value.
MQSetInt64Property	Sets an ${\tt MQInt64}$ property with the specified key to the specified value.
MQSetInt8Property	Sets an ${\tt MQInt8}$ property with the specified key to the specified value.
MQSetMessageHeaders	Sets the header part of the message.
MQSetMessageProperties	Sets the user-defined properties for the specified message.
MQSetMessageReplyTo	Specifies the destination where replies to this message should be sent.
MQSetStringProperty	Sets an ${\tt MQString}$ property with the specified key to the specified value.

Table 4-4 Message Queue C-API Function Summary (Continued)

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Function	Description
MQSetStringProperty	Sets the message body for the specified MQ_TEXT_MESSAGE message.
MQSetTextMessageText	Defines the body for a text message.
MQStartConnection	Starts the specified connection to the broker and starts or resumes message delivery.
MQStatusIsError	Returns ${\tt MQ\_TRUE}$ if the specified ${\tt MQStatus}$ result is an error.
MQStopConnection	Stops the specified connection to the broker. This stops the broker from delivering messages.
MQUnsubscribeDurableMessageConsumer	Unsubscribes the specified durable message consumer.

# MQAcknowledgeMessages

The MQAcknowledgeMessages function acknowledges the specified message and all messages received before it on the same session. This function is valid only if the session is created with acknowledge mode set to MQ\_CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE.

### **Return Value**

MQAcknowledgeMessages (const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle, const MQMessageHandle messageHandle);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

sessionHandle The handle to the session for the consumer that received the

specified message.

messageHandle A handle to the message that you want to acknowledge. This

handle is passed back to you when you receive the message (either by calling one of the receive functions or when a message is delivered to your message listener function.)

Whether you receive messages synchronously or asynchronously, you can call the MQAcknowledgeMessages function to acknowledge receipt of the specified message and of all messages that preceded it.

When you create a session you specify one of several acknowledge modes for that session; these are described in Table 4-3. If you specify MQ\_CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE as the acknowledge mode for the session, you must explicitly call the MQAcknowledgeMessages function to acknowledge receipt of messages consumed in that session.

By default, the calling thread to the MQAcknowledgeMessages function will be blocked until the broker acknowledges receipt of the acknowledgment for the broker consumed. If, when you created the session's connection, you specified the property MQ\_ACK\_ON\_ACKNOWLEDGE\_PROPERTY to be MQ\_FALSE, the calling thread will not wait for the broker to acknowledge the acknowledgement.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_SESSION\_NOT\_CLIENT\_ACK\_MODE

MQ\_MESSAGE\_NOT\_IN\_SESSION

MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

MQ\_BROKER\_CLOSED

## **MQCloseConnection**

The MOCloseConnection function closes the connection to the broker.

MQCloseConnection (MQConnectionHandle connectionHandle);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

connectionHandle The handle to the connection that you want to close. This handle is

created and passed back to you by the MOCreateConnection

function.

Closing the connection closes all sessions, producers, and consumers created from this connection. This also forces all threads associated with this connection that are blocking in the library to return.

Closing the connection does not actually release all the memory associated with the connection. After all the application threads associated with this connection (and its dependent sessions, producers, and consumers) have returned, you should call the MQFreeConnection function to release these resources.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_CONCURRENT\_DEADLOCK

(If the function is called from an exception listener or a consumer's message listener.)

## **MQCloseMessageConsumer**

The MQCloseMessageConsumer function closes the specified message consumer.

(MQConsumerHandle consumerHandle); MQCloseMessageConsumer

### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

consumerHandle The handle to the consumer you want to close. This handle is

created and passed back to you by one of the functions used to

create consumers.

This handle is invalid after the function returns.

A session's consumers are automatically closed when you close the session or connection to which they belong. To close a consumer without closing the session or connection to which it belongs, use the MQCloseMessageConsumer function.

If the consumer you want to close is a durable consumer and you want to close this consumer permanently, you should call the function

MQUnsubscribeDurableMessageConsumer after closing the consumer in order to delete any state information maintained by the broker for this consumer.

## Common Errors

MQ CONSUMER NOT IN SESSION

MQ\_BROKER\_CONNECTION\_CLOSED

# MQClose Message Producer

The MQCloseMessageProducer function closes a message producer.

MQCloseMessageProducer (MQProducerHandle producerHandle);

### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

producerHandle A handle for this producer that was passed to you by the

> MQCreateMessageProducer function or by the MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination function. This handle is invalid after the function returns.

Use the MQCloseMessageProducer function to close a producer without closing its associated session or connection.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_PRODUCER\_NOT\_IN\_SESSION

## **MQCloseSession**

The MQCloseSession function closes the specified session.

MQCloseSession (MQSessionHandle sessionHandle);

### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

sessionHandle The handle to the session that you want to close. This handle is

created and passed back to you by the MQCreateSession function.

This handle is invalid after the function returns.

Closing a session closes the resources (producers and consumers) associated with that session and frees up the memory allocated for that session.

There is no need to close the producers or consumers of a closed session.

## **Common Errors**

MO CONCURRENT DEADLOCK

(If called from a consumer's message listener in the session.)

## **MQCommitSession**

The MQCommitSession function commits a transaction associated with the specified session.

MQCommitSession (const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle);

#### Return Value

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

sessionHandle

The handle to the transacted session that you want to commit.

A transacted session supports a series of transactions. Transactions organize a session's input message stream and output message stream into a series of atomic units. A transaction's input and output units consist of those messages that have been produced and consumed within the session's current transaction. (Note that the receipt of a message cannot be part of the same transaction that produces the message.) When you call the MQCommitSession function, its atomic unit of input is acknowledged and its associated atomic unit of output is sent.

The completion of a session's current transaction automatically begins the next transaction. The result is that a transacted session always has a current transaction within which its work is done. Use the MQRollBackSession function to roll back a transaction.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_TRANSACTED\_SESSION

MQ CONCURRENT ACCESS

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

MQ\_BROKER\_CONNECTION\_CLOSED

## **MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer**

The MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer function creates an asynchronous durable message consumer for the specified destination.

MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer (

const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle,
const MQDestinationHandle destinationHandle,
ConstMQString durableName,
ConstMQString messageSelector,
MQBool noLocal,
MQMessageListenerFunc messageListener,
void \* listenerCallbackData,
MQConsumerHandle \* consumerHandle);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

The handle to the session to which this consumer belongs.

This handle is passed back by the MQCreateSession function.

For this asynchronous durable consumer, the session must have been created with the MQ\_SESSION\_ASYNC\_RECEIVE

receive mode.

destinationHandle A handle to a topic destination on which the consumer receives

messages. This handle remains valid after the call.

durableName An MQString specifying a name for the durable subscriber. The

library makes a copy of the durableName string.

messageSelector An expression (based on SQL92 conditional syntax) that

specifies the criteria upon which incoming messages should be

selected for this consumer.

Specify a NULL or empty string to indicate that there is no message selector for this consumer. In this case, all messages

are delivered.

The library makes a copy of the messageSelector string.

For more information about SQL, see X/Open CAE

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(SQL), Version 2, ISBN 1-85912-151-9, March 1966.

noLocal Specify MQ\_TRUE to inhibit delivery of messages published by

this consumer's own connection.

 ${\tt messageListener} \qquad \qquad {\tt The\ name\ of\ an\ MQMessageListenerFunc\ type\ callback\ function}$ 

that is to be called when this consumer receives a message on

the specified destination.

listenerCallbackData A pointer to data that you want passed to your message

listener function when it is called by the library.

consumerHandle Output parameter for the handle that references the consumer

for the specified destination.

In the case of an asynchronous consumer, you should not start a connection before calling the MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer function. (You should create a connection, create a session, set up your asynchronous consumer, create the consumer, and then start the connection.) Attempting to create a consumer when the connection is not stopped, will result in an MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS error.

The MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer function creates an asynchronous durable message consumer for the specified destination. You can define parameters to filter messages and to inhibit the delivery of messages you published to your own connection. Note that the session's receive mode (sync/async) must be appropriate for the kind of consumer you are creating (sync/async). To create a synchronous durable message consumer for a destination, call the function MQCreateDurableMessageConsumer.

Durable consumers can only be used for topic destinations. If you are creating an asynchronous consumer for a queue destination or if you are not interested in messages that arrive to a topic while you are inactive, you might prefer to use the function MQCreateAsyncMessageConsumer.

The broker retains a record of this durable subscription and makes sure that all messages from the publishers to this topic are retained until they are either acknowledged by this durable subscriber or until they have expired. Sessions with durable subscribers must always provide the same client identifier. (See MQCreateConnection, clientID parameter.) In addition, each durable consumer must specify a durable name using the durableName parameter, which uniquely identifies (for each client identifier) the durable subscription when it is created.

A session's consumers are automatically closed when you close the session or connection to which they belong. However, messages will be routed to the durable subscriber while it is inactive and delivered when the durable consumer is recreated. To close a consumer without closing the session or connection to which it belongs, use the MQCloseMessageConsumer function. If you want to close a durable consumer permanently, you should call the MQUnsubscribeDurableMessageConsumer after closing it to delete state information maintained by the Broker on behalf of the durable consumer.

### **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_ASYNC\_RECEIVE\_MODE

MQ\_INVALID\_MESSAGE\_SELECTOR

MQ DESTINATION CONSUMER LIMIT EXCEEDEED

MQ\_TEMPORARY\_DESTINATION\_NOT\_IN\_CONNECTION

MQ\_CONSUMER\_NO\_DURABLE\_NAME

MO QUEUE CONSUMER CANNOT BE DURABLE

MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

MQ\_BROKER\_CONNECTION\_CLOSED

## **MQCreateAsyncMessageConsumer**

The  ${\tt MQCreateAsyncMessageConsumer}$  function creates an asynchronous message consumer for the specified destination.

 ${\tt MQCreateAsyncMessageConsumer}$ 

```
(const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle,
  const MQDestinationHandle destinationHandle,
  ConstMQString messageSelector,
  MQBool noLocal,
  MQMessageListenerFunc messageListener,
  void * listenerCallBackData,
  MQConsumerHandle * consumerHandle);
```

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

### **Parameters**

sessionHandle	The handle to the session to which this consumer belongs. This handle is created and passed back to you by the MQCreateSession function. For this asynchronous consumer, the session must have been created with the MQ_SESSION_ASYNC_RECEIVE receive mode.
destinationHandle	A handle to the destination on which the consumer receives messages. This handle remains valid after the call returns.
messageSelector	An expression (based on SQL92 conditional syntax) that specifies the criteria upon which incoming messages should be selected for this consumer.
	Specify a NULL or empty string to indicate that there is no message selector for this consumer. In this case, all messages will be delivered.
	The library makes a copy of the messageSelector string.
	For more information about SQL, see X/Open CAE Specification Data Management: Structured Query Language (SQL), Version 2, ISBN 1-85912-151-9, March 1966.
noLocal	Specify ${\tt MQ\_TRUE}$ to inhibit delivery of messages published by this consumer's own connection.
	The setting of this parameter applies only to topic destinations.

It is ignored for queues.

messageListener The name of an MQMessageListenerFunc type callback function

that is to be called when this consumer receives a message for

the specified destination.

listenerCallbackData A pointer to data that you want passed to your message

listener function when it is called by the library.

consumerHandle Output parameter for the handle that references the consumer

for the specified destination.

In the case of an asynchronous consumer, you should not start a connection before calling the MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer function. (You should create a connection, create a session, set up your asynchronous consumers, create the consumer, and then start the connection.) Attempting to create a consumer when the connection is not stopped will result in an MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS error.

The MQCreateAsyncMessageConsumer function creates an asynchronous message consumer for the specified destination. You can define parameters to filter messages and to inhibit the delivery of messages you published to your own connection. Note that the session's receive mode (sync/async) must be appropriate for the kind of consumer you are creating (sync/async). To create a synchronous message consumer for a destination, use the MQCreateMessageConsumer function.

If this consumer is on a topic destination, it will only receive messages produced while the consumer is active. If you are interested in receiving messages published while this consumer is not active, you should create a consumer using the MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer function instead.

A session's consumers are automatically closed when you close the session or connection to which they belong. To close a consumer without closing the session or connection to which it belongs, use the MQCloseMessageConsumer function.

#### Common Errors

MO NOT ASYNC RECEIVE MODE

MQ\_INVALID\_MESSAGE\_SELECTOR

MQ\_DESTINATION\_CONSUMER\_LIMIT\_EXCEEDEED

MQ\_TEMPORARY\_DESTINATION\_NOT\_IN\_CONNECTION

MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

MQ BROKER CONNECTION CLOSED

# **MQCreateBytesMessage**

The MQCreatesBytesMessage function creates a bytes message and passes a handle to it back to you.

(MQMessageHandle \* messageHandle); MQCreateBytesMessage

### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

### **Parameters**

messageHandle

Output parameter for the handle to the new, empty message.

After you obtain the handle to a bytes message, you can use this handle to define its content with the MQSetBytesMessageBytes function, to set its headers with the MQSetMessageHeaders function, and to set its properties with the MQSetMessageProperties function.

## **MQCreateConnection**

The MQCreateConnection function creates a connection to the broker.

If you want to connect to the broker over SSL, you must call the MQInitializeSSL function to initialize the SSL library before you create the connection.

MQCreateConnection

```
(MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle
ConstMQString username,
ConstMQString password,
ConstMQString clientID,
MQConnectionExceptionListenerFunc exceptionListener,
void * listenerCallBackData,
MQConnectionHandle * connectionHandle);
```

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

propertiesHandle	A handle that specifies the properties that determine the behavior of this connection. You must create this handle using the MQCreateProperties function before you try to create a connection. This handle will be invalid after the function returns.
	See Table 4-2 on page 77 for information about connection properties.
username	An ${\tt MQString}$ specifying the user name to use when connecting to the broker.
	The library makes a copy of the username string.
password	An ${\tt MQString}$ specifying the password to use when connecting to the broker.
	The library makes a copy of the password string.
clientID	An MQString used to identify the connection. If you use the connection for a durable consumer, you must specify a non-NULL client identifier.
	The library makes a copy of the clientID string.
exceptionListener	A connection-exception callback function used to notify the user that a connection exception has occurred.

listenerCallBackData A data pointer that can be passed to the connection

> exceptionListener callback function whenever it is called. The user can set this pointer to any data that may be useful to pass along to the connection exception listener for this connection. Set this to NULL if you do not need to pass data back to the

connection exception listener.

connectionHandle Output parameter for the handle to the connection that is

created by this function.

The MOCreateConnection function creates a connection to the broker. The behavior of the connection is specified by key values defined in the properties referenced by the properties Handle parameter. You must use the MQCreateProperties function to define these properties.

You cannot change the properties of a connection you have already created. If you need different connection properties, you must close and free the old connection and then create a new connection with the desired properties.

Use the exceptionListener parameter to pass the name of a user-defined callback function that can be called synchronously when a connection exception occurs for this connection. Use the exceptionCallBackData parameter to specify any user data that you want to pass to the callback function.

- Use the MOStartConnection function to start or restart the connection. Use the MQStopConnection function to stop a connection.
- Use the MQGetMetaData function to get information about the name of the Message Queue product and its version.
- Use the MocloseConnection function to close a connection, and then use the MOFreeConnection function to free the memory allocated for that connection.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_INCOMPATIBLE\_LIBRARY

MQ\_CONNECTION\_UNSUPPORTED\_TRANSPORT

MQ\_COULD\_NOT\_CREATE\_THREAD

MQ\_INVALID\_CLIENT\_ID

MQ\_CLIENT\_ID\_IN\_USE

MQ\_COULD\_NOT\_CONNECT\_TO\_BROKER

MQ\_SSL\_NOT\_INITIALIZED

This error can be returned if MQ\_CONNECTION\_TYPE\_PROPERTY is SSL and you have not called the MQInitializeSSL function before creating this connection.

## **MQCreateDestination**

The MQCreateDestination function creates a a logical destination and passes a handle to it back to you.

MQCreateDestination (const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle

ConstMQString destinationName,
MQDestinationType destinationType,

MQDestinationHandle \* destinationHandle);

### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

### **Parameters**

sessionHandle The handle to the session with which you want to associate this

destination.

destinationName An MQString specifying the logical name of this destination.

The library makes a copy of the destinationName string. See

discussion below.

Destination names starting with "mq" are reserved and should

not be used by clients.

destinationType An enum specifying the destination type, either

MQ\_QUEUE\_DESTINATION or MQ\_TOPIC\_DESTINATION.

destinationHandle Output parameter for the handle to the newly created

destination. You can pass this handle to functions sending

messages or to message producers or consumers.

The MQCreateDestination function creates a logical destination and passes a handle to it back to you. Note that the Message Queue administrator has to also create a physical destination on the broker, whose name and type is the same as the destination created here, in order for messaging to happen. For example, if you use this function to create a queue destination called myMailQDest, the administrator has to create a physical destination on the broker named myMailQDest.

If you are doing development, you can simplify this process by turning on the imq.autocreate.topic or imq.autocreate.queue properties for the broker. If you do this, the broker automatically creates a physical destination whenever a message consumer or message producer attempts to access a non-existent destination. The auto-created destination will have the same name as the logical destination name you specified using the MQCreateDestination function. By default, the broker has the properties imq.autocreate.topic and img.autocreate.queue turned on.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_INVALID\_DESTINATION\_TYPE

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

# MQCreateDurableMessageConsumer

The MQCreateDurableMessageConsumer function creates a synchronous durable message consumer for the specified topic destination.

MQCreateDurableMessageConsumer

(const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle,
 const MQDestinationHandle destinationHandle,
 ConstMQString durableName,
 ConstMQString messageSelector,
 MQBool noLocal
 MQConsumerHandle \* consumerHandle);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

sessionHandle The handle to the session to which this consumer belongs.

This handle is passed back to you by the  ${\tt MQCreateSession}$  function. For this (synchronous) durable consumer, the session must have been created with the  ${\tt MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE}$ 

receive mode.

destinationHandle A handle to a topic destination on which the consumer receives

messages. This handle remains valid after the call returns.

durableName An MQString specifying the name of the durable subscriber to

the topic destination. The library makes a copy of the

durableName string.

messageSelector An expression (based on SQL92 conditional syntax) that

specifies the criteria upon which incoming messages should be

selected for this consumer.

Specify a NULL or empty string to indicate that there is no message selector for this consumer. In this case, the consumer receives all messages. The library makes a copy of the

messageSelector string.

For more information about SQL, see X/Open CAE

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Specify MQ\_TRUE to inhibit delivery of messages published by noLocal

this consumer's own connection.

Output parameter for the handle that references the consumer consumerHandle

for the specified destination.

The MQCreateDurableMessageConsumer function creates a synchronous message consumer for the specified destination. A durable consumer receives all the messages published to a topic, including the ones published while the subscriber is inactive.

You can define parameters to filter messages and to inhibit the delivery of messages you published to your own connection. Note that the session's receive mode (sync/async) must be appropriate for the kind of consumer you are creating (sync/async). To create an asynchronous durable message consumer for a destination, call the function MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer.

Durable consumers are for topic destinations. If you are creating a consumer for a queue destination or if you are not interested in messages that arrive to a topic while you are inactive, you should use the function MQCreateMessageConsumer.

The broker retains a record of this durable subscription and makes sure that all messages from the publishers to this topic are retained until they are either acknowledged by this durable subscriber or until they have expired. Sessions with durable subscribers must always provide the same client identifier (see MQCreateConnection, clientID parameter). In addition, each durable consumer must specify a durable name using the durableName parameter, which uniquely identifies (for each client identifier) the durable subscription when it is created.

A session's consumers are automatically closed when you close the session or connection to which they belong. However, messages will be routed to the durable subscriber while it is inactive and delivered when the durable consumer is recreated. To close a consumer without closing the session or connection to which it belongs, use the MQCloseMessageConsumer function. If you want to close a durable consumer permanently, you should call the

MQUnsubscribeDurableMessageConsumer function after closing it to delete state information maintained by the broker on behalf of the durable consumer.

## **Common Errors**

- MQ\_NOT\_SYNC\_RECEIVE\_MODE
- MQ\_INVALID\_MESSAGE\_SELECTOR
- MQ\_DESTINATION\_CONSUMER\_LIMITE\_EXCEEDEED
- MQ\_TEMPORARY\_DESTINATION\_NOT\_IN\_CONNECTION
- MQ\_CONSUMER\_NO\_DURABLE\_NAME
- MQ\_QUEUE\_CONSUMER\_CANNOT\_BE\_DURABLE
- MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS
- MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED
- MQ\_BROKER\_CONNECTION\_CLOSED

### **MQCreateMessageConsumer**

The MQCreateMessageConsumer function creates a synchronous message consumer for the specified destination.

MQCreateMessageConsumer

(const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle, const MQDestinationHandle destinationHandle, ConstMQString messageSelector, MQBool noLocal MOConsumerHandle \* consumerHandle);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

sessionHandle	The ha	andle to	the session to	which this	consumer belongs.

This handle is passed back to you by the MQCreateSession function. For this (synchronous) consumer, the session must have been created with the MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE receive

mode.

destinationHandle A handle to the destination on which the consumer receives

messages. This handle remains valid after the call returns.

messageSelector An expression (based on SQL92 conditional syntax) that

specifies the criteria upon which incoming messages should be selected for this consumer. Specify a NULL or empty string to indicate that there is no message selector for this consumer

and that all messages should be returned.

The library makes a copy of the messageSelector string.

For more information about SQL, see X/Open CAE

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(SQL), Version 2, ISBN 1-85912-151-9, March 1966.

noLocal Specify MQ\_TRUE to inhibit delivery of messages published by

this consumer's own connection. This applies only to topic

destinations; it is ignored for queues.

consumerHandle Output parameter for the handle that references the consumer

for the specified destination.

The MQCreateMessageConsumer function creates a synchronous message consumer for the specified destination. You can define parameters to filter messages and to inhibit the delivery of messages you published to your own connection. Note that the session's receive mode (sync/async) must be appropriate for the kind of consumer you are creating (sync/async). To create an asynchronous message consumer for a destination, use the MQCreateAsyncMessageConsumer function.

If the consumer is a topic destination, it can only receive messages that are published while it is active. To receive messages published while this consumer is not active, you should create a consumer using either the MQCreateDurableMessageConsumer function or the MQCreateAsyncDurableMessageConsumer function, depending on the receive mode you defined for the session.

A session's consumers are automatically closed when you close the session or connection to which they belong. To close a consumer without closing the session or connection to which it belongs, use the MQCloseMessageConsumer function.

#### **Common Errors**

MQ NOT SYNC RECEIVE MODE

MQ\_INVALID\_MESSAGE\_SELECTOR

MQ\_DESTINATION\_CONSUMER\_LIMIT\_EXCEEDEED

MQ TEMPORARY DESTINATION NOT IN CONNECTION

MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS

MO SESSION CLOSED

MQ BROKER CONNECTION CLOSED

### **MQCreateMessageProducer**

The MQCreateMessageProducer function creates a message producer that does not have a specified destination.

MQCreateMessageProducer (const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle,

MQProducerHandle \* producerHandle);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

The handle to the session to which this producer should sessionHandle

belong.

Output parameter for the handle that references the producer. producerHandle

The MQCreateMessageProducer function creates a message producer that does not have a specified destination. In this case, you will specify the destination when sending the message itself by using either the MQSendMessageToDestination function or the MQSendMessageToDestinationExt function.

Using the MQCreateMessageProducer function is appropriate when you want to use the same producer to send messages to a variety of destinations. If, on the other hand, you want to use one producer to send many messages to the same destination, you should use the MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination function instead.

A session's producers are automatically closed when you close the session or connection to which they belong. To close a producer without closing the session or connection to which it belongs, use the MQCloseMessageProducer function.

#### Common Errors

MQ SESSION CLOSED

### **MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination**

The MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination function creates a message producer with a specified destination.

MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination

(const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle, const MQDestinationHandle destinationHandle, MQProducerHandle \* producerHandle);

#### Return Value

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

sessionHandle The handle to the session to which this producer belongs.

destinationHandle A handle to the destination where you want this producer to

send all messages. This handle remains valid after the call

returns.

producerHandle Output parameter for the handle that references the producer.

The MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination function creates a message producer with a specified destination. All messages sent out by this producer will go to that destination. Use the MQSendMessage function or the MQSendMessageExt function to send messages for a producer with a specified destination.

Use the MQCreateMessageProducer function when you want to use one producer to send messages to a variety of destinations.

A session's producers are automatically closed when you close the session or connection to which they belong. To close a producer without closing the session or connection to which it belongs, use the MQCloseMessageProducer function.

#### Common Errors

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

MO BROKER CONNECTION CLOSED

# **MQCreateProperties**

The MQCreateProperties function creates a properties handle and passes it back to the caller.

(MQPropertiesHandle \* propertiesHandle); MQCreateProperties

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

Output parameter for the handle that references the newly propertiesHandle

created properties object.

Use the MQCreateProperties function to get a properties handle. You can then use the appropriate MQSet...Property function to set the desired properties.

### **MQCreateSession**

The MQCreateSession function creates a session, defines its behavior, and passes back a handle to the session.

MQCreateSession (const MQConnectionHandle connectionHandle,

MQBool isTransacted,

MQAckMode acknowledgeMode, MQReceiveMode receiveMode

MQSessionHandle \* sessionHandle);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

connectionHandle The handle to the connection to which this session belongs. This

handle is passed back to you by the MQCreateConnection function.

You can create multiple sessions on a single connection.

isTransacted An MQBool specifying whether this session is transacted. Specify

MQ\_TRUE if the session is transacted. In this case, the

acknowledgeMode parameter is ignored.

acknowledgeMode An enumeration of the possible kinds of acknowledgement modes

for the session. See Table 4-3 on page 80 for information on these

values.

After you have created a session, you can determine its acknowledgement mode by calling the MQGetAcknowledgeMode

function.

receiveMode An enumeration specifying whether this session will do

synchronous or asynchronous message receives. Specify MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE or MQ\_SESSION\_ASYNC\_RECEIVE.

If the session is only for producing messages, the receiveMode has no significance. In that case, specify MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE to

optimize the session's resource use.

sessionHandle A handle to this session. You will need to pass this handle to the

functions you use to manage the session and to create destinations, consumers, and producers associated with this

session.

The MQCreateSession function creates a new session and passes back a handle to it in the sessionHandle parameter. The number of sessions you can create for a single connection is limited only by system resources. A session is a single-thread context for producing and consuming messages. You can create multiple producers and consumers for a session, but you are restricted to use them serially. In effect, only a single logical thread of control can use them.

A session with a registered message listener is dedicated to the thread of control that delivers messages to the listener. This means that if you want to send messages, for example, you must create another session with which to do this. The only operations you can perform on a session with a registered listener, is to close the session or the connection.

After you create a session, you can create the producers, consumers, and destinations that use the session context to do their work.

- For a session that is not transacted, use the MQRecoverSession function to restart message delivery with the last unacknowledged message.
- For a session that is transacted, use the MQRollBackSession function to roll back any messages that were delivered within this transaction. Use the MQCommitSession function to commit all messages associated with this transaction.
- For a session that has acknowledgeMode set to MQ\_CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE, use MQAcknowledgeMessages to acknowledge consumed messages.
- Use the MQCloseSession function to close a session and all its associated producers and consumers. This function also frees memory allocated for the session.

### **MQCreateTemporaryDestination**

The MQCreateTemporaryDestination function creates a temporary destination and passes its handle back to you.

MQCreateTemporaryDestination (const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle

MQDestinationType destinationType,

MQDestinationHandle \* destinationHandle);

#### Return Value

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

sessionHandle The handle to the session with which you want to associate this

destination.

destinationType An enum specifying the destination type, either

MQ\_QUEUE\_DESTINATION or MQ\_TOPIC\_DESTINATION.

destinationHandle Output parameter for the handle to the newly created

temporary destination.

You can use a temporary destination to implement a simple request/reply mechanism. When you pass the handle of a temporary destination to the MQSetMessageReplyTo function, the consumer of the message can use that handle as the destination to which it sends a reply.

Temporary destinations are explicitly created by client applications; they are deleted when the connection is closed. They are maintained (and named) by the broker only for the duration of the connection for which they are created. Temporary destinations are system-generated uniquely for their connection and only their own connection is allowed to create message consumers for them.

For more information, see the Message Queue Administration Guide.

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_INVALID\_DESTINATION\_TYPE

MQ SESSION CLOSED

### **MQCreateTextMessage**

The MQCreatesTextMessage function creates a text message and passes a handle to it back to you.

( MQMessageHandle \* messageHandle); MQCreateTextMessage

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

messageHandle

Output parameter for the handle to the new, empty message.

After you obtain the handle to a text message, you can use this handle to define its content with the MQSetStringProperty function, to set its headers with the MQSetMessageHeaders function, and to set its properties with the MQSetMessageProperties function.

### **MQFreeConnection**

The MQFreeConnection function deallocates memory assigned to the specified connection and to all resources associated with that connection.

MOFreeConnection (MOConnectionHandle connectionHandle);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

connectionHandle A handle to the connection you want to free.

You must call this function after you have closed the connection with the MQCloseConnection function and after all of the application threads associated with this connection and its dependent sessions, producers, and consumers have returned.

You must not call this function while an application thread is active in a library function associated with this connection or one of its dependent sessions, producers, consumers, and destinations.

Calling this function does not release resources held by a message or a destination associated with this connection. You must free memory allocated for a message or a destination by explicitly calling the MQFreeMessage or the MQFreeDestination function.

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_STATUS\_CONNECTION\_NOT\_CLOSED

# MQFreeDestination

The MQFreeDestination function frees memory allocated for the destination referenced by the specified handle.

(MODestinationHandle destinationHandle); MQFreeDestination

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

destinationHandle A handle to the destination you want to free.

Calling the MQFreeConnection or the MQCloseSession function does not automatically free destinations created for the connection or for the session.

# **MQFreeMessage**

The MQFreeMessage function frees memory allocated for the message referenced by the specified handle.

MQFreeMessage (MQMessageHandle messageHandle);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

A handle to the message you want to free. messageHandle

Calling the MQFreeConnection function does not automatically free messages associated with that connection.

# **MQFreeProperties**

The MQFreeProperties function frees the memory allocated to the referenced properties object.

MQFreeProperties (MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A handle to the properties object you want to free.

You should not free a properties handle if the properties handle passed to a function becomes invalid on its return. If you do, you will get an error.

# **MQFreeString**

The MQFreeString function frees the memory allocated for the specified MQString.

MQFreeString (MQString statusString);

#### **Return Value**

 ${\tt MQStatus.} \ See \ the \ {\tt MQStatusIsError} \ function \ for \ more \ information.$ 

#### **Parameters**

An MQString returned by the MQGetStatusString function or by statusString

the MQGetErrorTrace function.

# MQGetAcknowledgeMode

The MQGetAcknowledgeMode function passes back the acknowledgement mode of the specified session.

MQGetAcknowledgemode (const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle

MQAckMode \* ackMode);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

sessionHandle The handle to the session whose acknowledgement mode you want

to determine.

ackMode Output parameter for the ackMode. The ackMode returned can be

one of four enumeration values. See Table 4-3 on page 80 for

information about these values.

If you want to change the acknowledge mode, you need to create another session with the desired mode.

# **MQGetBoolProperty**

The MQGetBoolProperty function passes back the value of the MQBool property for the specified key.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQGetBoolProperty

> ConstMQString key, MQBool \* value);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A properties handle whose property value for the specified key you

want to get.

The name of a property key. key

value Output parameter for the property value.

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_FOUND

### **MQGetBytesMessageBytes**

The MQGetBytesMessageBytes function passes back the address and size of a bytes message body.

MQGetBytesMessageBytes (const MQMessageHandle messageHandle,

> const MQInt8 \* messageBytes MQInt32 \* messageBytesSize);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

A handle to a message that is passed to you when you receive messageHandle

a message.

Output parameter that contains the start address of the bytes messageBytes

that constitute the body of this bytes message.

Output parameter that contains the size of the message body messageBytesSize

in bytes.

After you obtain the handle to a message, you can use the MQGetMessageType to determine its type and, if the type is MQ\_BYTES\_MESSAGE, you can use the MQGetBytesMessageBytes function to retrieve the message bytes (message body).

The bytes message passed to you by this function is not a copy. You should not modify the bytes or attempt to free it.

# MQGetDestinationType

The MQGetDestinationType passes back the type of the specified destination.

MQGetDestinationType (const MQDestinationHandle destinationHandle,

MQDestinationType \* destinationType);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

destinationHandle A handle to the destination whose type you want to know.

destinationType Output parameter for the destination type; either

MQ\_QUEUE\_DESTINATION or MQ\_TOPIC\_DESTINATION.

Use the MQGetDestinationType function to determine the type of a destination: queue or topic. There may be times when you do not know the type of the destination to which you are replying: for example, when you get a handle from the MQGetMessageReplyTo function. Because the semantics of queue and topic destinations differ, you need to determine the type of a destination in order to reply appropriately.

Once you have created a destination with a specified type, you cannot change the type dynamically. If you want to change the type of a destination, you need to free the destination using the MQFreeDestination function and then to create a new destination, with the desired type, using the MQCreateDestination or the MQCreateTemporaryDestination function.

### **MQGetErrorTrace**

The MQGetErrorTrace function returns an MQString describing the error trace at the time when a function call failed for the calling thread.

```
MQString MQGetErrorTrace ()
```

Having found that a Message Queue function has not returned successfully, you can get an error trace when the error occurred by calling the MQGetErrorTrace function in the same thread that called the unsuccessful Message Queue function.

The MQGetErrorTrace function returns an MQString describing the error trace if it can determine this information. The function will return a NULL string if there is no error trace available.

The following is an example of an error trace output.

```
connect:../.../src/share/cclient/io/TCPSocket.cpp:195:mq:-5981
readBrokerPorts:../../src/share/cclient/client/PortMapper
                                Client.cpp:48:mq:-5981
connect:../../../src/share/cclient/client/protocol/
                        TCPProtocolHandler.cpp:111:mg:-5981
connectToBroker:../../src/share/cclient/client/Connection.
                                        cpp:412:mq:-5981
openConnection:../../src/share/cclient/client/Connection.
                                        cpp:227:mg:1900
MQCreateConnectionExt:../../src/share/cclient/cshim/
                        iMOConnectionShim.cpp:102:mg:1900
```

You must call the MQFreeString function to free the MQString returned by the MQGetErrorTrace function when you are done.

# MQGetFloat32Property

The MQGetFloat32Property function passes back the value of the MQFloat32  $\,$ property for the specified key.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQGetFloat32Property

> ConstMQString key, MQFloat32 \* value);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A properties handle whose property value for the specified key you

want to get.

The name of a property key. key

value Output parameter for the property value.

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_FOUND

# MQGetFloat64Property

The  ${\tt MQGetFloat64Property}$  function passes back the value of the  ${\tt MQFloat64}$ property for the specified key.

MQGetFloat64Property (const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle,

> ConstMQString key, MQFloat64 \* value);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A properties handle whose property value for the specified key you

want to get.

The name of a property key. key

Output parameter for the property value. value

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_FOUND

# MQGetInt16Property

The MQGetInt16Property function passes back the value of the MQInt16 property for the specified key.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQGetInt16Property

> ConstMQString key, MQInt16 \* value);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A properties handle whose property value for the specified key you

want to get.

The name of a property key. key

value Output parameter for the property value.

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_FOUND

# MQGetInt32Property

The MQGetInt32Property function passes back the value of the MQInt32 property for the specified key.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQGetInt32Property

> ConstMQString key, MQInt32 \* value);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A properties handle whose property value for the specified key you

want to get.

The name of a property key. key

Output parameter for the property value. value

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_FOUND

# MQGetInt64Property

The MQGetInt64Property function passes back the value of the MQInt64 property for the specified key.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQGetint64Property

> ConstMQString key, MQInt64 \* value);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A properties handle whose property value for the specified key you

want to get.

The name of a property key. key

value Output parameter for the property value.

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_FOUND

# MQGetInt8Property

The MQGetInt8Property function passes back the value of the MQInt8 property for the specified key.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQGetInt8Property

> ConstMQString key, MQInt8 \* value);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A properties handle whose property value for the specified key you

want to get.

The name of a property key. key

Output parameter for the property value. value

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_FOUND

# MQGetMessageHeaders

The MQGetMessageHeaders function passes back a handle to the message headers.

MQGetMessageHeaders (const MQMessageHandle messageHandle

MQPropertiesHandle \* headersHandle) ;

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

messageHandle The message handle.

headersHandle Output parameter for the handle to the message header

properties.

The MQGetMessageHeaders function passes back a handle to the message headers. The message header includes the fields described in Table 4-5. Note that most of the fields are set by the send function; the client can optionally set only two of these fields for sending messages.

**Table 4-5** Message Header Properties

Кеу	Туре	Set By
MQ_CORRELATION_ID_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQString	Client (optional)
MQ_MESSAGE_TYPE_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQString	Client (optional)
MQ_PERSISTENT_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQBool	Send function
MQ_EXPIRATION_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQInt64	Send function
MQ_PRIORITY_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQInt8	Send function
MQ_TIMESTAMP_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQInt64	Send function
MQ_MESSAGE_ID_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQString	Send function
MQ_REDELIVERED_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQBool	Message Broker

You are responsible for freeing the headersHandle after you are done with it. Use the  ${\tt MQFreeProperties}$  function to free the handle.

Use the MQGetMessageProperties function to determine whether any application-defined properties were set for this message and to find out their value.

# **MQGetMessageProperties**

The MQGetMessageProperties function passes back the user-defined properties for a message.

 ${\tt MQGetMessageProperties} \qquad \qquad {\tt (const~MQMessageHandle~messageHandle,}$ 

MQPropertiesHandle \* propsHandle);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

messageHandle A handle to a message whose properties you want to get.

propertiesHandle Output parameter for the handle to the message properties.

The MQGetMessageProperties function allows you to get application-defined properties for a message. Properties allow an application, via message selectors, to select or filter messages on its behalf using application-specific criteria. Having obtained the handle, you can either use one of the MQGet...Property functions to get a value (if you know the key name) or you can iterate through the properties using the MQPropertiesKeyIterationStart function.

You will need to call the function MQFreeProperties to free the resources associated with this handle after you are done using it.

#### **Common Errors**

MQ NO MESSAGE PROPERTIES

### **MQGetMessageReplyTo**

The MQGetMessageReplyTo function passes back the destination where replies to this message should be sent.

(const MQMessageHandle messageHandle, MQGetMessageReplyTo MQDestinationHandle \* destinationHandle);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

A handle to a message expecting a reply. This is the handle messageHandle

that is passed back to you when you receive the message.

destinationHandle Output parameter for the handle to the reply destination.

The sender uses the MQSetMessageReplyTo function to specify a destination where replies to the message can be sent. This can be a normal destination or a temporary destination. The receiving client can pass the message handle to the MQGetMessageReplyTo function and determine whether a destination for replies has been set up for the message by the sender and what that destination is. The consumer of the message can then use that handle as the destination to which it sends a reply.

You might need to call the MQGetDestinationType function to determine the type of the destination whose handle is returned to you: queue or topic so that you can set up your reply appropriately.

The advantage of setting up a temporary destination for replies is that Message Queue automatically creates a physical destination for you, rather than your having to have the administrator create one, when the broker's auto.create.destination property is turned off.

You are responsible for freeing the destination handle by calling the function MQFreeDestination.

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_NO\_REPLY\_TO\_DESTINATION

# MQGetMessageType

The MQGetMessageType function passes back information about the type of a message: MQ\_TEXT\_MESSAGE or MQ\_BYTES\_MESSAGE.

MQGetMessageType (const MQMessageHandle messageHandle,

MQMessageType \* messageType);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

messageHandle A handle to a message whose type you want to determine.

messageType Output parameter that contains the message type:

MQ\_TEXT\_MESSAGE or MQ\_BYTES\_MESSAGE.

After you obtain the handle to a message, you can determine the type of the message using the MQGetMessageType function. Having determined its type, you can use the MQGetTextMessageText function or the MQGetBytesMessageBytes function to obtain the message content.

Note that other message types might be added in the future. You should not design your code so that it only expects two possible message types.

### **MQGetMetaData**

The MQGetMetaData function returns name and version information for the current Message Queue product.

(const MQConnectionHandle connectionHandle, MQGetMetaData

MQPropertiesHandle \* propertiesHandle)

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

connectionHandle The handle to the connection that you want the meta information

about.

Output parameter that contains the properties handle. propertiesHandle

The Message Queue product you are using is identified by a name and a version number. For example: "Sun Java(tm) System Message Queue 3.5.0.1." The version number consists of a major, minor, micro, and service pack component. For example, the major part of version 3.5.0.1 is 3; the minor is 5; the micro is 0; the service pack is 1.

The name and version information of the Message Queue product are set by the library when you call the MQCreateConnection function to create the connection. You can retrieve this information by calling the MQGetMetaData function and passing a properties handle. Once the function returns and passes the handle back, you can use one of the MQGet...Properties functions to determine the value of a property (key). These properties are described at the end of Table 4-2 on page 77.

# **MQGetPropertyType**

The MQGetPropertyType function returns the type of the property value for a property key in the specified properties handle.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQGetPropertyType

> ConstMQString key, MQType \* propertyType);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A properties handle that you want to access.

key The property key for which you want to get the type of the

property value.

Output parameter for the type of the property value. propertyType

Use the appropriate MQGet...Property function to find the value of the specified property key.

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_FOUND

### **MQGetStatusCode**

The MQGetStatusCode function returns the error code associated with specified status.

MOError MOGetStatusCode (const MOStatus status);

#### **Parameters**

status

The status returned by any Message Queue function that returns an MQStatus.

Having found that a Message Queue function has not returned successfully, you can determine the reason by passing the return status. This function will return the error code associated with the specified status. These codes are listed and described in Appendix A on page 185.

Some functions might return an MQStatus that contains an NSPR or NSS library error code instead of a Message Queue error code when they fail. For NSPR and NSS library error codes, the MQGetStatusString function will return the symbolic name of the NSPR or NSS library error code. See NSPR and NSS public documentation for NSPR and NSS error code symbols and their interpretation at the following locations:

- For NSPR error codes, see the "NSPR Error Handling" chapter: http://www.mozilla.org/projects/nspr/reference/html/index.html
- For SSL and SEC error codes, see the "NSS and SSL Error Codes" chapter: http://www.mozilla.org/projects/security/pki/nss/ref/ssl/

To obtain an MQString that describes the error, use the MQGetStatusString function. To get an error trace associated with the error, use the MQGetErrorTrace function.

# **MQGetStatusString**

The MQGetStatusString function returns an MQString describing the specified status.

MQString MQGetStatusString (const MQStatus status);

#### **Parameters**

status

The status returned by any Message Queue function that returns an MQStatus.

Having found that a Message Queue function has not returned successfully, you can determine the reason why by passing the return status. This function will return an MQString describing the error associated with the specified status.

To obtain the error code for the specified status, use the MQGetStatusCode function. To get an error trace associated with the error, use the MQGetErrorTrace function.

You must call the MQFreeString function to free the MQString returned by the MQGetStatusString function when you are done.

### **MQGetStringProperty**

The MQGetStringProperty function passes back the value of the specified key for the specified MQString property.

MQGetStringProperty (const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle,

> ConstMQString key, ConstMQString \* value);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A properties handle whose property value for the specified key you

want to get.

The name of a property key. key

Output parameter that points to the value of the specified key value

You should not modify or attempt to free the value returned.

# MQGetTextMessageText

The MQGetTextMessageText function passes back the contents of a text message.

MQGetTextMessageText (const MQMessageHandle messageHandle,

ConstMQString \* messageText);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

messageHandle A handle to an MQ\_TEXT\_MESSAGE message that is passed to

you when you receive a message.

messageText The output parameter that points to the message text.

After you obtain the handle to a message, you can use the MQGetMessageType to determine its type and, if the type is text, you can use the MQGetTextMessageText function to retrieve the message text.

The MQString passed to you by this function is not a copy. You should not modify the bytes or attempt to free it.

## **MQInitializeSSL**

The MQInitializeSSL function initializes the SSL library. You must call this function once and only once before you create any connection that uses SSL.

MQInitializeSSL (ConstMQString certificateDatabasePath);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

certificateDatabasePath

An Mostring specifying the path to the certificate data

base.

The Message Queue C-API library uses NSS to support the SSL transport protocol between the Message Queue C client and the Message Queue broker.

Before you connect to a broker over SSL, you must initialize the SSL library by calling the MQInitializeSSL function. The certificateDatabasePath parameter specifies the path to the NSS certificate database where cert7.db or cert8.db, key3.db, and secmod.db are located.

## Common Errors

MO INCOMPATIBLE LIBRARY

MQ SSL ALREADY INITIALIZED

## **MQPropertiesKeyIterationGetNext**

The MQPropertiesKeyIterationGetNext function passes back the address of the next property key in the referenced properties handle.

MQPropertiesKeyIterationGetNext

(const MQPropertiesHandle
propertiesHandle,
ConstMQString \* key);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A properties handle whose contents you want to access.

key The output parameter for the next properties key in the

iteration. You should not attempt to modify or free it.

## To get message properties:

- 1. Start the process by calling the MQPropertiesKeyIterationStart function.
- 2. Loop using the MQPropertiesKeyIterationHasNext function.
- **3.** Extract the name of each property key by calling the MQPropertiesKeyIterationGetNext function.
- **4.** Determine the type of the property value for a given key by calling the MQGetPropertyType function.
- **5.** Use the appropriate MQGet...Property function to find the property value for the specified property key.

If you know the property key, you can just use the appropriate MQGet...Property function to access its value.

You should not modify or free the property key that is passed back to you by this function. Note that this function is not multi-thread-safe.

# **MQPropertiesKeyIterationHasNext**

The MQPropertiesKeyIterationHasNext function returns MQ\_TRUE if there are additional property keys left in the iteration.

MQPropertiesKeyIterationHasNext

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle);

## **Return Value**

MQBool

## **Parameters**

propertiesHandle

A properties handle that you want to access.

To get message properties:

- Start the process by calling the MQPropertiesKeyIterationStart function.
- Loop using the MQPropertiesKeyIterationHasNext function.
- **3.** Extract the name of each property key by calling the MQPropertiesKeyIterationGetNext function.
- **4.** Determine the type of the property value for a given key by calling the MQGetPropertyType function.
- **5.** Use the appropriate MQGet...Property function to find the value for the specified property key.

If you know the property key, you can just use the appropriate MQGet...Property function to get its value. Note that this function is not multi-thread-safe.

## **MQPropertiesKeyIterationStart**

The MQPropertiesKeyIterationStart function starts or resets the iteration process or the specified properties handle.

MQPropertiesKeyIterationStart (const PropertiesHandle

propertiesHandle);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

propertiesHandle

A properties handle that you want to access.

To get message properties:

- 1. Start the process by calling the MQPropertiesKeyIterationStart function.
- 2. Loop using the MQPropertiesKeyIterationHasNext function.
- 3. Extract the name of each property key by calling the MQPropertiesKeyIterationGetNext function.
- **4.** Determine the type of the property value for a given key by calling the MQGetPropertyType function.
- **5.** Use the appropriate MQGet...Property function to find the property value for the specified property key.

If you know the property key, you can just use the appropriate MQGet...Property function to get its value. Note that this function is not multi-thread-safe.

# MQReceiveMessageNoWait

The MQReceiveMessageNoWait function passes a handle back to a message delivered to the specified consumer if a message is available.

MQReceiveMessageNoWait (const MQConsumerHandle consumerHandle, MQMessageHandle \* messageHandle);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

consumerHandle The handle to the message consumer. This handle is passed

back to you when you create a synchronous message

consumer.

Output parameter for the handle to the message to be messageHandle

> received. You are responsible for freeing the message handle when you are done by calling the MQFreeMessage function.

This function can only be called if the session is created with receive mode MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE. The MQReceiveMessageNoWait function passes a handle back to you in the messageHandle parameter if there is a message arrived for the consumer specified by the consumer Handle parameter. If there is no message for the consumer, the function returns immediately with an error.

When you create a session, you specify one of several acknowledge modes for that session; these are described in Table 4-3. If you specify MQ\_CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE as the acknowledge mode for the session, you must explicitly call the MQAcknowledgeMessages function to acknowledge messages that you have received. For more information, see the description of the function MQAcknowledgeMessages.

You can use the MQReceiveMessageWait function if you want the receive function to block while waiting for a message to arrive. You can use the MQReceiveMessageWithTimeout function to wait for a specified time for a message to arrive.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_SYNC\_RECEIVE\_MODE

MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS

MQ\_NO\_MESSAGE

MQ\_CONSUMER\_CLOSED

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

# **MQReceiveMessageWait**

The MQReceiveMessageWait function passes a handle back to a message delivered to the specified consumer when the message becomes available.

MQReceiveMessageWait (const MQConsumerHandle consumerHandle, MQMessageHandle \* messageHandle);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

consumerHandle The handle to the message consumer. This handle is passed

back to you when you create a synchronous message

consumer.

Output parameter for the handle to the message to be messageHandle

> received. You are responsible for freeing the message handle when you are done by calling the MQFreeMessage function.

This function can only be called if the session is created with receive mode MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE. The MQReceiveMessageWait function passes a handle back to you in the messageHandle parameter if there is a message arrived for the consumer specified by the consumer Handle parameter. If there is no message for the consumer, the function blocks until a message is delivered.

When you create a session, you specify one of several acknowledge modes for that session; these are described in Table 4-3. If you specify MQ\_CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE as the acknowledge mode for the session, you must explicitly call the MQAcknowledgeMessages function to acknowledge messages that you have received. For more information, see the description of the function MQAcknowledgeMessages.

You can use the MQReceiveMessageNoWait function instead if you do not want to block while waiting for a message to arrive. You can use the function MQReceiveMessageWithTimeout to wait for a specified time for a message to arrive.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_SYNC\_RECEIVE\_MODE

MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS

MQ\_CONSUMER\_CLOSED

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

## MQReceiveMessageWithTimeout

The MQReceiveMessageWithTimeout function passes a handle back to a message delivered to the specified consumer if a message is available within the specified amount of time.

MQReceiveMessageWithTimeout (const MQConsumerHandle consumerHandle,

> MQInt32 timeoutMilliseconds, MQMessageHandle \* messageHandle);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

consumerHandle The handle to the message consumer. This handle is passed

back to you when you create a synchronous message

consumer.

timeoutMilliseconds The number of milliseconds to wait for a message to arrive.

Output parameter for the handle to the message to be messageHandle

received. You are responsible for freeing the message handle when you are done by calling the MQFreeMessage function.

This function can only be called if the session is created with receive mode MQ\_SESSION\_SYNC\_RECEIVE. The MQReceiveMessageWithTimeout function passes a handle back to you in the messageHandle parameter if a message arrives for the consumer specified by the consumer Handle parameter in the amount of time specified by the timoutMilliseconds parameter. If no message arrives within the specified amount of time, the function returns an error.

When you create a session, you specify one of several acknowledge modes for that session; these are described in Table 4-3. If you specify MQ\_CLIENT\_ACKNOWLEDGE as the acknowledge mode for the session, you must explicitly call the MQAcknowledgeMessages function to acknowledge messages that you have received. For more information, see the description of the function MQAcknowledgeMessages.

You can use the MQReceiveMessageWait function to block while waiting for a message to arrive. You can use the MQReceiveMessageNoWait function if you do not want to wait for the message to arrive.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_SYNC\_RECEIVE\_MODE

MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS

MQ\_TIMEOUT\_EXPIRED

MQ\_CONSUMER\_CLOSED

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

## **MQRecoverSession**

The MQCRecoverSession function stops message delivery and restarts message delivery with the oldest unacknowledged message.

MQRecoverSession (const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle);

## Return Value

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

sessionHandle

The handle to the session that you want to recover.

You can only call this function for sessions that are not transacted. To rollback message delivery for a transacted session, use the MQRollBackSession function. This function may be most useful if you use the MQ CLIENT ACKNOWELDGE mode.

All consumers deliver messages in a serial order. Acknowledging a received message automatically acknowledges all messages that have been delivered to the client.

Restarting a session causes it to take the following actions:

- Stop message delivery in this session
- Mark all messages that might have been delivered but not acknowledged as "redelivered"
- Restart the delivery sequence including all unacknowledged messages that had been previously delivered. (Redelivered messages might not be delivered in their original delivery order.)

## Common Errors

MQ\_TRANSACTED\_SESSION

MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

MQ BROKER CONNECTION CLOSED

## **MQRollBackSession**

The MQRollBackSession function rolls back a transaction associated with the specified session.

MQRollBackSession (const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle);

#### Return Value

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

sessionHandle

The handle to the transacted session that you want to roll back.

A transacted session groups messages into an atomic unit known as a transaction. As messages are produced or consumed within a transaction, the broker tracks the various sends and receives, completing these operations only when you call the MOCOMMITSession function.

If a send or receive operation fails, you must use the MQRollBackSession function to roll back the entire transaction. This means that those messages that have been sent are destroyed and those messages that have been consumed are automatically recovered.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_NOT\_TRANSACTED\_SESSION

MQ\_CONCURRENT\_ACCESS

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

## **MQSendMessage**

The MQSendMessage function sends a message using the specified producer.

(const MQProducerHandle producerHandle, **MQSendMessage** const MQMessageHandle messageHandle);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

The handle to the producer sending this message. This handle producerHandle

is passed back to you by the

MOCreateMessageProducerForDestination function.

messageHandle A handle to the message you want to send.

The MQSendMessage function sends the specified message on behalf of the specified producer to the destination associated with the message producer. If you use this function to send a message, the following message header fields are set to default values when the send completes.

MQ\_PERSISTENT\_HEADER\_PROPERTY will be set to MQ\_PERSISTENT\_DELIVERY.

This means that the calling thread will be blocked, waiting for the broker to acknowledge receipt of your messages, unless you set the connection property MQ\_ACK\_ON\_PRODUCE\_PROPERTY to MQ\_FALSE.

- MQ\_PRIORITY\_HEADER\_PROPERTY will be set to 4.
- MQ\_EXPIRATION\_HEADER\_PROPERTY will be set to 0, which means that the message will never expire.

If you set those message properties, they will be ignored when a message is sent. To send a message with these properties set to different values, you can use the MQSendMessageExt function to specify different values for these properties.

You cannot use this function with a producer that is created without a specified destination.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_PRODUCER\_NO\_DESTINATION

MQ\_PRODUCER\_CLOSED

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

# MQSendMessageExt

The MQSendMessageExt function sends a message using the specified producer and allows you to specify selected message header properties.

MQSendMessageExt (const MQProducerHandle producerHandle,

const MQMessageHandle messageHandle MQDeliveryMode msgDeliveryMode,

MQInt8 msqPriority, MQInt64 msqTimeToLive);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

The handle to the producer sending this message. This handle producerHandle

is passed back to you by the

MQCreateMessageProducerForDestination function.

A handle to the message you want to send. messageHandle

An enum msgDeliveryMode

> MQ\_PERSISTENT\_DELIVERY MQ\_NONPERSISTENT\_DELIVERY.

A integer value of 0 through 9; 0 being the lowest priority and 9 msgPriority

the highest.

msqTimeToLive An integer value specifying in milliseconds how long the

> message will live before it expires. When a message is sent, its expiration time is calculated as the sum of its time-to-live value and current GMT. A value of 0 indicates that he message will

never expire.

The MQSendMessageExt function sends the specified message on behalf of the specified producer to the destination associated with the message producer. Use this function if you want to change the default values for the message header properties as shown in the next table.

Property	Default value	
msgDeliveryMode	MQ_PERSISTENT_DELIVERY	
msgPriority	4	
msgTimeToLive	0, meaning no expiration limit	

If you set these message headers using the MQSetMessageHeaders function before the send, they will be ignored when the message is sent. When the send completes, these message headers hold the values that are set by the send.

You cannot use this function with a producer that is created without a specified destination.

You can set the broker property MQ\_ACK\_ON\_PRODUCE\_PROPERTY to make sure that the message has reached its destination on the broker:

- By default, the broker acknowledges receiving persistent messages only.
- If you set the property to MQ\_TRUE, the broker acknowledges receipt of all messages (persistent and non-persistent) from the producing client.
- If you set the property to MQ\_FALSE, the broker does not acknowledge receipt of any message (persistent or non-persistent) from the producing client.

Note that "acknowledgement" in this case is not programmatic but internally implemented. That is, the client thread is blocked and does not return until the broker acknowledges messages it receives from the producing client.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_PRODUCER\_NO\_DESTINATION

MQ\_INVALID\_PRIORITY

MQ\_INVALID\_DELIVERY\_MODE

MQ\_PRODUCER\_CLOSED

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

# MQSendMessageToDestination

The MQSendMessageToDestination function sends a message using the specified producer to the specified destination.

MQSendMessageToDestination

```
(const MQProducerHandle producerHandle,
const MQMessageHandle messageHandle,
const MQDestinationHandle destinationHandle);
```

#### Return Value

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

producerHandle The handle to the producer sending this message. This handle

is passed back to you by the MQCreateMessageProducer

function.

A handle to the message you want to send. messageHandle

destinationHandle A handle to the destination where you want to send the

message.

The MQSendMessageToDestination function sends the specified message on behalf of the specified producer to the specified destination. If you use this function to send a message, the following message header fields are set as follows when the send completes.

- MO\_PERSISTENT\_HEADER\_PROPERTY will be set to MO\_PERSISTENT\_DELIVERY.
  - This means that the caller will be blocked, waiting for broker acknowledgement for the receipt of your messages unless you set the connection property MQ\_ACK\_ON\_PRODUCE\_PROPERTY to MQ\_FALSE.
- MQ PRIORITY HEADER PROPERTY will be set to 4.
- MQ\_EXPIRATION\_HEADER\_PROPERTY will be set to 0, which means that the message will never expire.

To send a message with these properties set to different values, you must use the MQSendMessageToDestinationExt function, which allows you to set these three header properties.

If you set these message headers using the MQSetMessageHeaders function before the send, they will be ignored when the message is sent. When the send completes, these message headers hold the values that are set by the send.

You cannot use this function with a producer that is created without a specified destination.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_PRODUCER\_HAS\_DEFAULT\_DESTINATION

MQ\_PRODUCER\_CLOSED

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

# MQSendMessageToDestinationExt

The MQSendMessageToDestinationExt function sends a message to the specified destination for the specified producer and allows you to set selected message header properties.

MQSendMessageToDestinationExt

```
(const MQProducerHandle producerHandle,
const MQMessageHandle messageHandle,
const MQDestinationHandle destinationHandle,
MQDeliveryMode msqDeliveryMode,
MQInt8 msgPriority,
MQInt64 msgTimeToLive);
```

## Return Value

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

producerHandle The handle to the producer sending this message. This handle

is passed back to you when you call the

MQCreateMessageProducer function.

A handle to the message you want to send. messageHandle

destinationHandle A handle to the destination where you want to send the

message.

msgDeliveryMode An enum of either MQ\_PERSISTENT\_DELIVERY or

MQ\_NONPERSISTENT\_DELIVERY.

A integer value of 0 through 9; 0 being the lowest priority and 9 msgPriority

the highest.

An integer value specifying in milliseconds how long the msqTimeToLive

> message will live before it expires. When a message is sent, its expiration time is calculated as the sum of its time-to-live value and current GMT. A value of 0 indicates that the message will

never expire.

The MQSendMessageToDestinationExt function sends the specified message on behalf of the specified producer to the specified destination. Use this function if you want to change the default values for the message header properties as shown below:

Property	Default value	
msgDeliveryMode	MQ_PERSISTENT_DELIVERY	
msgPriority	4	
msgTimeToLive	0, meaning no expiration limit	

If these default values suit you, you can use the MQSendMessageToDestination function to send the message.

You cannot use this function with a producer that is created with a specified destination.

You can set the broker property MQ\_ACK\_ON\_PRODUCE\_PROPERTY to make sure that the message has reached its destination on the broker:

- By default, the broker acknowledges receiving persistent messages only from the producing client.
- If you set the property to MQ\_TRUE, the broker acknowledges receipt of all messages (persistent and non-persistent) from the producing client.
- If you set the property to MQ\_FALSE, the broker does not acknowledge receipt of any message (persistent or non-persistent) from the producing client.

Note that "acknowledgement" in this case is not programmatic but internally implemented. That is, the client thread is blocked and does not return until the broker acknowledges messages it receives.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_PRODUCER\_HAS\_DEFAULT\_DESTINATION

MQ\_INVALID\_PRIORITY

MQ\_INVALID\_DELIVERY\_MODE

MQ\_PRODUCER\_CLOSED

MQ\_SESSION\_CLOSED

# MQSetBoolProperty

The MQSetBoolProperty function sets an MQBool property with the specified key to the specified value.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQSetBoolProperty

> ConstMQString key, MOBool value);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A handle to the properties object whose property value for the

specified key you want to set.

The name of the property key. The library makes a copy of the key

property key.

value The MQBool property value.

## **Common Errors**

# MQSetBytesMessageBytes

The MQSetBytesMessageBytes function defines the body for a bytes message.

MQSetBytesMessageBytes (const MQMessageHandle messageHandle,

const MQInt8 \* messageBytes,

MQInt32 messageSize);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

messageHandle A handle to an MQ\_BYTES\_MESSAGE message whose body you

want to set.

messageBytes A pointer to the bytes you want to set. The library makes a copy

of the message bytes.

messageSize An integer specifying the number of bytes in messageBytes.

After you obtain the handle to a bytes message from MQCreateBytesMessage, you can use this handle to define its body with the MQSetBytesMessageBytes function, to set its application-defined properties with the MQSetMessageProperties function, and to set certain message headers with the MQSetMessageHeaders function.

# MQSetFloat32Property

The MQSetFloat32Property function sets an MQFloat32 property with the specified key to the specified value.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQSetFloat32Property

> ConstMQString key, MOFloat32 value);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A handle to the properties object whose property value for the

specified key you want to set.

The name of a property key. The library makes a copy of the key

property key.

value The MQFloat32 property value.

## **Common Errors**

## MQSetFloat64Property

The MQSetFloat64Property function sets an MQFloat64 property with the specified key to the specified value.

MQSetFloat64Property (const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle,

ConstMQString key,
MQFloat64 value);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A handle to the properties object whose property value for the

specified key you want to set.

key The name of a property key. The library makes a copy of the

property key.

value The MQFloat64 property value.

## **Common Errors**

# MQSetInt16Property

The MQSetInt16Property function sets an MQInt16 property with the specified key to the specified value.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQSetInt16Property

> ConstMQString key, MOInt16 value);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A handle to the properties object whose property value for the

specified key you want to set.

The name of a property key. The library makes a copy of the key

property key.

The MQInt16 property value. value

## **Common Errors**

# MQSetInt32Property

The MQSetInt32Property function sets an MQInt32 property with the specified key to the specified value.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQSetInt32Property

> ConstMQString key, MOInt32 value);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A handle to the properties object whose property value for the

specified key you want to set.

The name of a property key. The library makes a copy of the key

property key.

The MQInt32 property value. value

## **Common Errors**

# MQSetInt64Property

The MQSetInt64Property function sets an MQInt64 property with the specified key to the specified value.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQSetInt64Property

> ConstMQString key, MOInt64 value);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A handle to the properties object whose property value for the

specified key you want to set.

The name of a property key. The library makes a copy of the key

property key.

The MQInt64 property value. value

## **Common Errors**

# MQSetInt8Property

The MQSetInt8Property function sets an MQInt8 property with the specified key to the specified value.

(const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle, MQSetInt8Property

> ConstMQString key, MOInt8 value);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A handle to the properties object whose property value for the

specified key you want to set

The name of a property key. The library makes a copy of the key

property key.

The MQInt8 property value. value

## **Common Errors**

## **MQSetMessageHeaders**

The MQSetMessageHeaders function creates the header part of the message.

(const MQMessageHandle messageHandle MQSetMessageHeaders

MQPropertiesHandle headersHandle);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

A handle to a message. messageHandle

A handle to the header properties object. This handle will be headersHandle

invalid after the function returns.

After you have created a properties handle and defined values for message header properties using one of the MQSet...Property functions, you can pass the handle to the MQSetMessageHeaders function to define the message header properties.

The message header properties are described in Table 4-6. For sending messages, the client can only set two of these: the correlation ID property and the message type property. The client is not required to set these; they are provided for the client's convenience. For example, the client can use the key MQ\_MESSAGE\_TYPE\_HEADER\_PROPERTY to sort incoming messages according to application-defined message types.

Table 4-6 Message Header Properties

Кеу	Туре	Set By
MQ_CORRELATION_ID_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQString	Client (optional)
MQ_MESSAGE_TYPE_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQString	Client (optional)
MQ_PERSISTENT_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQBool	Send function
MQ_EXPIRATION_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQInt64	Send function
MQ_PRIORITY_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQInt8	Send function
MQ_TIMESTAMP_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQInt64	Send function
MQ_MESSAGE_ID_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQString	Send function

Table 4-6 Message Header Properties (Continued)

Key	Туре	Set By
MQ_REDELIVERED_HEADER_PROPERTY	MQBool	Message Broker

Header properties that are not specified in the headersHandle are not affected. You cannot use this function to override header properties that are set by the broker or the send function. The header properties for persistence, expiration, and priority (Table 4-6) are set to default values if the user called the MQSendMessage or MQSendMessageToDestination function, or they are set to values the user specifies (in parameters) if the user called the MQSendMessageExt or the MQSendMessageToDestinationExt function.

Use the MQSetBytesMessageBytes function or the MQSetStringProperty to set the body of a message. Use the MQSetMessageProperties function to set the application-defined properties of a message that are not part of the header.

## **Common Errors**

MQ\_PROPERTY\_WRONG\_VALUE\_TYPE

# **MQSetMessageProperties**

The MQSetMessageProperties function sets the specified properties for a message.

(const MQMessageHandle messageHandle, MQSetMessageProperties

MQPropertiesHandle propsHandle);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

A handle to a message whose application-defined properties messageHandle

vou want to set.

propertiesHandle A handle to a properties object that you have created and set

using one of the set property functions. This handle is invalid

after the function returns.

After you obtain the handle to a message, you can use this handle to define its body with the MQSetStringProperty function or the MQSetBytesMessageBytes function, to set its header properties with the MQSetMessageHeaders function, and to set its application-defined properties with the MQSetMessageProperties function.

Property values are set prior to sending a message. The MQSetMessageProperties function allows you to set application-defined properties for a message. Properties allow an application, via message selectors, to select or filter, messages on its behalf using application-specific criteria.

You define the message properties and their values using the MQCreateProperties function to create a properties object, then you use one of the set property functions to define each key and value in it. See "Working With Properties" on page 50 for more information.

To change the properties of a message, call the MQSetMessageProperties function, passing a different properties handle.

# MQSetMessageReplyTo

The MQSetMessageReplyTo function specifies the destination where replies to this message should be sent.

MQSetMessageReplyTo

```
(const MQMessageHandle messageHandle,
  const MQDestinationHandle destinationHandle);
```

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

messageHandle A handle to a message expecting a reply.

destinationHandle The destination to which the reply is sent. Usually this is a

handle to a destination that you created using the  ${\tt MQCreateDestination}$  function or the function

 ${\tt MQCreateTemporaryDestination}. \ \ \textbf{The handle is still valid when}$ 

this function returns.

The sender uses the MQSetMessageReply function to specify a destination where replies to the message can be sent. This can be a normal destination or a temporary destination. The receiver of a message can use the MQGetMessageReplyTo function to determine whether a sender has set up a destination where replies are to be sent. The advantage of setting up a temporary destination for replies is that Message Queue automatically creates a physical destination for you, rather than your having to have the administrator create one if the broker's auto\_create\_destination property is turned off.

# **MQSetStringProperty**

The MQSetStringProperty function sets an MQString property with the specified key t to the specified value.

MQSetStringProperty (const MQPropertiesHandle propertiesHandle,

> ConstMQString key, ConstMQString value);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

propertiesHandle A handle to the properties object whose property value for the

specified key you want to set. You get this handle from the

MQCreateProperties function.

key The name of a property key. The library makes a copy of the

property key

value The property value to set. The library makes a copy of the value.

The library makes a copy of the property key and also makes a copy of the value.

## MQSetTextMessageText

The MQSetTextMessageText function defines the body for a text message.

MQSetTextMessageText (const MQMessageHandle messageHandle,

ConstMQString messageText);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

## **Parameters**

messageHandle A handle to a message whose text body you want to set.

messageText An MQString specifying the message text. The library makes a

copy of the message text.

After you obtain the handle to a text message, you can use this handle to define its body with the MQSetStringProperty function. You can set its application-defined properties with the MQSetMessageProperties function, and you can set certain message headers with the MQSetMessageHeaders function.

## **MQStartConnection**

The MQStartConnection function starts the specified connection to the broker and starts or resumes message delivery.

MOStartConnection (const MQConnectionHandle connectionHandle);

## **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

The handle to the connection that you want to start. This handle is connectionHandle

the handle that is created and passed back to you by the

MOCreateConnection function.

When a connection is created it is in stopped mode. Until you call this function, messages are not delivered to any consumers. Call this function to start a connection or to restart a connection that has been stopped with the MQStopConnection function. To create an asynchronous consumer, you could have the connection in stopped mode, and start or restart the connection after you have set up the asynchronous message consumer.

Use the MOCloseConnection function to close a connection, and then use the MQFreeConnection function to free the memory allocated to the connection.

## **Common Errors**

## **MQStatusIsError**

The  ${\tt MQStatusIsError}$  function returns  ${\tt MQ\_TRUE}$  if the status parameter passed to it represents an error.

MQBool MQStatusIsError (const MQStatus status);

## **Parameters**

status The status returned by any Message Queue function that

returns an MQStatus.

Nearly all Message Queue C library functions return an MQStatus. You can pass this status result to the MQStatusIsError function to determine whether your call succeeded or failed. If the MQStatusIsError function returns MQ\_TRUE(=1), the function failed; if it returns MQ\_FALSE(=0), the function returned successfully.

If the MQStatusIsError returns MQ\_TRUE, you can get more information about the error that occurred by passing the status returned to the MQGetStatusCode function. This function will return the error code associated with the specified status.

To obtain an MQString that describes the error, use the MQGetStatusString function. To get an error trace associated with the error, use the MQGetErrorTrace function.

### **MQStopConnection**

The MQStopConnection function stops the specified connection to the broker. This stops the broker from delivering messages.

MQStopConnection (const MQConnectionHandle connectionHandle);

#### **Return Value**

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

connectionHandle

The handle to the connection that you want to stop. This handle is passed back to you by the MQCreateConnection function.

You can restart message delivery by calling the MQStartConnection function. When the connection has stopped, delivery to all the connection's message consumers is inhibited: synchronous receives block, and messages are not delivered to message listeners. This call blocks until receives and/or message listeners in progress have completed.

You should not call MQStopConnection in a message listener callback function.

Use the MQCloseConnection function to close a connection, and then use the MQFreeConnection function to free the memory allocated to the connection.

#### **Common Errors**

MQ\_BROKER\_CONNECTION\_CLOSED

MQ\_CONCURRENT\_DEADLOCK

### MQUnsubscribe Durable Message Consumer

The MQUnsubscribeDurableMessageConsumer function unsubscribes the specified durable message consumer.

MQUnsubscribeDurableMessageConsumer

(const MQSessionHandle sessionHandle, ConstMQString durableName);

#### Return Value

MQStatus. See the MQStatusIsError function for more information.

#### **Parameters**

sessionHandle The handle to the session to which this consumer belongs.

This handle is created and passed back to you by the

MQCreateSession function.

An MOString specifying the name of the durable subscriber. durableName

When you call the MQUnsubscribeDurableMessageConsumer function, the client runtime instructs the broker to delete the state information that the broker maintains for this consumer. If you try to delete a durable consumer while it has an active topic subscriber or while a received message has not been acknowledged in the session, you will get an error. You should only unsubscribe a durable message consumer after closing it.

#### Common Errors

MQ\_CANNOT\_UNSUBSCRIBE\_ACTIVE\_CONSUMER

MQ CONSUMER NOT FOUND

### **Header Files**

The Message Queue C-API is defined in the header files listed in Table 4-7. The files are listed in alphabetical order. The file mqcrt.h includes all the Message Queue C-API header files.

Table 4-7 Message Queue C-API Header Files

Table 4-7 Message	Queue C-Al Trieduci Files
File Name	Contents
mqbasictypes.h	Defines the types MQBool, MQInt8, MQInt16, MQInt32, MQInt64, MQFloat32, MQFloat64.
mqbytes-message.h	Function prototypes for creating, getting, setting bytes message.
mqcallback-types.h	Asynchronous receive and connection exception handling callback types.
mqconnection.h	Function prototypes for creating, managing, and closing connections. Function prototype for creating session.
mqconnection-props.	h Connection property constants
mqconsumer.h	Function prototypes for synchronous receives and closing the consumer.
mqcrt.h	All Message Queue C-API public header files.
mqdestination.h	Function prototypes to free destinations and get information about destinations.
mqerrors.h	Error codes
mqheader-props.h	Message header property constants
mqmessage.h	Function prototypes for getting and setting parts of message, freeing message, and acknowledging message.
mqproducer.h	Function prototypes for sending messages and closing the message producer.
mqproperties.h	Function prototypes for creating, setting, and getting properties
mqsession.h	Function prototypes for managing and closing sessions; for creating destinations, message producers and message consumers.
mqssl.h	Function declaration for initializing the SSL library.
mqstatus.h	Function prototypes for getting error information.

Table 4-7 Message Queue C-API Header Files (Continued)

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mqtext-message.h	Function prototypes for creating, getting, setting text message.
mqtypes.h	Enumeration of types that can be stored in a properties object, of types of message that can be received, of acknowledgement modes, of delivery modes, of destination types, of session receiving modes, and of handle types.
mqversion.h	Version information constant definitions.

## Message Queue C API Error Codes

Having found that a Message Queue function has not returned successfully, you can determine the reason by passing the return status of that function to the MQGetStatusCode function, which returns the error code associated with the specified status. This appendix lists the error codes that can be returned and provides a description that is associated with that code. You can retrieve the error string (description) by calling the MQGetStatusString function.

Some Message Queue functions, when they fail, might return an MQStatus result that contains an NSPR or NSS library error code instead of a Message Queue error code. For NSPR and NSS library error codes, the MQGetStatusString function returns the symbolic name of the NSPR or NSS library error code. Please see NSPR and NSS public documentation for NSPR and NSS error code symbols and their interpretation at the following locations:

- For NSPR error codes, see the "NSPR Error Handling" chapter: http://www.mozilla.org/projects/nspr/reference/html/index.html
- For NSS error codes, see the "NSS and SSL Error Codes" chapter: http://www.mozilla.org/projects/security/pki/nss/ref/ssl/

When checking a Message Queue function for return errors, you should only reference the Message Queue common error code symbol names in order to maintain maximum compatibility with future releases. For each function, Chapter 4, "Reference" on page 73, lists the common error codes that can be returned by that function.

For information on error handling, see "Error Handling" on page 68.

## **Error Codes**

Table A-1 lists the error codes in alphabetical order. For each code listed, it provides a description for the error code and notes whether it is a common error (Common).

 Table A-1
 Message Queue C Client Error Codes

Code	Common	Description
MQ_ACK_STATUS_NOT_OK		Acknowledgement status is not OK
MQ_ADMIN_KEY_AUTH_MISMATCH		Admin key authorization mismatch
MQ_BAD_VECTOR_INDEX		Bad vector index
MQ_BASIC_TYPE_SIZE_MISMATCH		Message Queue basic type size mismatch
MQ_BROKER_BAD_REQUEST		Broker: bad request
MQ_BROKER_BAD_VERSION		Broker: bad version
MQ_BROKER_CONFLICT		Broker: conflict
MQ_BROKER_CONNECTION_CLOSED	Х	Broker connection is closed.
MQ_BROKER_ERROR		Broker: error
MQ_BROKER_FORBIDDEN		Broker: forbidden
MQ_BROKER_GONE		Broker: gone
MQ_BROKER_INVALID_LOGIN		Broker: invalid login
MQ_BROKER_NOT_ALLOWED		Broker: not allowed
MQ_BROKER_NOT_FOUND		Broker: not found
MQ_BROKER_NOT_IMPLEMENTED		Broker: not implemented
MQ_BROKER_PRECONDITION_FAILED		Broker: precondition failed
MQ_BROKER_TIMEOUT		Broker: timeout
MQ_BROKER_UNAUTHORIZED		Broker: unauthorized
MQ_BROKER_UNAVAILABLE		Broker: unavailable
MQ_CANNOT_UNSUBSCRIBE_ACTIVE_CONSUMER	X	Cannot unsubscribe an active consumer.
MQ_CLIENTID_IN_USE	X	Client id already in use
MQ_CONCURRENT_ACCESS	X	Concurrent access
MQ_CONCURRENT_DEADLOCK	X	Operation may cause deadlock

Table A-1 Message Queue C Client Error Codes (Continued)

Code	Common	Description
MQ_CONCURRENT_NOT_OWNER		Concurrent access not owner
MQ_CONNECTION_CREATE_SESSION_ERROR		Connection failed to create a session.
MQ_CONNECTION_OPEN_ERROR		Connection failed to open a connection.
MQ_CONNECTION_START_ERROR		Connection start failed.
MQ_CONNECTION_UNSUPPORTED_TRANSPORT	X	The transport specified is not supported.
MQ_CONSUMER_CLOSED	X	The consumer was closed.
MQ_CONSUMER_EXCEPTION		An exception occurred on the consumer.
MQ_CONSUMER_NO_DURABLE_NAME	X	There is no durable name specified
MQ_CONSUMER_NO_SESSION		The consumer has no session.
MQ_CONSUMER_NOT_FOUND	X	Message consumer not found
MQ_CONSUMER_NOT_IN_SESSION	X	The consumer is not part of this session.
MQ_CONSUMER_NOT_INITIALIZED		The consumer has not been initialized.
MQ_COULD_NOT_CONNECT_TO_BROKER	X	Could not connect to Broker
MQ_COULD_NOT_CREATE_THREAD	X	Could not create thread
MQ_DESTINATION_CONSUMER_LIMIT_EXCEEDED	X	The number of consumers on the destination exceeded limit.
MQ_DESTINATION_NO_CLASS		The message does not have a destination class
MQ_DESTINATION_NO_NAME		The message does not have a destination name.
MQ_DESTINATION_NOT_TEMPORARY		The destination is not temporary
MQ_END_OF_STREAM		End of stream
MQ_FILE_NOT_FOUND		The property file could not be found
MQ_FILE_OUTPUT_ERROR		File output error
MQ_HANDLED_OBJECT_IN_USE		The object could not be deleted because there is another reference to it.
MQ_HANDLED_OBJECT_INVALID_HANDLE_ERROR		The object is invalid (i.e. it has not been deleted).
MQ_HANDLED_OBJECT_NO_MORE_HANDLES		A handle could not be allocated because the supply of handles has been exhausted.
MQ_HASH_TABLE_ALLOCATION_FAILED		The hash table could not be allocated

Table A-1 Message Queue C Client Error Codes (Continued)

Code	Common	Description
MQ_HASH_VALUE_ALREADY_EXISTS	X	The hash value already exists in the hash table.
MQ_INCOMPATIBLE_LIBRARY	X	The library is incompatible
MQ_INPUT_STREAM_ERROR		Input stream error
MQ_INTERNAL_ERROR		Generic internal error
MQ_INVALID_ACKNOWLEDGE_MODE	X	Invalid acknowledge mode
MQ_INVALID_AUTHENTICATE_REQUEST		Invalid authenticate request
MQ_INVALID_CLIENTID	X	Invalid client id
MQ_INVALID_CONSUMER_ID		Invalid consumer id
MQ_INVALID_DELIVERY_MODE	X	Invalid delivery mode.
MQ_INVALID_DESTINATION_TYPE	X	Invalid destination type.
MQ_INVALID_ITERATOR		Invalid iterator
MQ_INVALID_MESSAGE_SELECTOR	X	Invalid message selector.
MQ_INVALID_PACKET		Invalid packet
MQ_INVALID_PACKET_FIELD		Invalid packet field
MQ_INVALID_PORT		Invalid port
MQ_INVALID_PRIORITY	X	Invalid priority
MQ_INVALID_RECEIVE_MODE	X	Invalid receive mode.
MQ_INVALID_TRANSACTION_ID		Invalid transaction id
MQ_INVALID_TYPE_CONVERSION	X	The object could not be converted invalid input
MQ_MD5_HASH_FAILURE		MD5 Hash failure
MQ_MESSAGE_NO_DESTINATION		The message does not have a destination
MQ_MESSAGE_NOT_IN_SESSION	X	The message was not delivered to the session.
MQ_NEGATIVE_AMOUNT		Negative amount
MQ_NO_AUTHENTICATION_HANDLER		No authentication handler
MQ_NO_CONNECTION		The Session's connection has been closed
MQ_NO_MESSAGE	X	There was no message to receive.

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Code	Common	Description
MQ_NO_MESSAGE_PROPERTIES	Х	There are no message properties
MQ_NO_REPLY_TO_DESTINATION	X	The message does not have a reply to destination.
MQ_NOT_ASYNC_RECEIVE_MODE	Х	Session not in async receive mode.
MQ_NOT_FOUND	X	Not found
MQ_NOT_IPV4_ADDRESS		Not an IPv4 Address
MQ_NOT_SYNC_RECEIVE_MODE	X	Session not in sync receive mode.
MQ_NOT_TRANSACTED_SESSION	Х	Session is not transacted.
MQ_NULL_PTR_ARG	Х	NULL pointer passed to method
MQ_NULL_STRING		The string is NULL
MQ_NUMBER_NOT_INT16		Number not a UINT16
MQ_OBJECT_NOT_CLONABLE		The object cannot be cloned
MQ_OUT_OF_MEMORY	Х	Out of memory
MQ_PACKET_OUTPUT_ERROR		Packet output error
MQ_POLL_ERROR		Poll error
MQ_PORTMAPPER_ERROR		Portmapper error
MQ_PORTMAPPER_INVALID_INPUT		Portmapper returned invalid.
MQ_PORTMAPPER_WRONG_VERSION		Portmapper is the wrong version
MQ_PRODUCER_CLOSED	Х	Producer closed.
MQ_PRODUCER_HAS_DESTINATION	X	The producer has a specified destination
MQ_PRODUCER_NO_DESTINATION	X	The producer does not have a specified destination.
MQ_PRODUCER_NOT_IN_SESSION	Х	The producer is not part of this session
MQ_PROPERTY_FILE_ERROR		There was an error reading from the property file
MQ_PROPERTY_NULL		Property is NULL.
MQ_PROPERTY_WRONG_VALUE_TYPE	Х	Property has the wrong value type
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_AUTHENTICATE_FAILED		Authenticating to the broker failed.
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_DELETE_DESTINATION_FAILED		Deleting destination failed
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_ERROR		Protocol Handler error

 Table A-1
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Code	Common	Description
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_GOODBYE_FAILED		Error in saying goodbye to broker.
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_HELLO_FAILED		Error saying hello to the broker.
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_READ_ERROR		Reading a packet from the broker failed.
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_RESUME_FLOW_FAILED		Error resume flow from broker.
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_SET_CLIENTID_FAILED		Setting client id failed.
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_START_FAILED		Starting broker connection failed.
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_STOP_FAILED		Stopping broker connection failed.
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_UNEXPECTED_REPLY		Received an unexpected reply from the broker.
MQ_PROTOCOL_HANDLER_WRITE_ERROR		Writing a packet to the broker failed.
MQ_QUEUE_CONSUMER_CANNOT_BE_DURABLE	X	A queue consumer cannot be durable
MQ_READ_CHANNEL_DISPATCH_ERROR		Read channel couldn't dispatch packet.
MQ_READQTABLE_ERROR		ReadQTable error
MQ_RECEIVE_QUEUE_CLOSED		The receive queue is closed.
MQ_RECEIVE_QUEUE_ERROR		The Session is not associated with a connection.
MQ_REFERENCED_FREED_OBJECT_ERROR		A freed object was referenced.
MQ_REUSED_CONSUMER_ID		Reused consumer id
MQ_SERIALIZE_BAD_CLASS_UID		Serialize bad class UID
MQ_SERIALIZE_BAD_HANDLE		Serialize bad handle
MQ_SERIALIZE_BAD_MAGIC_NUMBER		Serialize bad magic number
MQ_SERIALIZE_BAD_SUPER_CLASS		Serialize bad super class
MQ_SERIALIZE_BAD_VERSION		Serialize bad version
MQ_SERIALIZE_CANNOT_CLONE		Serialize cannot clone
MQ_SERIALIZE_CORRUPTED_HASHTABLE		Serialize corrupted hashtable
MQ_SERIALIZE_NO_CLASS_DESC		Serialize no class description
MQ_SERIALIZE_NOT_CLASS_DEF		Serialize not class definition
MQ_SERIALIZE_NOT_CLASS_HANDLE		Serialize not a class object
MQ_SERIALIZE_NOT_HASHTABLE		Serialize not a hashtable

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Code	Common	Description
MQ_SERIALIZE_NOT_OBJECT_HANDLE		Serialize not a handle object
MQ_SERIALIZE_STRING_CONTAINS_NULL		Serialize string contains NULL
MQ_SERIALIZE_STRING_TOO_BIG		Serialize string too big
MQ_SERIALIZE_TEST_ERROR		Serialize testing error
MQ_SERIALIZE_UNEXPECTED_BYTES		Serialize unexpected bytes
MQ_SERIALIZE_UNRECOGNIZED_CLASS		Serialize unrecognized class
MQ_SESSION_CLOSED	X	Session closed
MQ_SESSION_NOT_CLIENT_ACK_MODE	X	Session is not in client acknowledge mode
MQ_SOCKET_CLOSE_FAILED		Could not close the socket
MQ_SOCKET_CONNECT_FAILED		Could not connect socket to the host
MQ_SOCKET_ERROR		Socket error
MQ_SOCKET_READ_FAILED		Could not read from the socket
MQ_SOCKET_SHUTDOWN_FAILED		Could not shutdown socket
MQ_SOCKET_WRITE_FAILED		Could not write to the socket
MQ_SSL_ALREADY_INITIALIZED	X	SSL has already been initialized
MQ_SSL_CERT_ERROR		SSL certification error
MQ_SSL_ERROR		SSL error
MQ_SSL_INIT_ERROR		SSL initialization error
MQ_SSL_NOT_INITIALIZED	X	SSL not initialized
MQ_SSL_SOCKET_INIT_ERROR		SSL socket initialization error
MQ_STATUS_CONNECTION_NOT_CLOSED	X	The connection cannot be deleted because it was not closed.
MQ_STATUS_INVALID_HANDLE	X	The handle is invalid
MQ_STRING_NOT_NUMBER		String not a number
MQ_SUCCESS	X	Success
MQ_TCP_ALREADY_CONNECTED		TCP already connected.
MQ_TCP_CONNECTION_CLOSED		TCP connection is closed.
MQ_TCP_INVALID_PORT		Invalid TCP port.

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Code	Common	Description
MQ_TEMPORARY_DESTINATION_NOT_IN_CONNECTION	Х	The temporary destination is not in the connection.
MQ_TIMEOUT_EXPIRED	X	Timeout expired
MQ_TRANSACTED_SESSION	X	Session is transacted.
MQ_TRANSACTION_ID_IN_USE		Transaction id in use.
MQ_TYPE_CONVERSION_OUT_OF_BOUNDS		The object conversion failed because the value is out of bounds
MQ_UNEXPECTED_ACKNOWLEDGEMENT		Received an unexpected acknowledgement
MQ_UNEXPECTED_NULL		Unexpected null
MQ_UNINITIALIZED_STREAM		Uninitialized stream
MQ_UNRECOGNIZED_PACKET_TYPE		The packet type was unrecognized
MQ_UNSUPPORTED_ARGUMENT_VALUE		Unsupported argument value
MQ_UNSUPPORTED_AUTH_TYPE		Unsupported authentication type
MQ_UNSUPPORTED_MESSAGE_TYPE		The JMS message type is not supported
MQ_VECTOR_TOO_BIG		Vector too big
MQ_WRONG_ARG_BUFFER_SIZE		Buffer is the wrong size

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