

# Aztec Code generator

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## ***Description***

The library is intended for creation "Aztec Code" barcodes. It supports C and Delphi interfaces and is available under the "Modified BSD License" (the text is in the license.txt file).

## Types

### ag\_matrix

The structure represents a matrix of points describes a barcode (0 is a white point, 1 is a black point).

```
typedef struct ag_matrix_tag
{
    unsigned char *data;
    size_t width;
    size_t height;
}
ag_matrix;
```

Members:

<i>Data</i>	A pointer to the array of points. "Row-major" order is used, rows aren't aligned
<i>Width</i>	The number of columns
<i>Height</i>	The number of rows

### ag\_settings

The structure contains settings for generation of a matrix of points.

```
typedef struct ag_settings_tag
{
    unsigned long mask;
    unsigned char symbol_type;
    unsigned char symbol_format;
    unsigned char redundancy_for_error_correction;
}
ag_settings;
```

Members:

<i>mask</i>	A set of flags that specify which members of this structure contain valid data. This parameter can be one or more of the AG_SF... values
<i>symbol_type</i>	The symbol's type. This parameter must be one of the AG..._SYMBOL values (by default is AG_NORMAL_SYMBOL)
<i>symbol_format</i>	The symbol's format. This parameter must be one of the AG..._FORMAT values (by default is AG_ANYONE_FORMAT)
<i>redundancy_for_error_correction</i>	The symbol's part (%) is allocated for error correction words. This parameter must be a value from 0 to 99 (by default is 23)

## Functions

### ag\_generate

The function generates a matrix of points.

```
AG_API(int) ag_generate(ag_matrix **matrix, const void *data,  
                        size_t data_size, const ag_settings *settings);
```

Parameters:

<i>Matrix</i>	A pointer to a pointer to the generated matrix of points
<i>Data</i>	A pointer to a buffer containing the data to be encoded
<i>data_size</i>	The number of bytes to be encoded
<i>Settings</i>	A pointer to the structure with settings for generation. If the pointer is NULL, default settings are used

Return value:

See Error codes.

### ag\_release\_matrix

The function deallocates a memory allocated for a matrix of points.

```
AG_API(int) ag_release_matrix(ag_matrix *matrix);
```

Parameters:

<i>Matrix</i>	A pointer to the released matrix of points
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Return value:

See Error codes.

**Error codes**

Name	Code	Description
AG_SUCCESS	0	The operation completed successfully
AG_INVALID_PARAMETER	1	The input parameter is invalid
AG_OUT_OF_MEMORY	2	Not enough storage is available to complete this operation
AG_UNHANDLED_EXCEPTION	3	An unknown error occurred
AG_NO_INPUT_DATA	4	The function called without input data
AG_TOO_MUCH_INPUT_DATA	5	The function called with too much input data

## Usage example

Source code:

```
#include <stddef>
#include <stdio>
#include "aztecggen.h"

int main()
{
    enum {success, error};

    const char data[] = "Hello world :)";
    enum {symbol_format = AG_FULL_FORMAT};

    // Barcode creation
    ag_settings settings;
    settings.mask = AG_SF_SYMBOL_FORMAT;
    settings.symbol_format = symbol_format;

    ag_matrix *barcode;
    const int gen_result = ag_generate(
        &barcode, data, sizeof(data) - 1, &settings);
    if (gen_result != AG_SUCCESS)
    {
        printf("Can't create a barcode (error code: %i)\n",
            gen_result);
        return error;
    }

    // Barcode printout
    printf("Data:\n");
    printf("\t%s\n", data);

    printf("Barcode:\n");
    for (size_t y = 0; y < barcode->height; ++y)
    {
        printf("\t");
        for (size_t x = 0; x < barcode->width; ++x)
        {
            const unsigned char t =
                barcode->data[y * barcode->width + x];
            printf("%c", (t == 0) ? ' ': '#');
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
    printf("\n");

    // Barcode destruction
    ag_release_matrix(barcode);

    return success;
}
```

Output:

Data:

Hello world :)

Barcode:

```
# # ##      # # ### #
### # ##### ##### #
# # ## ###   ## # # #
#### # ##### ##  #### #
#      ##    ##   ###
# # #####
### #          ## #
## # # ##### ##### #
# ##### #      # # #
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      ### # ##### # #####
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##### #   # #####
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```