

TB2501: Deprecated Items in API

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Overview

The MACE API is an ever evolving tool set. While BSI strive to plan carefully when we expose new capabilities in API, changes are inevitable. We endeavor to ensure those changes are not breaking changes that will affect 3rd party developers; as such, when we do modify the API in ways that change the signatures for existing methods, members, or objects, we will try to leave the original implementation intact and mark it as "deprecated". Those deprecated items are flagged to thrown warnings during compilation, and deprecated items will be marked with a strike through in new version of Visual Studio.

We will leave deprecated items marked as deprecated for at least one release cycle, after which the deprecated items will be removed from the API or marked to throw errors during compilation. Both actions will require users still using the deprecated items to refactor and recompile their code.

The following items are currently marked as deprecated in the MACE API (listed by assembly):

BSILib

Namespace BSI.MACE

- The **IUserPreferences** interface has been deprecated. Use ISystemSettings on IMACEPluginHost
- All top level camera control enumerations, CameraTrackModeEnum,
 CameraSpectrumEnum, LaserMode, and LaserState, have been moved to
 IPhysicalEntityCamera, accessable via IPhysicalEntity.Camera, or by casting
 IPhysicalEntity to IPhysicalEntityCamera.
- Original camera frustum property on IPhysicalEntityCamera had frustum mispelled. The incorrectly spelled property has been replaced with CameraFrustumCenter.
- IPhysicalEntity.AngleOfAttacK_deg has been moved to IPhysicalEntityAero. Use IPhysicalEntity.Aero.AngleOfAttack_deg_, or cast IPhyscialEntity instance to IPhysicalEntityAero to access.
- IPhysicalEntity.LoadFactor has been moved to IPhysicalEntityAero. Use IPhysicalEntity.Aero.LoadFactor, or cast IPhyscialEntity instance to IPhysicalEntityAero to access.
- **IMapPrimitive.Color**. A more explicit property has been exposed, IMapPrimitive.StrokeColor.



- **IMapPrimitive.Type**. A more explicit property has been exposed, IMapPrimitive.ShapeType
- **IMapPrimitive.Stroke**. A more explicit property has been exposed, IMapPrimitive.StrokeWidth

Namespace BSI.MACE.Network

- ICommLink.SourcePlatform. Use ICommLink.SourceNode instead
- ICommLink.DestinationPlatform. Use ICommLink.DestinationNode instead

Namespace BSI.MACE.AI.Commands.EOB

- TargetSolution.Sources has been deprecated. Users should reference TargetSolution.SourceData.
- TargetSolution.PassiveSources has been deprecated. Users should reference TargetSolution.SourceData.

Namespace BSI.SignalGenerator

- IFSignalDataReflectedStream. Use IFTargetTrackReflectedStreamThreadPool instead.
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- **IFTargetTrackReflectedStream**. Use IFTargetTrackReflectedStreamThreadPool instead.
- **IMode.Enabled**. Use IMode.Transmitting and IMode.Active properties instead.
- **ISimID.UniqueID**. Use ISimID.ID.
- The TargetReturn class. Use SignalData events.
- All CIFP related classes have been moved to a dedicated ARINC242 library/namespace. Any implementation using BSI.SimulationLibrary.CIFP should migrate to using the ARINC424 library, distributed w/ MACE.

Namespace BSI.DisplayLibrary

The SharedVideo class is not recommended for new development. Use SharedImage instead.

Development Implications

All items marked as deprecated in the API will be removed in the 2025 release cycle. Please refactor any assemblies referencing any of the above items to use the specified alternative.