

Editorial handling of Fonts in mixed text/program presentation

Issue

WG 23 documents have a requirement to present programming issues both in examples, and in normal text when either explaining an example or discussing a coding issue.

For normal samples of code, Courier font (usually Courier New) suffices.

Presenting code snippets in normal text presents more significant issues:

- For characters, operators, string literals, and quoted strings in normal text use quotes. Examples: "a" "7", "this is a string", a package named "MySystem" (but see below).
- For code snippets, reserved words, and language-predefined names in regular text use Courier. Examples: The function `initialize` returns "7" (where there is a code example about this).

Because variable `One` is overlayed to variable `Two`, changes to `One` change `Two` as well (with illustrating code).

- For language object names neither predefined nor present in a code sample, use plain text. (alternative: always use Courier)

Example with Courier:

When a variable `One` is overlayed by a variable `Two`, changes to `One` change `Two` as well. (no associated code sample).

Example without Courier:

When a variable `One` is overlayed by a variable `Two`, changes to `One` change `Two` as well. (no associated code sample).