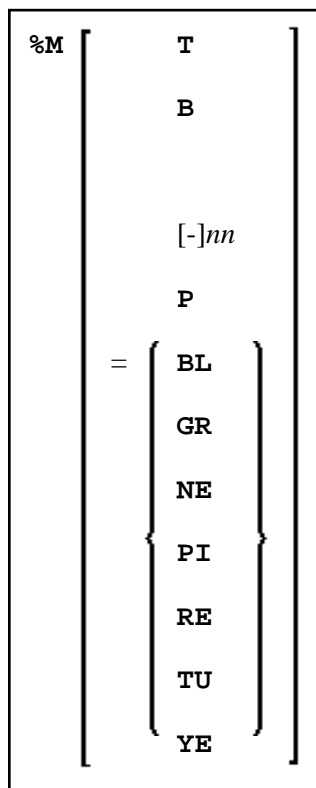


# %M - Control of Message Line



With this terminal command, you can control the position, the protection mode and the color of the Natural message line.

This terminal command is ignored in batch mode.

This terminal command also applies to Natural's NEXT (or MORE) line.

Application Programming Interface: USR1005N. See *SYSEXT - Natural Application Programming Interfaces* in the *Utilities* documentation.

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Message Line Positioning
- Message Line Protection
- Message Line Color

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## Message Line Positioning

Command	Function
%MT	Causes the message line to be the top line of the screen.
%MB	Causes the message line to be the bottom line of the screen.
%M	Causes the current message line position to be switched from the top line to the bottom line of the screen (or vice versa), or from line <i>nn</i> to the bottom line.
%Mnn	Causes the message line to be placed on line <i>nn</i> of the screen.
%M- <i>nn</i>	Causes the message line to be placed on the <i>nn</i> th line from the bottom of the screen. If the line number <i>nn</i> or <i>-nn</i> is not within the current screen, the message line will not be displayed.

## Message Line Protection

Command	Function
%MP	Switches from protected to unprotected message line or vice versa.

## Message Line Color

Command	Function
%M= <i>color-code</i>	When a color screen is used, this terminal command causes the message line to be displayed in the specified color (for an explanation of color codes, see the session parameter CD).

See also *Control of the Message Line - Terminal Command %M* in the *Programming Guide*.