

# About this Documentation

This document describes how to use the Data Mapping Tool to generate a global format buffer (GFB) and field table (GFFT) for use with the Event Replicator and the Event Replicator Target Adapter.

## Note:

You can also use the Event Replicator Administration with Predict to generate GFBs and the associated field table. For more information, read *Maintaining GFB Definitions*.

This document covers the following topics:

	<i>Data Mapping Tool Release Notes</i>	Describes changes made to the Data Mapping Tool in this release.
	<i>Overview</i>	Provides an overview of the Data Mapping Tool.
	<i>Platform Coverage and Prerequisites</i>	Describes system requirements to use the Data Mapping Tool.
	<i>Installing the Data Mapping Tool</i>	Describes how to install the Data Mapping Tool.
	<i>Data Mapping Tool User Interface and Mechanics</i>	Describes the Data Mapping Tool interface as well as how to start and shut down the Data Mapping Tool.
	<i>Setting the Default Number of Occurrences for MU and PE Fields</i>	Describes how to set the default number of occurrences for MU and PE fields.
	<i>Locating and Selecting a Source DDM</i>	Explains how to select a source Natural Data Definition Model (DDM) to use with the Data Mapping Tool.
	<i>Flattening Fields for Replication</i>	Describes how to request that MU and PE fields be flattened during replication.
	<i>Maintaining the Target Relational Database List</i>	Describes how to select and remove target relational database tables from the Data Mapping Tool.
	<i>Creating and Maintaining the GFB Schema</i>	Describes how to create a GFB schema, review the GFB schema layout, and remove the schema and user tables from the Data Mapping Tool.
	<i>Generating the GFB and Field Table</i>	Describes how to generate an Event Replicator for Adabas global format buffer (GFB) and corresponding field table from a GFB schema in the Data Mapping Tool.
	<i>Managing Logging and Log Files</i>	Describes the log files produced by the Data Mapping Tool and their location.