

# GET SAME

## Structured Mode Syntax

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GET SAME [(r)]
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## Reporting Mode Syntax

```
GET SAME [(r)] [operand1 ... ]
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This chapter covers the following topics:

- Function
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For an explanation of the symbols used in the syntax diagram, see *Syntax Symbols*.

Related Statements: ACCEPT/REJECT | AT BREAK | AT START OF DATA | AT END OF DATA | BACKOUT TRANSACTION | BEFORE BREAK PROCESSING | DELETE | END TRANSACTION | FIND | GET | GET TRANSACTION DATA | HISTOGRAM | LIMIT | PASSW | PERFORM BREAK PROCESSING | READ | RETRY | STORE | UPDATE

Belongs to Function Group: *Database Access and Update*

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## Function

The GET SAME statement is used to re-read the record currently being processed. It is most frequently used to obtain database array values (periodic groups or multiple-value fields) if the number and range of existing or desired occurrences was not known when the record was initially read.

## Restrictions

- GET SAME is only valid for Natural users who are using Adabas or VSAM.
- GET SAME cannot be used with Entire System Server.
- For VSAM databases, GET SAME can only be applied to ESDS and RRDS. For ESDS, the RBA must be contained in a user-defined variable (numeric format) or be specified as an integer constant. The same applies to RRDS, except that the RRN must be provided instead of the RBA.
- An UPDATE or DELETE statement must not reference a GET SAME statement. These statements should instead make reference to the FIND, READ or GET statement used to read the record initially.

# Syntax Description

Operand Definition Table:

Operand	Possible Structure			Possible Formats										Referencing Permitted	Dynamic Definition		
<i>operand1</i>	S	A		A	U	N	P		B							no	yes

Syntax Element Description:

<b>(<i>r</i>)</b>	<p><b>Statement Reference:</b></p> <p>The notation (<i>r</i>) is used to specify the statement which contains the FIND or READ statement used to initially read the record.</p> <p>If (<i>r</i>) is not specified, the GET SAME statement will be related to the innermost active processing loop.</p> <p>(<i>r</i>) may be specified as a reference statement number or as a statement label.</p>
<b><i>operand1</i></b>	<p><b>Fields to Be Made Available:</b></p> <p>As <i>operand1</i>, you specify the field(s) to be made available as a result of the GET SAME statement.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> <i>operand1</i> cannot be specified if the field is defined in a DEFINE DATA statement.</p>

## Example

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** Example 'GSAEX1': GET SAME
*****
DEFINE DATA LOCAL
1 I                (P3)
1 POST-ADDRESS VIEW OF EMPLOYEES
  2 FIRST-NAME
  2 NAME
  2 ADDRESS-LINE   (I:I)
  2 C*ADDRESS-LINE
  2 POST-CODE
  2 CITY
*
1 #NAME            (A30)
END-DEFINE
*
FORMAT PS=20
MOVE 1 TO I
*
READ (10) POST-ADDRESS BY NAME
  COMPRESS NAME FIRST-NAME INTO #NAME WITH DELIMITER ','
  WRITE // 12T #NAME
  WRITE / 12T ADDRESS-LINE (I.1)
  /*
  IF C*ADDRESS-LINE > 1

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FOR I = 2 TO C*ADDRESS-LINE
  GET SAME /* READ NEXT OCCURRENCE
  WRITE 12T ADDRESS-LINE (I.1)
END-FOR
END-IF
WRITE / POST-CODE CITY
SKIP 3
END-READ
END
```

**Output of Program GSAEX1:**

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ABELLAN,KEPA
CASTELAN 23-C
28014 MADRID
```

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ACHIESON,ROBERT
144 ALLESTREE LANE
DERBY
DERBYSHIRE
DE3 4TR DERBY
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