Natural for DL/I

This documentation provides information on Natural in a DL/I environment. It describes the installation and operation of Natural for DL/I, as well as special considerations on Natural statements when used with DL/I.

This documentation covers:

●	General Information	Brief information on features.
●	Accessing DL/I Data	How to enable access to DL/I databases using Natural statements.
●	Natural Parameter Modifications for DL/I	Parameters contained in NDLPARM, storage estimates, and Natural for DL/I in z/OS environments.
●	Installing Natural for DL/I	How to install Natural for DL/I.
●	Operation	Describes the procedures NATPSB, NATDBD, NATUDF, and the generation of DDMs from DL/I segment types.
●	System File Structure	Describes the database structure, the segment data and the processing intent of an application.
●	Natural Batch Utilities	Describes the system file transfer of NDBs, NSBs and UDFs from one FDIC and the use of the batch utility NDUDFGEN to generate Natural data areas.
●	Execution	Describes PSB scheduling, the CALLNAT interface, support of IMS TM-specific features, fast path and GSAM, and CICS mode processing under IMS TM.
●	Programming Language Considerations	Natural versus third generation languages, Natural statements with DL/I, Natural system variables with DL/I.
●	Problem Determination Guide	Actions required to correct a given problem.
●	Performance Considerations	How to increase the performance of Natural in a DL/I environment.
●	DL/I Services	Terminology and maintenance of NDBs and NSBs.

Related Documentation

See also *Accessing Data in a Database* for various aspects of accessing data in a database with Natural.

For a list of DL/I status codes and abend codes (under CICS only), refer to *Status Codes and Abend Codes* (in the Natural *Messages and Codes* documentation).