

SRETAIN - Retain Source Format

This Natural profile parameter specifies the encoding format for new and existing Natural sources when they are saved.

See also *Profile Parameters* in the *Unicode and Code Page Support* documentation.

Possible settings	ON	<p>The original code page of an existing Natural source is retained.</p> <p>If an existing Natural source without code page information is saved, it will not receive any code page information.</p> <p>When a new Natural source is created, it will be saved in the default code page format as defined with the profile parameter CP.</p>
	OFF	Natural sources will be saved in the default code page format.
	(ON , EXCEPTNEW)	<p>The original code page of an existing Natural source is retained.</p> <p>If an existing Natural source without code page information is saved, it will not receive any code page information.</p> <p>When a new Natural source is created, it will be saved without code page information.</p> <p>(ON , EXCEPTNEW) retains the compatibility of newly created Natural sources with existing applications that have been created with earlier Natural versions that did not provide code page support.</p> <p>Note: The value (ON , EXCEPTNEW) is supported on mainframe computers only.</p>
Default setting	ON	
Dynamic specification	yes	
Specification within session	no	

For the code page of a Natural source that is saved or stowed, the resulting encoding depends on the settings of the profile parameters SRETAIN and CP. See *Code Page Support for Editors, System Commands and Utilities on the Mainframe* in the *Unicode and Code Page Support* documentation.