

EM, HD, PM Parameters for Field/Variable

The *emhdp* option used in the *view-definition* option of `DEFINE DATA LOCAL` and `DEFINE DATA OBJECT` and in the *variable-definition* option of `DEFINE DATA LOCAL`, `DEFINE DATA INDEPENDENT`, `DEFINE DATA CONTEXT` and `DEFINE DATA OBJECT` has the following syntax:

`([EM=value] [HD='text'] [PM=value])`

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Function

With this option, additional parameters to be in effect for a field/variable may be defined.

Note:

If for a database field you specify neither an edit mask (EM=) nor a header (HD=), the default edit mask and default header as defined in the DDM will be used. However, if you specify one of the two, the other's default from the DDM will *not* be used.

Syntax Description

EM=value	This parameter may be used to define an edit mask used when the field is displayed with an I/O statement. See the session parameter EM in the <i>Parameter Reference</i> .
HD='text'	This parameter may be used to define the header to be used as the default header for the field. See the session parameter HD in the <i>Parameter Reference</i> .
PM=value	This parameter may be used to set the print mode, which indicates how fields are to be output. See the session parameter PM in the <i>Parameter Reference</i> .