Saving and Cataloging a DDM

You can save a DDM as a source object and/or a cataloged object (generated program) in the specified Natural library (if applicable) in the current Natural system file (see also *Storing DDMs - FDDM System File*).

In a remote environment on a mainframe platform, you can only save a DDM as a cataloged object.

For the naming conventions that apply to an object, refer to *Object Naming Conventions* in the *Using Natural Studio* documentation.

To save a DDM

• Proceed as described in Saving Objects in the Using Natural Studio documentation.

To save and catalog a DDM

• Proceed as described in either Stowing Objects or Cataloging Objects in the Using Natural Studio documentation.

The additional information you can specify for a DDM generated from a VSAM file are described in the following section:

Additional Options for VSAM Files

Only applies to a remote environment.

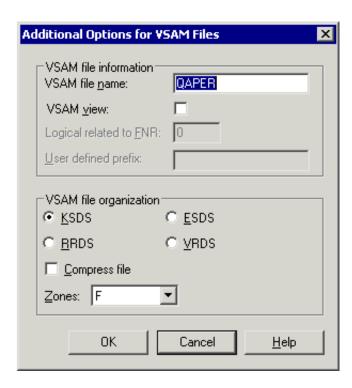
The DDM editor provides the option to specify additional information for DDMs generated from VSAM files.

The additional options for VSAM files can be specified when saving a DDM source as a cataloged object. The additional options consist of two parts: VSAM file information and VSAM file organization.

To specify additional options for DDMs from VSAM files

1. Catalog a DDM source generated from a VSAM file.

The **Additional Options for VSAM Files** dialog box appears as shown in the example below:



- 2. In the **VSAM file name** text box, enter the DDNAME/FCT entry as defined to the TP monitor or when using batch mode.
- 3. If the **VSAM** view check box is set, this DDM represents a logical DDM. If the check box is not set, it represents a physical DDM.

If the **VSAM view** check box is set:

- In the **Logical related to FNR** text box, enter the file number of the physical DDM from which the logical file or DDM is derived.
- In the **User defined prefix** text box, enter the prefix value to be assigned to the logical file.
- 4. In the **VSAM file organization** section, set the type of the VSAM file by selecting one of the option buttons.
- 5. Set the **Compress file** check box if the file is to be compressed.
- 6. From the **Zones** combo box, select the zone for the VSAM file. F indicates that all packed data is written to the VSAM file with the zone X'0F'. C indicates that all packed values are written to the VSAM file with the zone X'0C'.

For details on the options displayed in the **Additional Options for VSAM Files** dialog box, refer to *Natural File Access* in the *Natural for VSAM* documentation.