

# TMPSORTUNIQ - Alternate Algorithm for Generating Sort Work File Names

If this profile parameter is specified on the Natural startup command, Natural will use a different algorithm from normal when generating work file names for sort operations. It forces Natural to generate a unique file name for any required work files without embedding the values of the ETID parameter and user ID into the file name.

The normal, default algorithm creates work file names with the values of the ETID setting and the user ID embedded. Whereas this algorithm usually results in file names which are unique to a particular Natural session, this may cause problems in environments where the ETID contains characters which are invalid within a file name, or where multiple Natural sessions are running which use the same user ID and no ETID specification (thus possibly resulting in work file names for sort operations being created which are not unique).

<b>Possible settings</b>	specified or not specified	If specified, Natural will use a different algorithm from normal when generating work file names for sort operations.
<b>Default setting</b>	not specified	
<b>Dynamic specification</b>	yes	
<b>Specification within session</b>	no	