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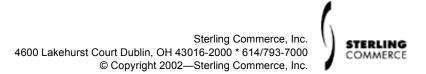


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Introduction

Welcome

Welcome to the GENTRAN:Server® for UNIX® and Workstation XML User's Guide.

Purpose

The purpose of the *XML User's Guide* is to serve as a companion to the *Application Integration Guide*. The manual is intended to assist you in performing various XML related-tasks in the Application Integration subsystem. This task-oriented approach is intended to answer any questions you may have about creating and maintaining XML maps.

Note

This manual is not intended to explain or define XML.

Who should use this guide

The GENTRAN:Server *XML User's Guide* is for GENTRAN:Server users who create maps using the XML format for the input files, output files, or both.

Before you Begin

Client/PC Knowledge required

This manual assumes that you are familiar with using a PC and with Microsoft[®] Windows functions, including the terminology used to describe:

- Mouse and cursor actions.
- Windows-specific attributes, such as dialog boxes, icons, windows, and buttons.

This manual also assumes that you are familiar with your internal application format, data mapping concepts, XML structure and format, and the GENTRAN:Server for UNIX or Workstation product.

XML knowledge required

This book also assumes that you are familiar with XML structure and format.

Reference

See the most recent XML specification (available from the World Wide Web Consortium W3C: http://www.w3c.org) for more information about the XML language.

Prerequisites

This list describes the software prerequisites to use XML with GENTRAN:Server for UNIX.

- You must have GENTRAN:Server for UNIX or Workstation version 6.0 currently installed.
- You must have installed the XML translation option from the GENTRAN:Server for UNIX or Workstation 6.0 Options Pack CD.
- To use the Data Definition Format, you must have Internet Explorer 5.0 or greater installed on your machine.

What's in This Manual

Description of contents

The XML User's Guide is organized into chapters. This table describes the contents.

Chapter	Description
About This Guide	Introduces the content, organization, and conventions in this guide. This chapter also describes how to get technical support.
Basics of XML Translation	Introduces XML and XML file format concepts.
Designing your Map for XML	Explains how to create and define a new map using the XML file format.
Creating XML Trading Partnership Records	Explains how to create Trading Partnership records using the translation option.
Configuring for XML	Explains how to configure your system to receive and send XML files.
Glossary	Contains mapping and GENTRAN:Server terms and concepts.
Index	Provides you with a list of terms, concepts, functions, and processes to enable you to quickly find them in this guide.

Online Help System

Additional documentation for GENTRAN:Server for UNIX is contained in the online Help system. The online Help documentation includes all the dialog box element definitions, detailed processing information, and all the "how to" information contained in this manual.

Related Publications

GENTRAN:Server documentation

This table describes additional documentation for the GENTRAN:Server software.

Document	Description
Upgrade and Conversion Guide	Instructions for upgrading from previous versions of GENTRAN:Server Workstation and GENTRAN:Server for UNIX. Also includes instructions for converting the files that are part of the upgrade.
Installation Checklist	Description of the recommended sequence in which you should install and configure system components.
GENTRAN:Server for UNIX Installation and Setup Guide	Instructions for installing the GENTRAN:Server software and performing setup tasks, such as setting up security.
GENTRAN:Server Workstation Installation Instructions	Instructions for installing the GENTRAN:Server Workstation software and performing setup tasks.
Getting Started Guide	Instructions for starting and exiting GENTRAN:Server and for setting preferences and default values. Also includes instructions for checking files in and out and saving files.
Application Integration User's Guide	Instructions for performing mapping and translation tasks.
NCPCP User's Guide	Instructions for mapping and translating NCPDP files with the Application Integration system.
ODBC User's Guide	Instructions for mapping and translating ODBC files with the Application Integration system.
	Note This guide is provided only if your organization has the GENTRAN:Server ODBC translation option.
GENCOD User's Guide	Instructions for mapping and translating GENCOD files with the Application Integration system and the Visual Mapper.
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(Contd) Document	Description
VDA User's Guide	Instructions for mapping and translating VDA files with the Application Integration system and the Visual Mapper.
Technical Reference Guide	Describes processes, lists command-line commands in alphabetical order, and describes file record layouts and data type formats.
Data Flow Administration Guide	User instructions for configuring data flows using the GENTRAN:Server for UNIX software.
	Note This guide is provided only if you have the GENTRAN:Server EC Workbench or higher product level.
Maintenance and Troubleshooting Guide	Instructions for maintaining your GENTRAN:Server installation. Also provides troubleshooting information to help determine the cause and solution of problems that may occur.
Advanced Data Distribution Guide	Instructions for configuring and using the GENTRAN:Server Advanced Data Distribution product.
	Note This guide is provided only if you have GENTRAN:Server with Advanced Data Distribution.
FTP Daemon User's Guide	Instructions for configuring and using the FTP Daemon tool with the Advanced Data Distribution product.
Online Help	Context-sensitive help screens describing the GENTRAN:Server dialog boxes for the mapping and translation features. Also includes procedures for using the mapping and translation and the data flow administration software.
Readme file	Information about recent enhancements included with this software release. This file is in the /readme directory on the Windows client computer.

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Other documentation

This table lists other documentation you may need to refer to when installing and setting up GENTRAN:Server.

Description	Source
Instructions for installing and using the operating system on your computer.	Your hardware vendor
	The computer manufacturer

How to Get Help

Introduction

This topic explains how to contact Sterling Commerce Product Support if you need assistance with GENTRAN:Server.

Scope of Support Services

Sterling Commerce Product Support can provide assistance and information for the following:

- Installing GENTRAN:Server
- GENTRAN:Server product questions
- Software revisions and upgrades
- Implementing a specific feature
- ▶ How to use GENTRAN:Server
- The status of your support call
- Requests for product enhancements

Unfortunately, Sterling Commerce Product Support cannot assist you with problems involving the following, but we may be able to suggest a next step or another vendor to call:

- Your hardware
- Your operating system or other system software
- Your application or user-written programs
- Software not developed by Sterling Commerce
- Scripts written by Sterling Commerce consultants or service partners

Try this first

Before you call Sterling Commerce Product Support, use your online software manuals to locate the section that documents the program or feature where you are having problems. The documentation may explain the software's behavior or give you insight to help you solve the problem.

Consult the *GENTRAN:Server Maintenance and Troubleshooting Guide* to learn if your specific problem has been addressed.

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Please feel free to make a copy of this page to enable you to contact support quickly and with complete information for the Customer Support Representative.

Necessary information

Be ready to provide this information when you call Product Support.

Your name
Your company name
Your telephone number
Your GENTRAN:Server version number
Your GENTRAN:Server product level and platform
Any software add-ons to your GENTRAN:Server system
A detailed description of the problem
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What actions you have taken to try to diagnose or resolve the problem		

How to contact support

To determine how to contact support for your geographical location, go to the Sterling Commerce home page (www.sterlingcommerce.com) and then go to Customer Support for GENTRAN.

Documentation Conventions

Typographic conventions

This table describes the typographic conventions used in this guide.

Convention	Use
Italics	This typeface is used for titles of other manuals and documents, names of files and file extensions, and to emphasize important information.
	Example GENTRAN:Server Getting Started Guide
Bold	Bold type is used for key terms, icons or buttons receiving an action, and entries you are to make onscreen.
	Example A password is a set of characters a user must enter to gain access to a system.

Basics of XML Translation

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	XML Map Types

Overview

Introduction

In this chapter

This chapter introduces you to the XML mapping concepts, the XML file definition components, and XML map types for GENTRAN:Server with the XML translation option.

References

See the Application Integration User's Guide for mapping concepts, map components, and map types for the EDI standard, application file definition, and ODBC file formats.

Key terms

This table lists the key terms used in this chapter.

Term	Description
compile	The process used to convert a map into a translation object.
DDF (Data Definition Format)	A file that defines a file format used in a map. It includes the hierarchical and looping structure of the data, the map objects and the attributes of the objects.
DTD (Document Type Definition)	The set of rules governing the tags in an XML document. A DTD file describes the elements and attributes that are allowed in your documents.
links	The visual lines that connect each field on the input side of the map to a field on the output side of the map.
loop	A sequence of repeating XML objects.
map	A file object that defines the corresponding relationship between document components in two different formats.
map version	The incremented number that indicates the rendition of the map. A lower number represents an earlier version; a higher number represents a later version.
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(Contd) Term	Description
root element	The unique first element in an XML document that contains all other elements in the document.
translation object	A file containing information that instructs the translator how to convert a file from one format to another. When you compile a map you created, the result is a translation object.
translator	The GENTRAN:Server subsystem that translates data from one format into another.
XML (eXtensible Markup Language	A text-based language that provides a standard approach for describing, capturing, processing, and publishing information.
XML document	A document in XML format. An XML document is modeled after a tree, in which each element in the tree is considered a node.
XML parser	The processor that categorizes the characters in an XML document as either markup or character data.

XML with GENTRAN:Server

Introduction

In addition to handling application and standard formats, GENTRAN:Server enables you to create maps that translate XML (eXtensible Markup Language) documents.

What is XML

XML is a computer language that provides a standard approach for describing, capturing, processing, and publishing information.

Why use XML

XML is a flexible, standardized way to define document content.

GENTRAN: Server's XML capability enables you to manage and translate documents regardless of the document format. This means that you can exchange information with your business partners independent of platform or system compatibility.

XMLspecification and exceptions

GENTRAN: Server's XML implementation conforms to the rules of the XML language 1.0 specification published by the World Wide Web Consortium, with a few exceptions. GENTRAN: Server diverges from the Consortium's base 1.0 XML specification in these ways:

Repeating items

In GENTRAN: Server, you can:

- Specify the number of times that a group can repeat.
- Specify the number of times an element in a mixed group can repeat. (A mixed group is an XML content particle that contains both pcdata and other XML elements.)
- Repeat an element in a different part of the document as long as it has a different structure than the original element.

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Example

You can define an "address" element twice—once under "Ship To" and once under "Bill To."

No DTD validation

A Document Type Definition (DTD) is a set of rules that define what tags are allowed in an XML document, what attributes the tags have, and what relationship the tags have with each other. It declares which components a document must have for complete processing.

GENTRAN:Server does not validate against the Document Type Definition (DTD). However, you can use the GENTRAN:Server map to validate an XML document, and you can base the map on the DTD.

Components supported

GENTRAN:Server supports both:

- Internal parameter entities
- External parameter entities.

Components not supported

In this release, GENTRAN:Server does *not* support these XML components:

- External entities
- Notations
- Elements of type "ANY"
- Processing instructions
- Namespace (except to distinguish one document from another in XML configuration)

Well-formed requirement

The XML documents you use with GENTRAN:Server must meet the well-formed document criteria specified in the XML language 1.0 specification. Well-formed means that the XML must have the proper structure and syntax. If the document is not well-formed, GENTRAN:Server generates an error message.

XML File Definition Map Components

Introduction

GENTRAN:Server uses a set of icons to represent XML map components (objects).

Map icons

This table describes the map icons that GENTRAN:Server uses to visually represent the XML file:

lcon	Description
X	The XML File icon represents the XML document that GENTRAN:Server is mapping, including the root element. The XML document is a looping structure that contains elements and content particles that repeat in sequence until either the group data ends or the maximum number of times that the loop is allowed to repeat is exhausted.
♦	An XML element contains related elements and content particles. In addition, an element can contain one Pcdata object and one attribute container object. These objects repeat in sequence until either the element data ends or the maximum number of times that the loop is allowed to repeat is exhausted.
	Nested looping structure A repeating element that contains another repeating element corresponds to a nested looping structure.
0	A content particle contains related elements and content particles that define either a choice between elements or a sequence of elements. A content particle can also contain one pcdata object. These contained objects can repeat until either the content particle data ends or the maximum number of times that the loop is allowed to repeat is exhausted.
	Mixed group An XML content particle that contains both pcdata and other XML elements is called a mixed group.
	Nested looping structure A content particle that is subordinate to another content particle corresponds to a nested looping structure (a loop within a loop).

(Contd) Icon	Description
•	A pcdata object contains character data. You can have only one pcdata object defined per element or content particle.
	GENTRAN:Server automatically names the pcdata object with the name of the parent element or content particle.
	Note When a pcdata object has an operation performed against it (link, standard rule, or as an extended rule storage field), the system displays a red check mark over the pcdata icon.
•▲	An attribute container object stores the attributes of an XML element. An attribute container object has no properties of its own.
	When you create the first attribute of an XML element, the system automatically creates an attribute container object. The system places the subsequent attribute objects you create in the existing attribute container object.
	Note The attribute container is not stored in XML format during translation. Only the attributes themselves are written during translation.
•	The attribute object specifies information associated with an element that further defines the element. When you create the first attribute of an XML element, the system automatically creates an attribute container object with an attribute object in it. The system places the subsequent attribute objects you create for the element in the existing attribute container object.
	Note
	When an attribute has an operation performed against it (link, standard rule, or as an extended rule storage field), the system displays a red check mark over the attribute icon.

XML Map Types

Introduction

XML can be used as the input or output file when mapping to another XML format or a standard, an application file definition, or an ODBC format.

XML map types

This table lists the map types that are available using GENTRAN:Server with the XML translation option.

Map type	Defines the relationship between components of a document in
standard-to-XML	Standard format and a XML format.
application-to-XML	Application file format and a XML format.
ODBC-to-XML	ODBC format and a XML format.
XML-to-application	XML format and an application file format.
XML-to-standard	XML format and a standard format.
XML-to-ODBC	XML format to an ODBC file format.
XML-to-XML	XML format and another XML format.

Reference

See the Application Integration User's Guide for more information on map types.

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Overview

Introduction

In this chapter

This chapter explains the basic mapping functions for XML:

- Analyzing mapping requirements
- Creating a map
- Defining file formats

Key terms

This table lists the key terms used in this chapter.

Term	Description
activate	The process of turning on groups, segments, composites, and elements that a standard does not define as mandatory, but that you have determined that you need to use in mapping.
attribute	A piece of information associated with an XML element.
	In an XML document, an attribute is a name-value pair separated by an equal sign.
attribute container object	An object that contains the attributes of an XML element. The object itself does not have properties.
attribute object	An object that specifies additional information to further define an element.
Auto-trim	The Application Integration feature that enables you to automatically activate and deactivate map components on the EDI standard side of a map by using a sample EDI standard file as a model.
content particle	A map object that defines a relationship between the elements it contains.
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(Contd) Term	Description
element	The primary building block of the hierarchical structure in an XML document. Elements have start- and endpoints denoted by start- and end-tags.
entity	A physical file or building block in the structure of an XML document. An entity is a unit of text.
file definition	A file that defines how data needs to be formatted for an application to process it. These files have a .DDF extension.
	File definitions contain a layout of the records, fields, and groups in an application file.
loop	A sequence of repeating XML objects.
many-to-many mapping relationships	A mapping relationship that has a looping structure.
map object	A component object of a map. For example: XML, Positional, or Delimited EDI file group segment record element pcdata attribute attribute content particle
nested looping structure	A mapping structure that has a loop within another loop.
one-to-one mapping relationship	A mapping relationship in which the input and output side loop structures are the same and directly link to one another.
pcdata object	An object that contains character data.
prolog	The XML Declaration plus the Document Type Definition (DTD).
promote	To extract one iteration (instance) of a group or repeating record from a loop.
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(Contd) Term	Description
string-type field or element	A field or element that contains one or more printable characters. A syntax token defines the format of a string-type field or element.
syntax token	A symbol or expression that defines ranges of characters and numbers that are allowed to be used for a string-type field.
URL (Uniform Resource Locator)	An internet address that locates an individual resource file on the internet.
XML file object	The highest level object in the XML map hierarchy.
XML tag	A portion of XML code that indicates the type of data within a set of start- and end- tags. Tags are enclosed in brackets.
	Example In the following example, the XML start tag is <name> and the end tag is </name> .
	<name>N. C. Paige</name>

Building a Map Process

Before you begin

The first time you use the GENTRAN:Server Application Integration subsystem, you should set global default values to control the way the system displays your maps. At the least, you should specify the default date format you want the system to use.

Reference

See the topic <u>Setting Preferences and Default Values</u> in the *Application* Integration User's Guide for more information on setting global default values.

Process Table

This topic provides the stages in building a map with the GENTRAN:Server Application Integration subsystem.

Stage	Description
1	Analyze your mapping requirements.
	Obtain a layout of your input file and determine how it corresponds with the layout of the output file.
	Determine how you want to move data to or from each field.
	Reference See the Analyzing Mapping Requirements topic for information.
2	Create a new map.
	Reference See the How to Create a New Map topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions on creating a map.
3	If a side of your map is a standard format, manually activate the appropriate groups, segment, and elements or use auto trim to automatically activate components based on a sample EDI standard file.
	References
	See the How to Manually Activate EDI Standard Map Components topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for more information on activation.
	See the How to Automatically Activate Standard Map Components topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for more information on auto trim.
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(Contd) Stage	Description
4	If a side of your map is an application, load or create the application file format.
	References See the How to Create a New Map and How to Load a File Definition topics in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions on loading an existing file definition.
	See the <u>Defining a Fixed-Format Application File</u> section in the <i>Application Integration User's Guide</i> for instructions on defining a fixed-format application.
	See the <u>Defining a Standard File Format or Variable-Length</u> <u>Application File</u> topic in the <i>Application Integration User's Guide</i> for instructions on defining an application file with variable-length fields.
5	If you have the XML translation option and if a side of your map is in XML format, load or build the XML format definition.
	References See the How to Create a New Map and How to Load a File Definition topics in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions on loading an existing file definition.
	See the The XML File Object and Entities topic for information about XML map objects.
	See the <u>Defining an XML File Format</u> topic for instructions on creating map objects to define an XML file format.
	See the How to Create a New Map topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions on customizing a standard format to define an XML format.
6	Complete the input and output structures of your map by creating and removing loops.
	References See the Structuring Your Map topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions on using loops.
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(Contd) Stage	Description
7	Map the appropriate data for each application field.
	References See the How to Create Simple Links topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions on simple mapping (linking).
	See the <u>Using Standard Rules</u> chapter in the <i>Application Integration User's Guide</i> for information on using standard rules to apply mapping operations.
	See the <u>Using Extended Rules</u> chapter in the <i>Application Integration User's Guide</i> for information on using extended rules to apply mapping operations.
8	Compile the map to create a translation object.
	Reference See the How to Compile a Map topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions.
9	Print the mapping report. Validate and review the map, and make modifications as needed.
	Reference See the How to Print a Mapping Report topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for more information on printing the mapping report.
10	Create the Trading Partner records.
	References See the Working with Trading Partnerships topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions to create interchange and group organization records.
	See Creating XML Trading Partnership Records for instructions.
11	Are you are using GENTRAN:Server for UNIX (client/server)?
	If YES, copy the translation object to the user directory on the host and then continue with Step 12.
	If NO, continue with Step 12.
	Reference See the How to Copy a Translation Object to the Host topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions on moving the translation object.
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(Contd) Stage	Description
12	Translate sample data files to locate potential problems.
	Reference See the Running Translation chapter in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions.
13	View the archive records for EDI data.
	Note You must configure your system to archive data to use this feature.
	Reference See the Archiving Translation Data in the Application Integration User's Guide chapter for instructions.
14	View inbound and outbound functional acknowledgments.
	Note You must configure your system to send and receive functional acknowledgments to use this feature.
	Reference See the Archiving Translation Data in the Application Integration User's Guide chapter for instructions.

Overview

Analyzing Mapping Requirements

Overview

Introduction

The first stage in creating a map is to analyze the mapping requirements. This is the most important step in creating a successful map. A complete analysis provides you with all the information you need to create the map efficiently and logically.

Analysis process

This table lists the stages of mapping analysis for both inbound and outbound processing.

Stage	Description
1	If the processing input or output file is an application file format, analyze the application file format.
	Reference See the How to Analyze Your Application File Format topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions.
2	If the processing input or output file is a standard file format, analyze your trading partner's EDI standard file format.
	Reference See the How to Analyze the Standard File Format topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions.
3	If your company purchased the XML option and if the processing input or output file is an XML file format, analyze the XML file format.
	Reference See the How to Analyze the XML Format topic for instructions.
4	Correlate the two formats.
	Reference See the How to Correlate the Formats topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions.

How to Analyze the XML Format

Introduction

If the input or output file is an XML file, you must analyze the XML file format. Since XML documents are flexible in format, you must meet with each of your trading partners to jointly decide on the structure of each document you will exchange.

No enveloping

XML files do not have an enveloping structure.

XML restrictions

Because this release of GENTRAN:Server does not support external entities, notations, elements of type ANY, and processing instructions, the Wizard:

- Raises a warning if it encounters attributes that use entities or notations.
- Changes attributes of type ENTITY or ENTITIES to type CDATA.
- Changes attributes of type NOTATION to type ENUMERATED.
- Ignores comments and processing instructions.
- Discards external entities and notations

In addition, the Wizard:

- Does not support XML conditional sections.
- Supports external parameter entities that reference a URL only if you have Internet Explorer 4.01 or higher installed on the machine.

Procedure

Use this procedure to analyze the XML file format.

Step	Action
1	With a trading partner, determine the information that will identify each document you exchange in XML format.
2	List the XML Declaration.
3	Determine whether the XML documents you exchange will be sent and received alone or whether they will include a DTD or Style Sheet. List the name of the DTD or Style Sheet.
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(Contd) Step	Action
4	If the documents will include a DTD, will the DTD contain declarations? List the declarations for elements and attributes.
5	Determine which elements (tags) your company requires. List the data contained in each element.
6	Determine which elements require attributes. List the attribute name and value for the elements.
7	If you have more than one trading partner sending you the same type of document, list the namespace that you will use with the element name to distinguish the URL. This helps the system find the correct Trading Partnership Code.
8	Determine which entity references, if any, are required.
9	List the map components that you need to activate.
10	Continue with How to Correlate the Format topic in the Application Integration User's Guide.

Creating a Map

How to Create a New Map

Introduction

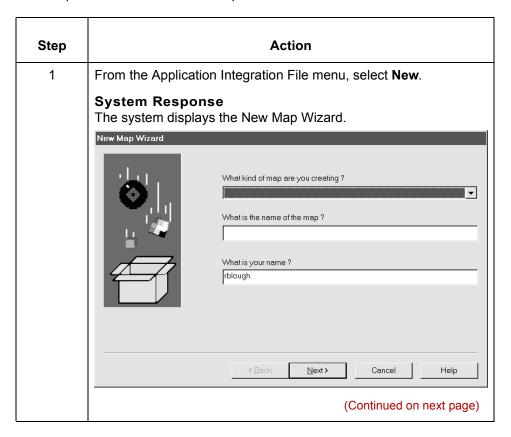
This topic explains how to use the New Map Wizard to create a new map.

CAUTION

If you use the ODBC syntax for both sides of the map, you must use a separate set of data sources on each side. One side cannot refer to the data sources that belong to the other side of the map.

Starting the map

Use this procedure to start a new map.



(Contd) Step	Action	
2	 Answer the following questions. What kind of map are you creating? Select the type of map (for example, application-to-standard, standard-to-application, or standard-to-standard, XML-to application, etc.). The system views ODBC as an application. What is the name of the map? Type the unique name of the map. Omit the .MAP extension; the system will add the extension for you. What is your name? Type your name if it differs from the user name that the system supplied 	
3	System Response The system displays the New Map Wizard - Input Format dialog box. New Map Wizard - Input Format How would you like to define the data format? Create a new data format using this syntax Customize. Prowse Reack Next> Cancel Help	
4	Use this table to determine how to create the input side of the map.	
	IF you want to	THEN go to
	create a new data format using a syntax that you define	the next step in this procedure.
	load the data format from a saved file definition (.DDF) (Continued on next page)	Loading a saved file definition

(Contd) Step	Action		
5	Click Create a new data format using this syntax , and then select one of the following format options for the input side of your map:		-
	IF your input file format is	THEN select	AND then
	EDI standard	Delimited EDI	GO TO Specifying an EDI standard
	Variable-length application file	Delimited EDI	GO TO Specifying a variable-length application file format
	Fixed-length application file	Positional	Click Next and GO TO <u>Defining the</u> <u>output format</u>
	VDA or GENCOD	Positional	Click Next and GO TO <u>Defining the</u> <u>output format</u>
	ODBC	ODBC	Click Next and GO TO <u>Defining the</u> <u>output format</u>
	XML	XML	GO TO <u>Defining an</u> XML File Format

Loading a saved file definition

Use this procedure to load a saved file definition.

Step	Action	
1	From the Input Format or the Output format dialog box, select Load the data format from a saved definition.	
2	Click Browse to display the Open File Definition dialog box.	
3	From the Open File Definition dialog box, select the file definition (.DDF file) you want to load.	
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(Contd) Step	Action		
4	Click Open.		
	System Response		
	IF the file definition format you loaded was	THEN you	AND
	for the input side of the map, and is valid	click Next to display the Output Format dialog box	GO TO Defining the output format
	for the output side of the map, and is valid	click Next	click Finish to create the map. GO TO What to do next
	invalid	displays a message box that explains the problem and terminates the process.	Make sure that the .DDF file is in a format that the Application Integration subsystem understands. Repeat Steps 1
			through 4, selecting a valid file definition.

Specifying an **EDI standard**

Use this procedure to specify a new EDI standard for the map.

Step	Action	
1	Do you want to choose a pre-defined EDI standard for this side of the map?	
	▶ If YES, click Customize on the Input Format or Output Format dialog box; then continue with the next step.	
	System Response The system displays the New Delimited EDI Wizard dialog box.	
	▶ If NO, GO TO Step 6.	
2	On the New Delimited EDI Wizard dialog box, click Next.	
3	Select the ODBC data source that points to the standards database.	
	Please choose the ODBC data source that contains the standards database. Catalyst	
4	Click Next.	
	Note If the system displays a select or browse dialog box, select the directory folder that contains the standard.	
5	Select the standards agency, version, and transaction set, and (for TRADACOMS only) the release.	
6	Click Next.	
7	Click Finish.	
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(Contd) Step	Action		
8	Click Next.		
	System Response		
	IF you specified the format for THEN the system AND you show		AND you should
	the input side of the map	displays the New Map Wizard - Output Format dialog box.	GO TO Defining the output format
	the output side of the map	displays the last dialog box in the wizard	Click Finish . GO TO What to do next

Specifying a variable-length application file format

Use this procedure to specify a variable-length application file data format for the map.

Step	Action		
1	Make sure that you selected Delimited EDI for the format. © Create a new data format using this syntax Delimited EDI (ANSIX12, UN EDIFACT, Tradacoms, etc)		
2	Click Next.		
3	Click Next.		
	System Response		
	IF you specified the format for	THEN the system	AND you should
	the input side of the map	displays the New Map Wizard - Output Format dialog box	GO TO the Defining the output format topic.
	the output side of the map	displays the last dialog box in the wizard	Click Finish. GO TO the What to do next topic.

Specifying an XML format

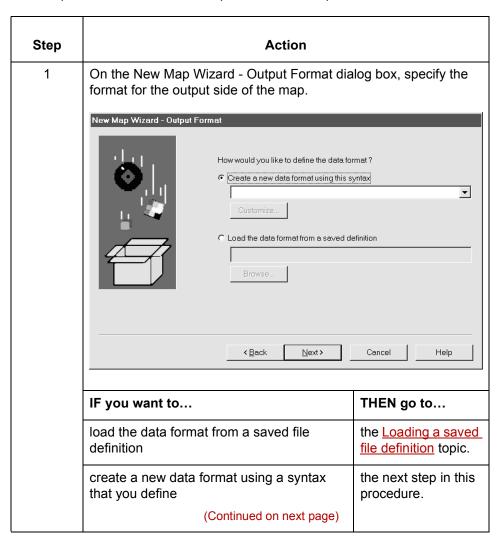
Use this procedure to specify an XML file format.

Step	Action	
1	Do you want to create your XML format from a predefined document input type (a DTD)?	
	▶ If YES, click Customize on the Input Format or Output format dialog box and continue with the next step.	
	System Response The system displays the New XML Wizard dialog box.	
	▶ If NO, GO TO Step 5.	
	System Response The system displays the New Map Wizard - Output Format dialog box.	
2	From the New XML Wizard dialog box, select the document input type and click Next .	
	New XML Wizard	
	This wizard allows you to create your new XML format from one of the documents listed below. Document Source Type	
	Select the source document type, and press Next to continue.	
	< <u>B</u> ack <u>N</u> ext > Cancel Help	
3	Type the name of your DTD file or a URL pointing to the DTD and click Next .	
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(Contd) Step	Action		
4	Select the doctype , set the maximum length of data elements, and then click Next . System Response		
	The system displays the New XML Wizard (Doctype) dialog box. New XML Wizard Doctype PurchaseOrder Quantity ShipMethod Set maximum length of data elements to: 256		
		< <u>B</u> ack <u>N</u> ext> Cance	el Help
5	Click Finish.		
	System Response The system returns to box.	the New Map Wizard -	Input Format dialog
6	Click Next.		
	System Response		
	IF you specified the format for	THEN the system	AND you should
	the input side of the map	displays the New Map Wizard - Output Format dialog box.	GO TO the Defining the output format topic.
	the output side of the map	displays the final wizard dialog box	click Finish to create the map.
			GO TO the What to do next topic.

Defining the output format

Use this procedure to define the output side of the map.



(Contd) Step	Action		
2	Select one of the following format options for the output side of your map:		
	IF your output file format is	THEN select	AND then
	EDI standard	Delimited EDI	GO TO the Specifying an EDI standard topic.
	Variable-length application file	Delimited EDI	GO TO the Specifying a variable-length application file format topic.
	Fixed-length application file	Positional	Click Next. Click Finish. GO TO the What to do next topic.
	VDA or GENCOD	Positional	Click Next and GO TO the <u>What to do</u> next topic.
	ODBC	ODBC	Click Next. Click Finish. GO TO the What to do next topic.
	XML	XML	GO TO the Defining an XML File Format topic.

What to do next

After you create your map, you must define the input and output sides of the map. The steps you take are different, depending on the type of format you specified. Use this table to determine what to do next.

IF you want to	THEN go to
manually activate non-mandatory EDI standard groups, segments, and elements	How to Manually Activate EDI Standard Map Components in the Application Integration User's Guide
define a variable-length application file	Defining a Standard File Format or Variable-Length Application File in the Application Integration User's Guide
automatically activate EDI standard components based on a sample EDI file	How to Automatically Activate Standard Map Components in the Application Integration User's Guide
define a fixed-length application file	Defining a Fixed-Format Application File in the Application Integration User's Guide
define a standard file definition	Defining a Standard File Format or Variable-Length Application File in the Application Integration User's Guide
define a XML file definition	Defining an XML File Format in this guide.
define an ODBC application file	Defining a Database File Format in the Application Integration ODBC User's Guide.

Overview

Defining an XML File Format

Overview

Introduction

The New Map Wizard enables you to quickly and easily create a map that uses XML format as the input format, the output format, or both. You can manually create the XML objects to create a new format, or create the format from a selected predefined document input type, such as a DTD.

Using a DTD

When you use a DTD:

- The DTD does not explicitly define the root element, so you can choose from all the elements defined in the DTD. By default, the wizard selects the first element encountered in the DTD as the root element.
- You can specify the maximum length of data elements because this is not defined in the DTD.
- If the system needs to make changes to the DTD to make it compliant with GENTRAN:Server, the system informs you of the changes and allows you to stop or continue.

Process

This table describes the process of defining an XML file format.

Stage	Description
1	Obtain the XML format from your trading partner or determine which map components your company requires.
2	Modify the XML file properties. Reference See the How to Modify XML File Properties topic in this chapter for instructions.
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(Contd) Stage	Description
3	Create the entities.
	Reference See the How to Create an Entity topic in this chapter for instructions.
4	Create the elements.
	Reference See the How to Create an XML Element topic in this chapter for instructions.
5	Create the content particles.
	Reference See the How to Create a Content Particle topic in this chapter for instructions.
6	Create the pcdata objects.
	Reference See the How to Create a Pcdata Object topic in this chapter for instructions.
7	Create the attributes.
	Reference See the How to Create an XML Attribute topic in this chapter for instructions.

Saving the XML file format as a DDF

After you build your file format, GENTRAN:Server enables you to save the individual file format definition of the selected side of a map as a DDF file. You can use the file definition in future maps to quickly build either side of your map.

Reference

See the <u>How to Save a File Definition</u> topic in the *Application Integration User's Guide* for instructions on saving a format definition as a file definition (.DDF) file.

See the <u>How to Load a File Definition</u> topic in the *Application Integration User's Guide* for instructions on loading a previously save file definition (.DDF).

The XML File Object and Entities

XML file object

The XML file object represents the XML document that you are mapping, including the root element. The root element is the element in an XML document that contains all other elements in the document. The XML file object contains properties that are global to the XML doucment.

You cannot reference the XML file object by standard rules or links.

How the object is created

The GENTRAN:Server Application Integration System automatically creates this object when you create a map that uses the XML format.

Entities

Entities are physical files that contain a unit of text. They serve as building blocks in the structure of an XML document.

Using entities

GENTRAN: Server allows you to define internal general parsed entities, according to the XML definition.

Note

This version of GENTRAN: Server does not support external entities.

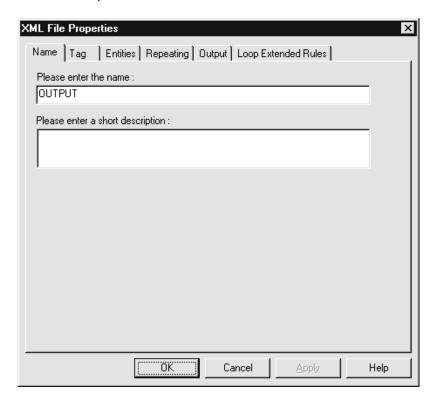
XML File Properties Dialog Box

Introduction

The XML File Properties dialog box enables you to define entities and file-level extended rules and format specification.

Name tab

This illustration shows the Name tab of the XML File Properties dialog box on the output side of the map.

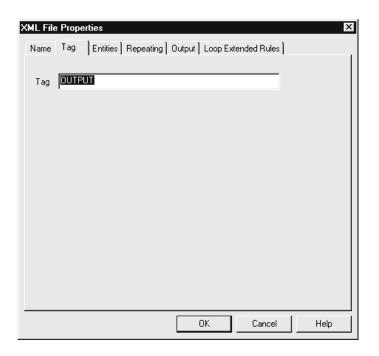


Name tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Name tab of the XML File Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Name	Identifies the XML file.
Description	Describes the XML file. This box is used to differentiate the XML file from similar files.

Tag tab This illustration shows the Tag tab of the XML File Properties dialog box on the output side of the map.



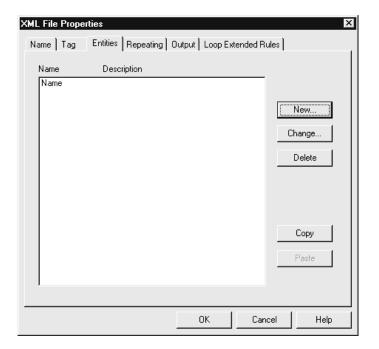
Tag tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Tag tab of the XML File Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Tag	Identifies the XML tag for the root element of the document.
	Default INPUT or OUTPUT. The default corresponds to the type of file you are creating.

Entities tab

This illustration shows the Entities tab of the XML File Properties dialog box on the output side of the map.



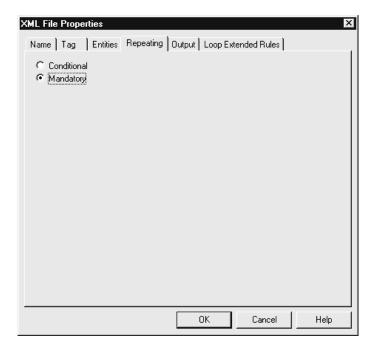
Entities tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Entities tab of the XML File Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Name	Specifies the name of the entity.
Description	Specifies a brief description of the entity.
New	Accesses the Entity Properties dialog box, which enables you to create an entity.
Change	Accesses the Entity Properties dialog box, which enables you to edit the selected entity.
Delete	Deletes the selected entity.
Сору	Copies the selected entity. This enables you to copy an existing entity for use in another map.
Paste	Pastes a previously-copied entity. This enables you to copy entities from one map to another.

Repeating tab

This illustration shows the Repeating tab of the XML File Properties dialog box on the output side of the map.



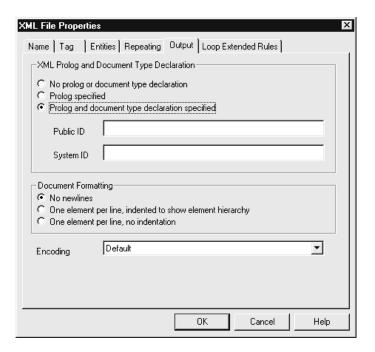
Repeating tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Repeating tab of the XML File Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Conditional	Indicates that the XML file object is not mandatory.
Mandatory	Indicates that the XML file object must appear in the map.

Output tab

This illustration shows the Output tab of the XML File Properties dialog box on the output side of the map.



Output tab parts and functions

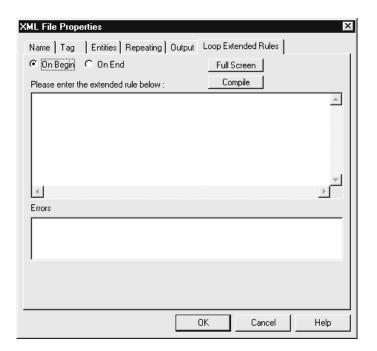
This table lists the parts of the Output tab of the XML File Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
No prolog or document type declaration	Indicates that the system does not generate any header information for the XML document (neither a prolog nor a document type declaration).
Prolog specified	Indicates that the system generates a prolog at the start of the XML document.
Prolog and document type declaration specified	Indicates that the system generates both a prolog and a document type declaration at the start of the XML document.
	Note This is the default.
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(Contd) Part	Function
Public ID	Specifies the public identifier that the system uses to create the document type declaration.
	Note This box is available only if you select the "Prolog and document type declaration" option.
System ID	Specifies the system identifier that the system uses to create the document type declaration.
	Note This box is available only if you select the "Prolog and document type declaration" option.
No Newlines	Instructs the system to format the output data with one segment following another, without a carriage return or line feed between segments. This means that the lines are formatted as wraparound or streamed lines.
	If you do not select this option, each segment in the output will end with the segment terminator followed by a carriage return or line feed. This is the default.
One element per line, indented	Indicates that the output data is to be formatted hierarchically and indented.
One element per line, no indentation	Indicates that the output data is to be formatted hierarchically but not indented.
Encoding	Determines how the data in the XML output file is represented.

Loop Extended Rules tab

This illustration shows the Loop Extended Rules tab of the XML File Properties dialog box on the output side of the map.



Loop Extended Rules tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Loop Extended Rules tab of the XML File Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
On Begin	Specifies that the extended rule is executed before the system processes the map object.
On End	Specifies that the extended rule is executed after the system concludes processing the map object.
Full Screen	Maximizes the dialog box.
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(Contd) Part	Function
Compile	Compiles the extended rule. Any warnings or errors are displayed in the Errors list.
	Note This function gives you immediate feedback about the accuracy of your rule. The system compiles the rule when you compile the entire translation object.
Extended rule	Defines the extended rule.
Errors	Displays any errors generated when you clicked Compile to compile the extended rule.

How to Modify XML File Properties

Procedure

Use this procedure to modify the properties of an XML file.

Step	Action
1	Right-click the XML File icon and select Properties from the shortcut menu.
	System Response The system displays the XML File Properties dialog box with the Name tab displayed.
2	Do you want to create an entity?
	▶ If YES, select the Entities tab to access entity options.
	Reference See the topic How to Create an Entity in this chapter for more information.
	▶ If NO, continue with the next step.
3	Do you want to modify the output options for the XML file?
	▶ If YES, select the Output tab and continue with the next step.
	▶ If NO, GO TO Step 5.
4	On the Output tab, specify the following:
	whether the system generates a prolog and/or document type declaration,
	▶ public ID (if applicable),
	system ID (if applicable), and
	how the XML elements are output to the file.
5	Do you want to specify an extended rule for the XML file?
	If YES, select the Loop Extended Rules tab, define the rule, and continue with the next step.
	▶ If NO, continue with the next step.
6	Click OK .
	System Response The system saves your changes and closes the XML File Properties dialog box.

How to Create XML Components

Introduction

To create map components, you use one of these GENTRAN:Server functions:

- Insert (to create a component at the same level)
- Create Sub (to create a subordinate component)

You access both functions from a map component's shortcut menu.

Creating a component at the same level

Use this procedure to create a map component at the same level as the selected map component.

Step	Action
1	Right-click the map component that is just above the component you want to create.
	Note The map component currently selected (has focus in the map) determines which map component that you can create.
	System Response The system displays the component's shortcut menu.
2	Select Insert from the shortcut menu.
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(Contd) Step	Action	
3	From the shortcut menu, select the type of component you want to create.	
	This table describes the available options.	
	Note N/A indicates that you cannot create a map component when the specified component is selected.	
	IF the currently- selected object is a THEN you can create	
	XML File	▶ Element
		Content Particle
		Pcdata
		▶ Attribute
	Element	▶ Element
		Content Particle
		Pcdata
		▶ Attribute
	Content Particle	▶ Element
		Content Particle
		Pcdata
	Pcdata	N/A
	Attribute Container	Attribute
	Attribute	N/A
	System Response The system creates the r the selected component.	new component and inserts it below

Creating a subordinate component

Use this procedure to create an XML component at a subordinate level to the map object currently selected.

Step	Action
1	Right-click the map component that is just above the component you want to create.
	System Response The system displays the component's shortcut menu.
2	Select Create Sub from the shortcut menu.
3	Select the type of component you want to create from the submenu.
	System Response The system creates the new component and inserts it below the selected component.

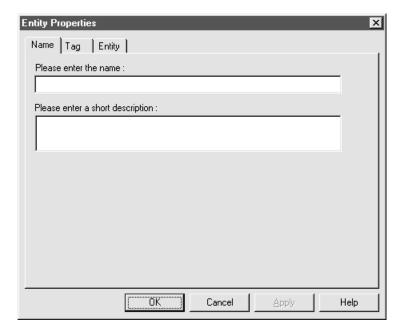
Entity Properties Dialog Box

Introduction

The Entity Properties dialog box enables you to define entities. You access the dialog box through the XML File Properties dialog box.

Name tab

This illustration shows the Name tab of the Entity Properties dialog box.

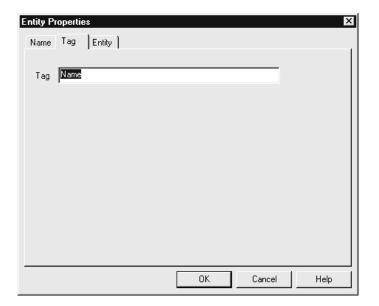


Name tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Name tab of the Entity Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Name	Note This is a descriptive name.
Description	Describes the entity. This box is used to differentiate the entity from similar entities.

Tag tab This illustration shows the Tag tab of the Entity Properties dialog box.

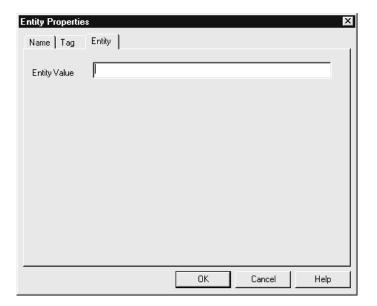


Tag tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Tag tab of the Entity Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Tag	Defines the entity identification tag, as it appears in the XML document.
	Default The system uses the entity name by default.

Entity tab This illustration shows the Entity tab of the Entity Properties dialog box.



Entity tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Entity tab of the Entity Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Entity Value	Specifies the entity data. Note
	This is the text that the system inserts when it encounters the entity.

How to Create an Entity

Procedure

Use this procedure to create an entity.

Step	Action
1	Right-click the XML File icon and select Properties from the shortcut menu.
	System Response The system displays the XML File Properties dialog box with the Name tab displayed.
2	Select the Entities tab to access the entity options.
3	Click New.
	System Response The system displays the Entity Properties dialog box.
4	On the Name tab, specify the following:
	unique entity name and
	description (if applicable).
5	If necessary, select the Tag tab and change the value in the Tag box.
	Note The tag must match the entity tag in the XML document.
6	Select the Entity tab to access the entity options.
7	In the Entity Value box, type the entity data.
8	Click OK .
	System Response The system saves the entity and closes the Entity Properties dialog box.
9	Click OK .
	System Response The system closes the XML File Properties dialog box.

XML Elements

Definition

An XML element is an element that contains related elements and/or content particles. In addition, an XML element can contain one pcdata object, one attribute container object, or one of each.

These objects repeat in sequence until either:

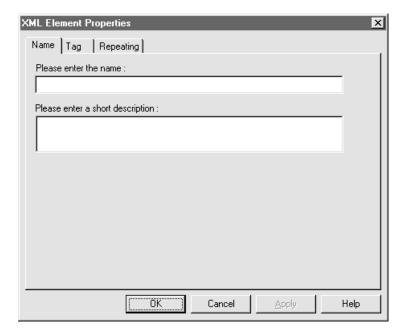
- ▶ The element data ends, or
- The loop repeats the maximum number of times.

Restrictions

You cannot reference the XML element object with standard rules or links.

XML Element Properties Dialog Box

Name tab This illustration shows the Name tab of the XML Element Properties dialog box.

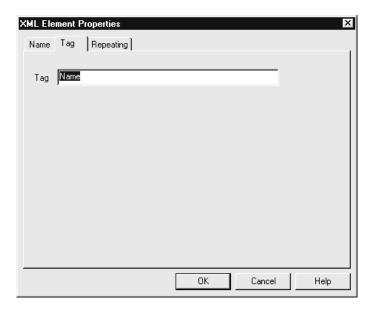


Name tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Name tab of the XML Element Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Name	Defines the element name. Notes ■ Each element must have a unique name. ■ Do not use spaces or dashes (-) for the element name. ■ You can use the underscore (_) to separate words.
Description	Describes the element. This box is used to provide a brief explanation of the element that allows you to differentiate it from similar elements.

Tag tab This illustration shows the Tag tab of the XML Element Properties dialog box.

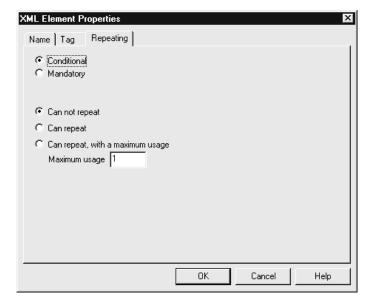


Tag tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Tag tab of the XML Element Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Tag	Defines the element identification tag, as it appears in the XML document.
	Note GENTRAN:Server validates the tag against the characters that XML allows for element names.
	If you are receiving an XML document, then the characters for the tag are case sensitive and must match the case of the element in the input data file.
	Default The system uses the element name by default.

This illustration shows the Repeating tab of the XML Element Properties dialog box.



Repeating tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Repeating tab of the XML Element Properties dialog box and their functions.

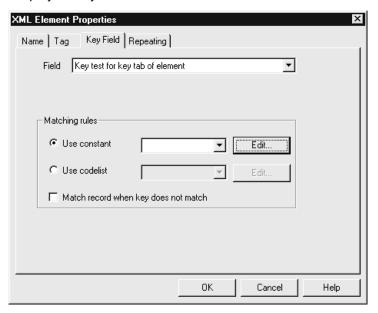
Part	Function
Conditional	Indicates that the element is not mandatory.
	Note This is the default value.
Mandatory	Indicates that the element must appear in the map.
Can not repeat	Indicates that the element does not repeat (is a single instance).
Can repeat	Indicates that the element can repeat (loop) as many times as necessary.
Can repeat, with a maximum usage	Indicates that the element can repeat (loop) as many times as is designated in the Maximum usage box.
Maximum usage	Defines how many times the element can repeat (loop).

Key field tab

This illustration shows the Key Field tab of the XML Element Properties dialog

Note

This tab is displayed only if the element contains one or more attributes



Key Field tab parts and **functions**

This table lists the parts of the Key Field tab of the XML Element Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Field	Specifies all the attributes that are defined for this element.
	Note The key field tab enables you to specify a second qualification in selecting an element. The element name is the first qualification.
Use constant/ Edit	Indicates that the system must match the element if the contents of the selected attribute match the literal constant selected from the list.
	Note The Edit button at the right of the Use constant list accesses the Translation Object Constants dialog box.
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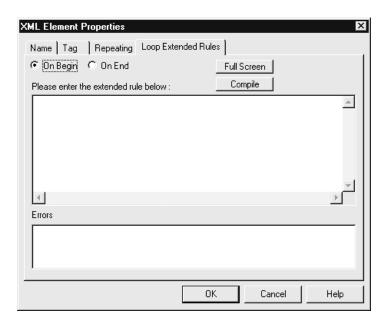
(Contd) Part	Function
Use codelist/ Edit	Indicates that the system must match the element if the contents of the selected attribute match the selected code list.
	Note The Edit button at the right of the Use constant list accesses the Code Lists dialog box.
Match record when key does not match	Indicates that the system will match the element if the contents of the selected attribute does not contain the value specified in the Matching rules section.
	Note If the specified condition is not met, the element does not conform to the definition, and processing continues.

Loop Extended Rules tab

This illustration shows the Loop Extended Rules tab of the XML Element Properties dialog box.

Note

This tab is displayed only if the element repeats.



Loop Extended Rules tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Loop Extended Rules tab of the XML Element Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
On Begin	Specifies that the extended rule is executed before the system processes each occurrence of the element.
On End	Specifies that the extended rule is executed after the system concludes processing each occurrence of the element.
Full Screen	Maximizes the dialog box.
Compile	Compiles the extended rule. Any warnings or errors are displayed in the Errors list.
	Note This function gives you immediate feedback about the accuracy of your rule. The system compiles the rule when you compile the entire translation object.
Extended rule	Defines the extended rule.
Errors	Displays any errors generated when you clicked Compile to compile the extended rule.

How to Create an XML Element

Procedure

Use this procedure to create an element.

Step	Action
1	Right-click a map object and select either Create Sub or Insert from the shortcut menu.
2	From the shortcut menu, select Element .
	System Response The system displays the XML Element Properties dialog box.
3	On the Name tab, specify the following:
	unique element name
	description (if applicable).
4	If necessary, select the Tag tab and change the value in the Tag box.
	Note The characters for this value are case sensitive and must match the element in the XML document.
5	Select the Repeating tab to access the occurrence options.
6	Select either the Conditional or Mandatory option to specify whether the element is required in the map.
7	Select the appropriate repeating option for the element.
8	Do you need to specify the number of times the element can repeat (loop)?
	▶ If YES, type that number in the Maximum usage box.
	▶ If NO, continue to the next step.
9	Did you specify that the element repeats (loops)?
	▶ If YES, continue with the next step.
	▶ If NO, GO TO Step 11.
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(Contd) Step	Action
10	Do you want to specify an extended rule for this element?
	▶ If YES, select the Loop Extended Rules tab, define the rule, and then continue with the next step.
	Reference See the <u>Using Extended Rules</u> topic in the <i>Application</i> Integration User's Guide for more information on extended rules.
	▶ If NO, continue with the next step.
11	Click OK .
	System Response The system saves the element and closes the XML Element Properties dialog box.

Content Particles

Definition

In GENTRAN:Server, a content particle object contains child objects that define either a choice between elements or a sequence of elements.

Example

In this example, ${\bf a}$ contains either ${\bf b}$ or ${\bf c}$, while ${\bf b}$ contains ${\bf d}$, ${\bf e}$, and ${\bf f}$, in that order.

<!ELEMENT a (b|c)> <!ELEMENT b (d,e,f)>

Contents

A content particle can contain:

- Related elements or content particles
- One Pcdata object.

These objects repeat in sequence until either:

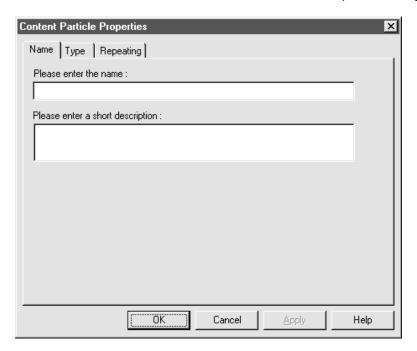
- The content particle data ends
- ▶ The loop repeats the allowed maximum number of times.

Restrictions

You cannot reference the Content Particle object with standard rules or links.

Content Particle Properties Dialog Box

Name tab This illustration shows the Name tab of the Content Particle Properties dialog box.

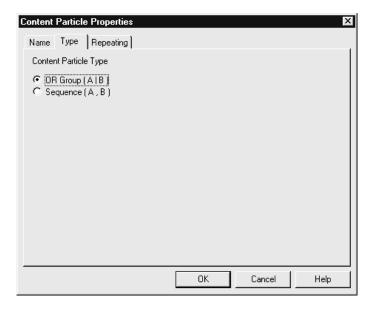


Name tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Name tab of the Content Particle Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Name	Defines the name of the content particle. Note Do not use spaces or dashes (-) for the content particle name. You can use the underscore (_) to separate words.
Description	Describes the content particle. This box is used to provide a brief explanation of the content particle that allows you to differentiate it from similar content particles.

Type tab This illustration shows the Type tab of the Content Particle Properties dialog box.



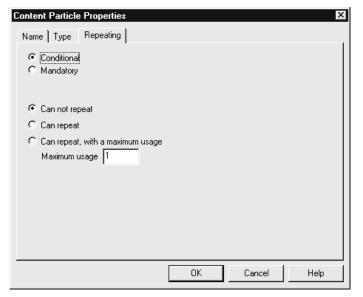
Type tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Type tab of the Content Particle Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
OR Group (A B)	Indicates that the child objects of the content particle represent a choice (a disjunction) of the child objects. They are mutually exclusive and only one can exist.
Sequence (A, B)	Indicates that the child objects of the content particle represent a sequence of the child objects. They must all occur, and they must occur in the order specified.

Repeating tab

This illustration shows the Repeating tab of the Content Particle Properties dialog



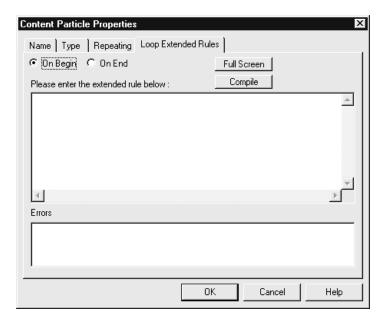
Repeating tab parts and **functions**

This table lists the parts of the Repeating tab of the Content Particle Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Conditional	Indicates that the child objects of the content particle do not have to occur in the data.
Mandatory	Indicates that the child objects of the content particle must occur within the data.
Cannot repeat	Indicates that the content particle does not repeat (is a single instance).
Can repeat	Indicates that the content particle can repeat (loop) as many times as necessary.
Can repeat, with a maximum usage	Indicates that the content particle can repeat (loop) as many times as is designated in the Maximum usage box.
Maximum usage	Defines how many times the content particle can repeat (loop).

Loop Extended Rules tab

This illustration shows the Loop Extended Rules tab of the Content Particle Properties dialog box.



Loop Extended Rules tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Loop Extended Rules tab of the Content Particle Properties dialog box and their functions.

Note

The dialog box includes this tab only if the selected element repeats.

Part	Function
On Begin	Specifies that the extended rule is executed before the system processes the content particle and for each occurrence of the content particle.
On End	Specifies that the extended rule is executed after the system concludes processing the content particle and for each occurrence of a content particle.
Full Screen	Maximizes the dialog box.
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(Contd) Part	Function
Compile	Compiles the extended rule. The Errors list displays any warnings or errors that result from compilation.
	Note This function gives you immediate feedback about the accuracy of your rule. The system compiles the rule when you compile the entire translation object.
Extended rule	Defines the extended rule.
Errors	Displays any errors generated when you compiled the extended rule.

How to Create a Content Particle

Procedure

Use this procedure to create a content particle.

Step	Action
1	Right-click a map object and select either Create Sub or Insert from the shortcut menu.
2	From the shortcut menu, select Content Particle.
	System Response The system displays the Content Particle Properties dialog box.
3	On the Name tab, specify the following:
	unique content particle namedescription (if applicable).
4	Select the Type tab to access the content particle type options.
5	Select the appropriate option to define what the child objects of the content particle represent (choice or sequence).
6	Select the Repeating tab to access the occurrence options.
7	Select either Conditional or Mandatory to specify whether the content particle is required in the map.
8	Select the appropriate repeating option for the content particle.
9	Did you select Can repeat, with maximum usage in Step 8?
	 If YES, in the Maximum usage box, type the number of times the content particle can repeat (loop). Continue with Step 10. If NO, continue with Step 10.
10	Did you specify that the content particle repeats (loops)?
	▶ If YES, continue with Step 11.
	▶ If NO, GO TO Step 12.
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(Contd) Step	Action
11	Do you want to specify an extended rule for this content particle?
	▶ If YES, select the Loop Extended Rules tab, define the rule, and continue with the next step.
	Reference See the <u>Using Extended Rules</u> topic in the <i>Application</i> Integration User's Guide for more information on extended rules.
	▶ If NO, continue with the next step.
12	Click OK .
	System Response The system saves the content particle and closes the Content Particle Properties dialog box.

Definition

A pcdata object is an object that contains character data. It is a child object of a parent element or content particle.

Use restrictions

You can define only one pcdata object per element or content particle.

Name

GENTRAN:Server automatically names the pcdata object with the name of the parent element or content particle.

Map display

When a pcdata object has an operation performed against it (link, standard rule, or as an extended rule storage field), the system displays a red check mark over the pcdata icon.

Order of execution

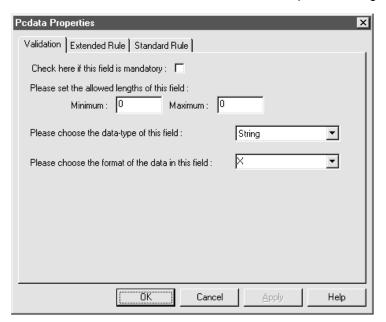
The order of execution for each Pcdata field is:

- validate field
- run standard rules
- run extended rules

Pcdata Properties Dialog Box

Validation tab

This illustration shows the Validation tab of the Pcdata Properties dialog box.



Validation tab parts and **functions**

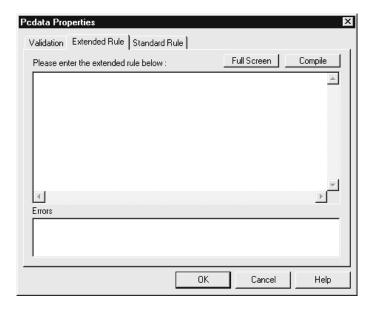
This table lists the parts of the Validation tab of the Pcdata Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Mandatory	Indicates whether the pcdata object is mandatory (must appear).
Minimum	Specifies the minimum length of the pcdata object.
Maximum	Specifies the maximum length of the pcdata object. (Continued on next page)

(Contd) Part	Function	
Data-type	Specifies the type of data. Valid values are:	
	String (alphanumeric element)	
	Number (numeric or real element)	
	Date/Time (date or time element)	
Format	Specifies how the pcdata object is formatted.	
	Note Depending on which Data-type you selected, you can either:	
	 Select the data format from a list (if you choose Number or Date/Time in the Type field) 	
	Enter a Syntax Token to denote that this field must be formatted as the specified Syntax Token dictates.	

Extended Rule tab

This illustration shows the Extended Rule tab of the Pcdata Properties dialog box.



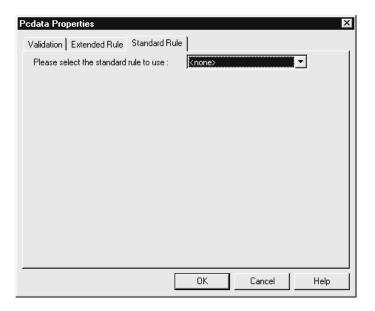
Extended Rule tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Extended Rule tab of the Pcdata Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function	
Full Screen	Maximizes the dialog box.	
Compile	Compiles the extended rule. Any warnings or errors are displayed in the Errors list. Note This function gives you immediate feedback about the accuracy of your rule. The system compiles the rule when you compile the entire translation object.	
Extended rule	Defines the extended rule.	
Errors	Displays any errors generated when you clicked Compile to compile the extended rule.	

Standard Rule tab

This illustration shows the Standard Rule tab of the Pcdata Properties dialog box.



Standard Rule tab parts and **functions**

This table lists the parts of the Standard Rule tab of the Pcdata Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Standard rule	Specifies a standard rule that will affect this field or element during processing. Each of the rules are mutually exclusive.
	Reference See the <u>Using Standard Rules</u> chapter in the GENTRAN:Server Application Integration User's Guide for more information on standard rules.

How to Create a Pcdata Object

Procedure

Use this procedure to create a pcdata object.

Step	Action
1	Right-click a map object and select either Create Sub or Insert from the shortcut menu.
2	From the shortcut menu, select Pcdata . System Response The system displays the Pcdata Properties dialog box.
3	On the Validation tab, specify the following: whether the pcdata object is required or not minimum length maximum length type of data how the data is formatted.
4	Do you want to specify an extended rule for this pcdata object? If YES, select the Extended Rule tab, define the rule, and continue with the next step. Reference See the Using Extended Rules topic in the Application Integration User's Guide for more information on extended rules. If NO, continue with the next step.
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(Contd) Step	Action
5	Do you want to specify a standard rule for this Pcdata object?
	▶ If YES, select the Standard Rule tab, define the rule, and continue with the next step.
	Reference See the <u>Using Standard Rules</u> topic in the <i>Application</i> Integration User's Guide for more information on standard rules.
	▶ If NO, continue with the next step.
6	Click OK .
	System Response The system saves the Pcdata object and closes the Pcdata Properties dialog box.

XML Attributes

Definition

An attribute is a piece of information about an element.

Relationship to attribute container object

In GENTRAN:Server, each attribute is contained in an attribute container object. An element can only have one attribute container object, but the attribute container object can enclose many attribute objects.

Attribute container object

The attribute container object is a GENTRAN: Server concept and does not have a corresponding XML feature.

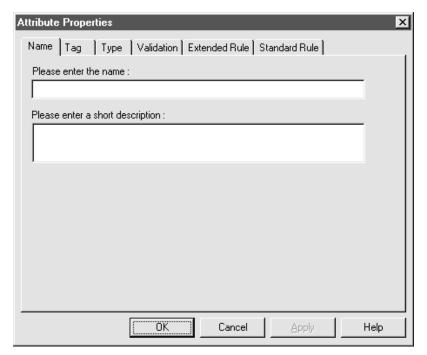
Because attribute container objects contain the attributes of an XML element, attribute containers do not have properties of their own.

The system automatically creates an attribute container object when you create the first attribute of an XML element. The system places subsequent attribute objects in the existing attribute container object.

Attribute Properties Dialog Box

Illustration

This diagram illustrates the Name tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box.

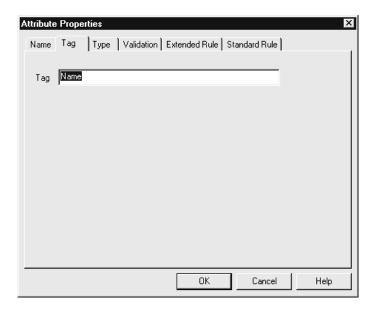


Name tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Name tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function	
Name	Defines the name of the attribute.	
	Note Do not use spaces or dashes (-) for the record name. You can use the underscore (_) to separate words.	
Description	Describes the attribute. This box is used to enter a brief explanation of the attribute to differentiate it from similar attributes.	

Tag tab This diagram illustrates the Tag tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box.

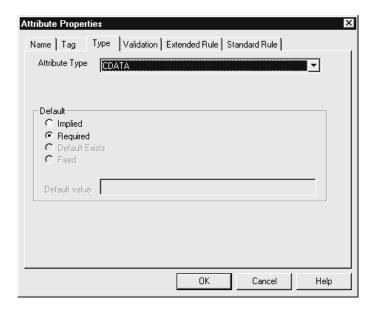


Tag tab parts and **functions**

This table lists the parts of the Tag tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Tag	Defines the attribute identification tag, as it appears in the XML document.
	Note GENTRAN:Server validates the tag against the characters, which are case sensitive, that XML allows for element names. An XML tag must start with a letter, an underscore, or a colon, followed by valid XML name characters. The system uses the attribute name by default.

Type tab This diagram illustrates the Type tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box.



Type tab parts and functions

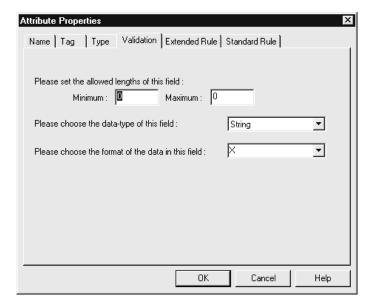
This table lists the parts of the Type tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function	
Attribute Type	Specifies the type of data that can be used in this attribute. This table describes the attribute types.	
	Attribute	Description
	CDATA	Character data (a string of characters).
	ENUMERATED	The value must match a value in the associated code list and all values in the code list must match the NMTOKEN production, as defined by the XML specification.
		Note To use an enumerated attribute, you must also create a code list and use a code list standard rule with the attribute.
	ID	A valid and unique identifier.
	IDREF	A reference to a unique identifier.
	IDREFS	A list of references to unique identifiers.
	NMTOKEN	The value follows the rules specified in XML for name tokens.
	NMTOKENS	A list of name tokens.
Implied	Indicates that this attribute is optional. If the document does not have a value set for the attribute, the document is still considered valid.	
Required		oute is mandatory. If the document does not e attribute, the document is not valid.
Default	Indicates that a default	value exists for this attribute.
Exists		fault value. If the incoming data does this attribute, GENTRAN:Server ult value.
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(Contd) Part	Function
Fixed	Indicates that the default value of this attribute is fixed and cannot be changed.
	Note You must define the default value. If the incoming data does not match this value, the document is not valid.
Default value	Specifies the default value for the attribute.

Validation tab

This diagram illustrates the Validation tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box.



Validation tab parts and functions

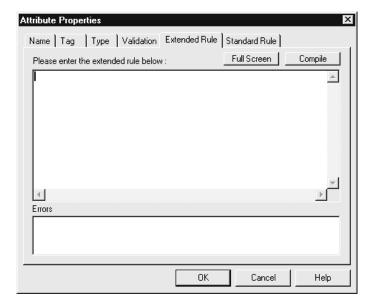
This table lists the parts of the Validation tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Minimum	Specifies the minimum length of the attribute.
Maximum	Specifies the maximum length of the attribute.
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(Contd) Part	Function
Data-type	Specifies the type of data. Valid values are:
	String (alphanumeric element)
	Number (numeric or real element)
	Date/Time (date or time element)
Format	Specifies how the attribute is formatted.
	Note Depending on which Data-type you selected, you can either:
	 Select the data format from a list (if you choose Number or Date/Time in the Type field)
	Enter a Syntax Token to denote that this field must be formatted as the specified Syntax Token dictates.

Extended Rule

This diagram illustrates the Extended Rule tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box.



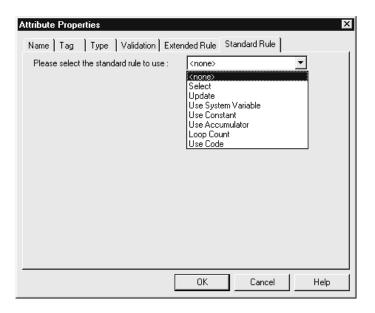
Extended Rule tab parts and functions

This table lists the parts of the Extended Rule tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Full Screen	Maximizes the dialog box.
Compile	Compiles the extended rule. Any warnings or errors are displayed in the Errors list.
	Note This function gives you immediate feedback about the accuracy of your rule. The system compiles the rule when you compile the entire translation object.
Extended rule	Defines the extended rule.
Errors	Displays any errors generated when you compiled the extended rule.

Standard Rule tab

This diagram illustrates the Standard Rule tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box.



Standard Rule tab parts and **functions**

This table lists the parts of the Standard Rule tab of the Attribute Properties dialog box and their functions.

Part	Function
Standard rule	Specifies a standard rule that will affect this field or element during processing. Each of the rules are mutually exclusive.
	Reference See the <u>Using Standard Rules</u> chapter in the GENTRAN:Server Application Integration User's Guide for more information on standard rules.

How to Create an XML Attribute

Procedure

Use this procedure to create an XML attribute.

Step	Action
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1	Right-click a map object and select either Create Sub or Insert from the shortcut menu.
2	From the shortcut menu, select Attribute .
	System Response The system displays the Attribute Properties dialog box.
3	On the Name tab, specify the following:
	unique attribute name
	description (if applicable).
4	If necessary, select the Tag tab and change the value in the Tag box.
	Note The value must match the attribute tag in the XML document.
5	Select the Type tab to access the attribute type options.
6	On the Type tab, specify the following:
	attribute type
	default usage of the attribute
	▶ default value (only if you selected "Default Exists" or Fixed").
	Note
	If you select ENUMERATED as the attribute type, you must also create a code list and use a code list standard rule with the attribute.
7	Select the Validation tab to access the validation options.
8	On the Validation tab, specify this information for the attribute:
	▶ minimum length
	▶ maximum length
	▶ type of data
	▶ how the data is formatted.
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(Contd) Step	Action	
9	Do you want to specify an extended rule for this attribute?	
	▶ If YES, select the Extended Rule tab, define the rule, and continue with the next step.	
	Reference See the <u>Using Extended Rules</u> topic in the GENTRAN:Server Application Integration User's Guide for more information on extended rules.	
	▶ If NO, continue with the next step.	
10	Do you want to specify a standard rule for this attribute?	
	▶ If YES, select the Standard Rule tab, define the rule, and continue with the next step.	
	Reference See the <u>Using Standard Rules</u> topic in the GENTRAN:Server Application Integration User's Guide for more information on standard rules.	
	▶ If NO, continue with the next step.	
11	Click OK .	
	System Response The system saves the attribute and closes the Attribute Properties dialog box.	

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Overview

Introduction

In this chapter

This chapter describes how to create Trading Partnership records when using the XML translation option with GENTRAN:Server.

Before you begin

Before you begin creating an application-to-XML Trading Partnership record, you will need to create an Interchange record and Group Organization record.

Reference

See the topic <u>How to Create an Interchange Record</u> and <u>How to Create a Trading Partnership Record</u> in the *GENTRAN:Server Application Integration User's Guide* for more information.

Key Terms

This table lists the key terms used in this chapter.

Term	Description
category	A user-definable record that enables you to group Trading Partnerships.
contact record	A record containing the name, address, and telephone numbers of an individual at your trading partner's business.
Group Organization record	A record containing all information specific to a single division or department in your trading partner's organization.
Interchange Organization record	A record containing all information specific to a single company.
Reconciliation ID record	A record containing a set of interchange and group IDs used with functional acknowledgments.
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(Contd) Term	Description	
Standard Cross- Reference Table	The GENTRAN:Server feature that enables you to build a table of standard values. GENTRAN:Server can use these values to find the Trading Partner record for certain inbound documents.	
TRADACOMS record	A record containing all of the supplementary Trading Partnership information for use with TRADACOMS standards.	
Trading Partner	One of the records maintained in trading partner files:	
record	▶ Interchange Organization record	
	Group Organization record	
	▶ Trading Partnership record	
	Contact record	
	Reconciliation ID record	
	Category record	
	► TRADACOMS record.	
Trading Partnership	An arrangement with a specific trading partner to exchange information in a specific document type and using a particular standard version.	
Trading Partnership code	A code you define that uniquely identifies a Trading Partnership record.	
Trading Partnership record	A record containing information about one of the Trading Partnerships you have established.	

Creating Trading Partnerships

The Flow of Work

Introduction

GENTRAN:Server supports Trading Partnership records based on the types of translation.

Process

The table describes the process of creating Trading Partnership records.

Stage	Description
1	Create Interchange Organization records.
	Reference See the topic How to Create an Interchange Record in this chapter in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions on creating Interchange Organization records.
2	Create Group Organization records. Reference See the topic How to Create a Group Organization Record in this chapter in the Application Integration User's Guide for instructions on creating Group Organization records.
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(Contd) Stage	Description		
3	Create Trading Partnership records.		
	IF you want to translate from	THEN create	
	Application file definition to XML format	An application-to-XML Trading Partnership record.	
	XML format to an application file definition	A XML-to-application Trading Partnership record	
	EDI standard format to XML format	A standard-to-XML Trading Partnership record.	
	XML format to another XML format	A XML-to-XML Trading Partnership record	
	XML format to an EDI standard	A XML-to-standard Trading Partnership record	
	ODBC file format to XML format	An application-to-XML Trading Partnership record.	
	XML format to ODBC file format	An XML-to-application Trading Partnership record.	

Reference

See the chapter Working with Trading Partnerships in the Application User's Guide to translate from or create a Trading Partnership record using an EDI standard, application file definition, or ODBC format.

Using wildcard characters

When you create a Trading Partnership record, you can enter a wildcard indicator into any of the six key fields that the system uses to identify the record. A wildcard indicator instructs GENTRAN:Server to accept any value for that field during a search for a Trading Partnership record. Wildcard indicators enable you to create more generic Trading Partnership records.

The Trading Partnership Editor accepts a dollar sign (\$) as a wildcard indicator for these fields:

- Your Interchange ID
- Your Partner's Interchange ID
- Your Group/Application ID
- Your Partner's Group/Application ID
- Set ID
- Standard Version

Note

You can only use wildcards for the following trading partnership files:

- standard-to-XML
- XML-to-standard

Sending outbound functional acknowledgments

When you create a Trading Partnership record, you can specify whether or not to send an outbound functional acknowledgment to your trading partner. The outbound functional acknowledgment notifies your trading partner that you received the data they sent to you.

Reference

See the <u>The Trading Partnership Editor</u> topic for more information on the Outbound Acknowledgment tab fields and their functions.

See <u>How to Specify Outbound Acknowledgments</u> in the *Application Integration* User's Guide for instructions.

How to Create an Application-to-XML Trading Partnership Record

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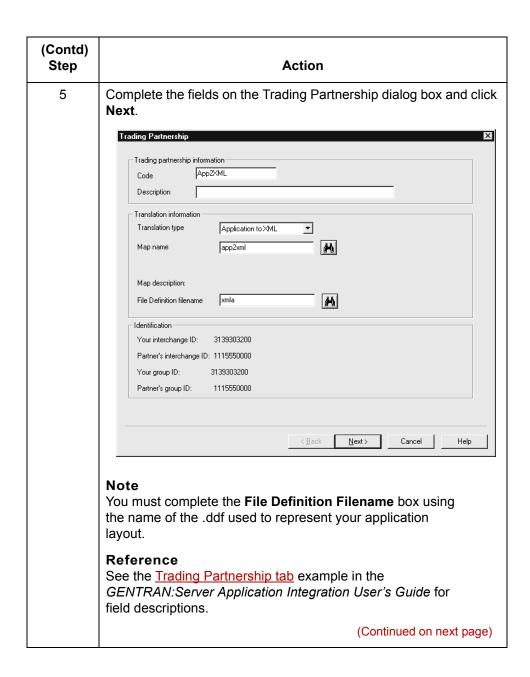
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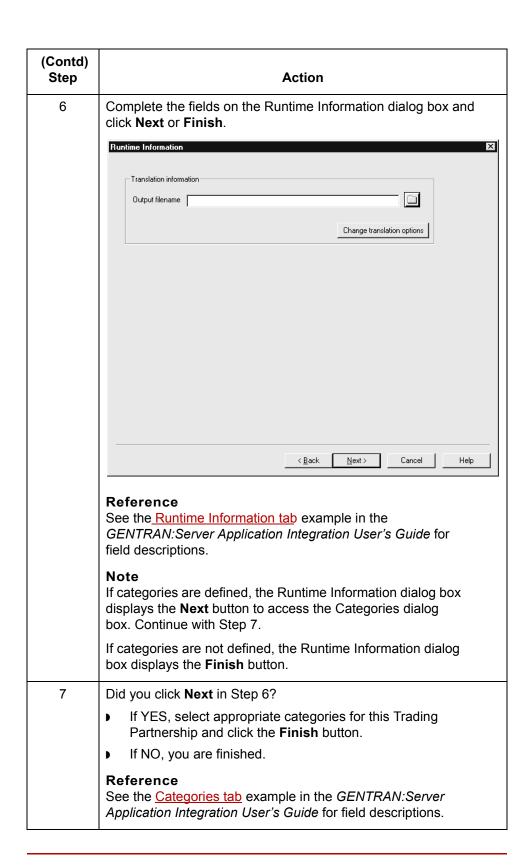
Procedure

Use this procedure to create a Trading Partnership record that is based on an application-to-XML translation scheme.

Step	Action	
1	Open Trading Partnership Administration.	
2	Select the group organization record that you want to associate with this Trading Partnership.	
3	Click New from the File menu.	
4	Click Trading Partnership.	
	System Response The system displays the Trading Partnership wizard. (Continued on next page)	

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How to Create a XML-to-Standard Trading Partnership Record

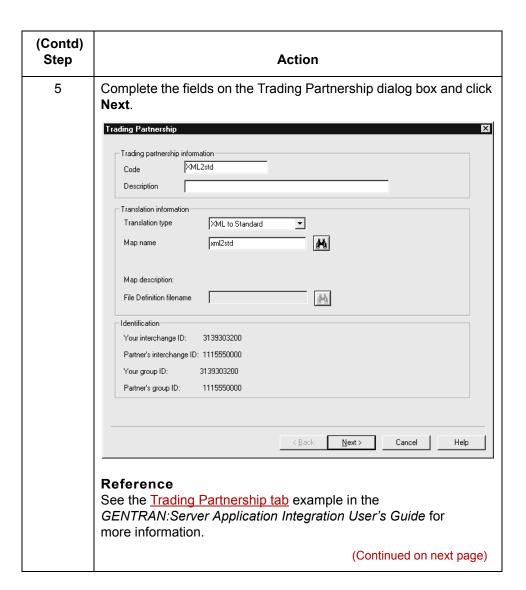
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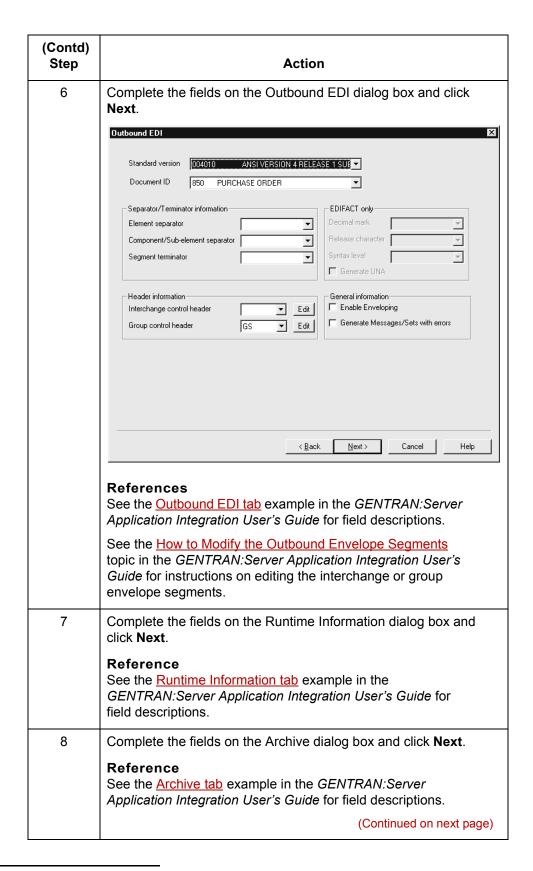
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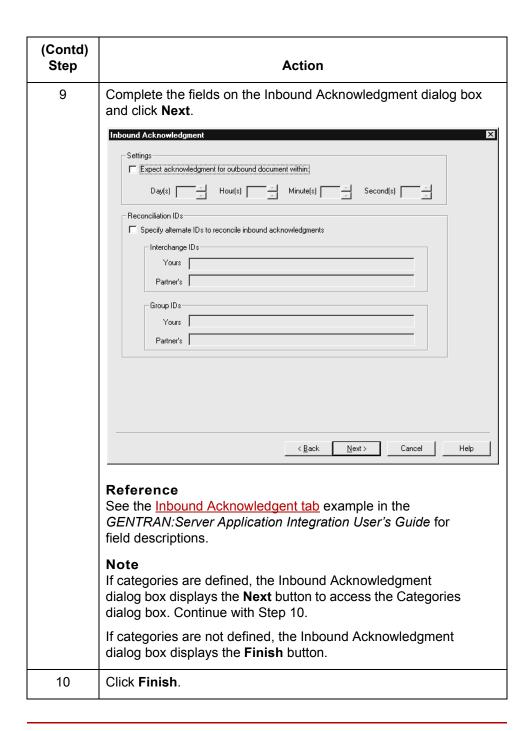
Procedure

Use this procedure to create a Trading Partnership record that is based on a XMLto-standard translation scheme.

Step	Action	
1	Open Trading Partnership Administration.	
2	Select the Group Organization record that you want to associate with this Trading Partnership.	
3	Click New from the File menu.	
4	Click Trading Partnership.	
	System Response The system displays the Trading Partnership wizard.	
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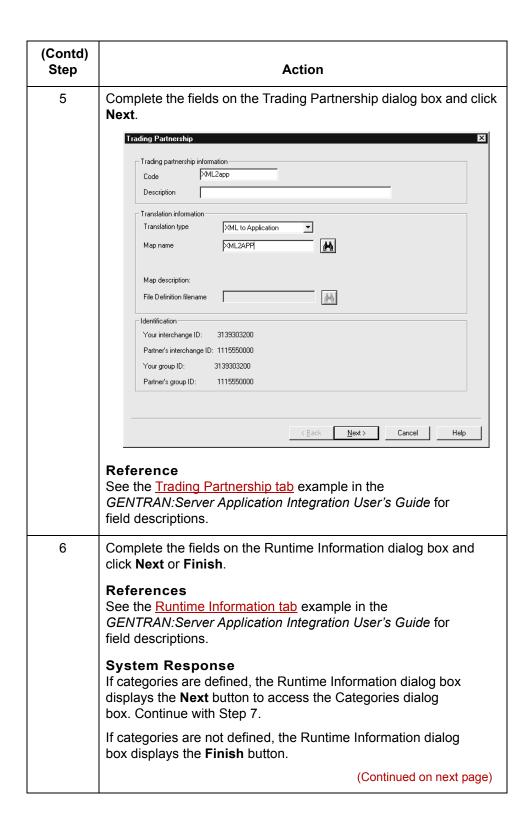
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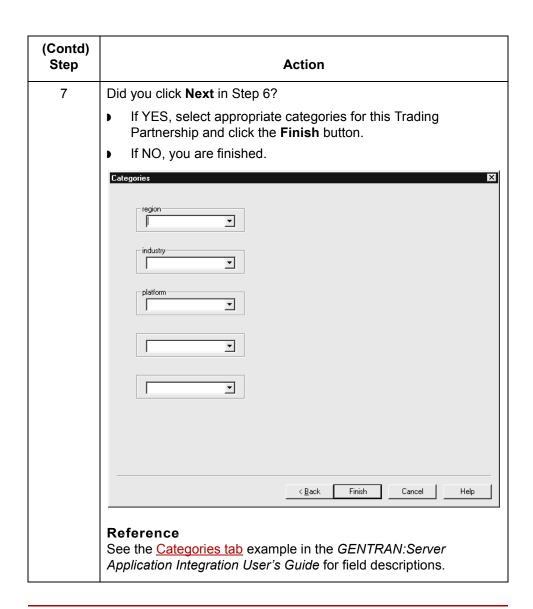
Procedure

Use this procedure to create a Trading Partnership record that is based on an XML-to-application translation scheme.

Step	Action	
1	Open Trading Partnership Administration.	
2	Select the group organization record that you want to associate with this Trading Partnership.	
3	Click New from the File menu.	
4	Click Trading Partnership.	
	System Response The system displays the Trading Partnership wizard.	
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How to Create a Standard-to-XML Trading Partnership Record

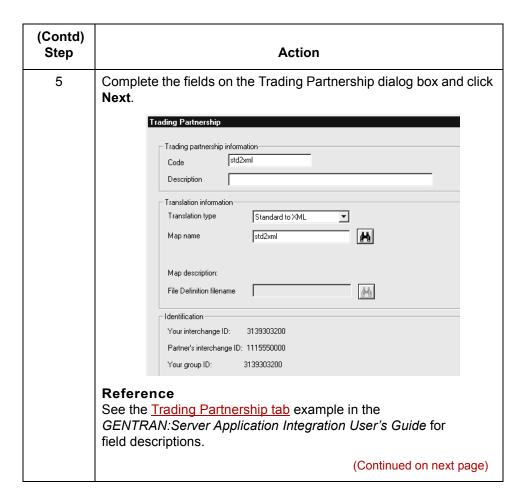
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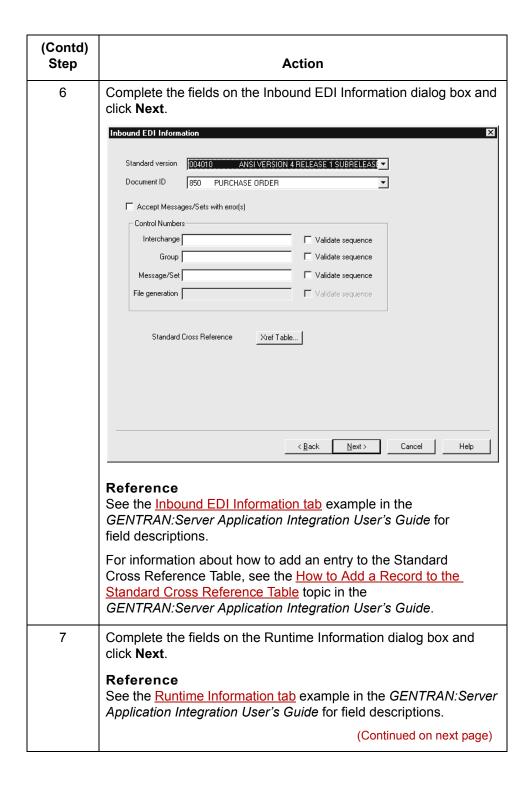
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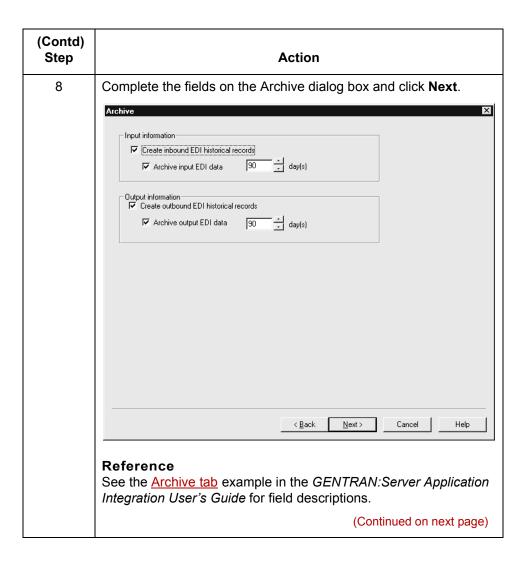
Procedure

Use this procedure to create a Trading Partnership record that is based on a standard-to-XML translation scheme.

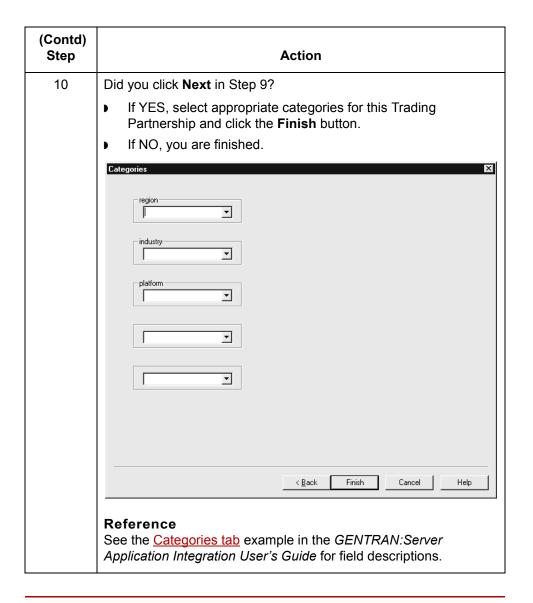
Step	Action	
1	Open Trading Partnership Administration.	
2	Select the Group Organization record that you want to associate with this Trading Partnership.	
3	Click New from the File menu.	
4	Click Trading Partnership.	
	System Response The system displays the Trading Partnership wizard.	
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(Contd) Step	Action	
9	Complete the fields on the Outbound Acknowledgment dialog boand click Next or Finish .	
	Note If categories are defined, the Outbound Acknowledgment dialog box displays the Next button to access the Categories dialog box. Continue with Step 10.	
	If categories are not defined, the dialog box displays the Finish button.	
	Reference See the Outbound Acknowledgment tab example in the GENTRAN:Server Application Integration User's Guide for field descriptions.	
	See the topic How to Specify Outbound Acknowledgments in the GENTRAN: Server Application Integration User's Guide to generate outbound acknowledgments.	
	System Response If categories are currently defined, the system displays the Categories dialog box.	
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How to Create an XML-to-XML Trading Partnership Record

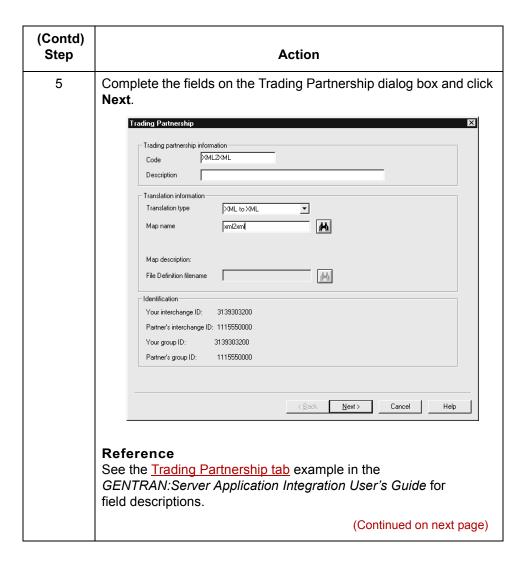
Introduction

This topic contains the procedure for creating an XML-to-XML Trading Partnership record.

Procedure

Use this procedure to create a Trading Partnership record that is based on an XML-to-XML translation scheme.

Step	Action	
1	Open Trading Partnership Administration.	
2	Select the group organization record that you want to associate with this Trading Partnership.	
3	Click New from the File menu.	
4	Click Trading Partnership.	
	System Response The system displays the Trading Partnership wizard. (Continued on next page)	



(Contd) Step	Action	
6	Complete the fields on the Runtime Information dialog box and click Next or Finish .	
	References For information about how to add an entry to the Standard Cross Reference Table, see the How to Add a Record to the Standard Cross Reference Table topic in the GENTRAN:Server Application Integration User's Guide.	
	See the Runtime Information tab example in the GENTRAN:Server Application Integration User's Guide for field descriptions.	
	Note If categories are defined, the Runtime Information dialog box displays the Next button to access the Categories dialog box. Continue with Step 7.	
	If categories are not defined, the Runtime Information dialog box displays the Finish button.	
7	 Did you click Next in Step 6? If YES, select appropriate categories for this Trading Partnership and click the Finish button. If NO, you are finished. 	
	Reference See the Categories tab example in the GENTRAN:Server Application Integration User's Guide for field descriptions.	

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Overview

Introduction

In this chapter

This chapter explains how to configure your system to handle XML (eXtensible Markup Language) files with GENTRAN:Server for UNIX and GENTRAN:Server Workstation.

Configuring for XML starts with defining the elements in an XML file that signal the start of a new document. This enables GENTRAN:Server to split the XML file if necessary. Next, you must configure your system to extract key information from XML documents and use the key information to find the appropriate Trading Partnership record. Trading Partnership records contain many operating instructions that control how data is routed, translated, and archived.

Key terms

This table lists the key terms used in this chapter.

Term	Description
DDF (Data Definition Format)	A file that defines a file format used in a map. It includes the hierarchical and looping structure of the data, the map objects, and the objects' attributes.
DTD (Document Type Definition)	The set of rules governing the tags in an XML document. A DTD file describes the elements and attributes that are allowed in your documents.
element (in an XML document)	The primary building block of the hierarchical structure in an XML document. Elements have start- and endpoints denoted by start- and end-tags.
root element	The unique first element in an XML document that contains all other elements in the document.
XML (eXtensible Markup Language	A computer language that provides a standard approach for describing, capturing, processing, and publishing information.
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Configuration Process

Introduction

This topic describes the process of configuring your system to:

- Split XML files into documents
- Extract key information from an XML document
- Use the key information to identify the appropriate Trading Partnership record.

Stage table

This table describes the stages in the process.

Stage	Description	
1	Configure the XML elements used to split XML files into documents or sets.	
	Reference See the Configuring XML Elements to Split Files section for instructions.	
2	Apply string-building rules to the XML elements you configured and link them to a file definition (DDF).	
	Reference See the Configuring XML Trading Partnership Rules section for instructions.	
3	Build the XML TP Cross Reference table to link each unique string that results from applying the string-building rules to a Trading Partnership Code.	
	Reference See the Linking Rules to a Trading Partnership Code section for instructions.	

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Configuring XML Elements to Split Files

Overview

Introduction

The first stage in configuring your system to handle XML files is to configure the XML elements that you will use to split XML files into smaller documents or sets. You do this by specifying from one to three elements in the file that mark the start of a different document. GENTRAN:Server separates the data each time it finds the splitting elements you defined.

Example

You can configure GENTRAN: Server to divide XML data into segments, such as interchange (ISA), group (GS), or set (ST).

Why split XML files?

The translator uses one translation object (compiled map) per file. Splitting a large XML file enables you to use different translation objects to translate different documents in an XML file.

Element levels

You can define up to three levels of elements to split an XML file:

Element Level	Description	Requirement
First-level	The topmost element of an XML document.	Mandatory
Second-level	The element after the topmost element in an XML document.	Optional
Third-level	The second element after the topmost element in an XML document.	Optional

Example

This example shows three element levels in an XML document.

Splitting element tables

When you configure your system to split XML data, the system stores the information in three DISAM tables:

This file	Stores element identification information for the
xmlspl1.idx/dat	topmost splitting element.
xmlspl2.idx/dat	second-level splitting element, if any.
xmlspl3.idx/dat	third-level splitting element, if any.

Reference

See the *GENTRAN:Server Technical Reference Guide* for the structure of these tables.

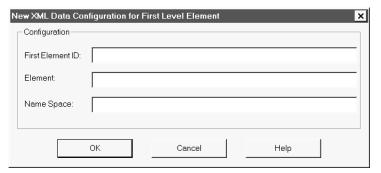
New XML Data Configuration Dialog Boxes

Introduction

The XML Data Configuration dialog boxes enable you to configure up to three elements that mark the start of a new document in an XML file.

First Level Element

This illustration shows the XML Data Configuration dialog box for the First Level Element.



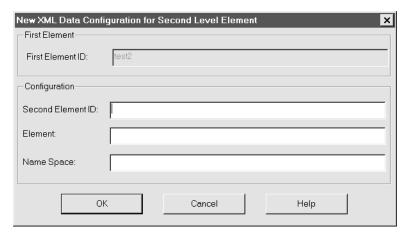
First Level Element fields and functions

This table lists the fields of the New XML Data Configuration for First Level Element dialog box and their functions.

Field	Function
First Element ID	Specifies the identifier that you want to assign to this element. Use up to 65 characters. Spaces are permitted. This box is required.
Element	Identifies the name of the element (tag) from the XML file that you want to associate with First Element ID. Do not include the tag brackets. This box is required.
Name Space	Identifies the shorthand or prefix that substitutes for the full name of the namespace that you want to use to further define the First Level Element. This box is optional.
	Notes The namespace helps identify the Trading Partnership Code.
	The attribute "xmlns" is an XML keyword for a namespace declaration.

Second Level Element

This illustration shows the XML Data Configuration dialog box for the Second Level Element.



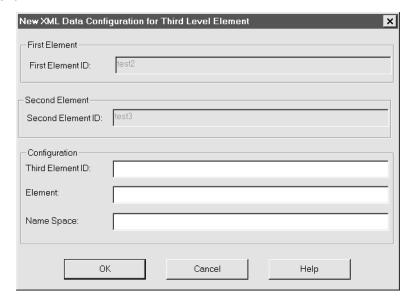
Second Level Element fields and functions

This table lists the fields of the New XML Data Configuration for Second Level Element dialog box and their functions.

Field	Function
First Element ID	Displays the ID of the First Level Element.
Second Element ID	Specifies the identifier that you want to assign to this element. Use up to 65 characters. Spaces are permitted. This box is required.
Element	Identifies the name of the element (tag) from the XML file that you want to associate with Second Element ID. Do not include the tag brackets. This box is required.
Name Space	Identifies the shorthand or prefix that substitutes for the full name of the namespace that you want to use to further define the Second Level Element. This box is optional.
	Note The attribute "xmlns" is an XML keyword for a namespace declaration.

Third Level Element

This illustration shows the XML Data Configuration dialog box for the Third Level Element.



Third Level Element fields and functions

This table lists the fields of the New XML Data Configuration for Third Level Element dialog box and their functions.

Field	Function
First Element ID	Displays the ID of the First Level Element.
Second Element ID	Displays the ID of the Second Level Element.
Third Element ID	Specifies the identifier that you want to assign to this element. Use up to 65 characters. Spaces are permitted. This box is required.
Element	Identifies the name of the element (tag) from the XML file that you want to associate with Third Element ID. Do not include the tag brackets. This box is required.
Name Space	Identifies the shorthand or prefix that substitutes for the full name of the namespace that you want to use to further define the Third Level Element. This box is optional.
	Note The attribute "xmlns" is an XML keyword for a namespace declaration.

XML Element Configuration Tree

Introduction

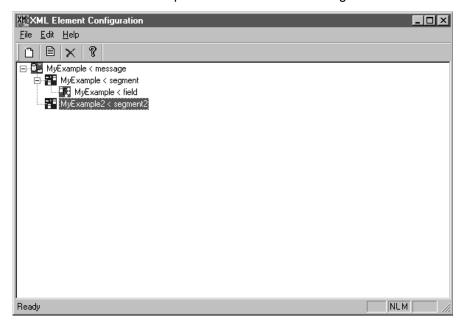
When you define a splitting element in the XML Element Configuration window, the system displays the element as a node on the XML element configuration tree.

One tree

This single tree contains all the first-level, second-level, and third-level elements you configure.

Illustration

This illustration shows an example of an XML element configuration tree.



Tree nodes

Each element level has its own icon in the tree.

Icon	Element Level
	First. This icon has a green background.
=	Second. This icon has a blue background.
	Third. This icon has a red background.

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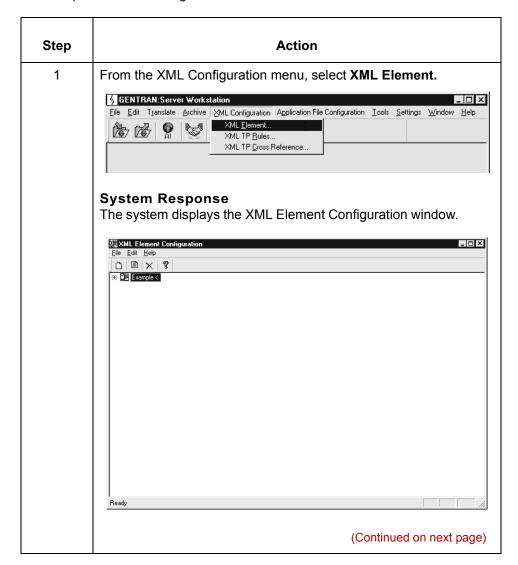
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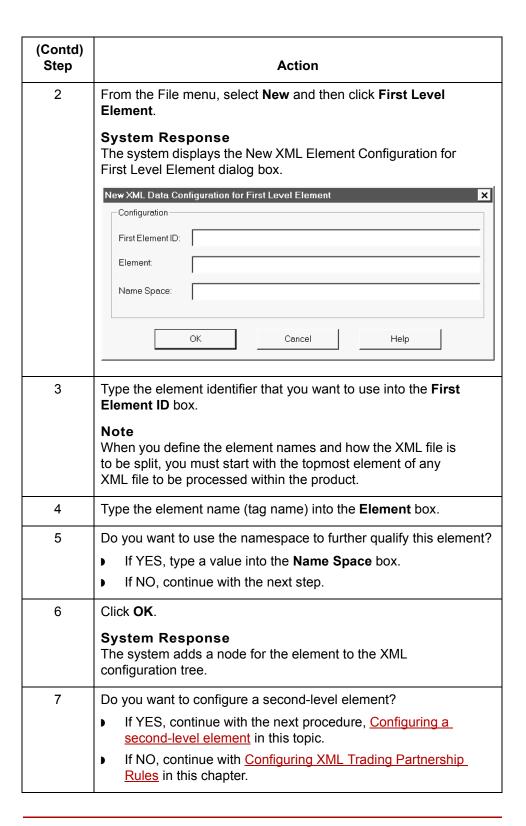
To configure an XML element, you:

- Give it a unique ID that will help you identify it
- Specify the name of the XML tag associated with the element
- Specify the shortcut or prefix of the namespace used in the element if you need to further identify the element.

Procedure: Configuring a first-level element

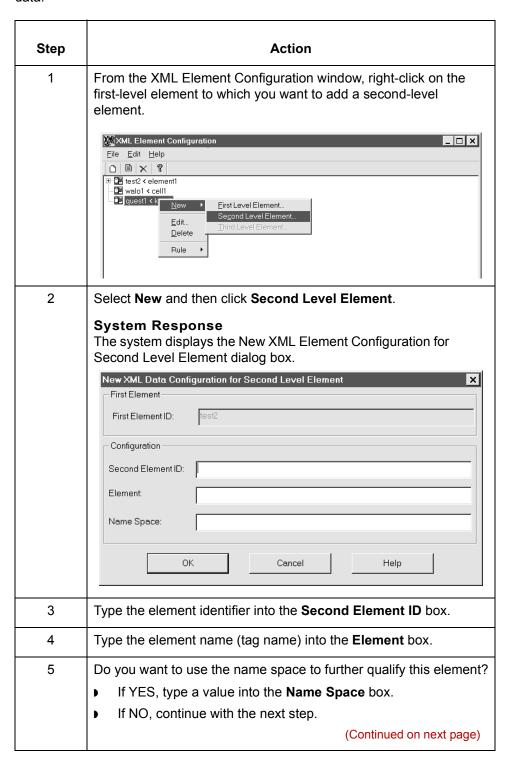
Use this procedure to configure a first-level XML element.





Configuring a second-level element

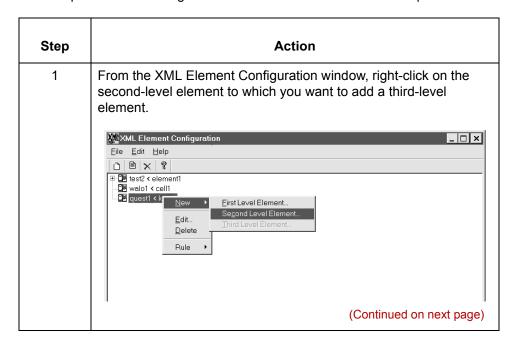
Use this procedure to configure a second-level XML element used to split XML

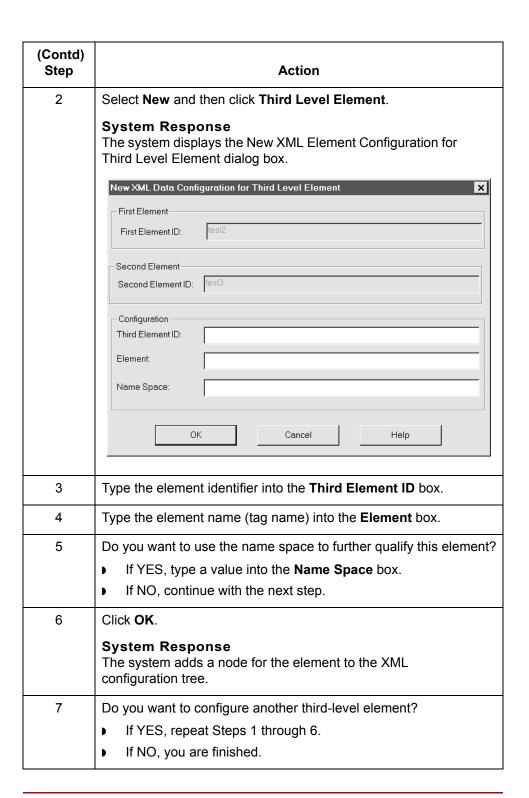


(Contd) Step	Action
6	Click OK . System Response The system adds a node for the element to the XML configuration tree.
7	Do you want to configure another second-level element? If YES, repeat Steps 1 through 6. If NO, continue with Step 8.
8	 Do you want to configure a third-level element? If YES, continue with the next procedure, Configuring a third-level element in this topic. If NO, continue with Configuring XML Trading Partnership Rules in this chapter.

Configuring a third-level element

Use this procedure to configure a third-level XML element used to split XML data.





How the System Splits an XML File

Introduction

GENTRAN:Server uses the information stored in the splitting element tables to break a large XML file into smaller documents.

Process

This table explains how the system splits an XML file.

Stage	Description		
1	GENTRAN:Server receives XML data.		
2	GENTRAN:Server retrieves the	topmost element.	
3	The system compares the element name to the xmlspl1 table.		
	IF the system	THEN processing	
	finds a match	continues with Stage 4.	
	does not find a match	stops.	
4	GENTRAN:Server retrieves the second element name after the topmost element.		
5	GENTRAN:Server compares th	ne element name to the xmlspl2.	
	IF the system	THEN processing	
	finds a match	continues with Stage 6.	
	does not find a match	splits the file based on the first-level element.	
6	GENTRAN:Server retrieves the third element name after the topmost element.		
7	The system compares the elem	nent name to the xmlspl3.	
	IF the system	THEN processing	
	finds a match	splits the file based on the third-level element.	
	does not find a match	splits the file based on the second-level element.	

Configuring XML Trading Partnership Rules

Overview

Introduction

The second stage in configuring your system to handle XML files is to set up the XML Trading Partnership (string-building) rules for a particular file definition. In this stage, you must:

- link elements you configured in Stage 1 to a file definition (DDF)
- attach string-building rules to the elements you linked to the file definition.

The string-building rules enable GENTRAN:Server to build an identification string from an XML document and use the string to find the Trading Partnership Code.

In this section

This section describes:

- String-building rules
- How to define XML Trading Partnership rules

String-building Rules

Introduction

For each XML file definition you create within Application Integration, you must create rules that the system will use to derive a unique string from a XML document. Later, you will construct a table that cross-references the unique string with a unique 15-character Trading Partnership Code.

Definition: Trading Partnership rule

A Trading Partnership rule is an instruction that specifies the type of information to extract from a tree node in a file definition. A rule stipulates that GENTRAN:Server is to use one of the following in the string:

- the element (tag) name
- the PCDATA (parseable character data within the tag)

Guidelines for building rules

These are the guidelines for XML splitting elements and Trading Partnership rules:

- You apply rules to the first three segments (and all their descendant elements) in a file definition that are a level from the topmost or root level.
- You can use from one to six rules to produce set of strings.
- You can map multiple string combinations to the same Trading Partner Code as long as each combination is unique.
- You cannot use the same set or combination of strings more than once.
- ▶ Strings are case sensitive. For example, AyZ is NOT equal to AYZ.

TP Rule table

The system stores the rules you define in a DISAM table named xmltptbl.dat/idx. This table contains eight fields:

- idname
- Application name
- TP Rule 1
- TP Rule 2
- TP Rule 3
- TP Rule 4
- TP Rule 5
- TP Rule 6

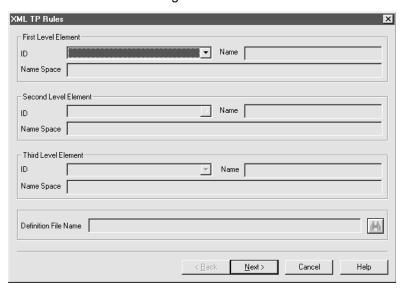
XML TP Rules Wizard

Introduction

The XML TP Rules wizard is used to create Trading Partnership rules that specify the type of information to extract from a tree node in a file definition.

Illustration

This illustration shows the first dialog box in the XML TP Rules wizard.



Fields and **functions**

This table lists the fields of the first XML TP Rules dialog box in the wizard and their functions.

Field	Function		
ID	Used to select the identifier for the First (topmost) Level Element, the Second Level Element, and the Third Level Element from the drop-down lists.		
Name	Displays the name of the element (tag) from the XML file associated with the ID.		
Name Space	Displays the shorthand or prefix that substitutes for the full name of the namespace.		
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(Contd) Field	Function	
Definition File Name	Identifies the File Definition that you want to associate with the TP Rules.	
Back	Returns to the previous dialog box in this wizard. This button is available only on the second and third dialog boxes.	
Next	Advances to the next dialog box in the wizard.	
Cancel	Cancels the information you typed into this dialog box.	

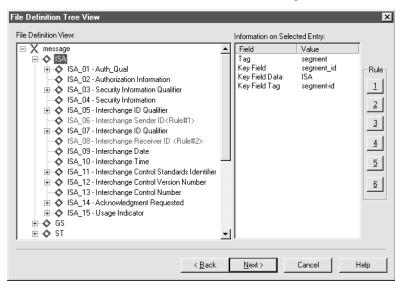
File Definition Tree View Dialog Box

Introduction

The File Definition Tree View dialog box is used to attach rules to tree nodes in the file definition.

Illustration

This illustration shows the File Definition Tree View dialog box.



Fields and **functions**

This table lists the fields of the File Definition Tree View dialog box and their functions.

Field	Function		
File Definition View	Displays the file definition in a tree view.		
Information on selected entry	Displays the field type and value for the selected component in the file definition.		
Rule 1 - 6	Opens the Set TP Rule dialog box for the selected node in the file definition tree.		
Back	Returns to the previous dialog box in this wizard. This button is available only on the second and third dialog boxes.		
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(Contd) Field	Function
Next	Advances to the next dialog box in the wizard.
Cancel	Cancels the information you typed into this dialog box.

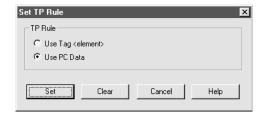
Set TP Rule Dialog Box

Introduction

The Set TP Rule dialog box is used to select the option that specifies the type of information you want the rule to look for in the XML document.

Illustration

This illustration shows the Set TP Rule dialog box.



Fields and **functions**

This table lists the fields of the Set TP Rule dialog box and their functions.

Field	Function	
Use tag	Selects the name of the tag as the type of information you want the rule to look for in the XML document.	
Use PC Data	Selects the character data within the tag as the type of information you want the rule to look for in the XML document.	
Set	Saves the rule.	
Clear	Deletes the rule from the table.	
Cancel	Cancels the last change you made.	

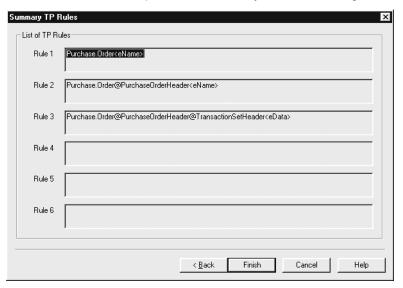
Summary TP Rules Dialog Box

Introduction

The Summary TP Rules dialog box displays the TP rules that you applied to the file definition.

Illustration

This illustration shows an example of the Summary TP Rules dialog box



Fields and functions

This table lists the fields of the Summary TP Rules dialog box and their functions.

Field	Function	
Rule 1 - 6	Displays the TP rule	
Back	Returns to the previous dialog box.	
Finish	Saves the rules and closes the dialog box.	
Cancel	Deletes all the rules you set and closes the dialog box.	

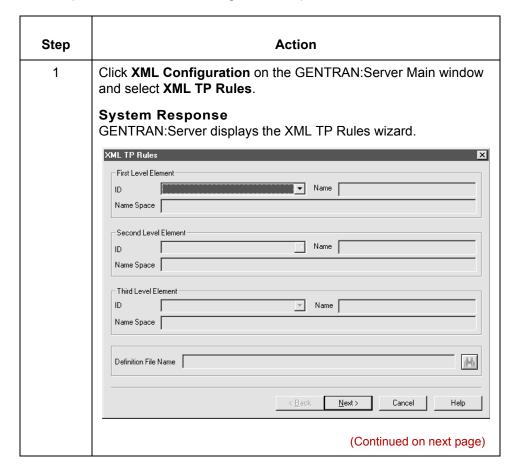
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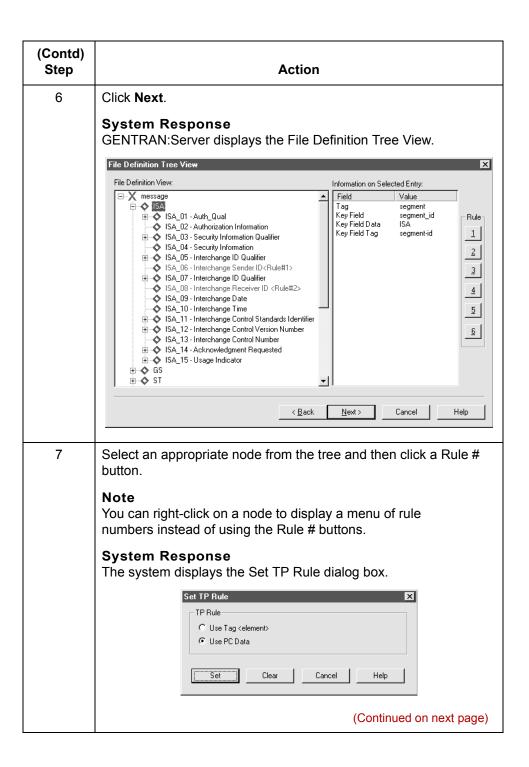
The second stage in configuring your system to handle XML files is to define the Trading Partnership rules used to build a unique string.

Procedure

Use this procedure to create Trading Partnership rules for a file definition.



(Contd) Step	Action			
2	Select the identifier for the First (topmost) Level Element from the drop-down list in the ID box.			
	System Response GENTRAN:Server displays the name of the element in the Name box, displays the shorthand for the namespace, in the Name Space box, and enables the ID box for the second level element.			
	Note You cannot edit the namespace on this dialog box. If you need to change the namespace, see How to Configure XMLElements .			
3	Do you want to split the XML document in the second level?			
	▶ If YES, select the identifier for the Second Level Element from the drop-down list in the ID box.			
	System Response GENTRAN:Server displays the name of the second level element in the Name box and enables the ID box for the third element.			
	Continue with Step 4.			
	▶ If NO, go to Step 5.			
4	Do you want to split the XML document in the third level?			
	▶ If yes, select the identifier for the Third Level Element from the drop-down list in the ID box.			
	System Response GENTRAN:Server displays the name of the third level element in the Name box.			
	Continue with next step.			
	▶ If no, go to Step 5.			
5	In the File Definition Name box, type the name of the file definition (DDF) or click search icon to display a search dialog box for the file definition.			
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Linking Rules to a Trading Partnership Code

Overview

Introduction

The last stage in configuring your system to handle XML files is to link the string that the system builds from the XML TP rules to a Trading Partnership Code. To do this, you use the XML Cross TP Lookup dialog box to build the XML Cross Reference table.

Guidelines

These are the guidelines for linking strings to Trading Partnership Codes:

- Each set of strings built from applying XML Trading Partnership rules must be unique. You cannot have the same combination of strings point to different Trading Partnership Codes.
- You can link two or more sets of strings to one Trading Partnership Code as long as each string is unique.
- Strings are case-sensitive. "AbC" does NOT equal "ABC."

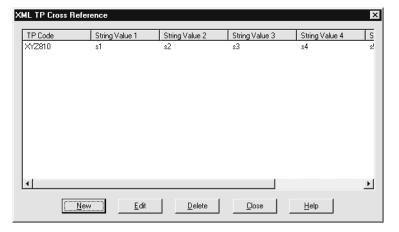
XML TP Cross Reference Dialog Box

Introduction

The XML TP Cross Reference dialog box is used to link the unique strings that the TP rules produce to a Trading Partnership Code. You use this dialog box to add entries to the XML TP Cross Reference table, modify existing entries, and delete entries from the table.

Illustration

This illustration shows the XML TP Cross Reference dialog box.



Fields and **functions**

This table describes the fields of the XML TP Cross Reference dialog box and their functions.

Field	Function	
TP Code	Specifies the Trading Partnership Code that you want the system to use when the string values match those derived from the XML document	
String Value 1-6	Identifies a value derived from applying Rules 1-6 to the XML document.	

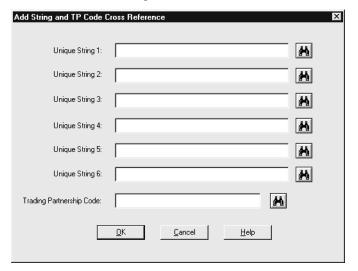
Add String and TP Code Cross Reference Dialog Box

Introduction

The Add String and TP Code Cross Reference dialog box is used to add entries to the XML TP Cross Reference table.

Illustration

This illustration show the Add String and TP Code Cross Reference dialog box.



Fields and **functions**

This table describes the fields of the Add String and TP Code Cross Reference dialog box and their functions.

Field	Function		
Unique String 1	Identifies a value derived from applying Rule 1 to the XML document.		
Unique String 2	Identifies a value derived from applying Rule 2 to the XML document.		
Unique String 3	Identifies a value derived from applying Rule 3 to the XML document.		
Unique String 4	Identifies a value derived from applying Rule 4 to the XML document.		
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(Contd) Field	Function		
Unique String 5	Identifies a value derived from applying Rule 5 to the XML document.		
Unique String 6	Identifies a value derived from applying Rule 6 to the XML document.		
Trading Partnership Code	Specifies the Trading Partnership Code that you want the system to use when the unique strings match those derived from the XML document.		

XML TP Cross Reference Table

Introduction

GENTRAN:Server stores the information from the XML TP Cross Reference dialog box in the XML TP Cross Reference table.

XML TP Cross Reference table

The XML TP Cross Reference table links the string values built from the Trading Partnership rules you defined to Trading Partnership Codes.

These are the fields in the table.

Name	Size	Offset	Description
str1	25	0	Unique string 1
str2	25	25	Unique string 2
str3	25	50	Unique string 3
str4	25	75	Unique string 4
str5	25	100	Unique string 5
str6	25	125	Unique string 6
tp_code	16	150	Trading Partnership Code

Table name

The XML TP Cross Reference table is a DISAM file named xmlxref.dat/idx.

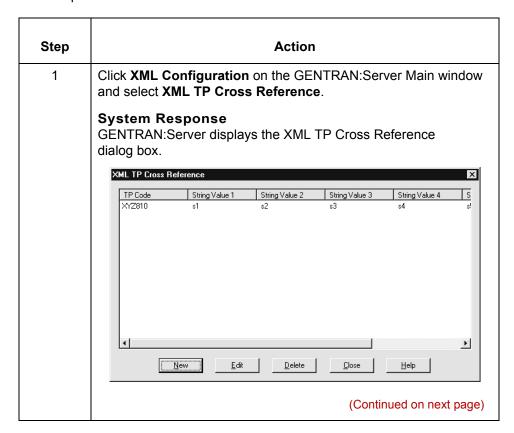
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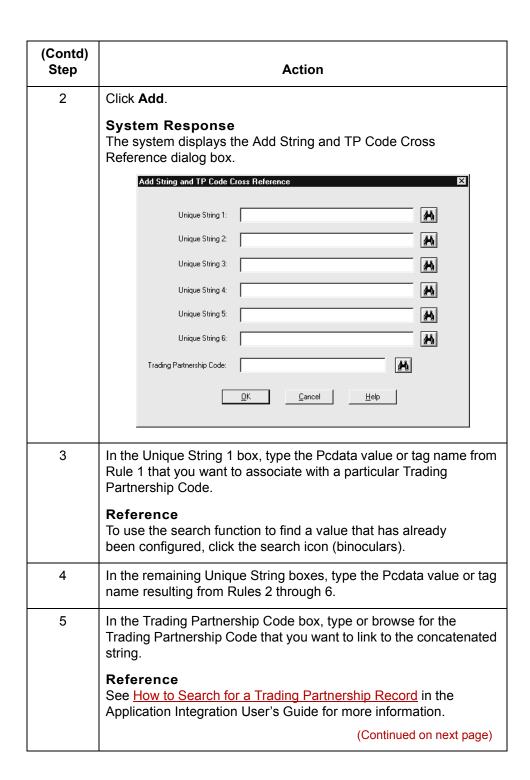
Introduction

To add an entry to the XML TP Cross Reference table, you enter unique string values and a Trading Partnership Code into the Add String and TP Code Cross Reference dialog box.

Procedure

Use this procedure to add entries to the XML TP Cross Reference table.





(Contd) Step	Action
6	Do you want to save this entry?
	▶ If YES, click OK to add this entry to the XML TP Cross Reference table.
	▶ If NO, click Cancel.
	System Response The system displays the XML TP Cross Reference dialog box
7	Do you want to add another entry?
	▶ If YES, repeat Steps 3 through 6.
	▶ If NO, click Close .

How to Use the Search Functions

Introduction

The search functions are accessed from the XML Cross TP Lookup dialog box. This topic provides the following procedures:

- searching for a trading partnership code
- searching for string values

Searching for a **Trading Partnership** Code

To display the Trading Partner Search dialog box, click the search icon (binoculars) next to the Trading Partnership Code box.

Reference

See How to Search for a Trading Partnership Record in the GENTRAN: Server Application Integration User's Guide for detailed information.

Searching for string values

Use this procedure to search for string values.

Step	Action		
1	From the Add String and TP Code Cross Reference or Edit Stri and TP Code Cross Reference dialog box, click the search icor (binoculars) next to the Unique String box that you want to complete.		
	System Response The system displays the XML TP Cross Reference Search dialog box.		
	Select Search Criteria Enter a range for the string Edit., 1		
	Specify the Trading Partnership Code Edit		
	<u> </u>		
2	Click the check box for the type of search criteria you will supply. (Continued on next page)		

(Contd) Step	Action		
5	Click OK .		
	System Response The system displays the search results.		
	String1 Trading Partner MMLTEST2 test		
	<u>Cancel Help</u>		
6	Do you want to use a value listed in the Search Results dialog box for the string?		
	If YES, select the value and click OK.If NO, click Cancel.		
	·		
	System Response The system returns to the Add String and TP Code Cross Reference or Edit String and TP Code Cross Reference dialog box dialog box.		

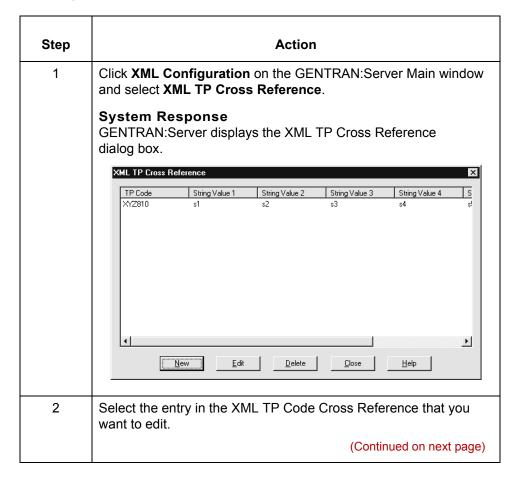
How to Edit the XML TP Cross Reference Table

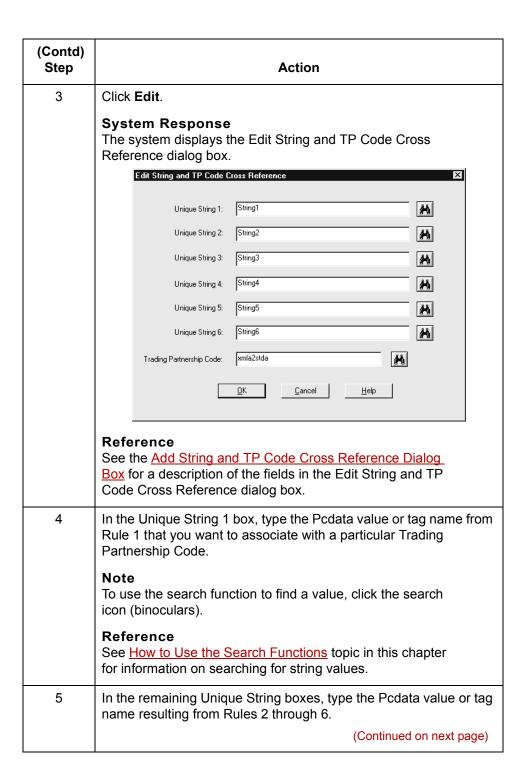
Introduction

To edit an entry to the XML TP Cross Reference table, you enter unique string values and a Trading Partnership Code into the Edit String and TP Code Cross Reference dialog box.

Procedure

Use this procedure to edit entries to the XML TP Cross Reference table.





(Contd) Step	Action
6	In the Trading Partnership Code box, type or browse for the Trading Partnership Code that you want to link to the concatenated string.
	Reference See How to Search for a Trading Partnership Record in the GENTRAN:Server Application Integration User's Guide for more information.
7	Do you want to save this entry?
	▶ If YES, click OK to add this entry to the XML TP Cross Reference table.
	▶ If NO, click Cancel .
	System Response The system displays the XML TP Cross Reference dialog box.
8	Do you want to edit another record?
	If YES, repeat Steps 2 through 7.
	If NO, click Close.

How to Delete an Entry from the Table

Procedure

Use this procedure to delete an entry from the XML TP Cross Reference table.

Step	Action
1	Click XML Configuration on the GENTRAN:Server Main window and select XML TP Cross Reference .
	System Response GENTRAN:Server displays the XML TP Cross Reference dialog box.
2	Select the Trading Partner entry you want to delete.
3	Click Delete.
4	Do you wish to delete the record?
	▶ If yes, click YES and continue to Step 5.
	System Response The system removes the Trading Partner record.
	▶ If no, click NO and continue to Step 5.
5	Click Close.
	System Response The system closes the XML TP Cross Reference dialog box.

How the System Finds the TP Code in an XML Document

Process

This table explains how the system derives the Trading Partnership Code from an XML file.

Stage	Description
1	GENTRAN:Server receives XML data and breaks it up into smaller documents according to the splitting information configured for XML elements.
2	GENTRAN:Server uses the element ID names to retrieve the Trading Partnership rules.
3	GENTRAN:Server reads the XML document and locates each string for each Trading Partnership rule.
4	GENTRAN:Server compares the set of strings to entries in the xmlxref table to find the 15-character Trading Partnership Code (tpcode) cross-referenced to the set of strings.

Glossary

activate

The process of turning on groups, segments, composites, and elements that a standard does not define as mandatory, but that you have determined that you need to use in mapping.

attribute

A piece of information associated with an XML element.

In an XML document, an attribute is a name-value pair separated by an equal sign.

attribute container object

An object that contains the attributes of an XML element. The object itself does not have properties.

attribute object

An object that specifies additional information to further define an element.

Auto trim

The Application Integration feature that enables you to automatically activate and deactivate map components on the EDI standard side of a map by using a sample EDI standard file as a model.

category

A user-definable record that enables you to group Trading Partnerships.

compile

The process used to convert a map into a translation object.

contact record

A record containing the name, address, and telephone numbers of an individual at your trading partner's business.

content particle

A map object that defines a relationship between the elements it contains.

DDF (Data Definition Format)

A file that defines a file format used in a map. It includes the hierarchical and looping structure of the data, the map objects, and the objects' attributes.

DTD (Document Type Definition)

The set of rules governing the tags in an XML document. A DTD file describes the elements and attributes that are allowed in your documents.

element

The primary building block of the hierarchical structure in an XML document. Elements have start- and end-points denoted by start- and end-tags.

element (in an XML document)

The primary building block of the hierarchical structure in an XML document. Elements have start- and end-points denoted by start- and end-tags.

entity

A physical file or building block in the structure of an XML document. An entity is a unit of text.

file definition

A file that defines how data needs to be formatted for an application to process it. These files have a .DDF extension.

File definitions contain a layout of the records, fields, and groups in an application file.

Group Organization record

A record containing all information specific to a single division or department in your trading partner's organization.

Interchange Organization record

A record containing all information specific to a single company.

links

The visual lines that connect each field on the input side of the map to a field on the output side of the map.

loop

A sequence of repeating XML objects.

many-to-many mapping relationships

A mapping relationship that has a looping structure.

map

A file object that defines the corresponding relationship between document components in two different formats.

map object

A component object of a map. For example:

- XML, Positional, or Delimited EDI file
- group
- segment
- record
- element
- pcdata
- attribute
- attribute container
- content particle

map version

The incremented number that indicates the rendition of the map. A lower number represents an earlier version; a higher number represents a later version.

nested looping structure

A mapping structure that has a loop within another loop.

one-to-one mapping relationship

A mapping relationship in which the input and output side loop structures are the same and directly links to one another.

PCDATA object

An object that contains character data.

prolog

The XML Declaration plus the Document Type Definition (DTD).

promote

To extract one iteration (instance) of a group or repeating record from a loop.

Reconciliation ID record

A record containing a set of interchange and group IDs used with functional acknowledgments.

root element

The unique first element in an XML document that contains all other elements in the document.

split (map components)

A function used to split (break) a group or repeating record into to two loops. You typically use this function when you need more than one instance of the same map component that still occurs multiple times.

split (XML file)

A configuration process that enables the system to break an XML file into smaller documents or sets.

Standard Cross-Reference Table

The GENTRAN:Server feature that enables you to build a table of standard values. GENTRAN:Server can use these values to find the Trading Partner record for certain inbound documents.

string-type field or element

A field or element that contains one or more printable characters. A syntax token defines the format of a string-type field or element.

syntax token

A symbol or expression that defines ranges of characters and numbers that are allowed to be used for a string-type field.

TRADACOMS record

A record containing all of the supplementary Trading Partnership information for use with TRADACOMS standards.

Trading Partner record

One of the records maintained in trading partner files:

- Interchange Organization record
- Group Organization record
- Trading Partnership record
- Contact record
- Reconciliation ID record
- Category record
- TRADACOMS record.

Trading Partnership

An arrangement with a specific trading partner to exchange information in a specific document type and using a particular standard version.

Trading Partnership code

A code you define that uniquely identifies a Trading Partnership record.

Trading Partnership record

A record containing information about one of the Trading Partnerships you have established.

translation object

A file containing information that instructs the translator how to convert a file from one format to another. When you compile a map you created, the result is a translation object.

translator

The GENTRAN:Server subsystem that translates data from one format into another.

URL (Uniform Resource Locator)

An internet address that locates an individual resource file on the internet.

XML (eXtensible Markup Language

A text-based language that provides a standard approach for describing, capturing, processing, and publishing information.

XML document

An XML element that can, but might not include nested XML elements. The XML document is modeled after a tree, in which each element in the tree is considered a node.

XML file object

The highest level object in the XML map hierarchy.

XML parser

The processor that categorizes the characters in an XML document as either markup or character data.

XML tag

A portion of XML code that indicates the type of data within a set of start- and endtags. Tags are enclosed in brackets.

Example

In the following example, the XML start tag is <Name> and the end tag is </Name>.

<Name>N. C. Paige</Name>

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