

Extended Description Skeleton

A skeleton for extended descriptions can be defined for each subtype of each object type. When an extended description is edited the first time, the extended description skeleton appears. Extended description skeletons are used to ensure consistent format and content of extended descriptions.

Call the Extended Description Skeleton screen with code E from the Defaults menu. The following parameters in the Defaults menu apply to extended description skeletons.

Parameters	
Object type	Two-character Predict object type. The extended description skeleton also applies to all subtypes of an object type for which no individual skeleton has been defined.
Subtype for skeleton	May be entered to determine the subtype of Object type for which the skeleton is to be edited. For example, to edit the extended description skeleton for Adabas C databases, specify Object type=DA and Subtype for skeleton=A.
Language for skeleton	Only applies to extended descriptions for objects of type PR. May be entered to specify the language for which the skeleton is to be edited.

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>                                     > + DA: *** Edit title ***                               L: 1   S: 45
Top  ....+....1....+.... Extended description ...+....5....+....6....+....7..
      =====
      Data base additional description
      =====
      Database-number.: ...
      Optional-01
      Optional-02
      Optional-03
      Optional-04
    
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If Con-form, Software AG’s text formatting facility, is installed, Con-form statements can be used. See screenshot in the section Output Options in the section Predict User Interface in the **Introduction to Predict documentation**.

Protecting Parts of an Extended Description Skeleton

Text in an extended description skeleton can be protected by enclosing it in a pair of special characters. The characters are defined with the parameters Start/End character protect extended desc. in the Maintenance Options screen when modifying a session profile.

See Maintaining User-specific Profiles in the section Predict User Interface in the **Introduction to Predict documentation**.

If a header or footer is specified, the lines for the header or footer must also be specified with the commands .HS number and .FS number.

When using this option, the output option Use CON-FORM must be set to Y. See Output Options in the section Predict User Interface in the **Introduction to Predict documentation**.

Note:

Changes to Con-form variables with the Con-form command .OP are not recognized by Predict. If, for example, the page number sign # has been substituted, page numbers will not be displayed.

