

# Natural for VSAM - Overview

This documentation describes the various aspects of Natural when used in a VSAM environment.

In the remainder of this documentation, Natural for VSAM is also referred to as NVS.

- **General Information** Information on supported environments, on the integration with Software AG's active dictionary Predict and on Natural system messages related to VSAM. In addition, an overview of the main components and the structure of the Natural interface to VSAM is provided.
- **Parameters** Description of the Natural for VSAM parameter and I/O modules.
- **Installation** Installation of Natural for VSAM in the supported operating system and TP-monitor environments.
- **Operation** Information on operational aspects like how to invoke Natural for VSAM, OPEN/CLOSE processing, Natural file access, buffers for memory management, and user exits.
- **Statement/Transaction Logic** Special considerations on the use of Natural statements and system variables with VSAM. In addition, the Natural transaction logic with VSAM is discussed.
- **Using Natural with VSAM System Files** Usage and installation of Natural with VSAM system files.

For a list of the abend codes of Natural for VSAM, refer to Natural for VSAM Abend Codes (in the Natural Messages and Codes documentation).