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## Chapter 1

# Introduction

This part gives the definition for portable COBOL applications across X/OPEN systems. It identifies the common set of language facilities that will be supported by COBOL compilers on the X/OPEN systems of the member companies.

The international standard for COBOL is that defined in the American National Standards document "ANSI X3.23 - 1974", to which most current COBOL compilers substantially conform.

The ANSI standard is incomplete in the area of facilities for interaction with the on-line user. To overcome this deficiency, most COBOL compilers provide extensions to the *ACCEPT* and *DISPLAY* verbs, but unfortunately they do this in incompatible ways. It is necessary therefore to specify the form of *ACCEPT* and *DISPLAY* to be included in the Common Applications Environment.

In order to have a definition that is achievable on X/OPEN systems within a short timeframe, and one that would immediately have wide acceptance, it has been based on the definition of COBOL embodied in a popular product, Micro Focus LEVEL II COBOL which itself conforms to the ANSI Standard.

The Micro Focus LEVEL II language specification includes enhancements to the ANSI standard in addition to the extensions to *ACCEPT* and *DISPLAY*. None of these is currently included in the X/OPEN definition, although they may be supported on specific member systems.

The X/OPEN definition also applies a few restrictions to the ANSI based parts of the LEVEL II definition.

Whilst the definition is based on the specification embodied in a particular product, the means of implementation across X/OPEN systems may vary.

## Introduction

The X/OPEN COBOL definition is given in Chapter 2. It is derived from the Syntax Summary (Appendix F) of the LEVEL II COBOL Reference Manual, with the elements that have been included in the X/OPEN definition clearly printed in bold type. The semantics of the language are those of the ANSI 74 standard as documented in the Micro Focus LEVEL II COBOL language specification. The LEVEL II facilities that are additional to the ANSI standard are indicated by shading. With the exception of the extensions to *ACCEPT* and *DISPLAY* these are all excluded from the X/OPEN definition.

Chapter 3 summarises the functions in the ANSI 74 standard, and the LEVEL II specification, which are excluded from the X/OPEN definition. These are described in relation to the ANSI defined *modules*. This information is included to allow those familiar with the ANSI standard to obtain a quick appreciation of the X/OPEN definition, and it is useful in assessing whether a particular compiler is likely to meet the specification.



## COBOL Definition

The definition is derived from the Syntax Summary sheets from the Micro Focus LEVEL II COBOL Reference Manual (Appendix F) with the following specific notation:

- Shaded areas indicate Micro Focus extensions to the ANSI standard or features that are documentary only. These are distinguished to the right of the shading by an E or an F for the extensions and a D for documentary only.
- Bold type Items included in the X/OPEN definition are printed in bold type. For portability across X/OPEN systems, only these elements should be used in application programs.

The tables use standard COBOL notation to define the language syntax:

- Upper case is used for COBOL language keywords. Those underlined must be present if the clause is present; those not underlined are "noise words", which may be included to improve readability but are otherwise not processed by the compiler.
- Lower case strings represent substitutable arguments, for example data names and literal values.
- Square brackets are used to enclose optional clauses (according to the context); any clause not so enclosed is mandatory.
- Braces are used to enclose alternatives. One of the alternatives enclosed within the braces must be used. Note that braces and square brackets may be used together to indicate alternative constructs within an optional clause.
- Elipses ... are used to denote that the preceeding clause may be repeated a number of times. There must be at least one occurrence, unless the clause is optional (enclosed in square brackets).

## COBOL Definition

The specification of Micro Focus LEVEL II COBOL includes a further category of clause, those which are optional unless the *ANSI parameter* is supplied to the compiler. Since the X/OPEN definition is the ANSI standard as embodied in Micro Focus LEVEL II COBOL, these clauses are shown as mandatory.

GENERAL FORMAT FOR IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

**IDENTIFICATION DIVISION.**

<b>PROGRAM-ID.</b>	program name
[ <b>AUTHOR.</b>	[comment entry] ... ]
[ <b>INSTALLATION.</b>	[comment entry] ... ]
[ <b>DATE-WRITTEN.</b>	[comment entry] ... ]
[ <b>DATE-COMPILED.</b>	[comment entry] ... ]
[ <b>SECURITY.</b>	[comment entry] ... ]

GENERAL FORMAT FOR ENVIRONMENT DIVISION

**ENVIRONMENT DIVISION.**

**CONFIGURATION SECTION.**

**SOURCE-COMPUTER.**

source-computer-entry [WITH DEBUGGING MODE].

**OBJECT-COMPUTER.**

object-computer-entry

[ , MEMORY SIZE integer { WORDS  
CHARACTERS  
MODULES } ]

[ , PROGRAM COLLATING SEQUENCE IS alphabet-name]

[ , SEGMENT-LIMIT IS segment number].

**[SPECIAL-NAMES.**

[ , { **SYSIN**  
**SYSOUT** } IS mnemonic-name-1 ]

[ , { **TAB** } IS mnemonic-name-2 ]  
[ , { **FORMFEED** } IS mnemonic-name-3 ]

[ **SWITCH** {  $\emptyset$   
:  
7 } [ IS mnemonic-name ] **ON STATUS IS** condition-name-1  
**OFF STATUS IS** condition-name-2 ]

[ , alphabet-name IS  
{ **STANDARD-1**  
**NATIVE** literal-1 [ { **THROUGH**  
**THRU** } literal-2  
**ALSO** literal-3 [ , **ALSO** literal-4 ] ... ] ] ...  
[ literal-5 [ { **THROUGH**  
**THRU** } literal-6  
**ALSO** literal-7 [ , **ALSO** literal-8 ] ] ... ] ]

[ , **CURRENCY SIGN IS** literal-9 ]

[ , **DECIMAL-POINT IS** COMMA ]

[ , **CURSOR IS** data-name-1 ]

[ , **CONSOLE IS** CRT ]

[ , **CRT STATUS IS** data-name-2 ] .

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E

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INPUT-OUTPUT SECTION.
FILE-CONTROL.
  { file-control-entry } ...

  I-O-CONTROL.
    ; RERUN [ ON { file-name-1
              { implementor-name } ]
    EVERY { { [END OF] { REEL
              { UNIT } } OF file-name-2
            { integer-1 RECORDS
              { integer-2 CLOCK-UNITS
                condition-name } } } ...
    ; SAME [ RECORD
              SORT
              SORT-MERGE ] AREA FOR
              file-name-3 [, file-name-4] ...
    ; MULTIPLE FILE TAPE CONTAINS
      file-name-5 [ POSITION integer-3
                  [, file-name-6 [ POSITION integer-4 ] ] ... ] ...
  
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GENERAL FORMAT FOR FILE-CONTROL ENTRY  
 SEQUENTIAL SELECT:

**SELECT** file-name [ **OPTIONAL**  
 [ **NOT OPTIONAL** ] file-name-1 E

**ASSIGN TO** [ { **LINE ADVANCING** }  
 { **MULTIPLE** { **REEL** }  
 { **UNIT** } } **FILE** ] E

{ **external-file-name-literal** } [ { **external-file-name-literal** }  
 { **file-identifier** } ] [ { **external-file-name-literal** }  
 { **file-identifier** } ] ... D

[ ; **RESERVE** integer-1 { **AREA**  
 { **AREAS** } ] D

[ ; **ORGANIZATION IS** [ { **SEQUENTIAL**  
 { **LINE SEQUENTIAL** } ] ] E

[ ; **ACCESS MODE IS SEQUENTIAL** ]

[ ; **LOCK MODE IS** [ { **EXCLUSIVE**  
 { **AUTOMATIC** }  
 { **MANUAL** } ] ] F

[ ; **FILE STATUS IS data-name** ].

*RELATIVE SELECT:*

**SELECT** file-name [NOT OPTIONAL] E

**ASSIGN TO** { external-file-name-literal } [ { external-file-name-literal } ]  
 { file-identifier } [ { file-identifier } ]

[ ; **RESERVE** integer-1 { AREA AREAS } ] D

**ORGANIZATION IS RELATIVE**

[ ; **ACCESS MODE IS** { SEQUENTIAL [ , **RELATIVE KEY IS** data-name ]  
 { RANDOM , **RELATIVE KEY IS** data-name }  
 { DYNAMIC } ]

[ **LOCK MODE IS** F  
 { { MANUAL  
 { AUTOMATIC } [ WITH **LOCK ON** [ MULTIPLE ] { RECORD  
 { EXCLUSIVE } [ RECORDS ] } ] } ] ]

[ ; **FILE STATUS IS** data-name ].



## INDEXED SELECT:

**SELECT** file-name [NOT OPTIONAL]

**ASSIGN TO** { external-file-name-literal } [ , { external-file-name-literal } ]  
 { file-identifier } [ { file-identifier } ] ...

[ ; **RESERVE** integer-1 { AREA  
 AREAS } ]

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; **ORGANIZATION IS INDEXED**

[ ; **ACCESS MODE IS** { SEQUENTIAL  
 RANDOM  
 DYNAMIC } ]

[ **LOCK MODE IS**  
 { { MANUAL  
 AUTOMATIC } [ WITH LOCK ON [ MULTIPLE ] { RECORD  
 RECORDS } ] } ]

F

; **RECORD KEY IS** data-name-1

[ ; **ALTERNATE RECORD KEY IS** data-name-2 [ WITH DUPLICATES ] ] ...

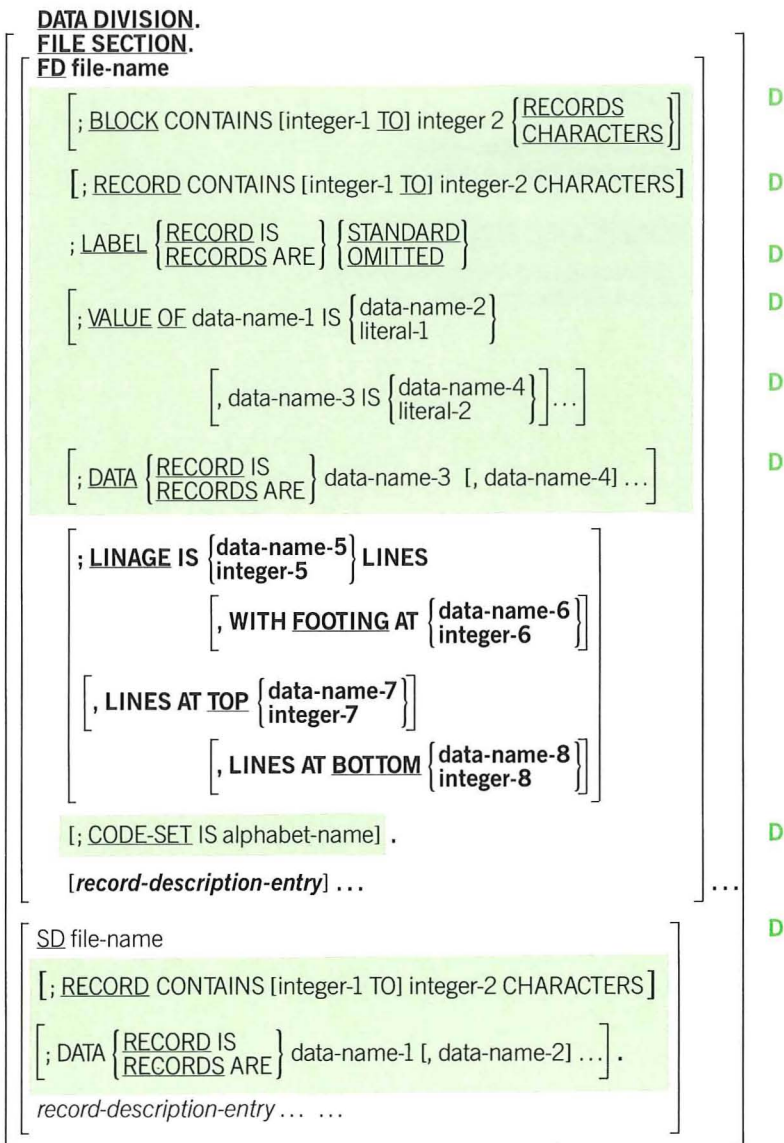
[ ; **FILE STATUS IS** data-name-3 ].

*SORT OR MERGE SELECT:*

SELECT file-name

ASSIGN TO { external-file-name-literal  
file-identifier } . . . .

GENERAL FORMAT FOR THE DATA DIVISION



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[ WORKING-STORAGE SECTION ]  
[ 77-level-description-entry  
  record-description-entry ] ...  
  
[ LINKAGE SECTION ]  
[ 77-level-description-entry  
  record-description-entry ] ...  
  
[ COMMUNICATION SECTION ]  
[ communication-description-entry  
  record-description-entry ... ] ...
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GENERAL FORMAT FOR DATA DESCRIPTION ENTRY

FORMAT 1:

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level-number { data-name-1 }
              { FILLER }

    [ ; REDEFINES data-name-2 ]

    [ ; { PICTURE } IS picture-string
      { PIC } ]

    [ ; [ USAGE IS ] { COMPUTATIONAL
                    { COMP
                    { COMPUTATIONAL-3
                    { COMP-3
                    { DISPLAY
                    { INDEX } ] ] ] ] ] ]

    [ ; SIGN IS { LEADING } { TRAILING } [ SEPARATE CHARACTER ] ]

    [ ; OCCURS
      { integer -1 TO integer-2 TIMES DEPENDING ON data-name-3 }
      { integer-2 TIMES } ]

    [ ; [ ASCENDING ] { DESCENDING } KEY IS data-name-4 [, data-name-5] ... ] ...

    [ ; INDEXED BY index-name-1 [, index-name-2] ... ] ]

    [ ; { SYNCHRONIZED } { LEFT } ]
      { SYNC } { RIGHT } ]

    [ ; { JUSTIFIED } RIGHT ]
      { JUST } ]

    [ ; BLANK WHEN ZERO ]

    [ ; VALUE IS literal ].
    
```

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## FORMAT 2:

66 data-name-1; RENAMES data-name-2 [ { THROUGH } { THRU } data-name-3 ] .

## FORMAT 3:

88 condition-name ; { VALUE IS } literal-1 [ { THROUGH } { THRU } literal-2 ]  
[ , literal-3 [ { THROUGH } { THRU } literal-4 ] ] ... .

GENERAL FORMAT FOR  
COMMUNICATION DESCRIPTION ENTRY

FORMAT 1:

CD cd-name;

FOR [INITIAL] INPUT

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[ [; SYMBOLIC QUEUE IS data-name-1]
  [; SYMBOLIC SUB-QUEUE-1 IS data-name-2]
  [; SYMBOLIC SUB-QUEUE-2 IS data-name-3]
  [; SYMBOLIC SUB-QUEUE-3 IS data-name-4]
  [; MESSAGE DATE IS data-name-5]
  [; MESSAGE TIME IS data-name-6]
  [; SYMBOLIC SOURCE IS data-name-7]
  [; TEXT LENGTH IS data-name-8]
  [; END KEY IS data-name-9]
  [; STATUS KEY IS data-name-10]
  [; MESSAGE COUNT IS data-name-11] ]
[data-name-1, data-name-2, ..., data-name-11] .
```

*FORMAT 2:*

CD cd-name; FOR OUTPUT

[ ; DESTINATION COUNT IS data-name-1]

[ ; TEXT LENGTH IS data-name-2]

[ ; STATUS KEY IS data-name-3]

[ ; DESTINATION TABLE OCCURS integer-2 TIMES  
[ [ ; INDEXED BY index-name-1 [, index-name-2] ... ] ]

[ ; ERROR KEY IS data-name-4]

[ ; SYMBOLIC DESTINATION IS data-name-4].



## GENERAL FORMAT FOR PROCEDURE DIVISION

## DECLARATIVE FORMAT:

**PROCEDURE DIVISION**

[**USING** data-name-1 [, data-name-2] ... ].

<b>DECLARATIVES.</b> { section-name <b>SECTION</b> [segment-number]. <i>declarative-sentence</i> [paragraph-name.] [ <i>sentence</i> ] ... } ...	} ...
<b>END DECLARATIVES.</b>	

{ section-name <b>SECTION</b> [segment-number]. [paragraph-name.] [ <i>sentence</i> ] ... } ...	} ...
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## NON-DECLARATIVE FORMAT:

**PROCEDURE DIVISION**

[**USING** data-name-1 [, data-name-2] ... ].

{ paragraph-name. [ <i>sentence</i> ] ... } ...	} ...
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GENERAL FORMAT FOR ACCEPT STATEMENT

**ACCEPT** identifier **FROM** { **CONSOLE**  
mnemonic-name }

**ACCEPT** data-name-1 { **AT** { data-name-2  
literal-1 } **FROM CRT** }  
**AT** { data-name-2  
literal-1 } }

E

**ACCEPT** identifier **FROM** { **DATE**  
**DAY**  
**TIME** }

**ACCEPT** cd-name **MESSAGE COUNT**

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR ADD STATEMENT

**ADD** { identifier-1 } [ , identifier-2 ]  
 [ literal-1 ] [ , literal-2 ] ...  
**TO** identifier-m [ **ROUNDED** ]  
 [ , identifier-n [ **ROUNDED** ] ] ...  
 [ ; **ON SIZE ERROR** *imperative-statement* ]

**ADD** { identifier-1 } [ , { identifier-2 } ] [ , identifier-3 ]  
 [ literal-1 ] [ , literal-2 ] [ , literal-3 ] ...  
**GIVING** identifier-m [ **ROUNDED** ] [ , identifier-n [ **ROUNDED** ] ] ...  
 [ ; **ON SIZE ERROR** *imperative-statement* ]

**ADD** { **CORRESPONDING** } identifier-1 **TO** identifier-2 [ **ROUNDED** ]  
 [ **CORR** ]  
 [ ; **ON SIZE ERROR** *imperative-statement* ]

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR ALTER STATEMENT

**ALTER** [ procedure-name-1 **TO** [ **PROCEED TO** ] procedure-name-2 ] ...

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR CALL STATEMENT

**CALL** { identifier-1  
 { literal-1 } } [ **USING** data-name-1 [, data-name-2] ... ]  
 [; ON **OVERFLOW** *imperative-statement*]

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR CANCEL STATEMENT

**CANCEL** { identifier-1  
 { literal-1 } } [ , identifier-2  
 [ , literal-2 ] ] ...

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR CLOSE STATEMENT

**CLOSE** file-name-1 [ { REEL } [ WITH NO REWIND ]  
 { UNIT } [ FOR REMOVAL ] ] **WITH** { NO REWIND }  
 { LOCK } ] D

[ , file-name-2 [ { REEL } [ WITH NO REWIND ]  
 { UNIT } [ FOR REMOVAL ] ] **WITH** { NO REWIND }  
 { LOCK } ] ] ...

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR COMMIT STATEMENT

**COMMIT**

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR COMPUTE STATEMENT

**COMPUTE** identifier-1 [ROUNDED] [, identifier-2 [ROUNDED]] ...  
 = *arithmetic-expression*  
 [; ON SIZE ERROR *imperative statement*]

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR COPY STATEMENT

**COPY** { text-name  
 external-file-name-literal } [ { OF } { library-name  
 IN } { library-name-literal } ] E

[ **REPLACING** { identifier-1  
 literal-1  
 word-1 } **BY** { ==pseudo-text-2==  
 identifier-2  
 literal-2  
 word-2 } } ... ]

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR DELETE STATEMENT

**DELETE** file-name RECORD [; INVALID KEY *imperative-statement*]

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR DISABLE STATEMENT

**DISABLE** { INPUT [TERMINAL]  
 OUTPUT } cd-name WITH KEY { identifier-1  
 literal-1 }

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR DISPLAY STATEMENT

**DISPLAY** { identifier-1 } [ , identifier-2 ] ... [ UPON CONSOLE ]

**DISPLAY** { data-name-1 } [ AT { data-name-2 } ] UPON { CRT }  
 { literal-3 } [ { literal-4 } ] { CRT-UNDER }

E

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR DIVIDE STATEMENT

**DIVIDE** { identifier-1 }  
 { literal-1 }  
**INTO** identifier-2 [ ROUNDED ]  
 [ , identifier-3 [ ROUNDED ] ] ...  
 [ ; ON SIZE ERROR *imperative-statement* ]

**DIVIDE** { identifier-1 } { INTO } { identifier-2 }  
 { literal-1 } { BY } { literal-2 }  
**GIVING** identifier-3 [ ROUNDED ]  
 [ , identifier-4 [ ROUNDED ] ] ...  
 [ ; ON SIZE ERROR *imperative-statement* ]

**DIVIDE** { identifier-1 } { INTO } { identifier-2 }  
 { literal-1 } { BY } { literal-2 }  
**GIVING** identifier-3 [ ROUNDED ]  
**REMAINDER** identifier-4  
 [ ; ON SIZE ERROR *imperative-statement* ]

*GENERAL FORMAT FOR ENABLE STATEMENT*

**ENABLE** { **INPUT** [ **TERMINAL** ] } cd-name **WITH KEY** { identifier-1 }  
 { **OUTPUT** } { literal-1 }

*GENERAL FORMAT FOR ENTER STATEMENT*

**ENTER** language-name [routine-name].

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*GENERAL FORMAT FOR EXIT STATEMENT*

**EXIT** [ **PROGRAM** ].

*GENERAL FORMAT FOR GO TO STATEMENT*

**GO TO** [procedure-name].

**GO TO** procedure-name-1 { , procedure-name-2 } ...

**DEPENDING ON** identifier

*GENERAL FORMAT FOR IF STATEMENT*

**IF** condition; **THEN** { *statement-1* }  
 { **NEXT SENTENCE** }  
 [ ; **ELSE** { *statement-2* } ]  
 { **NEXT SENTENCE** }

E

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR INSPECT STATEMENT

**INSPECT** identifier-1 **TALLYING** tally-clause

**INSPECT** identifier-1 **REPLACING** replacing-clause

**INSPECT** identifier **TALLYING** tally-clause **REPLACING** replacing-clause

## TALLY CLAUSE

$$\left\{ \text{identifier-2 FOR} \left[ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{ALL}\} \{\text{identifier-3}\} \\ \{\text{LEADING}\} \{\text{literal-2}\} \end{array} \right\} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \begin{array}{c} \text{CHARACTERS} \\ \left[ \{\text{BEFORE}\} \text{INITIAL} \{\text{identifier-4}\} \right] \right] \dots \dots \right. \right\}$$

## REPLACING CLAUSE

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{CHARACTERS BY} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{identifier-6}\} \\ \{\text{literal-4}\} \end{array} \right\} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{BEFORE}\} \\ \{\text{AFTER}\} \end{array} \right] \text{INITIAL} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{identifier-7}\} \\ \{\text{literal-5}\} \end{array} \right\} \end{array} \right] \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{ALL}\} \\ \{\text{LEADING}\} \\ \{\text{FIRST}\} \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{identifier-5}\} \\ \{\text{literal-3}\} \end{array} \right\} \text{BY} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{identifier-6}\} \\ \{\text{literal-4}\} \end{array} \right\} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{BEFORE}\} \\ \{\text{AFTER}\} \end{array} \right] \text{INITIAL} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{identifier-7}\} \\ \{\text{literal-5}\} \end{array} \right\} \right] \dots \dots \end{array} \right\}$$

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR MERGE STATEMENT

MERGE file-name-1

ON  $\left[ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{ASCENDING}\} \\ \{\text{DESCENDING}\} \end{array} \right]$  KEY data-name-1 [, data-name-2] ...

$\left[ \text{ON} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{ASCENDING}\} \\ \{\text{DESCENDING}\} \end{array} \right] \text{KEY data-name-3} [, \text{data-name-4}] \dots \right] \dots$

[COLLATING SEQUENCE IS alphabet-name]

USING file-name-2, file-name-3 [, file-name-4] ...

$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{OUTPUT PROCEDURE IS section-name-1} \left[ \begin{array}{l} \{\text{THROUGH}\} \\ \{\text{THRU}\} \end{array} \right] \text{section-name-2} \\ \text{GIVING file-name-5} \end{array} \right]$



## GENERAL FORMAT FOR MOVE STATEMENT

**MOVE** { identifier-1 } **TO** identifier-2 [, identifier-3] ...  
          { literal-1 }

**MOVE** { **CORRESPONDING** } identifier-1 **TO** identifier-2  
          { **CORR** }

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR MULTIPLY STATEMENT

**MULTIPLY** { identifier-1 }  
              { literal-1 }  
          **BY** identifier-2 [**ROUNDED**]  
              [ , identifier-3 [**ROUNDED**] ] ...  
          [ ; **ON SIZE ERROR** imperative-statement ]

**MULTIPLY** { identifier-1 } **BY** { identifier-2 }  
              { literal-1 }          { literal-2 }  
          **GIVING** identifier-3 [**ROUNDED**] [ , identifier-4 [**ROUNDED**] ] ...  
          [ ; **ON SIZE ERROR** imperative-statement ]

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR OPEN STATEMENT

**OPEN** {
   
   **INPUT** file-name-1 [ REVERSED
  
                           WITH NO REWIND ]
   
   [ , file-name-2 [ REVERSED
  
                           WITH NO REWIND ] ] ...
   
   **OUTPUT** file-name-3 [ WITH NO REWIND ]
   
           [ , file-name-4 [ WITH NO REWIND ] ] ...
   
   I-O file-name-5 [ , file-name-6 ] ...
   
   EXTEND file-name-7 [ , file-name-8 ] ...
   
   } ...

GENERAL FORMAT FOR PERFORM STATEMENT

**PERFORM** procedure-name-1

{ **THROUGH** } procedure-name-2  
 { **THRU** }

**PERFORM** procedure-name-1

{ **THROUGH** } procedure-name-2 { identifier-1 } **TIMES**  
 { **THRU** } integer-1

**PERFORM** procedure-name-1

{ **THROUGH** } procedure-name-2 **UNTIL** condition-1  
 { **THRU** }

**PERFORM** procedure-name-1

{ **THROUGH** } procedure-name-2  
 { **THRU** }

**VARYING** { identifier-2 } **FROM** { identifier-3 }  
 { index-name-1 } { index-name-2 }  
 { literal-1 }

**BY** { identifier-4 } **UNTIL** condition-1  
 { literal-2 }

[ **AFTER** { identifier-5 } **FROM** { identifier-6 }  
 { index-name-3 } { index-name-4 }  
 { literal-3 }  
**BY** { identifier-7 } **UNTIL** condition-2  
 { literal-4 }  
 [ **AFTER** { identifier-8 } **FROM** { identifier-9 }  
 { index-name-5 } { index-name-6 }  
 { literal-5 }  
**BY** { identifier } **UNTIL** condition-3  
 { literal-6 } ] ]

GENERAL FORMAT FOR READ STATEMENT

**READ** file-name [**NEXT**] **RECORD** [**INTO** identifier]  
 [WITH [KEPT] LOCK] F  
 [; **AT END** imperative-statement]

**READ** file-name **RECORD** [**INTO** identifier]  
 [WITH [KEPT] LOCK] F  
 [; **KEY IS** data-name]  
 [; **INVALID KEY** imperative-statement]

GENERAL FORMAT FOR RECEIVE STATEMENT

**RECEIVE** cd-name {**MESSAGE**  
**SEGMENT**} [**INTO** identifier-1  
 [; **NO DATA** imperative-statement]

GENERAL FORMAT FOR RELEASE STATEMENT

**RELEASE** record name [**FROM** identifier]

GENERAL FORMAT FOR RETURN STATEMENT

**RETURN** file-name **RECORD** [**INTO** identifier]; **AT END** imperative-statement

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR REWRITE STATEMENT

**REWRITE** record-name [**FROM** identifier]  
 [; **INVALID KEY** imperative-statement]

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR SEARCH STATEMENT

**SEARCH** identifier-1 [**VARYING** { identifier-2  
 index-name-1 }]  
 [; **AT END** imperative-statement-1]  
 ; **WHEN** condition-1 { imperative-statement-2  
 NEXT SENTENCE }  
 [; **WHEN** condition-2 { imperative-statement-3  
 NEXT SENTENCE }] ...

**SEARCH ALL** identifier-1 [; **AT END** imperative-statement-1]

; **WHEN** { data-name-1 { **IS EQUAL TO** } { identifier-3  
 literal-1  
 arithmetic-expression-1 }  
 condition-name-1 }  
 [ **AND** { data-name-2 { **IS EQUAL TO** } { identifier-4  
 literal-2  
 arithmetic-expression-2 } }  
 condition-name-2 ] ]  
 { imperative-statement-2 }  
 NEXT SENTENCE

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR SEND STATEMENT

SEND cd-name FROM identifier-1

SEND cd-name [FROM identifier-1] { WITH identifier-2  
WITH ESI  
WITH EMI  
WITH EGI }

[ { BEFORE }  
{ AFTER } ] ADVANCING { { identifier-3 } [ LINE  
integer ] [ LINES ] }  
{ mnemonic-name }  
{ PAGE } }

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR SET STATEMENT

SET { identifier-1 [ identifier-2 ]  
index-name-1 [ index-name-2 ] } ... TO { identifier-3  
index-name-3  
integer-1 }

SET { index-name-4 [ , index-name-5 ]  
identifier-5 [ , identifier-6 ] } ... { UP BY } { identifier-4  
integer-2  
index-name-6 }  
{ DOWN BY }

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR SORT STATEMENT

SORT file-name-1 ON { ASCENDING  
 DESCENDING } KEY data-name-1 [, data-name-2] ...  
 [ ON { ASCENDING  
 DESCENDING } KEY data-name-3 [, data-name-4] ... ] ..  
 [COLLATING SEQUENCE IS alphabet-name]  
 { INPUT PROCEDURE IS section-name-1 [ { THROUGH  
 THRU } section-name-2 ] }  
 USING file-name-2 , [file-name-3] ...  
 { OUTPUT PROCEDURE IS section-name-3 [ { THROUGH  
 THRU } section-name-4 ] }  
 GIVING file-name-4

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR START STATEMENT

START file-name { KEY { IS EQUAL  
 IS =  
 IS GREATER THAN  
 IS >  
 IS NOT LESS THAN  
 IS NOT ≤ } data-name }  
 [; INVALID KEY imperative-statement]

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR STOP STATEMENT

STOP { RUN  
 literal }

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR STRING STATEMENT

**STRING** { identifier-1 } [ { identifier-2 } ] ... **DELIMITED BY** { identifier-3 }  
 { literal-1 } [ { literal-2 } ] ... { literal-3 }  
 { SIZE }  
 [ { identifier-4 } [ { identifier-5 } ] ... **DELIMITED BY** { identifier-6 }  
 [ { literal-4 } [ { literal-5 } ] ... { literal-6 } ] ...  
 { SIZE } ] ...  
**INTO** identifier-7 [ **WITH POINTER** identifier-8 ]  
 [ , **ON OVERFLOW** imperative-statement ]

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR SUBTRACT STATEMENT

**SUBTRACT** { identifier-1 } [ { identifier-2 } ] ...  
 { literal-1 } [ { literal-2 } ] ...  
**FROM** identifier-m [ **ROUNDED** ] [ , identifier-n [ **ROUNDED** ] ] ...  
 [ ; **ON SIZE ERROR** imperative-statement ]

**SUBTRACT** { identifier-1 } [ , identifier-2 ] ...  
 { literal-1 } [ , literal-2 ] ...  
**FROM** { identifier-m }  
 { literal-m }  
**GIVING** identifier-n [ **ROUNDED** ] [ , identifier-o [ **ROUNDED** ] ] ...  
 [ ; **ON SIZE ERROR** imperative-statement ]

**SUBTRACT** { **CORRESPONDING** } identifier-1  
 { **CORR** }  
**FROM** identifier-2 [ **ROUNDED** ]  
 [ ; **ON SIZE ERROR** imperative-statement ]



GENERAL FORMAT FOR UNSTRING STATEMENT

**UNSTRING** identifier-1

[ **DELIMITED BY** [ **ALL** { identifier-2 } [ literal-1 ] , **OR** [ **ALL** { identifier-3 } ] [ literal-2 ] ] ... ]

**INTO** identifier-4 [ , **DELIMITER IN** identifier-5 ] [ , **COUNT IN** identifier-6 ]

[ , identifier-7 [ , **DELIMITER IN** identifier-8 ] [ , **COUNT IN** identifier-9 ] ] ...

[ **WITH POINTER** identifier-10 ] [ **TALLYING IN** identifier-11 ]

[ ; **ON OVERFLOW** imperative-statement ]

GENERAL FORMAT FOR USE STATEMENT

**USE AFTER STANDARD** { **EXCEPTION** } **PROCEDURE**  
                                   { **ERROR** }

**ON** { file-name-1 [ , file-name-2 ] ... }  
       { **INPUT**  
       { **OUTPUT**  
       { **I-O**  
       { **EXTEND** }

**USE FOR DEBUGGING ON** { cd-name-1  
                                   [ **ALL REFERENCES OF** ] identifier-1  
                                   file-name-1  
                                   procedure-name-1  
                                   **ALL PROCEDURES** }

{ cd-name-2  
   [ **ALL REFERENCES OF** ] identifier-2  
   ; file-name-2  
   procedure-name-2  
   **ALL PROCEDURES** } ... .

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR WRITE STATEMENT

**WRITE** record-name [**FROM** identifier-1]

$$\left[ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{BEFORE} \\ \text{AFTER} \end{array} \right\} \text{ADVANCING} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{integer} \\ \text{identifier-2} \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{LINE} \\ \text{LINES} \end{array} \right\} \right]$$

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$$\left[ ; \text{AT} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{END-OF-PAGE} \\ \text{EOP} \end{array} \right\} \textit{imperative statement} \right]$$

**WRITE** record-name [**FROM** identifier]

[; **INVALID KEY** *imperative-statement*]

## GENERAL FORMAT FOR CONDITION STATEMENTS

*Relation condition:*

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{identifier-1} \\ \text{literal-1} \\ \text{arithmetic-expression-1} \\ \text{index-name-1} \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{IS [NOT] GREATER THAN} \\ \text{IS [NOT] LESS THAN} \\ \text{IS [NOT] EQUAL to} \\ \text{IS [NOT] } > \\ \text{IS [NOT] } < \\ \text{IS [NOT] } = \end{array} \right\} \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{identifier-2} \\ \text{literal-2} \\ \text{arithmetic-expression-2} \\ \text{index-name-2} \end{array} \right\}$$
*Class condition:*

identifier IS [NOT] { NUMERIC  
ALPHABETIC }

*Sign condition:*

arithmetic-expression IS [NOT] { POSITIVE  
NEGATIVE  
ZERO }

*Condition-name condition:*

condition-name

*Switch-status condition:*

condition-name

*Negated simple condition:*

**NOT** simple-condition

*Combined condition:*

condition { { **AND**  
**OR** } condition } ...

*Abbreviated combined relation Condition:*

relation-condition { { **AND**  
**OR** } [NOT] [relational-operator] object } ...

MISCELLANEOUS FORMATS

QUALIFICATION:

{ data-name-1  
condition-name } [ { OF  
IN } data-name-2 ] ...

paragraph-name [ { OF  
IN } section-name ]

text-name [ { OF  
IN } library-name ]

SUBSCRIPTING:

{ data-name  
condition-name } ( subscript-1 [ , subscript-2 [ , subscript-3 ] ] )

INDEXING:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{data-name} \\ \text{condition-name} \end{array} \right\} \left( \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{index-name-1} \text{ [ } \{\pm\} \text{ literal-2} \text{ ]} \\ \text{literal-1} \end{array} \right\} \right. \\ \left. \left[ \begin{array}{l} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{index-name-2} \text{ [ } \{\pm\} \text{ literal-4} \text{ ]} \\ \text{literal-3} \end{array} \right\} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \left[ \begin{array}{l} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{index-name-3} \text{ [ } \{\pm\} \text{ literal-6} \text{ ]} \\ \text{literal-5} \end{array} \right\} \right] \right] \right] \right) \end{array} \right.$$

IDENTIFIER: FORMAT 1

$$\text{data-name-1} \left[ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{OF} \\ \text{IN} \end{array} \right\} \text{data-name-2} \right] \dots \\ \left[ \left( \text{subscript-1} \text{ [ , subscript-2 [ , subscript-3 ] ] } \right) \right]$$

IDENTIFIER: FORMAT 2

$$\text{data-name-1} \left[ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{OF} \\ \text{IN} \end{array} \right\} \text{data-name-2} \right] \dots \\ \left[ \left( \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{index-name-1} \text{ [ } \{\pm\} \text{ literal-2} \text{ ]} \\ \text{literal-1} \end{array} \right\} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \left[ \begin{array}{l} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{index-name-2} \text{ [ } \{\pm\} \text{ literal-4} \text{ ]} \\ \text{literal-3} \end{array} \right\} \right. \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \left. \left[ \begin{array}{l} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{index-name-3} \text{ [ } \{\pm\} \text{ literal-6} \text{ ]} \\ \text{literal-5} \end{array} \right\} \right] \right] \right] \right) \right] \right]$$



## ***Summary of Exclusions***

This Chapter summarises the exclusions from both the ANSI Standard and the Micro Focus LEVEL II definition in a convenient form for those familiar with the ANSI document. It describes the exclusions in relation to the ANSI *modules*. It is also useful for assessing whether a particular compiler meets the X/OPEN definition.

- Modules included in the ANSI standard but excluded by both LEVEL II and X/OPEN definitions:

Report Writer

- Complete modules that are in the ANSI standard and LEVEL II but are excluded from the X/OPEN definition:

Communication  
Sort-Merge

- Modules included by X/OPEN at a lower level (as defined in ANSI standard) than that defined in LEVEL II. The following list identifies the items excluded:

Debug

*DEBUG-ITEM*  
*USE FOR DEBUGGING* statement

Inter-Program Communication

*CALL* statement *identifier-1* option  
*ON OVERFLOW* phrase of *CALL* statement  
*CANCEL* statement in entirety

## Summary of Exclusions

- Individual elements included in both ANSI and LEVEL II but excluded from the X/OPEN definition:

*ENTER* statement (Nucleus module)

*CLOSE* statement phrases:

*REEL*  
*UNIT*  
*WITH NO REWIND*  
*FOR REMOVAL*

*OPEN* statement phrases:

*WITH NO REWIND*  
*REVERSED*

- Individual elements in ANSI Standard, but defined as "documentary only" in LEVEL II COBOL, and excluded from X/OPEN definition:

<i>RERUN</i>	clause in	Sequential I/O, Relative I/O and Indexed I/O modules
<i>MULTIPLE FILE TAPE</i>	clause in	Sequential I/O module
<i>BLOCK CONTAINS</i>	clause in	Sequential I/O, Relative I/O and Indexed I/O modules
<i>CODE-SET</i>	clause in	Sequential I/O module
<i>LABEL</i>	clause in	Sequential I/O, Relative I/O and Indexed I/O modules



## Summary of Exclusions

<i>VALUE OF</i>	clause in	Sequential I/O, Relative I/O and Indexed I/O modules
<i>DATA</i>	clause in	Sequential I/O, Relative I/O and Indexed I/O modules
<i>RECORD CONTAINS</i>	clause in	Sequential I/O, Relative I/O and Indexed I/O modules

