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This pocket guide summarizes the syntax and rules of commonly used TDMS commands, instructions, calls, and function keys.

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## Conventions

This section explains the special symbols used in this book:

- [ ] Square brackets in syntax diagrams enclose optional items from which you can choose one or none.
- { } Braces enclose items from which you must choose one and only one alternative.
- { | | } Bars in braces indicate that you must choose one or more of the items enclosed.
- ... Horizontal ellipses indicate that you can repeat the previous item one or more times.
- : Vertical ellipses in an example indicate that information unrelated to the example has been omitted.
- ( ) In RDU syntax, matching parentheses enclose lists of receiving fields in mapping instructions and CDD passwords.
- UPPERCASE An uppercase word indicates a command or instruction keyword. Keywords are required unless otherwise indicated. Do not use keywords as variable names.
- CTRL/x This key combination indicates that you press both the CTRL (control) key and the specified key simultaneously.
- GOLD-x This key combination indicates that you press the GOLD key and the specified key consecutively.

## FDU Commands

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### @file-spec Command

@file-spec

### COPY FORM Command

COPY FORM original-form-path-name new-form-path-name

*Command Qualifiers*

/[NO]ACL

*Defaults*

/ACL

/[NO]AUDIT

/AUDIT

/AUDIT = audit-string

/AUDIT

/[NO]LOG

/NOLOG



## CREATE FORM Command

CREATE FORM form-path-name

<i>Command Qualifiers</i>	<i>Defaults</i>
/[NO]ACL	/ACL
/[NO]AUDIT	/AUDIT
/AUDIT = audit-string	/AUDIT
/FORM.FILE = file-spec	None
/FORM.FILE = file-spec/V1	None
/[NO]LOG	/NOLOG

**CTRL/C Command**

CTRL/C

**CTRL/Y Command**

CTRL/Y

**CTRL/Z Command**

CTRL/Z

## **DELETE FORM Command**

DELETE FORM form-path-name

*Command Qualifiers*

/[NO]CONFIRM

/[NO]LOG

*Defaults*

/NOCONFIRM

/NOLOG

## **EDIT Command**

EDIT

## **EXIT Command**

EXIT

**HELP Command**

HELP [topic [subtopic]]

*Command Qualifier*

/[NO]PROMPT

*Default*

/PROMPT

**LIST FORM Command**

LIST FORM form-path-name

*Command Qualifiers*

/OUTPUT[ = file-spec]

/[NO]PRINT

*Defaults*

/OUTPUT = SYS\$OUTPUT

/NOPRINT

## **MODIFY FORM Command**

MODIFY FORM form-path-name

### *Command Qualifiers*

/[NO]AUDIT  
/AUDIT = audit-string  
/[NO]LOG

### *Defaults*

/AUDIT  
/AUDIT  
/NOLOG

## REPLACE FORM Command

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REPLACE FORM form-path-name

<i>Command Qualifiers</i>	<i>Defaults</i>
/[NO]ACL	/ACL
/[NO]AUDIT /AUDIT = audit-string	/AUDIT /AUDIT
/[NO]CREATE	/CREATE
/FORM_FILE = file-spec /FORM_FILE = file-spec/V1	None None
/[NO]LOG	/NOLOG

### **SAVE Command**

SAVE file-spec

### **SET DEFAULT Command**

SET DEFAULT CDD-directory-path-name

### **SET [NO]LOG Command**

SET [NO]LOG [file-spec]

### **SET [NO]VERIFY Command**

SET [NO]VERIFY

## **SHOW DEFAULT Command**

SHOW DEFAULT

## **SHOW LOG Command**

SHOW LOG

## **SHOW VERSION Command**

SHOW VERSION



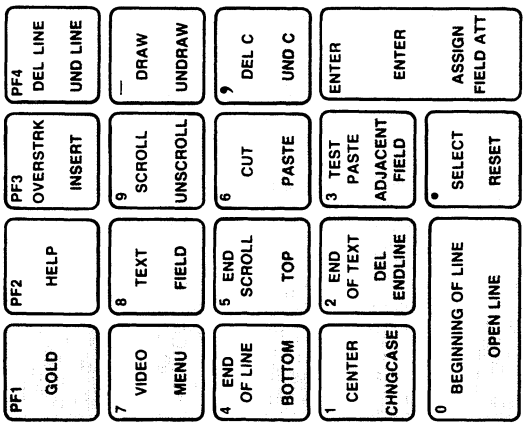
## Form Phase

### Form Phase Function Keys

Key	Function
TAB	Moves the cursor to the next field.
BACK SPACE (or F12)	Moves the cursor to the previous field.
LINE FEED (or F13)	Deletes the contents of the current field.
RETURN	Saves all current field values and returns you to the Phase Selection menu or saves all current values and displays the Default Field Attribute form.
MENU (GOLD-KP7)	Saves all current field values and returns you to the Phase Selection menu.
HELP (PF2 or F15)	Displays a line of help information at the bottom of the screen.

# Layout Phase

## Layout Phase Keypad Diagram



## Layout Phase Function Keys

Key	Function
LINE FEED (or F13)	Moves down one line.
BACK SPACE (or F12)	Moves backward one character.
HELP (PF2 or F15)	Displays help on reserved message line.
Right arrow	Moves forward one character.
Left arrow	Moves backward one character.
Up arrow	Moves up one line.
Down arrow	Moves down one line.
CTRL/U	Deletes to beginning of line.
CTRL/R	Refreshes screen.

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## Layout Phase Function Keys (Cont.)

Key	Function
CTRL/W	Refreshes screen.
GOLD-D	Inserts Date field.
GOLD-T	Inserts Time field.
GOLD-Q	Reverses error mode.
GOLD-S	Specifies a double-size line.
GOLD-W	Specifies a double-wide line.
GOLD-n	Repeats n times.

## Picture Characters

Picture Character	Picture Type
9	Numeric (0-9)
A	Alphabetic (A-Z, a-z, space, and any alphabetic character in the DEC Multinational Character Set)
C	Alphanumeric (A-Z, a-z, 0-9, space, and any alphanumeric character in the DEC Multinational Character Set)
N	Signed numeric (0-9, +, -, period)
X	Any displayable character in the DEC Multinational Character Set

Characters from the DEC Multinational Character Set are valid for background text.

## Field Constants

!	"	#	\$	&	'	(	)
*	+	,	.	-	/	:	%
;	<	>	=	?	@	[	]
<	^	_	^	{	}		~

B (marks an embedded space)

## Form Field Data Types

Picture Characters	Field Data Type
All 9s	UNSIGNED NUMERIC
All As	TEXT
All Cs	TEXT
All Ns	SIGNED NUMERIC
All Xs	TEXT
Any combination of identifiers	TEXT
All 9s or all Ns with size field validator	Named size field validator (UNSIGNED BYTE, SIGNED WORD, and so on)
Date (inserted using DATE key)	DATE
Time (inserted using TIME key)	TIME

## Assign Phase

### Assign Phase Function Keys

Key	Function
TAB	Moves to the next field.
BACK SPACE (or F12)	Moves to the previous field.
LINE FEED (or F13)	Deletes the contents of the field.
HELP (PF2 or F15)	Displays the help message.
CTRL+W or CTRL/R	Refreshes the screen.
RESTORE (GOLD-R)	Restores field values to the same status as when you entered the Assign phase.
RETURN or ENTER	Saves the current field values.
MENU GOLD-KP7	Saves the current field values and returns to the Phase Selection menu.



## Form Field Attributes

Attribute	Function
Field Name	Assigns a name to the form field.
Default Value	Assigns a value that is displayed in the field at run time unless overridden by a request.
Help Text	Assigns a field-level help message that is displayed when the operator presses the HELP key.
Autotab	Moves the cursor automatically to the next input field when the current field is filled.
No Echo	Prevents any data from being displayed in the field.
Display Only	Prevents the field from being mapped for input.
Right Justify	Fills in a field from the right margin rather than the left margin.
Fixed Decimal	Causes data to be entered in the field first to the left of the decimal point, then to the right. Can be assigned only to an UNSIGNED NUMERIC field that has one embedded period (decimal point).

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## Form Field Attributes (Cont.)

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Attribute	Function
Zero Fill	Determines whether the assigned fill character will be 0 or space.
Zero Suppress	Prevents a zero from being displayed on a form when a numeric record field with a null (zero) value is output to a form field.
Uppercase	Causes any alphabetic character to be displayed on the terminal and sent to the record in uppercase.
Must Fill	Requires that the field either be filled (that is, data entered in every space of the field) or be left blank.
Response Required	Requires that at least one character be entered in the field.
Clear Character	Identifies which character (usually an underscore or a blank) is displayed in any space in a field when the space does not contain data.

Scale Factor	Specifies a positive or negative integer that represents the location of a decimal point in a numeric field. (The scale factor represents a power of 10 by which the number in the form field is multiplied when data is sent to the program record.)
Indexed Field	Identifies the field as being vertically indexed (V) or horizontally indexed (H). The default is not indexed (N).
Index Count	Identifies the number of elements in a vertically or horizontally indexed field.

### Form Field Validators

Validator	Function
Range	Checks operator data input against numeric or alphabetic range.
Choice	Checks operator data input against list of choices.
Size (BYTE, WORD, LONGWORD, QUADWORD)	Checks that numeric data is within certain ranges (to avoid data type conversion errors).
Check Digit	Applies a predefined algorithm to validate a numeric field.

## Order Phase

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### Order Phase Function Keys

Key	Function
TAB	Moves the cursor to the next field on the access order list.
BACK SPACE (or F12)	Moves the cursor to the previous field on the access order list.
SELECT (or KP period)	Identifies the first, then subsequent, fields on the access order list.
STANDARD-ORDER (GOLD-C)	Resets all fields to be ordered from left-to-right, top-to-bottom. The access order of scrolled and indexed fields is based on the first field that is scrolled or indexed.
RESTORE (GOLD-R)	Restores the access order list to the same status as when you entered the Order phase.
MENU (GOLD-KP7)	Saves the current access order and returns you to the Phase Selection menu.
RETURN	Revises the access order list and stays in the Order phase.
GOLD-KP period	Restores the access order list to its status as when you last used the RETURN key.

## **RDU Commands**

**@file-spec Command**

@file-spec

**BUILD LIBRARY Command**

BUILD LIBRARY request-library-path-name [request-library-file]

<i>Command Qualifiers</i>	<i>Defaults</i>
/[NO]AUDIT	/AUDIT
/AUDIT = audit-string	/AUDIT
/[NO]LIST	/NOLIST
/LIST = file-spec	/NOLIST
/[NO]LOG	/NOLOG
/[NO]PRINT	/NOPRINT

## **COPY LIBRARY Command**

**COPY LIBRARY** original-request-library-path-name  
new-request-library-path-name

<i>Command Qualifiers</i>	<i>Defaults</i>
/[NO]ACL	/ACL
/[NO]AUDIT /AUDIT = audit-string	/AUDIT /AUDIT
/[NO]LOG	/NOLOG

## **COPY REQUEST Command**

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**COPY REQUEST original-request-path-name new-request-path-name**

### *Command Qualifiers*

**/[NO]ACL**

**/[NO]AUDIT**

**/AUDIT = audit-string**

**/[NO]LOG**

### *Defaults*

**/ACL**

**/AUDIT**

**/AUDIT**

**/NOLOG**



## CREATE LIBRARY Command

CREATE LIBRARY request-library-path-name [file-spec]

<i>Command Qualifiers</i>	<i>Defaults</i>
/[NO]ACL	/ACL
/[NO]AUDIT	/AUDIT
/AUDIT = audit-string	/AUDIT
/[NO]LIST	/NOLIST
/LIST = file-spec	/NOLIST
/[NO]LOG	/NOLOG
/[NO]PRINT	/NOPRINT

## CREATE REQUEST Command

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CREATE REQUEST request-path-name [file-spec]

<i>Command Qualifiers</i>	<i>Defaults</i>
/[NO]ACL	/ACL
/[NO]AUDIT /AUDIT = audit-string	/AUDIT /AUDIT
/[NO]LIST /LIST = file-spec	/NOLIST /NOLIST
/[NO]LOG	/NOLOG
/[NO]PRINT	/NOPRINT
/[NO]STORE	/STORE

**CTRL/C Command**

CTRL/C

**CTRL/Y Command**

CTRL/Y

**CTRL/Z Command**

CTRL/Z

**DELETE LIBRARY Command**

DELETE LIBRARY request-library-path-name

*Command Qualifiers*

**/[NO]CONFIRM**

**/[NO]LOG**

*Defaults*

**/NOCONFIRM**

**/NOLOG**

## **DELETE REQUEST Command**

DELETE REQUEST request-path-name

*Command Qualifiers*

/[NO]CONFIRM

/[NO]LOG

*Defaults*

/NOCONFIRM

/NOLOG

## **EDIT Command**

EDIT

## **EXIT Command**

EXIT

## **HELP Command**

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HELP [topic [subtopic]]

*Command Qualifier*

*Default*

/[NO]PROMPT

/PROMPT

## **LIST LIBRARY Command**

LIST LIBRARY request-library-path-name

*Command Qualifiers*

*Defaults*

/OUTPUT[ = file-spec]

/OUTPUT = SYS\$OUTPUT

/[NO]PRINT

/NOPRINT

## **LIST REQUEST Command**

**LIST REQUEST request-path-name**

*Command Qualifiers*

**/OUTPUT[ = file-spec]**

**/[NO]PRINT**

*Defaults*

**/OUTPUT = SYS\$OUTPUT**

**/NOPRINT**

**MODIFY LIBRARY Command**

MODIFY LIBRARY request-library-path-name

<i>Command Qualifiers</i>	<i>Defaults</i>
/[NO]AUDIT /AUDIT = audit-string	/AUDIT /AUDIT
/[NO]LIST /LIST = file-spec	/NOLIST /NOLIST
/[NO]LOG	/NOLOG
/[NO]PRINT	/NOPRINT



## MODIFY REQUEST Command

MODIFY REQUEST request-path-name

<i>Command Qualifiers</i>	<i>Defaults</i>
/[NO]AUDIT	/AUDIT
/AUDIT = audit-string	/AUDIT
/[NO]LIST	/NOLIST
/LIST = file-spec	/NOLIST
/[NO]LOG	/NOLOG
/[NO]PRINT	/NOPRINT
/[NO]STORE	/STORE

## REPLACE LIBRARY Command

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REPLACE LIBRARY request-library-path-name [file-spec]

<i>Command Qualifiers</i>	<i>Defaults</i>
/[NO]ACL	/ACL
/[NO]AUDIT	/AUDIT
/AUDIT = audit-string	/AUDIT
/[NO]CREATE	/CREATE
/[NO]LIST	/NOLIST
/LIST = file-spec	/NOLIST
/[NO]LOG	/NOLOG
/[NO]PRINT	/NOPRINT

## REPLACE REQUEST Command

REPLACE REQUEST request-path-name [file-spec]

<i>Command Qualifiers</i>	<i>Defaults</i>
/[NO]ACL	/ACL
/[NO]AUDIT /AUDIT = audit-string	/AUDIT /AUDIT
/[NO]CREATE	/CREATE
/[NO]LIST /LIST = file-spec	/NOLIST /NOLIST
/[NO]LOG	/NOLOG
/[NO]PRINT	/NOPRINT
/[NO]STORE	/STORE

## **SAVE Command**

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SAVE file-spec

## **SET DEFAULT Command**

SET DEFAULT CDD-directory-path-name

## **SET [NO]LOG Command**

SET [NO]LOG [file-spec]

## **SET [NO]VALIDATE Command**

SET [NO]VALIDATE

**SET [NO]VERIFY Command**

SET [NO]VERIFY

**SHOW DEFAULT Command**

SHOW DEFAULT

**SHOW LOG Command**

SHOW LOG

**SHOW VERSION Command**

SHOW VERSION

**VALIDATE LIBRARY Command**

VALIDATE LIBRARY request-library-path-name

<i>Command Qualifiers</i>	<i>Defaults</i>
/[NO]AUDIT	/AUDIT
/AUDIT = audit-string	/AUDIT
/[NO]LOG	/NOLOG
/[NO]STORE	/STORE

## **VALIDATE REQUEST Command**

VALIDATE REQUEST request-path-name

### *Command Qualifiers*

/[NO]AUDIT  
/AUDIT = audit-string

/[NO]LOG

/[NO]STORE

### *Defaults*

/AUDIT  
/AUDIT

/NOLOG

/STORE

## **Request Instructions**

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### **[NO] BLINK FIELD Instruction**

[NO] BLINK FIELD { form-field[...] } ;  
                          %ALL                          }

### **[NO] BOLD FIELD Instruction**

[NO] BOLD FIELD { form-field[...] } ;  
                          %ALL                          }

### **[NO] CLEAR SCREEN Instruction**

[NO] CLEAR SCREEN;



## **CONTROL FIELD IS Instruction**

**CONTROL FIELD IS record-field**

quoted-string : match-instruction;  
[ ... ]

...

[ ANYMATCH : match-instruction;  
[ ... ] ]

[ NOMATCH : match-instruction;  
[ ... ] ]

**END CONTROL FIELD;**

**[NO] DEFAULT FIELD Instruction**

```
[NO] DEFAULT FIELD { form-field[...] } ;
                    { %ALL }
```

**DESCRIPTION Instruction**

```
DESCRIPTION { /* descriptive-text */ ... } ;
              /* descriptive-text
               * descriptive-text
               * /
              ... /
```

**DISPLAY FORM Instruction**

```
DISPLAY FORM form-name [WITH OFFSET offset-value];
```

**END DEFINITION Instruction**

END DEFINITION;

**FILE IS Instruction**

FILE IS "file-spec";

**FORM IS Instruction**

{ FORM IS } form-path-name [WITH NAME unique-form-name],...;  
{ FORMS ARE }

**%INCLUDE Instruction**

%INCLUDE "file-spec":;

**INPUT TO Instruction**

INPUT form-field TO { record-field  
(record-field[,...]) }

[...];

INPUT %ALL;

**KEYPAD [MODE] IS Instruction**

KEYPAD [MODE] IS { NUMERIC } ;  
                          { APPLICATION }

**[NO] LIGHT LIST Instruction**

[NO] LIGHT LIST number-list;

### MESSAGE LINE IS Instruction

MESSAGE LINE IS { record-field } ;  
                  { quoted-string }

### OUTPUT TO Instruction

OUTPUT { record-field } TO { form-field }  
       { quoted-string }    { (form-field[,...]) }  
          [,...] [WITH video-attribute[,...]];

OUTPUT %ALL;

**PROGRAM KEY IS Instruction**

PROGRAM KEY IS { GOLD } "prk-name" [[NO] CHECK;]  
 { KEYPAD }

{ OUTPUT quoted-string TO form-field [WITH video-attribute,...]; }  
 { MESSAGE LINE IS quoted-string; }  
 { RETURN quoted-string TO record-field; }

END PROGRAM KEY;

**RECORD IS Instruction**

{ RECORD IS } record-path-name [WITH NAME unique-record-name],...;  
 { RECORDS ARE }

### **REQUEST IS Instruction**

**{** REQUEST IS                    }  
**{** REQUESTS ARE                } request-path-name [WITH NAME unique-request-name],...;

### **[NO] RESET FIELD Instruction**

**[NO] RESET FIELD**    { form-field[,...] }  
                          { %ALL } ;

**RETURN TO Instruction**

RETURN { form-field } TO { target-record-field }  
           { quoted-string }                  { (target-record-field[,...]) }

[...];

RETURN %ALL;

**[NO] REVERSE FIELD Instruction**

[NO] REVERSE FIELD { form-field[,...] } ;  
                           %ALL                  }

**[NO] RING BELL Instruction**

[NO] RING BELL [number-of-rings];



### **SIGNAL [MODE] IS Instruction**

SIGNAL [MODE] IS { BELL }  
                          { REVERSE } ;

### **[NO] SIGNAL OPERATOR Instruction**

[NO] SIGNAL OPERATOR;

### **[NO] UNDERLINE FIELD Instruction**

[NO] UNDERLINE FIELD { form-field[...] }  
                          { %ALL } ;

### **USE FORM Instruction**

USE FORM form-name [WITH OFFSET offset-value];

**[NO] WAIT Instruction**

**[NO] WAIT;**

## **Synchronous Calls**

### **TSS\$CANCEL Call**

ret-status.wlc.v = TSS\$CANCEL(channel.rlu.r)

### **TSS\$CLOSE Call**

ret-status.wlc.v = TSS\$CLOSE(channel.rlu.r  
[,clear-screen.rlu.r])

### **TSS\$CLOSE\_\_RLB Call**

ret-status.wlc.v = TSS\$CLOSE\_\_RLB(library-id.rlu.r)

## TSS\$COPY\_\_SCREEN Call

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```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$COPY__SCREEN(channel.rlu.r  
    ,[,file-spec.rt.dx]  
    [,append-flag.rlu.r])
```

## TSS\$DECL\_\_AFK Call

```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$DECL__AFK(channel.rlu.r  
    ,key-id.rlu.r
```

```
    { | ,key-efn.rlu.r | }  
    { | ,key-astadr.szem.r | }  
    { | [,key-astprm.rlu.v] | } )
```

### **TSS\$OPEN Call**

```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$OPEN(channel.wlu.r  
                        [,device.rt.dx])
```

### **TSS\$OPEN\_\_RLB Call**

```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$OPEN__RLB(rib-file-spec.rt.dx  
                                ,library-id.wlu.r)
```

### **TSS\$READ\_\_MSG\_\_LINE Call**

```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$READ__MSG__LINE(channel.rlu.r  
                                       ,response-text.wt.dx  
                                       ,[message-prompt.rt.dx]  
                                       [,response-length.www.r])
```

**TSS\$REQUEST Call**

```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$REQUEST(channel.rlu.r  
    ,library-id.rlu.r  
    ,request-name.rt.dx  
    [,record1.mz.r  
    [,record2.mz.r  
    .  
    .  
    .  
    [,recordn.mz.r]]])
```

**TSS\$SIGNAL Call**

```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$SIGNAL
```

**TSS\$TRACE\_\_OFF Call**

```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$TRACE__OFF
```

### **TSS\$TRACE\_\_ON Call**

ret-status.wlc.v = TSS\$TRACE\_\_ON

### **TSS\$UNDECL\_\_AFK Call**

ret-status.wlc.v = TSS\$UNDECL\_\_AFK(channel.rlu.r  
,key-id.rlu.r)

### **TSS\$WRITE\_\_BRKTHRU Call**

ret-status.wlc.v = TSS\$WRITE\_\_BRKTHRU(channel.rlu.r  
,message-text.rt.dx  
[,bell-flag.rlu.r])

## TSS\$WRITE\_\_MSG\_\_LINE Call

```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$WRITE__MSG__LINE(channel.rlu.r  
      ,message-text.rt.dx)
```



## Synchronous Programming Calls in VAX BASIC

Call	Example
TSS#CANCEL	RET_STATUS = TSS#CANCEL(CHANNEL)
TSS#CLOSE	RET_STATUS = TSS#CLOSE & (CHANNEL, & CLEAR_SCREEN)
TSS#CLOSE_RLB	RET_STATUS = TSS#CLOSE_RLB & (LIBRARY_ID)
TSS#COPY_SCREEN	RET_STATUS = TSS#COPY_SCREEN & (CHANNEL, & FILE_SPEC, & APPEND_FLAG)

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Call	Example
TSS\$DECL_AFK *	RET_STATUS = TSS\$DECL_AFK & (CHANNEL, & KEY_ID, & KEY_EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER, & KEY_AST_ROUTINE, & KEY_AST_PARAMETER BY VALUE)
TSS\$OPEN	RET_STATUS = TSS\$OPEN(CHANNEL, & DEVICE)
TSS\$OPEN_RLB	RET_STATUS = TSS\$OPEN_RLB & (REQUEST_LIBRARY_FILE, & LIBRARY_ID)

TSS#READ_MSG_LINE	RET_STATUS = TSS#READ_MSG_LINE & (CHANNEL, & RESPONSE_TEXT, & MESSAGE_PROMPT, & RESPONSE_LENGTH)
TSS#REQUEST	RET_STATUS = TSS#REQUEST & (CHANNEL, & LIBRARY_ID, & REQUEST_NAME, & RECORD_1, & RECORD_2, & RECORD_n)
TSS#SIGNAL	RET_STATUS = TSS#SIGNAL
TSS#TRACE_OFF	RET_STATUS = TSS#TRACE_OFF
TSS#TRACE_ON	RET_STATUS = TSS#TRACE_ON

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## Synchronous Programming Calls in VAX BASIC (Cont.)

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Call	Example
TSS\$UNDECL_AFK	<pre>RET_STATUS = TSS\$UNDECL_AFK &amp;               (CHANNEL, &amp;               KEY_ID)</pre>
TSS\$WRITE_BRKTHRU	<pre>RET_STATUS = TSS\$WRITE_BRKTHRU &amp;               (CHANNEL, &amp;               MESSAGE_TEXT, &amp;               BELL_FLAG)</pre>
TSS\$WRITE_MSG_LINE	<pre>RET_STATUS = TSS\$WRITE_MSG_LINE &amp;               (CHANNEL, &amp;               MESSAGE_TEXT)</pre>

Note:

- \* Requires the following declaration at the beginning of your BASIC program:  
EXTERNAL LONG Key \_\_ast\_\_ routine

## Synchronous Programming Calls in VAX COBOL

Call	Example
TSS#CANCEL	CALL "TSS#CANCEL" USING BY REFERENCE CHANNEL, GIVING RET-STATUS.
TSS#CLOSE	CALL "TSS#CLOSE" USING BY REFERENCE CHANNEL, BY REFERENCE CLEAR-SCREEN, GIVING RET-STATUS.
TSS#CLOSE_RLB	CALL "TSS#CLOSE_RLB" USING BY REFERENCE LIBRARY-ID, GIVING RET-STATUS.

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## Synchronous Programming Calls in VAX COBOL (Cont.)

Call	Example
TSS\$COPY_SCREEN	<pre>CALL "TSS\$COPY_SCREEN" USING   BY REFERENCE CHANNEL ,   BY DESCRIPTOR FILE-SPEC ,   BY REFERENCE APPEND-FLAG ,   GIVING RET-STATUS .</pre>
TSS\$DECL_AFK	<pre>CALL "TSS\$DECL_AFK" USING   BY REFERENCE CHANNEL ,   BY REFERENCE KEY-ID ,   BY REFERENCE KEY-EVENT-FLAG-NUMBER ,   BY REFERENCE KEY-AST-ROUTINE ,   BY VALUE KEY-AST-PARAMETER ,   GIVING RET-STATUS .</pre>

TSS\$OPEN	CALL "TSS\$OPEN" USING BY REFERENCE CHANNEL, BY DESCRIPTOR DEVICE, GIVING RET-STATUS.
TSS\$OPEN_RLB	CALL "TSS\$OPEN_RLB" USING BY DESCRIPTOR REQUEST-LIBRARY-FILE, BY REFERENCE LIBRARY-ID, GIVING RET-STATUS.
TSS\$READ_MSG_LINE	CALL "TSS\$READ_MSG_LINE" USING BY REFERENCE CHANNEL, BY DESCRIPTOR RESPONSE-TEXT, BY DESCRIPTOR MESSAGE-PROMPT, BY REFERENCE RESPONSE-LENGTH, GIVING RET-STATUS.

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## Synchronous Programming Calls in VAX COBOL (Cont.)

Call	Example
TSS\$REQUEST	<pre>CALL "TSS\$REQUEST" USING   BY REFERENCE CHANNEL,   BY REFERENCE LIBRARY-ID,   BY DESCRIPTOR REQUEST-NAME,   BY REFERENCE RECORD-1,   BY REFERENCE RECORD-2,   BY REFERENCE RECORD-n,   GIVING RET-STATUS.</pre>
TSS\$SIGNAL	<pre>CALL "TSS\$SIGNAL"   GIVING RET-STATUS.</pre>
TSS\$TRACE_OFF	<pre>CALL "TSS\$TRACE_OFF"   GIVING RET-STATUS.</pre>
TSS\$TRACE_ON	<pre>CALL "TSS\$TRACE_ON"   GIVING RET-STATUS.</pre>



TSS#UNDECL_AFK	CALL "TSS#UNDECL_AFK" USING BY REFERENCE CHANNEL. BY REFERENCE KEY-ID. GIVING RET-STATUS.
TSS#WRITE_BRKTHRU	CALL "TSS#WRITE_BRKTHRU" USING BY REFERENCE CHANNEL, BY DESCRIPTOR MESSAGE-TEXT, BY REFERENCE BELL-FLAG. GIVING RET-STATUS.
TSS#WRITE_MSG_LINE	CALL "TSS#WRITE_MSG_LINE" USING BY REFERENCE CHANNEL. BY DESCRIPTOR MESSAGE-TEXT, GIVING RET-STATUS.

Call	Example
TSS\$CANCEL	RET_STATUS = TSS\$CANCEL(%REF(CHANNEL))
TSS\$CLOSE	RET_STATUS = TSS\$CLOSE(%REF(CHANNEL), 1 %REF(CLEAR_SCREEN))
TSS\$CLOSE_RLB	RET_STATUS = TSS\$CLOSE_RLB 1 (%REF(LIBRARY_ID))
TSS\$COPY_SCREEN	RET_STATUS = TSS\$COPY_SCREEN 1 (%REF(CHANNEL)), 2 %DESCR(FILE_SPEC), 3 %REF(APPEND_FLAG))

TSS\$DECL_AFK	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$DECL_AFK 1      (%REF(CHANNEL) , 2      %REF(KEY_ID) , 4      %REF(KEY_EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER) , 5      %REF(KEY_AST_ROUTINE) , 6      KEY_AST_PARAMETER) </pre>
TSS\$OPEN	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$OPEN(%REF(CHANNEL) , 1      %DESCR(DEVICE) ) </pre>
TSS\$OPEN_RLB	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$OPEN_RLB 1      (%DESCR(REQUEST_LIBRARY_FILE) , 2      %REF(LIBRARY_ID) ) </pre>
TSS\$READ_MSG_LINE	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$READ_MSG_LINE 1      (%REF(CHANNEL) , 2      %DESCR(RESPONSE_TEXT) , 3      %DESCR(MESSAGE_PROMPT) , 4      %REF(RESPONSE_LENGTH) ) </pre>

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## Synchronous Programming Calls in VAX FORTRAN (Cont.)

Call	Example
TSS\$REQUEST	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$REQUEST 1          (%REF(CHANNEL) , 2          %REF(LIBRARY_ID) , 3          %DESCR(REQUEST_NAME) , 4          %REF(RECORD_1) , 5          %REF(RECORD_2) , 6          %REF(RECORD_n) )           </pre>
TSS\$SIGNAL	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$SIGNAL( )           </pre>
TSS\$TRACE_OFF	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$TRACE_OFF( )           </pre>
TSS\$TRACE_ON	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$TRACE_ON( )           </pre>
TSS\$UNDECL_AFK	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$UNDECL_AFK 1          (%REF(CHANNEL) , 2          %REF(KEY_ID) )           </pre>

TSS\$WRITE_BRKTHRU	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$WRITE_BRKTHRU 1          (%REF(CHANNEL) , 2          %DESCR(MESSAGE_TEXT) , 3          %%REF(BELL_FLAG)) </pre>
TSS\$WRITE_MSG_LINE	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$WRITE_MSG_LINE 1          (%REF(CHANNEL) , 2          %DESCR(MESSAGE_TEXT)) </pre>

## Asynchronous Calls

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### TSS\$CLOSE\_\_A Call

```
ret-status.w/c.v = TSS$CLOSE__A(channel.r/lu.r  
,[rsb.w/lu.r]
```

```
{ ,efn.r/lu.r }  
{ ,astadr.szem.r }  
{ ,[astprm.r/lu.v] }  
[.clear-screen.r/lu.r])
```

## TSS\$COPY \_\_ SCREEN \_\_ A Call

```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$COPY __ SCREEN __ A(channel.rlu.r  
,[rsb.wlu.r]
```

```
{ | | | }  
  ,efn.rlu.r | | |  
  ,astadr.szem.r | | |  
  ,[astprm.rlu.v] | | |
```

```
  ,[file-spec.rt.dx]  
  [,append-flag.rlu.r])
```

## TSS\$DECL\_\_AFK\_\_A Call

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```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$DECL__AFK__A(channel.rlu.r  
  ,[rsb.wlu.r]
```

```
  { ,efn.rlu.r  
    ,astadr.szem.r  
    ,[astprm.rlu.v] } }
```

```
  ,key-id.rlu.r
```

```
  { ,key-efn.rlu.r  
    ,key-astadr.szem.r  
    ,[key-astprm.rlu.v] } } )
```



## TSS\$OPEN \_\_A Call

ret-status.wlc.v = TSS\$OPEN \_\_A(channel.wlu.r  
,[rsb.wlu.r]

{ | ,efn.rlu.r | }  
{ | ,astadr.szem.r | }  
{ | ,[astprm.rlu.v] | }

[,device.rt.dx]

## TSS\$READ \_MSG \_LINE \_A Call

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```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$READ _MSG _LINE _A(channel.rlu.r  
,[rsb.wlu.r])
```

```
{ | ,efn.rlu.r | }  
  | ,astadr.szem.r | }  
  | ,[astprm.rlu.v] | }
```

```
,response-text.wt.dx  
,[message-prompt.rt.dx]  
,[response-length.www.r])
```

## TSS\$REQUEST\_\_A Call

```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$REQUEST__A(channel.rlu.r  
  ,[rsb.wlu.r]
```

```
  { ,efn.rlu.r  
    ,astadr.szem.r  
    ,[astprm.rlu.v] }  
}
```

```
,library-id.rlu.r  
,request-name.rt.dx  
[,record1.mz.r  
[,record2.mz.r
```

```
.
```

```
.
```

```
.
```

```
  [,recordn.mz.r]]])
```

## TSS\$UNDECL\_\_AFK\_\_A Call

```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$UNDECL__AFK__A(channel.rlu.r
,[rsb.wlu.r]
```

```
{ | ,efn.rlu.r | }
  | ,astadr.szem.r | }
  | ,[astprm.rlu.v] | }
```

```
,key-id.rlu.r)
```

## TSS\$WRITE\_\_BRKTHRU\_\_A Call

```
ret-status.w/c.v = TSS$WRITE__BRKTHRU__A(channel.rlu.r  
,[rsb.wlu.r]
```

```
{ | ,efn.rlu.r | }  
{ | ,astadr.szem.r | }  
{ | ,[astprm.rlu.v] | }
```

```
,message-text.rt.dx  
[,bell-flag.rlu.r])
```

## TSS\$WRITE\_\_MSG\_\_LINE\_\_A Call

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```
ret-status.wlc.v = TSS$WRITE__MSG__LINE__A(channel.rlu.r  
,[rsb.wlu.r]
```

```
{ | ,efn.rlu.r | }  
{ | ,astadr.szem.r | }  
{ | ,[astprm.rlu.v] | }
```

```
,message-text.rt.dx)
```

## Asynchronous Programming Calls in VAX BASIC

Call	Example
TSS\$CLOSE_A +	<pre>RET_STATUS = TSS\$CLOSE_A &amp;               (CHANNEL, &amp;               RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK, &amp;               EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER, &amp;               AST_ROUTINE, &amp;               AST_PARAMETER BY VALUE, &amp;               CLEAR_SCREEN)</pre>
TSS\$COPY_SCREEN_A +	<pre>RET_STATUS = TSS\$COPY_SCREEN_A &amp;               (CHANNEL, &amp;               RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK, &amp;               EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER, &amp;               AST_ROUTINE, &amp;               AST_PARAMETER BY VALUE, &amp;               FILE_SPEC, &amp;               APPEND_FLAG)</pre>

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## Asynchronous Programming Calls in VAX BASIC (Cont.)

Call	Example
TSS\$DECL--AFK_A * +	<pre>RET_STATUS = TSS\$DECL--AFK_A &amp;              (CHANNEL, &amp;              RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK, &amp;              EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER, &amp;              AST_ROUTINE, &amp;              AST_PARAMETER BY VALUE, &amp;              KEY_ID, &amp;              KEY_EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER, &amp;              KEY_AST_ROUTINE, &amp;              KEY_AST_PARAMETER BY VALUE)</pre>



TSS\$OPEN_A +	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$OPEN_A &amp;               (CHANNEL , &amp;               RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK , &amp;               EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER , &amp;               AST_ROUTINE , &amp;               AST_PARAMETER BY VALUE , &amp;               DEVICE ) </pre>
TSS\$READ_MSG_LINE_A +	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$READ_MSG_LINE_A &amp;               (CHANNEL , &amp;               RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK , &amp;               EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER , &amp;               AST_ROUTINE , &amp;               AST_PARAMETER BY VALUE , &amp;               RESPONSE_TEXT , &amp;               MESSAGE_PROMPT , &amp;               RESPONSE_LENGTH ) </pre>

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Call	Example
TSS\$REQUEST_A +	<pre>RET_STATUS = TSS\$REQUEST_A &amp;              (CHANNEL, &amp;              RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK, &amp;              EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER, &amp;              AST_ROUTINE, &amp;              AST_PARAMETER BY VALUE, &amp;              LIBRARY_ID, &amp;              REQUEST_NAME, &amp;              RECORD_1, &amp;              RECORD_2, &amp;              RECORD_n)</pre>

TSS\$UNDECL_AFK_A +	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$UNDECL_AFK_A &amp;               (CHANNEL , &amp;               RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK , &amp;               EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER , &amp;               AST_ROUTINE , &amp;               AST_PARAMETER BY VALUE , &amp;               KEY_ID) </pre>
TSS\$WRITE_BRKTHRU_A +	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$WRITE_BRKTHRU_A &amp;               (CHANNEL , &amp;               RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK , &amp;               EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER , &amp;               AST_ROUTINE , &amp;               AST_PARAMETER BY VALUE , &amp;               MESSAGE_TEXT , &amp;               BELL_FLAG) </pre>

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Call	Example
TSS\$WRITE_MSG_LINE_A +	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$WRITE_MSG_LINE_A &amp;               (CHANNEL , &amp;               RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK , &amp;               EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER , &amp;               AST_ROUTINE , &amp;               AST_PARAMETER BY VALUE , &amp;               MESSAGE_TEXT ) </pre>

## Notes:

- \* Requires the following declaration at the beginning of your BASIC program:  
EXTERNAL LONG Key \_\_ast\_\_ routine
- + Requires the following declaration at the beginning of your BASIC program:  
EXTERNAL LONG Ast\_\_ routine

## Asynchronous Programming Calls in VAX COBOL

Call	Example
TSS\$CLOSE_A	CALL "TSS\$CLOSE_A" USING BY REFERENCE CHANNEL , BY REFERENCE RETURN-STATUS-BLOCK , BY REFERENCE EVENT-FLAG-NUMBER , BY REFERENCE AST-ROUTINE , BY VALUE AST-PARAMETER , BY REFERENCE CLEAR-SCREEN , GIVING RET-STATUS .

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## Asynchronous Programming Calls in VAX COBOL (Cont.)

Call	Example
TSS\$COPY_SCREEN_A	CALL "TSS\$COPY_SCREEN_A" USING BY REFERENCE CHANNEL , BY REFERENCE RETURN-STATUS-BLOCK , BY REFERENCE EVENT-FLAG-NUMBER , BY REFERENCE AST-ROUTINE , BY VALUE AST-PARAMETER , BY DESCRIPTOR FILE-SPEC , BY REFERENCE APPEND-FLAG , GIVING RET-STATUS .

TSS\$DECL_AFK_A	<pre> CALL "TSS\$DECL_AFK_A" USING   BY REFERENCE CHANNEL ,   BY REFERENCE RETURN-STATUS-BLOCK ,   BY REFERENCE EVENT-FLAG-NUMBER ,   BY REFERENCE AST-ROUTINE ,   BY VALUE AST-PARAMETER ,   BY REFERENCE KEY-ID ,   BY REFERENCE KEY-EVENT-FLAG-NUMBER ,   BY REFERENCE KEY-AST-ROUTINE ,   BY VALUE KEY-AST-PARAMETER ,   GIVING RET-STATUS . </pre>
TSS\$OPEN_A	<pre> CALL "TSS\$OPEN_A" USING   BY REFERENCE CHANNEL ,   BY REFERENCE RETURN-STATUS-BLOCK ,   BY REFERENCE EVENT-FLAG-NUMBER ,   BY REFERENCE AST-ROUTINE ,   BY VALUE AST-PARAMETER ,   BY DESCRIPTOR DEVICE ,   GIVING RET-STATUS . </pre>

## Asynchronous Programming Calls in VAX COBOL (Cont.)

Call	Example
TSS\$READ_MSG_LINE_A	<pre> CALL "TSS\$READ_MSG_LINE_A" USING   BY REFERENCE CHANNEL ,   BY REFERENCE RETURN-STATUS-BLOCK ,   BY REFERENCE EVENT-FLAG-NUMBER ,   BY REFERENCE AST-ROUTINE ,   BY VALUE AST-PARAMETER ,   BY DESCRIPTOR RESPONSE-TEXT ,   BY DESCRIPTOR MESSAGE-PROMPT ,   BY REFERENCE RESPONSE-LENGTH ,   GIVING RET-STATUS .           </pre>



TSS\$REQUEST\_A

```
CALL "TSS$REQUEST_A" USING
  BY REFERENCE CHANNEL ,
  BY REFERENCE RETURN-STATUS-BLOCK ,
  BY REFERENCE EVENT-FLAG-NUMBER ,
  BY REFERENCE AST-ROUTINE ,
  BY VALUE AST-PARAMETER ,
  BY REFERENCE LIBRARY-ID ,
  BY DESCRIPTOR REQUEST-NAME ,
  BY REFERENCE RECORD-1 ,
  BY REFERENCE RECORD-2 ,
  BY REFERENCE RECORD-n ,
  GIVING RET-STATUS ,
```

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## Asynchronous Programming Calls in VAX COBOL (Cont.)

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Call	Example
TSS\$UNDECL_AFK_A	<pre>CALL "TSS\$UNDECL_AFK_A" USING   BY REFERENCE CHANNEL ,   BY REFERENCE RETURN-STATUS-BLOCK ,   BY REFERENCE EVENT-FLAG-NUMBER ,   BY REFERENCE AST-ROUTINE ,   BY VALUE AST-PARAMETER ,   BY REFERENCE KEY-ID ,   GIVING RET-STATUS .</pre>

TSS\$WRITE_BRKTHRU_A	<p>CALL "TSS\$WRITE_BRKTHRU_A" USING  BY REFERENCE CHANNEL ,  BY REFERENCE RETURN-STATUS-BLOCK ,  BY REFERENCE EVENT-FLAG-NUMBER ,  BY REFERENCE AST-ROUTINE ,  BY VALUE AST-PARAMETER ,  BY DESCRIPTOR MESSAGE-TEXT ,  BY REFERENCE BELL-FLAG ,  GIVING RET-STATUS .</p>
TSS\$WRITE_MSG_LINE_A	<p>CALL "TSS\$WRITE_MSG_LINE_A" USING  BY REFERENCE CHANNEL ,  BY REFERENCE RETURN-STATUS-BLOCK ,  BY REFERENCE EVENT-FLAG-NUMBER ,  BY REFERENCE AST-ROUTINE ,  BY VALUE AST-PARAMETER ,  BY DESCRIPTOR MESSAGE-TEXT ,  GIVING RET-STATUS .</p>

Call	Example
TSS\$CLOSE_A	<pre>RET_STATUS = TSS\$CLOSE_A               (%REF(CHANNEL) ,               %REF(RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK) ,               %REF(EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER) ,               %REF(AST_ROUTINE) ,               AST_PARAMETER ,               %REF(CLEAR_SCREEN) )</pre>

TSS\$COPY_SCREEN_A	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$COPY_SCREEN_A               ( %REF(CHANNEL) ,                 %REF(RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK) ,                 %REF(EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER) ,                 %REF(AST_ROUTINE) ,                 AST_PARAMETER ,                 %DESCR(FILE_SPEC) ,                 %REF(APPEND_FLAG) ) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 </pre>
TSS\$DECL_AFK_A	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$DECL_AFK_A               ( %REF(CHANNEL) ,                 %REF(RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK) ,                 %REF(EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER) ,                 %REF(AST_ROUTINE) ,                 AST_PARAMETER ,                 %REF(KEY_ID) ,                 %REF(KEY_EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER) ,                 %REF(KEY_AST_ROUTINE) ,                 KEY_AST_PARAMETER ) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 </pre>

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## Asynchronous Programming Calls in VAX FORTRAN (Cont.)

Call	Example
TSS\$OPEN_A	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$OPEN_A 1      (%REF(CHANNEL) , 2      %REF(RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK) , 3      %REF(EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER) , 4      %REF(AST_ROUTINE) , 5      AST_PARAMETER , 6      %DESCR(DEVICE) ) </pre>
TSS\$READ_MSG_LINE_A	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$READ_MSG_LINE_A 1      (%REF(CHANNEL) , 2      %REF(RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK) , 3      %REF(EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER) , 4      %REF(AST_ROUTINE) , 5      AST_PARAMETER , 6      %DESCR(RESPONSE_TEXT) , 7      %DESCR(MESSAGE_PROMPT) , 8      %REF(RESPONSE_LENGTH) ) </pre>

TSS\$REQUEST_A	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$REQUEST_A 1 (%REF(CHANNEL) , 2 %REF(RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK) , 3 %REF(EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER) , 4 %REF(AST_ROUTINE) , 5 AST_PARAMETER , 6 %REF(LIBRARY_ID) , 7 %DESCR(REQUEST_NAME) , 8 %REF(RECORD_1) , 9 %REF(RECORD_2) , a %REF(RECORD_n) </pre>
TSS\$UNDECL_AFK_A	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$UNDECL_AFK_A 1 (%REF(CHANNEL) , 2 %REF(RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK) , 3 %REF(EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER) , 4 %REF(AST_ROUTINE) , 5 AST_PARAMETER , 6 %REF(KEY_ID) </pre>

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Call	Example
TSS\$WRITE_BRKTHRU_A	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$WRITE_BRKTHRU_A               (%REF(CHANNEL),               %REF(RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK),               %REF(EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER),               %REF(AST_ROUTINE),               AST_PARAMETER,               %DESCR(MESSAGE_TEXT),               %REF(BELL_FLAG)) </pre>
TSS\$WRITE_MSG_LINE_A	<pre> RET_STATUS = TSS\$WRITE_MSG_LINE_A               (%REF(CHANNEL),               %REF(RETURN_STATUS_BLOCK),               %REF(EVENT_FLAG_NUMBER),               %REF(AST_ROUTINE),               AST_PARAMETER,               %DESCR(MESSAGE_TEXT)) </pre>



## Data Type Conversion Chart

VAX Data Type	CDDL Data Type	TDMS Data Type	BASIC Data Type	COBOL Data Type	FORTRAN Data Type
SIGNED BYTE	SIGNED BYTE	SIGNED BYTE	BYTE	Unsupported	BYTE
SIGNED WORD	SIGNED WORD	SIGNED WORD	WORD	PIC S9(1-4) COMP	INTEGER*2
SIGNED LONGWORD	SIGNED LONGWORD	SIGNED LONGWORD	LONG	PIC S9(5-9) COMP	INTEGER*4 or INTEGER
SIGNED QUADWORD	SIGNED QUADWORD	SIGNED QUADWORD	Unsupported	PIC S9(10-18) COMP	Unsupported
SIGNED OCTAWORD	SIGNED OCTAWORD	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported

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## Data Type Conversion Chart (Cont.)

VAX Data Type	CDDL Data Type	TDMS Data Type	BASIC Data Type	COBOL Data Type	FORTRAN Data Type
UNSIGNED BYTE	UNSIGNED BYTE	UNSIGNED BYTE	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported
UNSIGNED WORD	UNSIGNED WORD	UNSIGNED WORD	Unsupported	PIC 9(4) COMP	Unsupported
UNSIGNED LONGWORD	UNSIGNED LONGWORD	UNSIGNED LONGWORD	Unsupported	PIC 9(9) COMP	Unsupported
UNSIGNED QUADWORD	UNSIGNED QUADWORD	Unsupported	Unsupported	PIC 9(18) COMP	Unsupported
UNSIGNED OCTAWORD	UNSIGNED OCTAWORD	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported
F_FLOATING	F_FLOATING	F_FLOATING	SINGLE	COMP-1	REAL or REAL*4
D_FLOATING	D_FLOATING	D_FLOATING	DOUBLE	COMP-2	REAL*8

G_FLOATING	G_FLOATING	G_FLOATING	G_FLOATING	GFLOAT	Unsupported	REAL*8
H_FLOATING	H_FLOATING	H_FLOATING	H_FLOATING	HFLOAT	Unsupported	REAL*16
F_FLOATING COMPLEX	F_FLOATING COMPLEX	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	COMPLEX or COMPLEX*8
D_FLOATING COMPLEX	D_FLOATING COMPLEX	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	COMPLEX*16
G_FLOATING COMPLEX	G_FLOATING COMPLEX	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	COMPLEX*16
H_FLOATING COMPLEX	H_FLOATING COMPLEX	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported
CHARACTER	TEXT	TEXT	TEXT	STRING	PIC X(n)	CHARACTER*n

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## Data Type Conversion Chart (Cont.)

VAX Data Type	CDDL Data Type	TDMS Data Type	BASIC Data Type	COBOL Data Type	FORTRAN Data Type
UNSIGNED NUMERIC	UNSIGNED NUMERIC	UNSIGNED NUMERIC	Unsupported	PIC 9(m)V9(n)	Unsupported
LEFT SEPARATE NUMERIC	LEFT SEPARATE NUMERIC	LEFT SEPARATE NUMERIC	Unsupported	PIC S9(m)V9(n) LEADING SEPARATE	Unsupported
RIGHT SEPARATE NUMERIC	RIGHT SEPARATE NUMERIC	RIGHT SEPARATE NUMERIC	Unsupported	PIC S9(m)V9(n) TRAILING SEPARATE	Unsupported
LEFT OVERPUNCHED NUMERIC	LEFT OVERPUNCHED NUMERIC	LEFT OVERPUNCHED NUMERIC	Unsupported	PIC S9(m)V9(n) LEADING	Unsupported
RIGHT OVERPUNCHED NUMERIC	RIGHT OVERPUNCHED NUMERIC	RIGHT OVERPUNCHED NUMERIC	Unsupported	PIC S9(m)V9(n) TRAILING	Unsupported

ZONED NUMERIC	SIGNED NUMERIC	ZONED NUMERIC	Unsupported	Unsupported	Unsupported
PACKED DECIMAL	PACKED NUMERIC	PACKED DECIMAL	DECIMAL	PIC S9(m)V9(n) COMP-3	Unsupported
DATE	DATE	DATE	Unsupported	PIC S9(11)V9(7)	Unsupported

#### Notes to Data Type Conversion Chart:

- COBOL has no exact equivalent for the unsigned integer data types **UNSIGNED WORD** and **UNSIGNED LONGWORD**. The COBOL compiler issues a warning diagnostic and treats the item as an unsigned **COMP** data type.
- The FORTRAN data type **INTEGER** corresponds to **SIGNED LONGWORD** if you compile the program with the default qualifier /14. If you compile the program with the /NOI4 qualifier, **INTEGER** corresponds to the TDMS data type **SIGNED WORD**.
- The FORTRAN data type **REAL\_ \*8** corresponds to **G\_ FLOATING** if you compile the program with the /G\_ FLOATING qualifier; otherwise, **REAL\_ \*8** corresponds to the TDMS data type **D\_ FLOATING**.
- The FORTRAN data type **COMPLEX\_ \*16** corresponds to **G\_ FLOATING COMPLEX** if you compile the program with the /G\_ FLOATING qualifier; otherwise, **COMPLEX\_ \*16** corresponds to the VAX data type **D\_ FLOATING COMPLEX**.



**Record Field Data Types:**

BU	-	UNSIGNED BYTE	Q	-	SIGNED QUADWORD	VT	-	VARYING TEXT	NR	-	RIGHT SEPARATE NUMERIC
WU	-	UNSIGNED WORD	F	-	F__ FLOATING	GT	-	GROUP TEXT	NRO	-	RIGHT OVERPUNCHED NUMERIC
LU	-	UNSIGNED LONGWORD	D	-	D__ FLOATING			(non-elementary item)	NZ	-	SIGNED NUMERIC (zoned sign)
B	-	SIGNED BYTE	G	-	G__ FLOATING	NU	-	UNSIGNED NUMERIC	P	-	PACKED DECIMAL
W	-	SIGNED WORD	H	-	H__ FLOATING	NL	-	LEFT SEPARATE NUMERIC	ADT	-	DATE
L	-	SIGNED LONGWORD	T	-	TEXT	NLO	-	LEFT OVERPUNCHED NUMERIC			

**Key for Input Mappings:**

- |   |   |  |    |   |   |
|---|---|--|----|---|---|
| 1 | - | Permitted only if length of record field is greater than or equal to length of form field. | 9  | - | Permitted only if record field has length of at least 20 bytes.   |
| 2 | - | Permitted only if record field has length of at least 3 bytes.                             | 10 | - | Permitted only if form field has no more than 2 characters.   |
| 3 | - | Permitted only if record field has length of at least 5 bytes.                             | 11 | - | Permitted only if form field has no more than 4 characters.   |
| 4 | - | Permitted only if record field has length of at least 10 bytes.                            | 12 | - | Permitted only if form field has no more than 9 characters.   |
| 5 | - | Permitted only if record field has length of at least 4 bytes.                             | 13 | - | Permitted only if form field has no more than 18 characters.  |
| 6 | - | Permitted only if record field has length of at least 6 bytes.                             | 14 | - | Permitted only if form field has no more than 38 characters.  |
| 7 | - | Permitted only if record field has length of at least 11 bytes.                            | 15 | - | Permitted only if length of record field is greater than or equal to length of form field; RDU also issues a warning message possible conversion error on group move. |
| 8 | - | Permitted only if record field has length of at least 19 bytes.                            |    |   |   |





### Record Field Data Types:

BU	- UNSIGNED BYTE	Q	- SIGNED QUADWORD	VT	- VARYING TEXT	NR	- RIGHT SEPARATE NUMERIC
WU	- UNSIGNED WORD	F	- F __ FLOATING	GT	- GROUP TEXT	NRO	- RIGHT OVERPUNCHED NUMERIC
LU	- UNSIGNED LONGWORD	D	- D __ FLOATING		(non-elementary item)	NZ	- SIGNED NUMERIC (zoned sign)
B	- SIGNED BYTE	G	- G __ FLOATING	NL	- LEFT SEPARATE NUMERIC	P	- PACKED DECIMAL
W	- SIGNED WORD	H	- H __ FLOATING	NU	- LEFT SEPARATE NUMERIC	ADT	- DATE
L	- SIGNED LONGWORD	T	- TEXT	NLO	- LEFT OVERPUNCHED NUMERIC		

### Key for Output Mappings:

- 1 - Possible overflow; negative value in record field produces run-time error.  
RDU issues warning message.
- 2 - RDU issues a warning message if form field is less than 3 characters (possible overflow).
- 3 - RDU issues a warning message if form field is less than 5 characters (possible overflow).
- 4 - RDU issues a warning message if form field is less than 10 characters (possible overflow).
- 5 - RDU issues a warning message if form field is less than 4 characters (possible overflow).
- 6 - RDU issues a warning message if form field is less than 6 characters (possible overflow).
- 7 - RDU issues a warning message if form field is less than 11 characters (possible overflow).
- 8 - Possible overflow if form field is less than 3 characters; negative value in record produces run-time error. RDU issues a warning message.
- 9 - Possible overflow if form field is less than 5 characters; negative value in record produces run-time error. RDU issues a warning message.
- 10 - Possible overflow if form field is less than 10 characters; negative value in record produces run-time error. RDU issues a warning message.
- 11 - Possible overflow if form field is less than 19 characters; negative value in record produces run-time error. RDU issues a warning message.
- 12 - RDU issues a warning message if form field is less than 20 characters (possible overflow).
- 13 - RDU issues a warning message if length of record field is greater than length of form field (possible overflow).
- 14 - RDU issues a warning message if length of record field is greater than length of form field (possible overflow, possible error on group move).
- 15 - RDU issues a warning message (possible overflow).
- 16 - RDU issues a warning message; negative value in record field produces run-time error.
- 17 - Permitted only if form field is at least 8 characters in length; display format is in scientific notation.
- 18 - RDU issues a warning message if record field is more than 2 bytes.
- 19 - RDU issues a warning message if record field is more than 4 bytes.
- 20 - RDU issues a warning message if record field is more than 9 bytes.
- 21 - RDU issues a warning message if record field is more than 18 bytes.
- 22 - RDU issues a warning message if record field is more than 38 bytes.
- 23 - RDU issues a warning message if record field is more than 1 character longer than form field. Negative value in record produces run-time error.
- 24 - RDU issues a warning message if form field is not at least 1 character longer than record field.
- 25 - RDU issues a warning message if record field is more than 2 bytes. Negative value in record field produces run-time error.
- 26 - RDU issues a warning message if record field is more than 4 bytes. Negative value in record field produces run-time error.
- 27 - RDU issues a warning message if record field is more than 10 bytes. Negative value in record field produces run-time error.
- 28 - RDU issues a warning message if length of record field is greater than length of form field (possible overflow). Negative value in record field produces run-time error.
- 29 - RDU issues warning message; data output to form may be inconsistent with form field picture string.



