

How do I connect to a MS SQL 2005 Named Instance?

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Question:Â

What should I do if I have more than one MS SQL 2005 Server instance in the same computer/server, and I want to connect to any of its named instances and not to the default one?

Answer:Â

Make sure you have followed the general instructions on the article called "How do I set up isCOBOL ESQL Generator for use with Microsoft SQL Server? " before applying the specifics described below.Â

Use the "SQL Server Configuration Manager" software that comes with your MS SQL 2005 product and follow these steps:Â

- 1) Click SQL Server 2005 Network Configuration
- 2) Double-click "Protocols for myNamedInstance"Â
- 3) Enable TCP/IP protocol (right-click TCP/IP, enable)Â
- 4) Double-click TCP/IP (to view its properties)Â
- 5) Click IP Addresses tabÂ
- 6) Go to IPAll section, change the TCP Port to 1435 (or any other available TCP/IP port)Â
- 7) Click OK to save configurationÂ

Change the jdbc.url setting in the iscobol.properties as follows:Â

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iscobol.jdbc.url=jdbc:sqlserver://computername:1435;user=sa;password=mysapassword;DatabaseName=mydbname Â