

# Can we use Micro Focus format data and indexed files directly or do they need some form of conversion?

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You can keep your indexed data in Micro Focus format during a transition period by using the "mfc" file handler.

To specify all files as Micro Focus files to be handled by the mfc file handler, use this configuration variable in your runtime properties:

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iscobol.file.index=mfc
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