8/8/25, 2:11 AM Casting in Java

♦ Implicit Casting (Widening Casting)

- This happens automatically when converting from a smaller data type to a larger data type.
- Safe no data is lost.

***** Example:

```
short s = 10; int i = s; // short to int double d = i; // int to double
System.out.println(d); // 10.0
```

Java automatically does this because the larger type can hold all possible values of the smaller type.

♦ Explicit Casting (Narrowing Casting)

- You need to do this manually when converting from a larger data type to a smaller data type.
- Not safe you might lose data or precision.

***** Example:

```
double d = 10.5; int i = (int) d; // double to int, explicit cast System.out.println(i);
// 10 (decimal part is lost)
```

Widening Order (Lower to Higher):

```
byte → short → int → long → float → double
```

So all of these are implicit conversions.

Narrowing Examples (Higher to Lower):

```
int i = 100; short s = (short) i; // explicit byte b = (byte) s; // explicit
```

Summary Table:

From → To	Implicit/Explicit	Example
int → double	Implicit	double d = i;

From → To	Implicit/Explicit	Example
double \rightarrow int	Explicit	<pre>int i = (int) d;</pre>
short → int	Implicit	<pre>int i = s;</pre>
int → short	Explicit	<pre>short s = (short) i;</pre>