

Z390/CICS Application Programmers Guide

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The EXEC CICS commands and parameters listed here are the only ones currently supported in the Z390/CICS environment.

Differences between mainframe operation and Z390/CICS are explained.

For the operation of each command and parameter please refer to the Manuals listed in the Reference section at the end of this document.

If you create your own Z390/CICS applications, it would be wise to create a .BAT file that re-assembles them all in one go. The internal interfaces are volatile at present and this will be a frequent instruction. The current Z390/CICS environment and all test programs can be re-assembled using DFHALL.BAT

Assembly notes

CICS must be added as an option to CALL MZ390.
PROLOG and EPILOG are defaults.

NOEPILOG is supported but not fully tested, testing and correct usage is scheduled for a future release of Z390/CICS.

PROLOG inserts the following:

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DFHEIGBL -- Defines the basic set of control block DSECTs.
DFHEISTG -- Define the prefix areas of the Dynamic Storage Area (DSA).
DFHEIENT -- Replaces the first CSECT statement.
            Establish linkage and base registers.
            GETMAIN the DSA.
            Establish addressability to the EIB and TCTTE.
            Some COMMAREA management.
DFHEIEND -- Replaces the END statement and defines the end of the DSA.
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Other macros...

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DFHABBLK -- HANDLE ABEND block DSECT
DFHADBLK -- HANDLE AID block DSECT
DFHEIRET -- Part of EXEC CICS RETURN
            Some clean-up operations.
            FREEMAIN the DSA.
            Manage link-level and return to last linker.
DFHEIBLK -- EIB DSECT
DFHHCBK  -- HANDLE CONDITION block DSECT
DFHPCT   -- Transaction definition
DFHTCTTE -- TCTTE DSECT
EXEC     -- Converts EXEC CICS statements into a unique macro call
            with a parameter list.
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DFHAID   Standard CICS equates for AID keys
DFHPCTUS User transaction codes
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Register Usage

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R0   Reserved for internal use
R1   Reserved for internal use
R2   Reserved for internal use
R10  TCTTE address, must not be modified
R11  EIB address, must not be modified
R12  Default base register
R13  DSA address, must not be modified
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R14 Reserved for internal use
 R15 Reserved for internal use

Multiple base registers

 The standard entry for a CICS program is as follows:

eg.
 DFHEISTG DSECT
 MYFIELD DS CL100 demo user field
 ...
 MYPROG CSECT

This standard method with the PROLOG option (default) will generate a single code base of R12 and a single DSA base of R13.

If you want to extend the code base and/or the DSA base registers, convert your code in line with the sample given, and include the NOPROLOG option in CALL MZ390.

eg.
 DFHEIGBL
 DFHEISTG
 MYFIELD DS CL100 demo user field
 ...
 MYPROG DFHEIENT CODEREG=(R8, R5), DATAREG=(R13, R6, R7)

Notes: You cannot override the first DATAREG value, it will always be R13. i.e. if you code DATAREG=(R6, R7) you will get DATAREG=(R13, R7).

There is no cross-checking for register conflicts.

Assembler Notes

 Inclusion of the macro EQUIREGS is mandatory.

Supported EXEC CICS commands (summary)

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- 1) ABEND ABCODE() CANCEL NODUMP
 - 2) FREEMAIN DATA() DATAPOINTER()
 - 3) GETMAIN SET() LENGTH() FLENGTH() INITIMG()
 - 4) HANDLE ABEND CANCEL/RESET/LABEL()/PROGRAM()
 - 5) HANDLE AID key() key
 - 6) HANDLE CONDITION condition() condition
 - 7) IGNORE CONDITION condition
 - 8) LINK PROGRAM() COMMAREA() LENGTH()
 - 9) LOAD PROGRAM() ENTRY() SET() LENGTH() FLENGTH()
 - 10) POP HANDLE
 - 11) PUSH HANDLE
 - 12) RECEIVE INTO() LENGTH() NOHANDLE
 - 13) RELEASE PROGRAM()
 - 14) RETURN TRANSID() COMMAREA() LENGTH()
 - 15) SEND FROM() LENGTH()
 - 16) XCTL PROGRAM() COMMAREA() LENGTH()

Supported EXEC CICS commands (detail)

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- 1) ABEND ABCODE() CANCEL NODUMP

ABCODE can be specified as ABCODE('xxxx') or ABCODE(label)
 label must point to a 4-byte field.

Errors

ABCODE MUST NOT BEGIN WITH 'A'
 ABCODE IS INVALID
 BAD PARM

2) FREEMAIN DATA() DATAPOINTER()

DATA(Label)
 Label may only be an indirect reference to the address.

DATAPOINTER
 Must be specified as a permitted general register value.

Errors

BAD PARM
 DATA AND DATAPOINTER SPECIFIED
 DATA OR DATAPOINTER IS MANDATORY

Conditions (RESP/RESP2)

INVREQ/1 Can be IGNOREd

3) GETMAIN SET() LENGTH() FLENGTH() INITIMG()

SET is mandatory
 Must be specified as a permitted general register value.

LENGTH
 Can be specified as a constant, literal or label.
 A constant must not exceed 32767.
 A literal or label must be 2 bytes and must not exceed 32767.

FLENGTH
 Can be specified as a constant, literal or label.
 A constant must not exceed 2G-1.
 A literal or label must be 4 bytes and must not exceed 2G-1.

INITIMG is optional
 If omitted, the storage contents are not predictable.
 Can be specified as a constant, literal or label.
 Only the first byte generated by the parameter is used.

Errors

BAD PARM
 LENGTH AND FLENGTH SPECIFIED
 LENGTH OR FLENGTH IS MANDATORY
 SET IS MANDATORY

4) HANDLE ABEND CANCEL
 HANDLE ABEND RESET

HANDLE ABEND LABEL(Label)
 Label may take three forms:
 Direct reference
 Indirect reference
 Adcon literal

HANDLE ABEND PROGRAM()
 Can be specified as PROGRAM('xxxxxxx') or PROGRAM(Label)
 Label must point to an 8-byte field.

Any received COMMAREA when the EXEC CICS HANDLE ABEND is issued
 is passed to the handling program when an abend occurs.

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Notes: When an XCTL is executed, any HANDLE ABEND LABEL at the current logical level is cleared as the current program is no longer in use. HANDLE ABEND PROGRAMs are not cleared.

Errors

BAD PARM
INVALID PROGRAM
HANDLE TYPE NOT RECOGNISED
PARMS MISSING OR TOO MANY PARMS

5) HANDLE AID key(label) key etc.

The following parameters are not supported...
CLRPARTN, LIGHTPEN, OPERID, TRIGGER

The manual is not clear about ANYKEY (no label). I have assumed that it clears all settings for CLEAR, PA and PF keys.

Label may take three forms:

Direct reference
Indirect reference
Adcon literal

eg. EXEC CICS HANDLE AID PA1(GOPA1) PA2(INDGOPA1) PA3(=A(GOPA1))

...
GOPA1 DS OH

...
INDGOPA1 DC A(GOPA1)

Errors

BAD PARM
HANDLE TYPE NOT RECOGNISED

6) HANDLE CONDITION condition(label) condition etc.

Only the following conditions are supported:
ERROR, INVREQ, LENGERR, PGMI DERR

Label may take three forms:

Direct reference
Indirect reference
Adcon literal

See HANDLE AID for examples of these forms.

Errors

BAD PARM
HANDLE TYPE NOT RECOGNISED

7) IGNORE CONDITION condition ...

Only the following conditions are supported:
ERROR, INVREQ, LENGERR, PGMI DERR

Notes:

Ignoring an error may lead to unpredictable abends.
Advice for the asking.

PGMI DERR or ERROR by default...
The EXEC CICS command treated as never existed.

INVREQ or ERROR by default...
EXEC CICS RELEASE never existed.

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EXEC CICS RETURN...

This will abend the task ASRA as I cannot ignore a RETURN.

LENGERR or ERROR by default...

Only on EXEC CICS RECEIVE.

NOHANDLE and any outstanding HANDLE AID will not invoke this condition.

Testing is not complete for this condition.

Errors

BAD PARM

IGNORE TYPE NOT RECOGNISED

8) LINK PROGRAM() COMMAREA(label) LENGTH()

Executes another CICS program.

If COMMAREA is present, the address/length are passed.

Return is to the linker.

PROGRAM is mandatory

Can be specified as PROGRAM('xxxxxxxx') or PROGRAM(label)

label must point to an 8-byte field.

COMMAREA(label) is optional

label may take three forms:

Direct reference

Indirect reference

Adcon literal

LENGTH

Can be specified as LENGTH(value) or LENGTH(label)

LENGTH(value) supports the use of the length attribute.

label must point to a 2-byte hex value.

LENGTH can be omitted. When it is, the implied length of the COMMAREA is used. LENGTH is mandatory when COMMAREA is an indirect reference.

Errors

BAD PARM

INVALID PROGRAM

PROGRAM IS MISSING

LENGTH IS MANDATORY FOR INDIRECT COMMAREA

LENGTH WITHOUT COMMAREA

Conditions (RESP/RESP2)

PGMIDERR/3 Can be IGNOREd

9) LOAD PROGRAM() ENTRY() SET() LENGTH(label) FLENGTH(label)

Loads a module.

The intention in the Z390/CICS environment is to load a table or some other data, not an executable program.

PROGRAM is mandatory

Can be specified as PROGRAM('xxxxxxxx') or PROGRAM(label)

label must point to an 8-byte field.

At present, only modules with a suffix of .390 may be LOAded.

ENTRY and SET are optional

Must be specified as a permitted general register value.

Both are equivalent in Z390/CICS.

LENGTH is optional

LENGTH(label) is the only format.

label must point to a 2-byte field.

FLENGTH is optional

FLENGTH(label) is the only format.

label must point to a 4-byte field.

Note: At task end the LOADED module is not RELEASED.

Errors

BAD PARM

INVALID PROGRAM

LENGTH AND FLENGTH SPECIFIED

PROGRAM IS MISSING

Conditions (RESP/RESP2)

PGMIDERR/3 Can be IGNORED

10) POP HANDLE

For the HANDLE ABEND, a POP is the equivalent of a HANDLE ABEND RESET.

Errors

POP TYPE NOT RECOGNISED

Conditions (RESP/RESP2)

INVREQ/0 Can be IGNORED

11) PUSH HANDLE

For the HANDLE ABEND, a PUSH is the equivalent of a HANDLE ABEND CANCEL.

Errors

PUSH TYPE NOT RECOGNISED

12) RECEIVE INTO(label) LENGTH(label) NOHANDLE

INTO(label) and LENGTH(label) are mandatory.

LENGTH must point to a 2-byte field.

Although MAXLENGTH is not implemented yet, there is an internal maximum length set to the implied length of the INTO label.

NOHANDLE is optional.

Errors

BAD PARM

BOTH INTO AND LENGTH ARE REQUIRED

LENGTH ERROR

Conditions (RESP/RESP2)

LENGERR/0 Can be IGNORED

13) RELEASE PROGRAM()

Releases a previously LOADED module.

PROGRAM is mandatory

Can be specified as PROGRAM('xxxxxxxx') or PROGRAM(label)

Label must point to an 8-byte field.

Errors

BAD PARM
INVALID PROGRAM
PROGRAM IS MISSING

Conditions (RESP/RESP2)

INVREQ/5 Can be IGNOREd
INVREQ/6 Can be IGNOREd

- 14) RETURN TRANSID() COMMAREA(Label) LENGTH()
Returns to the last caller.

TRANSID

Optional, but when COMMAREA is specified, TRANSID is mandatory.
Can be specified as TRANSID('xxxx') or TRANSID(Label)
Label must point to a 4-byte field.

COMMAREA(Label) is optional

Label may take three forms:
Direct reference
Indirect reference
Adcon literal

LENGTH

Can be specified as LENGTH(value) or LENGTH(Label)
LENGTH(value) supports the use of the length attribute.
Label must point to a 2-byte hex value.

LENGTH can be omitted. When it is, the implied length of the
COMMAREA is used. LENGTH is mandatory when COMMAREA is an
indirect reference.

Errors

BAD PARM
INVALID TRANSID
TRANSID IS MISSING
LENGTH IS MANDATORY FOR INDIRECT COMMAREA
LENGTH WITHOUT COMMAREA

Conditions (RESP/RESP2)

INVREQ/2 Cannot be IGNOREd

- 15) SEND FROM(Label) LENGTH()

FROM(Label) is mandatory.

Label may take three forms:
Direct reference
Indirect reference
Adcon literal

LENGTH

Can be specified as LENGTH(value) or LENGTH(Label)
LENGTH(value) supports the use of the length attribute.
Label must point to a 2-byte hex value.

Errors

BAD PARM
FROM IS MANDATORY
LENGTH IS MANDATORY

- 16) XCTL PROGRAM() COMMAREA(Label) LENGTH()

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Executes another CICS program.

If COMMAREA is present and both the address and length are the same as passed to the current program, then address/length are passed to the new program.

If the address or length differs, then a copy of the COMMAREA is taken and the new address/length are passed to the new program.

Return is to the last linker.

PROGRAM is mandatory

Can be specified as PROGRAM('xxxxxxx') or PROGRAM(label)
label must point to an 8-byte field.

COMMAREA(label) is optional

label may take three forms:
Direct reference
Indirect reference
Adcon literal

LENGTH

Can be specified as LENGTH(value) or LENGTH(label)
LENGTH(value) supports the use of the length attribute.
label must point to a 2-byte hex value.

LENGTH can be omitted. When it is, the implied length of the COMMAREA is used. LENGTH is mandatory when COMMAREA is an indirect reference.

Errors

BAD PARM
INVALID PROGRAM
PROGRAM IS MISSING
LENGTH IS MANDATORY FOR INDIRECT COMMAREA
LENGTH WITHOUT COMMAREA

Conditions (RESP/RESP2)

PGMIDERR/3 Can be IGNORED

Appendices

Keypress information

Aid	Press
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ENTER	Enter or Return
CLEAR	CTRL+C
PA1-PA3	CTRL+F1 to CTRL+F3
PF1-PF12	F1 to F12
PF13-PF24	CTRL+ALT+F1 to CTRL+ALT+F12

References

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