
Print Format Utility

The Print Format Utility provides the capability to develop AFP output applications directly from database files. With the Print Format Utility, you can:

- Design your desired layout of a **record** interactively in the same way as the Overlay Utility.

You can define headings, boxes, or logos which contain text, lines, boxes, images, bar codes, and graphics to be printed in addition to the data in the database file member.

Figure 6 shows a sample label you can create from a record in a database file using the Print Format Utility.

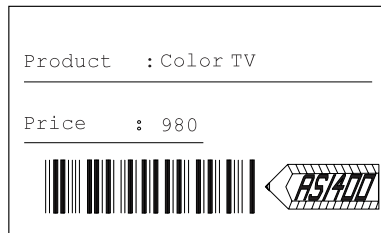


Figure 6. Sample Label (Created by the Print Format Utility)

- Design a page layout interactively in the same way as in the Overlay Utility.
You can define headings, boxes, or logos which contain text, lines, boxes, images, bar codes, and graphics to be printed.
- Save the record layout and page layout as a printout format definition in your file.
- Print a database file member according to the printout format definition.
- Replicate a record layout across and down the page such as in a multiple-up label application.