

# Utf8.ncasecmp

Compares two strings in lower-case and returns the difference indicator (see table below) as an integer value.

## Syntax

```
int utf8.ncasecmp ( string a, string b )
```

## Required Arguments

- **a:** A string character sequence
- **b:** A string character sequence

## Returns

Returns an *integer*, which indicates the difference, see the table below for further information.

## Indicators

Value	Meaning
-1	a < b
0	a == b
1	a > b