Configuring

List files

You can use list files to process multiple files with or without a JDF job ticket or to process overrides files with files.

The limitations of using a list file with a job ticket include:

- The files must be submitted with the job ticket; they cannot be located on another system and accessed using a mapping file.
- All the files must be submitted directly to the Folder location, not to a subfolder.

If you use a list file, you must use the **List** batching method.

You can use list files in these ways:

- If the job ticket does not include the names of all the input files, the list file can include them along with the name of the job ticket file. When all the files are present, the job is submitted.
- You can create a generic job ticket, which uses placeholder file names instead of real file names, so you can reuse the ticket with different jobs. The list file contains the names of the specific files that are used for the job. The order of the file names in the list file must correspond to the placeholder file names in the job ticket; the first file listed in the list file must correspond to the first placeholder file listed in the job ticket. For example, if your application prints various booklets that all contain four files (a front cover, a fly leaf, the body of the booklet, and a back cover), you can create a job ticket that includes four files in the order that they should print:

  ```
  frontcover.pdf
  flyleaf.pdf
  bookletbody.pdf
  backcover.pdf
  ```

  > ⊙ **Note:** In this case, the job ticket must include only file names without any path information.
  > For each booklet, you can then create a list file that lists the specific files in the same order:

  - Booklet 1 list file contains:

    ```
    booklet1fc.pdf
    booklet1fl.pdf
    booklet1body.pdf
    booklet1bc.pdf
    ```

  - Booklet 2 list file contains:

    ```
    booklet2fc.pdf
    booklet2fl.pdf
    booklet2body.pdf
    booklet2bc.pdf
    ```

- You can create a list file that contains the name of the input file or files and the overrides files that are associated with them. The name of the overrides file must appear immediately after the input file that it is associated with in the list. The names of the input files and overrides files are case-sensitive and each file name must be on a separate line. Do not include directory information with the file name. For example, the list file might contain this information:

  ```
  input1.pdf
  prop1.oth
  input2.pdf
  prop.oth
  input3.pdf
  duplex.oth
  input4.pdf
  inputfiles.oth
  ```

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