



VHDL QUICK REFERENCE CARD

Revision 2.2

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1. LIBRARY UNITS

```
[[use_clause]]
entity ID is
  generic ({ID : TYPEID [= expr];})
  port ({ID : in | out | inout TYPEID [= expr];})
  {{declaration}}
```

```
[begin
  {parallel_statement}
end [entity] ENTITYID;
[[use_clause]]
architecture ID of ENTITYID is
  {{declaration}}
begin
  [[parallel_statement]]
end [architecture] ARCHID;
[[use_clause]]
package ID is
  {{declaration}}
end [package] PACKID;
[[use_clause]]
package body ID is
  {{declaration}}
end [package body] PACKID;
```

```
[[use_clause]]
configuration ID of ENTITYID is
for ARCHID
  {{block_config | comp_config}}
end for;
end [configuration] CONFID;
use_clause ::=
  library ID;
  [[use LIBID.PKGID[. all | DECLID];]]
```

block_config ::=

```
for LABELID
  {{block_config | comp_config}}
end for;
comp_config ::=
for all | LABELID : COMPID
  (use entity [LIBID.ENTITYID [ (ARCHID) ] ]
  [[generic map ( {GENID => expr, } ) ] ]
  port map ({PORTID => SIGID | expr, }));
for ARCHID
  {{block_config | comp_config}}
end for;
end for; |
  (use configuration [LIBID.]CONFID
  [[generic map ({GENID => expr, } ) ] ]
  port map ({PORTID => SIGID | expr, }));
end for;
```

2. DECLARATIONS

2.1. TYPE DECLARATIONS

```
type ID is ( {ID, } );
type ID is range number downto | to number;
type ID is array ( {range | TYPEID, } ) of TYPEID;
type ID is record
  {ID : TYPEID; }
end record;
type ID is access TYPEID;
type ID is file of TYPEID;
subtype ID is SCALARTYPEID range range;
subtype ID is ARRAYTYPEID( {range, } );
subtype ID is RESOLVCTID TYPEID;
range ::=
  (integer | ENUMID to | downto integer | ENUMID) |
  (OBJID[reverse_range] | (TYPEID range <>))
```

2.2. OTHER DECLARATIONS

```
constant ID : TYPEID := expr;
[shared] variable ID : TYPEID [= expr];
signal ID : TYPEID [= expr];
file ID : TYPEID (is in | out string; ) |
  (open read_mode | write_mode |
  append_mode is string);
alias ID : TYPEID is OBJID;
attribute ID : TYPEID;
attribute ATTRID of OBJID | others | all : class is expr;
class ::=
  entity | architecture | configuration |
  procedure | function | package | type |
  subtype | constant | signal | variable |
  component | label
```

```
component ID [is]
  generic ( {ID : TYPEID [= expr]; } );
  port ({ID : in | out | inout TYPEID [= expr];})
end component [COMPID];
[impure | pure] function ID
  [( {constant | variable | signal | file } ID :
  [in]TYPEID [= expr];)]
return TYPEID [is
  begin
    {sequential_statement}
  end [function] ID];
procedure ID[( {constant | variable | signal } ID :
  in | out | inout TYPEID [= expr];)]
  [is begin
    {sequential_statement}
  end [procedure] ID];
for LABELID | others | all : COMPID use
  (entity [LIBID.]ENTITYID [(ARCHID) ] |
  (configuration [LIBID.]CONFID
  [[generic map ( {GENID => expr, } ) ] ]
  port map ( {PORTID => SIGID | expr, } )]);
```

3. EXPRESSIONS

```
expression ::=
  (relation and relation) | (relation nand relation) |
  (relation or relation) | (relation nor relation) |
  (relation xor relation) | (relation xnor relation)
relation ::= shexpr [relop shexpr]
shexpr ::= shexpr [shop shexpr]
shopr ::= [+|-] term {addop term}
term ::= factor {mulop factor}
factor ::=
  (prim [** prim]) | (abs prim) | (not prim)
prim ::=
  literal | OBJID | OBJID'ATTRID | OBJID({expr,})
  | OBJID(range) | ({choice [{ choice } =>] expr,})
  | FCTID({[PARID =>] expr,}) | TYPEID({expr} |
  TYPEID({expr} | new TYPEID[{expr}]) | (expr)
choice ::= shexpr | range | RECFID | others
logop and | or | xor | nand | nor | xnor
relop = | /= | < | <= | > | >=
shop sll | srl | sla | sra | rol | ror
addop + | - | &
mulop * | / | mod | rem
miscop ** | abs | not
```

3.1. OPERATORS, INCREASING PRECEDENCE

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