



Syncsort™ Allocation Control Center



Take control of you IBM Z storage environment

Managing storage on IBM Z doesn't have to feel rigid or complicated. Syncsort™ Allocation Control Center (ACC) gives you the control you need to manage both disk and tape resources with confidence.

With Syncsort™ ACC, you can define exactly how SMS-managed and non-SMS data is created and placed—so nothing's left to chance. Set clear policies for dataset naming, device types, volume selection, and space usage, all in one place. These policies help you build the strong, consistent standards that DFSMS ACS routines depend on—making system-managed storage easier and more effective to implement.

And it doesn't stop at enforcing standards. Syncsort™ ACC goes a step further, giving you advanced tools to help admins and users alike get the most out of your storage subsystem—without extra overhead or complexity.

Enforce standards without the hassle

Easily review and override users' JCL or IDCAMS control statements—and flag anything that doesn't follow your rules

Take charge of your resources

Decide exactly how disk and tape devices are selected and opened and set specific attributes for each dataset—SMS or non-SMS

Simplify control with policies

Use clear, easy-to-follow rules to manage datasets, GDGs, RLS log streams, job behavior, and more

Get full visibility

Access detailed tracing, logging, and SMF recording so you always have a clear audit trail and dataset history when you need it

Benefits

- Enforce standards and stay organized
- Improve efficiency with smart volume placement
- Cut tape use with automated tape-to-disk conversion
- Save time by removing manual storage tasks

Additional features of Syncsort™ Allocation Control Center

EASY/Exit

Tapping into the powerful features of z/OS and DFSMSHsm doesn't have to mean writing complex assembler exit routines. With EASY/Exit, you can unlock that "hidden" functionality using straightforward IF-THEN-ELSE logic—no deep coding required. It's a simple, flexible way to put useful system features to work without the maintenance headaches.

SMS/Debug

Managing your DFSMS environment doesn't have to be guesswork. SMS/Debug gives you the tools to test, trace, and audit with confidence. You can easily track ACS routines, manage test cases, and audit SMS configurations—so you always know what's happening and why. It's everything you need to stay in control and avoid surprises.

Predictive Recall

Why wait for production jobs to trigger recalls? Predictive Recall looks ahead by analyzing job schedules and catalog info to figure out which migrated datasets will be needed next. It restores them ahead of time—before the production cycle starts—so there's no last-minute scrambling or delay. That means less overhead for DFSMSHsm and FDRABR, and faster, smoother job runs when it counts.

