

Dialog Monitor Glossary

Category Alias

The category alias is associated with the category name and is entered in the PRINT TITLE command. It is used to tell Monitor where to send your data.

Category Name

A category name is the name you give to a web page that contains only a specific grouping of information. Use category names to organize your Dialog data. They display as links on your web site to the appropriate title lists.

EDIT EMAIL

A Dialog command used for setting up email delivery addresses

Dialog EDS

Short for Electronic Delivery System, Dialog EDS is the mechanism used for delivering search results from the Dialog computer center to clients.

Dialog ERA™ (Electronic Redistribution and Archiving)

Special options used with Dialog output commands, including PRINT, to provide copyright compliance to search results that are distributed or copied to employees within an organization or that are stored in an in-house system for access by employees.

Java Virtual Machine

The Java Virtual Machine is the software implementation of a "CPU" designed to run compiled Java code. This includes stand-alone Java applications, as well as "applets" that are downloaded and run in web browsers such as Netscape Navigator.

IMAP

Short for Internet Message Access Protocol, IMAP is a protocol for retrieving email messages. The latest version, IMAP4, is similar to POP3 but supports some additional features. For example, with IMAP4, you can search through your email messages for keywords while the messages are still on the mail server. You can then choose which messages to download to your machine. Like POP, IMAP uses SMTP for communication between the email client and server.

POP

Short for Post Office Protocol, POP is a protocol used by your email application to retrieve e-mail from a mail server. Most e-mail applications (sometimes called email clients) use the POP protocol, although some can use the newer IMAP (Internet Message Access Protocol).

There are two versions of POP. The first, POP2, became a standard in the mid-80's and requires SMTP to send messages. The newer version, POP3, can be used with or without SMTP.

PRINT

A Dialog command that specifies search results to be delivered offline, either through the postal service, by fax, or electronically.

PRINT TITLE

A Dialog command entered before the PRINT command to add a title (up to 80 characters) to offline prints. This appears as the subject line for results delivered by email. For Monitor delivery, the category alias is entered in the PRINT TITLE command.

SMTP

Short for Simple Mail Transfer Protocol, SMTP is a protocol for sending e-mail messages between servers. Most email systems that send mail over the Internet use SMTP to send messages from one server to another; the messages can then be retrieved with an email client using either POP or IMAP. In addition, SMTP is generally used to send messages from a mail client to a mail server.

XML

Short for eXtensible Markup Language, XML provides functionality not available with HTML. XML was created so that richly structured documents could be used over the web. The only viable alternatives, HTML and SGML, are not practical for this purpose.

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