

# Settings

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# Chapter 1

## Settings

### 1.1 Datastore: Settings Menu Contents

#### Settings Menu Contents

The Settings menu contains Datastore Preference commands:

- 'Snap To Grid?' command
- 'Create Icons?' command
- Workbench-Open/Close command
- Change Settings-File command
- Change Settings-Screen command
- 'Load Settings' command
- 'Save Settings' command
- 'Save Settings As' command

### 1.2 Datastore: 'Snap To Grid?' command

Snap To Grid?

Choose "Snap To Grid?" to turn on the grid display and allow items in Design mode to snap to it. This allows easy positioning and alignment of items on the record layout.

This command is only available in Change Design mode.

### 1.3 Datastore: 'Create Icons?' command

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Create Icons?

Choose the "Create Icons" command to save icons with any project (database) or settings file.

## 1.4 Datastore: `Workbench-Open/Close Workbench` command

Workbench-Open/Close Workbench

You can save about 40k of memory by choosing the Workbench-"Close Workbench" command.

The Workbench can be re-opened by choosing the Workbench-"Open~Workbench" command.

The Workbench can only be closed if you do not have any tools or open windows running on the Workbench screen.

## 1.5 Datastore: `Change Settings-File` command

Change Settings-File

The File Settings requester displays preferences that are file related.

File

Create Document

Backups: If this option is selected, Datastore will rename the previous version on disk with the suffix '.bak' before saving the new version. This maintains a backup of the last revision just in case the database is corrupted.

Save Password With File: Select this option if you wish to protect your files with a password.

If selected, you will be asked to type a password when you next Save the file. Upon subsequent opening of this file, you have to type the correct password before you will be allowed access.

To change a password, choose Save As command.

ASCII File Format

Format: Before using the Export Data command (ASCII option) or the Import Data command you will need to select the format of the ASCII file from this popup.

- ASCII Field Separator: Type an ASCII character value if you have selected the Custom format, or choose a separator character from the popup.
- A field separator is the character used between each field in the file.
- ASCII Record Separator: Type an ASCII character value if you have selected the Custom format, or choose a separator character from the popup.
- A record separator is the character used between each record in the file.

## 1.6 Datastore: `Change Settings-Screen` command

Change Settings-Screen

Various Screen Settings can be specified from this requester.

Screen

Public Screen: Select from the popup if you wish Datastore to use the 'Workbench screen' or Datastore's own 'Custom Screen'.

Screen Mode: Click this button to display the "Screen Mode" requester from which the 'Custom Screen' mode (type and number of colours) can be specified.

Fonts

Screen Text: Set the font for Datastore menus and window titles. Click Select to reveal the font requester.

Requester Headings: Set the font for Datastore to use in the gadget group headings in requesters. Click Select to reveal the font requester.

Requester Gadgets: Set the font for Datastore to use in the gadget titles in requesters. Click Select to reveal the font requester.

## 1.7 Datastore: `Load Settings` command

Load Settings

Choose "Load Settings" to load a settings file into Datastore.

Any settings file saved using the Save Settings As command can be loaded using "Load Settings".

## 1.8 Datastore: `Save Settings` command

Save Settings

When you choose "Save Settings" all the current settings are saved to the default settings file which is used each time you start Datastore.

If you wish to save the settings using a different name, choose

Save Settings As  
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Any settings files saved, using  
Save Settings As  
can be  
reloaded  
again at any time.

## 1.9 Datastore: `Save Settings As` command

Save Settings As

Choose "Save Settings As" to save the settings file under a different name and not as the default Datastore settings.

Type the settings filename into the File text gadget on the file~requester.

If you wish to save the current settings as the default so that they are used each time Datastore is loaded, choose

Save~Settings  
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