

DARS Pre-assigned Condition Codes

The following 18 Condition Codes are pre-assigned. However, they can also be assigned (or rejected depending on the application) in the GMASTER table, TA, through Exceptions, in the String Table, in Requirements and Sub-Requirements.

| Position in CONTB-RES | Condition Code | Brief Description from Condition Descriptions in DARwin |
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| 1 | i | Ignore a course with this cc unless coded otherwise. |
| 2 | d | Assigned by REPEATX to each course taken more than once. |
| 3 | r | Assigned to each course found matching in the Repeat Table |
| 4 | (| Assigned by CROSS to each course taken when >1 is from a cross-linked group. |
| 5 | + | Assigned by REPEATX to any duplicate course identifying GPA affect. |
| 6 | - | Assigned by REPEATX to any duplicate course that has no credit. |
| 7 | p | Assigned by BLDCRSE or RESETE to any course in the process of being completed. |
| 8 | v | Assigned to indicate that there is a converted course value for this course. |
| 9 | < | Assigned to any repeatable course whose credit has been reduced but not to 0. |
| 10 |) | Any course with this condition code won't be considered as a cross-listed course. |
| 11 | { | Assigned by DARS to any course that has been split. |
| 12 | } | Assigned by DARS to the 2 derived course entries that represent a split course. |
| 13 | & | Assigned by DARS to all courses which belong to a linked-course set. |
| 14 | : | Assigned by DARS to all occurrences except the first of a retaken course. |
| 15 | ; | Assigned by DARS to all occurrences except the last of a retaken course. |
| 16 | ! | Set for each course occurrence that will be compared using its title and number. |
| 17 | [| Assigned by DARS to each course with the "best" grade, even if only taken once. |
| 18 |] | Assigned by DARS to the first/only occurrence of a course with an ADDCT>0. |

Expanded Descriptions from the DARS Specifications Manual

1. **i** - (IGNORE) Automatically ignore a course with this condition code unless specifically coded to accept. This positional condition code value can be assigned to a course that should not normally be considered to meet any requirement - i.e. courses which are not accepted for any program within a school; courses which have been taken for remedial credit, etc. Typically, a value of "I" has been entered in this position to represent IGNORE. Additional references: COM.SKIPIGNORE and RQ.IGNORECL.
2. **d** - (DUPLIC) Automatically assigned by the internal module REPEATX to each duplicate course which was found. This assignment is made whether or not the course is found in the REPEAT Table. This assignment is made whether or not the course's credit has been adjusted.

See also 5 & 6 below. If pre-assigned to a course or assigned through EXCeption processing then that course will not be evaluated by the repeatable/retaken course logic. Refer to COM.RETAKECHR flag field.

3. **r** - (REPEAT) Automatically assigned by the internal module REPEATX to each duplicate course found within the REPEATable course table (RPTC) - whether or not the course's credit has been adjusted. Typically, a value of "R" has been entered in this position to represent repeat. When this third position value is set on for a course, the COM.RPTCHR is also set on.
4. **(** - (CROSS) Automatically assigned by the internal module CROSS to each course a student has taken when more than one course was found to have been taken from a cross-listed course group. A cross-listed course group would be defined either in the CROSS Table or in the STRING Table in an STYPE='C' string. Typically, a value of "+" has been entered in this position to represent a cross-listed course.. When this fourth position value is set on for a course, the COM.CONFLCHR is also set on.

This condition code value may also be assigned by the "driver" to identified courses to enable duplicate course checking functions represented by COM.DUPLCTL values 'K' and 'P'. If set by the "driver", DEGA51/CDAR51 will automatically delete this code from the course(s) after its duplicate course processing phase.

5. **+** - (DFLAG) Automatically assigned by the internal module REPEATX to any duplicate course which has been so identified, and has had its credit reduced to zero; but has kept its GPA effect. Failed duplicate courses with original credit of zero can have the automatic assignment of DFLAG omitted by setting JBCHANGE to Y. However, it is suggested that JBCHANGE be used in conjunction with REDEF56 set to Y which redefines the assignment criteria of position 5..

When COM.REDEF56 = 'Y', the reserved meanings of position 5 and position 6 of COM.CONDTB are redefined such that position 5 is only assigned when a duplicate course's GPA is removed. Refer to COM.REDEF56.

When COM.REDEF56 is set to blank, and position 5 is pre-assigned, then this course will have any credit it would have been assigned reduced to zero while retaining any GPA effect.

As a result of the condition code value in position five being set on, the COM.DUPCHR flag will be also set on for a course.

Note: A unique situation is identified when the 5th position condition code (DFLAG) is set on and the 6th position condition code (DRPFLAG) is set off on a repeated course when COM.DUPLCTL= 'I'. In this special case, the setting of these condition codes represent GPA removed and credit retained. DEGA/CDAR will automatically set COM.REDEF56 to 'Y' when COM.DUPLCTL='I'. Refer to COM.GPADRPCHR flag field.

6. -- (DRPFLAG) Automatically assigned by the internal module REPEATX to any duplicate course which has been so identified, and has had its credit reduced to zero and its GPA effect reduced to zero (eliminated).

If pre-assigned, then this course will have both its credit and GPA effect reduced to zero. As a result of the condition code value in position six being set on, the COM.DRPCHR flag will also be set on for a course.

When COM.REDEF56 = 'Y', the reserved meanings of position 5 and position 6 of COM.CONDTB are redefined such that position 6 is only assigned when a duplicate course's credit is removed. Refer to COM.REDEF56. Failed courses with zero original credit can have the automatic assignment of position 6, when REDEF56=Y, suppressed. Refer to JBCHANGE=Y.

7. **p** - (IP) Automatically assigned by the internal module BLDCRSE or RESETE to any course currently in the process of being completed (i.e. to any course with a grade defined with GMASTER.IP set to 'I'). Typically, a value of "P" has been entered in this position to represent in 'P'rocess. When this seventh position is set on for a course, the COM.IPCHR flag is also set on.
8. **v** - (CONVERT) Assigned to indicate that there is a converted course value associated with this course. If assigned to a course before the course is passed to the degree audit program then no course conversion will be attempted. Whether or not a course conversion is attempted, if there is no internal converted course (C.XCOURSE) value, then this condition code will be automatically removed from the course. Typically, a value of "V" has been entered in this position to represent a converted course. Additional references: C.XCOURSE and COM.CVTTEXT.

9. < - (REPEATCRD) Automatically assigned to any repeatable course (a course found in the %REPEAT Table) whose credit has actually been reduced but not to zero; or (beginning with version 5.15), to any course whose credit has been reduced (partially or totally) as a result of any DARS processing when COM.SETXREPEAT='Y'.

When this condition code is assigned as a result of a partial credit reduction on a course due to a credit restriction in the REPEAT table, then this condition code is assigned in addition to the third position pre-assigned condition code.

When this ninth position is set on for a course, the COM.RPTCRDCHR flag is also set on.

- 10.) - (CROSSCKD) If the condition code identified in position ten is assigned to a course, then that course will be ignored from consideration as a "cross-listed" course. This code can be assigned to a course before passing to the audit, through automatic assignment as a function of its grade, or by an appropriate course substitution exception action.
11. { - (SPLITCRS) Assigned by DARS to any course which has been split. This code is assigned to the original course within the internal course table (ETAB) and is available for subsequent client testing. A course which has been assigned this condition code may not be further split or re-split. Additional reference: COM.ALLOWSPLIT.
12. } - (SPLITNEW) Assigned by DARS to the two derived course table entries which represent the "split" course and is available for subsequent client testing. When the twelfth position value is set on the "derived" courses, the COM.SPLITCHR flag is also set on.

This condition code value may also be assigned by the "driver" to identified courses to enable duplicate course checking functions represented by COM.DUPLCTL values 'G', 'K', 'P', and 'T'. If set by the "driver", DEGA51/CDAR51 will automatically delete this code from the course(s) after its duplicate course processing phase.

13. & - (LINKCRS) Assigned by DARS to all courses which have been identified as belonging to a "linked course set". While this condition code is available for client testing, its nature, and the relationship established among each "linked course set", dictates that only the "principal" course can be identified for any set. For reporting purposes, when the principal course is reported, so will all others in that "linked course set".

If a course is assigned the LINKCRS (pos. 13) condition code by a client prior to DARS processing of the initial course entry or prior to the repeatable/retaken course analysis (as with an EXCeption table entry), then it

will be excluded from being joined into a "linked course set". Additional references: COM.LINKREPT and course LINKNO discussions.

- 14.: - (XNOTFIRST) Assigned by DARS to all occurrences with the exception of the first occurrence of any retaken course. May be useful in testing for special grade point calculations which may vary from the usual institutional policy.
- 15.; - (XNOTLAST) Assigned by DARS to all occurrences with the exception of the last occurrence of any retaken course.
- 16.! - (XCKTITLE) Value set by client on each course occurrence for which a comparison of duplication is to be made using course title (C.CTITLE) as well as course designation.

When COM.CKTITLE is set to 'F', all course occurrences must have this sixteenth position code set for their course titles to be checked. C.CTITLE fields will be checked for duplication even if blank.

- 17.[- (XBESTGPA) Assigned by DARS to each course with the "best" grade. This condition code would be assigned to every course which has no duplicates. Courses that have duplicates - either due to course number equivalence or to 'D' or '=' STRING Table membership - would use the DARS assigned course GPA value to determine which course had the "best" grade. In cases with GPA ties, the course with the greater earned credit would be used, and further in cases of equal earned credit the earlier taken course would be used. Reference COM.USEALTGPA for use of "alternate" GPA.

If a course is excluded from REPEAT/RETAKEN logic, then position 17 will not be assigned automatically.

- 18.] - (XFPASSED) Assigned by DARS to the first/only occurrence of a course with an ADDCT greater than zero - the first passed course. This determination is made by DARS prior to any ADDCT adjustments by repeat/retaken, or STRING internal processes.

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