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Description

Rational® Developer for System z® consists of a common workbench and an integrated set of tools that support end-to-end, model-based development, runtime testing, and rapid deployment of simple and complex applications. It offers an integrated development environment (IDE) with advanced, easy-to-use tools and features to help WebSphere®, CICS®, and IMS™ developers rapidly design, code, and deploy complex applications.

For more information on the enhancements and added function in Rational Developer for System z Version 9.0, see the What's New topic in the Rational Developer for System z information center .

For more information on the Rational Developer family of products, see the Rational Developer family of products website.

Accessibility features in Adobe Acrobat Reader

For information about the accessibility features in Adobe Acrobat Reader, see Adobe Acrobat Reader Help and Accessibility features.

For information about using the keyboard to navigate a PDF in Adobe Acrobat Reader, go to the Adobe Acrobat Reader help and see Keys for navigating a PDF.

Announcement

The Rational Developer for System z announcement is available on the IBM Rational Developer for System z website library page. To view the Rational Developer for System z announcement, go to the website, select the appropriate version tab and then select the **Announcement Letter**.

The Announcement Letter contains the following information:

- Product description, including a description of new functions
- Product positioning statement
- Packaging and ordering details

- International compatibility information

System requirements

For the latest and most up-to-date hardware and software requirements, go to the Rational Developer for System z website and select the **System Requirements** tab. Hardware and software requirements are also documented in the Rational Developer for System z Prerequisites Guide (SC23-7659) found on the Rational Developer for System z website library page.

For the most up to date versions of the complete documentation, including installation instructions, white papers, podcasts, case studies, and tutorials, see the Rational Developer for System z website library page.

Installing Rational Developer for System z

For information about installing the help content locally for Rational Developer for System z, see “Installing help content locally using the Local Help Updater and the RDz90_updateSite.zip file,” on page 5

For information on installing and configuring Developer for System z, see the following documents:

- **z/OS® host installation:** Program Directory for Rational Developer for System z
- **Basic and common z/OS host customization:** IBM Rational Developer for System z Host Configuration Utility Guide
- **Basic z/OS host configuration:** IBM Rational Developer for System z Host Configuration Quick Start Guide
- **Detailed z/OS host configuration:** IBM Rational Developer for System z Host Configuration Guide
- **Background and supporting z/OS host configuration information:** IBM Rational Developer for System z Host Configuration Reference
- **Client installation:** IBM Rational Developer for System z Installation Guide

Note: The installation and configuration guides are available on the Rational Developer for System z website library page, in the Rational Developer for System z information center and on the *Rational Developer for System z Quick Start Guide and Documentation Disc*. The Host installation and configuration guides are also available on the *Rational Developer for System z Server for z/OS Installation Disc*

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Known problems

Known problems are recorded as individual documents in the support knowledge base. As problems are discovered and resolved, the knowledge base is updated and maintained with new information. By searching the knowledge base, you can quickly find workarounds or solutions to problems.

To learn about the known limitations in this update, and any workarounds that are available, see the search results for Rational Developer for System z technotes.

Note: The following RSS feed allows you to stay up-to-date with the latest content created for Rational Developer for System z. Feeds are updated throughout the day.

Latest updates for Rational Developer for System z

IBM Rational Software Support

For contact information and guidelines or reference materials, read the *IBM Software Support Handbook*.

For FAQs, lists of known problems and fixes, and other support information, visit the product support page for Rational Developer for System z.

For product news, events, and other information, visit the product home page for the Rational Developer family of products.

Before you contact Rational Software Support, gather the background information that you need to describe your problem. When describing a problem to an IBM software support specialist, be as specific as possible and include all relevant information so that the specialist can help you solve the problem. To save time, know the answers to these questions:

- What software versions were you running when the problem occurred?
- Do you have logs, traces, or messages that are related to the problem?
- Can you reproduce the problem? If so, what steps do you take to reproduce it?
- Is there a workaround for the problem? If so, be prepared to describe the workaround.

Installing help content locally using the Local Help Updater and the RDz90_updateSite.zip file

If you are not going to use remote help to access the help content from the web and you do not have internet access, you must install the help content locally. This topic explains how to install the help content using the Local Help System Updater and the RDz90_updateSite.zip file provided in the installation image. The RDz90_updateSite.zip file is on the *IBM Rational Developer for System z Quick Start Disc*. The most current version of the RDz90_updateSite.zip file is available from the update download site at: <http://download.boulder.ibm.com/ibmdl/pub/software/rationalsdp/documentation/updatesites/>.

Before you begin

During installation, the help access option, **Download help and access the content locally**, was selected.

About this task

Before using the help for the product, you have to install the help to your local system.

To install the help content on the workstation using the RDz90_updateSite.zip file, complete the following steps:

Procedure

1. Copy the file RDz90_updateSite.zip to `<installtion_location>/help/updates` directory (where you installed IBM Rational Developer for System z on your system).
2. Open IBM Rational Developer for System z.
3. Select **Window > Preferences** and then **Help>Content**. Verify that the Local help is enabled and Remote help is disabled. Close the **Preferences** window.
4. Close and restart IBM Rational Developer for System z.
5. When the help initialization is complete, the local help installation is complete. Select **Help > Help Contents** to open the product help.
6. If a message appears stating that local help content has not been installed, select to install the local help using the Local Help Updater. When the Local Help Updater opens:
 - a. Select **Internal Sites** from the **Sites** pull-down.
 - b. Select the + icon to add a location.
 - c. Select **Local**.
 - d. Type a name for the site.
 - e. Click **Browse ('...')** and browse to the location where you copied the RDz90_updateSite.zip file and locate the site.xml file. The site.xml file should be in a subdirectory called RDz90_UpdateSite_zip.
 - f. Double click the site.xml file, and then click **OK**. If **OK** is not enabled, verify that the fully qualified path for the site.xml file is specified. A progress bar opens and tracks the status as the Local Help Updater searches

for the available features included in the RDz90_updateSite.zip file. The internal site you specified is created and appears in the **Site List**.

- g. Select the internal site you created. The available Rational Developer for System z documentation features appear.
- h. Select the Rational Developer for System z documentation you want to install and click **Install**.
- i. When the installation is complete, Close and restart Rational Developer for System z.
- j. Select **Help > Help Contents** to open the product help.

Results

The help that you selected to install locally is installed and available on your system.

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