



# 4D Development - Getting Started

## Introduction

**Level 1 Course**  
**Course Duration : 2 days**  
**Course Code : 4D-DEV1**

### About the Course

4D provides a comprehensive Rapid Development environment and this course gives an introduction to the environment and provides a foundation for the intermediate and advanced programming courses.

### Benefits

- Understand the 4D integrated Development Environment.
- Comprehensive coverage of the 4D User Environment.
- Understand the 4D User Interface Model.
- Outlines the essential of relational database design.
- Explains the 4D Database Structure Editor.
- Learn how to use the Form Wizard.
- In depth coverage of the 4D Form Editor.
- Use of 4D's built in tools for querying the database.
- Learn how to create quick reports.
- Configure the Custom Environment and Menu Editor.
- Learn how to configure 4D security.

### Prerequisites

No previous knowledge of 4D Development is assumed.

### What Next ?

4D Development - Programming - Introduction (4D-DEV2)  
4D Development - Programming - Web Integration (4D-DEV5)

### Course Content

**4D Architecture** • What is a relational database? • 4D as a RAD Tool • 4D Environments • The Database Explorer.

**Tables, Relations and Fields** • Structuring Information • Records • Relations • Indexes • Defining Tables • Field Properties • Field Types • Other Attributes • Creating a Relation • Relation Properties.

**The Design Environment** • Database Properties • Input Forms • Output Forms • Form Wizard • Form Editor • Object Properties and the Property List Palette • Objects, Fonts and Style Menus • Default and Automatic Buttons • Objects • Fields • Labels • Other Objects • Pictures.

**The User Environment** • Switching Environments • User Environment Features • Entering Data • Related Data • Creating a Sub Form • Including a Sub Form • Entry Control • Display Formats • Modify Records • Enter In List • Apply Formula • 4D Operators • Deleting Records • Deleting Options • Quick Report Editor • Import and Export Editors • Query Editors • Label Editor • Chart Editor.

**Forms in Depth** • Output Forms • Input Forms • The Form Wizard • Tool Palette • Other Palettes • Entry Control • Object Positioning • Entry Order • Drop Down Lists • Tab Control • Scrollable Areas • Multi-Page Forms • Inherited Forms • Tool-Tips.

**Designing Reports** • Reporting Options • Introduction to Quick Report Editor • Simple Quick Reports • Advanced Quick Reports • Output Forms used for Printing.

**The Custom Environment** • Output Form Behaviour • Menu Bar Design • Menu Bar #1 • Associating Menus with Forms • Creating Menu Item Methods • Toolbars • Changing Environments.

**Password System** • Users and Groups • Switching on Passwords • Controlling Access Privileges.

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