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TOPIC ---

Concerning DAL for AS/400: will I ever need SQL/400 in addition to the DAL
server installed on the target AS/400 to access the database using a DAL
application?

DISCUSSION --

The runtime libraries that come with the OS/400 operating system for an
AS/400 give you enough to be able to access data in a read-only manner.
The data can have been created in SQL/400, or in flat files (created via
DDS or IDDU).

If you wish to do updates, then the SQL/400 licensed product is required.
In addition, journaling has to be turned on for the individual dataset
within SQL/400.

Unlike all the other DAL Servers, this server can use the feature of
SQL/400 that allows access to files that are created via SQL/400 (known as
SQL Collections) -- as well as access to flat files created via other methods
available on the AS/400, such as DDS or IDDU (files created by these
methods are kept in Libraries).

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