

Maintenance of HFSQL files

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Gestan operates a database [HFSQL](#), a DBMS developed by PCSoft, in Classic or Client/Server mode.

This system uses files of file type:

- .FIC file: for example, CONTACT.FIC. .fic files contain the structured data of the file
- .NDX file: contain the data indexes (the "table of contents")
- .MMO file (optional): contain unstructured data, text, binary, images, etc., without size limitation
- .FTX file (optional): contain full-text indexes, to facilitate searches on a set of data.

HFSQL databases can be used freely, and do not require a license.

This system is very robust: maintenance is limited to checking the indexes. Indeed, as with any database system, it can happen (network problem, micro-outage, instability of the Wifi network, etc.) that the index files are out of phase and no longer correspond to the data files.

Gestan checks the indexes monthly, but it may be necessary to do this occasionally.

That's what this program is for.

Using the screen

Access: *Tools → Administration → Maintenance → Index of HFSQL files.*

of these files has an index problem, starting Gestan becomes impossible.

You must then open the reindexing screen from the [connection window](#) in Gestan.

If this solution does not work, you must then use the shortcut **“Reindex the Gestan files”**, present in the Gestan program directory (Normally C:\Program Files (x86)\GESTAN). This shortcut opens the reindex screen directly, on the last connected base.



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