

# JDF pickup



JDF pickup is a default Switch app that allows associating an JDF file (that is, a JDF job ticket) with a job as metadata. It supports the following pickup mechanisms:

- Metadata alongside asset
- Metadata in job folder asset
- Metadata refers to asset
- Metadata is asset

## Keywords

Keywords can be used with the search function above the Elements pane.

The keywords for the **JDF pickup** element are:

- metadata
- dataset
- asset
- ticket
- adticket

## Data model

The metadata source must be a JDF file conforming to the JDF 1.3 specification. The dataset data model is JDF.

## Connections

JDF pickup allows only a single outgoing connection.

## Properties

Property	Description
Element type	The flow element type: JDF pickup.  This property is useful to identify renamed flow elements. It cannot be changed.
Name	The name of the flow element displayed in the canvas

Property	Description
Description	A description of the flow element displayed in the canvas. This description is also shown in the tooltip that appears when moving your cursor over the flow element
Dataset name	A name for the set of metadata picked up by this tool; see picking up metadata
Pickup mode	The pickup mechanism; one of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Metadata alongside asset</li><li>• Metadata in job folder asset</li><li>• Metadata refers to asset</li><li>• Metadata is asset</li></ul>

Additional properties are shown depending on the selected pickup mode; for more information, see *Pickup modes* in the [Switch Reference Guide](#).

## Adobe Acrobat JDF

The JDF pickup tool supports JDF files generated by Adobe Acrobat 7 or higher. If the JDF file produced by Acrobat is delivered as a separate file it can be picked up with the "alongside asset" or "in job folder asset" mechanisms. If the JDF file and the corresponding assets are delivered as a single combined MIME file, the uncompress tool should be used in front of the JDF pickup tool to extract the individual files into a job folder.