

# Special Character Restrictions

## Quick Reference Guide

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### Special Character Rules

- An asterisk (\*) cannot be used as the first character of a key field.
- \ is only allowed to specify a host name where it is always double \\.
- A single \ can be used in directory names but they are automatically converted to forward slashes.
- Characters ;^~| are prohibited in all fields.
- Characters ;^~<>' are prohibited in fields that are validated via database lookup.

## Updates

Release	Section	Description
23.2	All sections	Applied miscellaneous writing style updates throughout the document.