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This walkthrough explains how to run the DevForce code generator without launching the EDM designer.

Problem

You want to re-generate your DevForce Entity Model quickly, without launching the Entity Framework Designer

Solution

Sometimes you need to re-generate your entity classes even though nothing has changed in the database schema and you aren't making any changes to the [model](#).

You *should* (and often must) regenerate your entity model classes whenever you upgrade to a new version of DevForce.

Obviously you're only changing the assembly references; your model and database schema haven't changed.

You don't have to waste time by opening the Entity Framework Design Tool and saving a fake change to trigger re-generation.

You can run the DevForce code generation tool from Visual Studio directly:

- Highlight the DevForce edmx T4 template file (the ".tt file").
- Right click to get the context menu
- Choose "Run Custom Tool"

Example

