

8.4 Python-Generated Support Artifacts

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Python may generate support [Artifacts](#) for Phase 0 to improve repeatability or reduce manual errors. These Artifacts may include derived [Configuration](#) files, validation reports, topic catalogue extracts, [Node](#) catalogue extracts, documentation fragments, fixture data, or test inputs.

The team should treat Python-generated support Artifacts as derived outputs. The Python script, input files, and generation command should define how to recreate them. Developers should not hand-edit Python-generated outputs unless the team intentionally converts the output into a governed handwritten Artifact.

Python-generated support Artifacts should reside in approved generated directories or in clearly documented output locations. The generation process should avoid overwriting handwritten files, local developer files, or reviewed [Baseline](#) Configuration.

Python support generation should remain a developer-automation mechanism. It should not hide architectural decisions inside scripts. If a Python script encodes a naming convention, topic mapping, Node list, Configuration rule, or validation rule, the team should document that rule in the handbook, catalogue, or relevant source definition.

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