


# Reading XML from other software

You can use the **Read XML** action to gather information from other software, such as an e-commerce site or a management information system (MIS).

If you want Prinerger to read XML files generated by other software and to process jobs based on that information, do the following steps:

1. Create or obtain a schema and add it to the Prinerger system using XML Schema Manager.
2. Create a rule set.
3. Use a **Job Hot Folder Drop** event to start the rule set.
4. Add a **Read XML** action, set the parameters, and click **OK**.  
In the **File** row, click . On the **Event Properties** tab, in **Hot Folder Path**, select **Directory Name**.
5. Add all of the subsequent actions that you want, such as the **Add Input Files** action, the **Refine Input File** action, and so on.
6. Save, close, and enable the rule.
7. Drop a sample XML file into the hot folder to test the rule.