

About the hot folder type options

In the **General** view, under **Hot Folder Type**, the **File Mover/Renamer** and **Job Creator** options control which options are enabled in the Add Smart Hot Folder dialog box.

- If you select **File Mover/Renamer**, only the options required to move and/or rename files are enabled. The options for creating jobs and selecting a template job are disabled.
- If you select **Job Creator**, all options are enabled. You can create jobs, start workflow processing, move files, and rename files.

Job Creator option

When you select the **Job Creator** option, the first source file dropped into a smart hot folder will create a job if the following two conditions are met:

- The source file name matches the target job naming pattern.
- There is no existing job that matches the target job naming pattern.

Under these conditions, the smart hot folder names the new job according to the target job naming pattern and processes the first source file.

Source files that are subsequently dropped into the same smart hot folder will be treated as follows:

- Source files that match both the source file naming pattern and the target job naming pattern are accepted, moved to the now-existing job, and processed.
- Files that match the source file naming pattern but not the target job naming pattern are accepted but create new jobs (as the existing job will not be found).

For an example of how this works, see [Case study: smart hot folder](#).