Stockit

V1.7 Update Notes

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Chapter 1. Getting Started

Introduction

Stockit version 1.7 provides new and additional features to those available in the previous version of the product. It also consolidates all fixes for problems reported since the previous update release. The changes made are listed in the following chapters.

Installing the New Version

This update is provided as a self-unpacking installation program that will automatically start the **Setup** program needed to install the modified files. Installation will start automatically once download from the Internet is complete or from the installation CD.

Backup your Database first

Although installing the new version does not affect your existing database it is highly recommended that you make a separate backup copy of your database to another location before you install the new version.

Operating System Support for Windows 10

Stockit version 1.7 is now fully supported under Windows 10.

For more information about current Windows supported operating systems, please see http://www.stockitsoftware.com/windowsversions.asp

Note: No versions of Stockit earlier than version 1.6 can be supported under the Windows 10 operating system.

Chapter 2. Functional Changes

Database Interface Technology

To accommodate changes in Microsoft's support for interfaces to Access databases in recent versions of Windows, the core database interface within Stockit has been updated to use the industry standard Open Data Base Connectivity ("ODBC") interface.

Stockit relies on a Microsoft Access database for storage of all its data, and the Stockit application has until now used the Microsoft "JET" database engine to access this database. Due to changes in Microsoft's support for JET in recent editions of Windows, some users started to experience issues with establishing and maintaining a connection to the databses.

To overcome this, and to protect your investment in Stockit and the data that Stockit manages for you, we have completely re-engineered our Stockit database interface to replace JET withh ODBC. This avoids any end-of-life issues with JET and future-proofs your investment by utilising the industry standard ODBC interface to interact with the Stockit database.

As well as providing a more stable long-term platform for interfacing to the database, it also overcomes performance issues that have been experienced by a small number of Stockit users on Windows 7 or later.

Although this change represents a significant amount of engineering within the application, your transition to the new version will be seamless and you will not even notice that anything has changed! Not only that, but the changes have been done in such a way that version 1.7 of the application can co-exist with the previous 1.6.7 edition with both accessing the same Stockit database.

User Interface Changes

WIP Available in Shortage/Replenish Calculations

The ability to consider 'Work in Progress' in Shortage/Replenish calculations, this is available when it is not also used in generated Factory Purchases Orders.

Display additional Stock/WIP columns in the 'Enter New Purchase Order Items'

The ability to display additional Stock/WIP columns in the 'Enter New Purchase Order Items' form.

Partial Product Completion

The ability to do partial product completion, for example, complete 5 out of a batch of 10 products in the 'Complete work in Progress' form, leaving the remainder to be completed at a later date. NB This is not available in the partial product completion, e.g. The Stock Valuation Report.

Known Issues

Custom Reports

If you have an existing Stockit installation which includes custom reports that contain embedded SQL statements, these reports may no longer work in the new version due to changes in the underlying database interface. If you are unable to resolve issues in this area, please contact Technical Support for advice.

User-definable Column Names

Renaming a user-definable column name can change its ordering relative to other user-definable columns. This is purely a side-effect of how the change has to be applied to the underlying table definition via ODBC and does not affect the data actually stored in those columns.