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WHAT'S NEW IN SAGE 300
Recent Product Update for Version 2017

The recently-released Product Update 2 (PU2) for Version 2017 included improvements for both the classic version of Sage 300 as well as new screens and functionality for Sage 300c. Here's a look at some of the top new features in this newest version of the software.

General Enhancements in Both Products

Here are some new features or improvements to existing features for both Sage 300 and 300c.

More Flexibility in National Accounts – in AR, you can now change the national account for a customer even if there are outstanding transactions.

Improved Validation on P/O Receipt Entry Screen - in Purchase Orders, the Receipt Entry screen now prevents you from entering duplicate invoice numbers for the same vendor.

Improved Error Messages in Day-end Processing - if a problem occurs during day-end processing, improved error messages help you identify the cause of the problem more quickly and easily.

Improved Item Finder - now you find what you're looking for faster with the Item Finder which now includes information on quantities available, committed, on-hand, on purchase order, and on sales order as well as Preferred Vendor (name & number) and Preferred Vendor Item Number.

Sage 300c Web Screens

Sage 300c Version 2017.2 adds a collection of new web screens and enhancements to existing web screens that we'll take a look at here.

Order Entry Web Screen - new web screens for Sage 300c Order Entry include Invoice Entry, Shipment Entry, and Capture Payments with Invoices.

Accounts Receivable Documents - a new Inquiry feature makes it easy to look up A/R documents. It's available from the web toolbar, the A/R Customers screen, and some transaction entry screens in Accounts Receivable and Order Entry.

Simplified Emailing from Web Screens - a new Email tab on the Company Profile screen makes it easier to set up and manage print-to-email settings for web screens.

Check Customer Credit Status - a new Credit Status tab on the A/R Customers web screen displays credit status, outstanding balances, and other credit data for customers and national accounts (This info was previously available only from A/R Customer Inquiry in Sage 300 classic screens).

Sage 300 Classic Screens

The good old Sage 300 Classic screens got a couple of enhancements too. Here's a look.

Easier Print-to-Email Options - a new Email tab on the Company Profile screen makes it easier to set up and manage print-to-email settings for Sage 300 classic screens. You can send email using Microsoft Outlook, or you can select the new 'Use SMTP' option to use an SMTP service to send documents via email.

Custom Price and Credit Limit Overrides - new customization options allow you to customize and specify how unit price limit overrides and credit limit overrides are approved in O/E transaction entry screens.

Notes Before Updating

As with any interim product update, PU2 for Version 2017 is not a full upgrade or product replacement. It is only valid until Sage releases the next product update for Version 2017 or the next full version release of Sage 300 (2018).

Sage 300 and Sage 300c 2017 require Microsoft .NET Framework 4.6.2. If you have not installed .NET Framework 4.6.2, you will be prompted to install it during installation of this product update.

Additional Resources:
Sage 300 2017 Product Update 2 Release Notes
Sage 300 2017 Compatibility and System Requirements

Need Help?

Be sure to Contact Us if you have questions or need help updating, upgrading, or anything in between.

SAGE 300: THE ROAD AHEAD

At various Sage Summit Tour stops worldwide, Sage has been delivering a "Road Ahead" presentation that gives us a glimpse of the product vision, development goals, and new features that are coming to Sage 300. Here's a look at the future of your ERP software in 2017 and beyond.

Product Vision and Strategy

The overall strategy for Sage 300 is continued modernization of the product to embrace "forces of change" in technology including cloud and mobile. Part of the aim is to bridge the gap between software and apps you run in the cloud and the software you manage on-premises. This "hybrid cloud" approach allows you to be selective about which technology - cloud or on-premises - is best for your business. Another clear goal is to create a Sage 300 system that provides unparalleled integration of accounting, payments, and payroll.

New or Improved Features to Come

Here are some things to expect later this year and next year:

- Modernized visual updates to the desktop interface
- Simplified bank reconciliation and direct transaction download through Sage Banking Cloud
- Connect Office 365 to store and link attachments to Sage 300 documents and transactions
- Perform ad hoc queries from the web screens

Get the Presentation Slides

Contact us to request a copy of the presentation slides where you'll get full details of the road ahead along with visuals and screenshots to see what's in store for Sage 300.

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