



Infor Distribution A+ Release Notes

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About this guide

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The description for each change contains a high-level overview of any new functionality and, if applicable, information about setting up your options to use the new features. Please read this entire section for information about Infor Distribution A+ product enhancements. Enhancements are organized by product and then, release level.

Intended Audience

This document should be reviewed by the person(s) responsible for the installation and implementation of Infor Distribution A+. There are technical system requirement information topics as well as product enhancement overview information topics that are relevant to different individuals assigned to the implementation team.

How this Overview is Organized

This overview describes the software modifications included in Infor Distribution A+ Version 11.00.00 and also any Version 11.00.00 release enhancements found in the patch releases of Version 11.00.nn (e.g., 11.00.01). Each change description is categorized by the module affected the most by the change. If the change affects more than that one module, the other modules are identified within the description.

The description of each change contains a high-level overview of any new functionality and, if applicable, the actions required to activate those functions. If any module-level changes require system-level modifications, this too is indicated.

This overview also contains the following sections:

- Software Update Checklists
- Installation Preparation
- Version Specific Installation Notes

Use the Software Update Checklists to ensure that all setup options and security authorities have been answered when performing an Infor Distribution A+ software update to Version 11.00.00. If you are updating to Version 11.00.00 from an earlier Infor Distribution A+ version, you should also review the Software Update Checklists for each intervening version/ release.

Refer to Installation Preparation when planning for and performing the installation of any Infor Distribution A+ software update. Review this section to note the physical and logical files that have been added, modified, and deleted for the new version of the software.

Important: Be sure to review the Installation Preparation section for notes specific to the installation of this version of Infor Distribution A+. Because certain files may be removed, you need to ensure that all data is properly prepared so data integrity is maintained (for example, if data is to be copied to a new or replacement file). You also need to ensure that any user-created/modified programs that refer to files being replaced are updated to refer to the appropriate replacement files.

The Version Specific Installation Notes section contains important information that the IS manager or system administrator should review carefully prior to installing Infor Distribution A+ Version 11.00 and/or the patch releases of Version 11.00.nn (i.e. 11.00.01).

Related documentation

You can find Aplus documentation (i.e. install/upgrade guides, user guides, etc.) on Infor's new documentation site (<https://docs.infor.com/en-us/aplus/>). Customers may need to sign-in to Infor Concierge to access this site.

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Chapter 1 Introduction and Preparation

This chapter contains information for the person(s) that will be responsible for planning and implementing the new release of Infor Distribution A+. Review the sections and compare to the existing installed code base to plan for updates to modifications, plan for updates to the supported IBM operating system, and to plan for implementing new features.

Introduction

To stay current with IBM i operating system releases, the Infor Distribution A+ Version 11.00.01 software update is available to all IBM i customers with IBM i Version 7, Release 3, (V7R3) or later installed.

If your IBM i does not have at least V7R3 installed, you will need to upgrade accordingly in order to download Distribution A+ software. If you are planning to perform program modifications on your IBM i, you will need the appropriate IBM licensed programs to compile RPG and SQL program objects. Contact IBM and/or your Infor sales representative for more information.

The Infor Distribution A+ Version 11.00.01 software update provides enhancements to product functions and application features. The changes provide state-of-the art tools to help increase user productivity and manage all areas of your business more effectively.

While planning your software update, be sure to review the Release Notes for all the version/releases between your currently installed version and Infor Distribution A+ Version 11.00.01. For example, if you have Version 08.03.00 installed, the Infor Distribution A+ 08.03.03, 08.04.00, 10.00.03, 10.01.01, 10.02.01, 10.03.03, and this 11.00.01 Release Notes documents will have the enhancement details for the enhancements that were included through the patch releases of each version/release.

Because Infor Distribution A+ is a fully integrated software system, program enhancements could affect a single process within one module, or could affect functionality within several modules.

Software Update Checklists

After updating your Infor Distribution A+ software to Version 11.00 or a patch release labeled Version 11.00.nn, use these Software Update Checklists to ensure that you have answered all of the

setup options that are new in this release. Setup options are those options that affect the overall operation of Infor Distribution A+. The setup options for this release, if applicable, include:

- system options
- company options
- warehouse options
- application action options
- security options

When you update Infor Distribution A+ to Version 11.00 or a patch release labeled 11.00.nn, the defaults for new setup options will be set so that they are turned off. Any exceptions to this are described in Version Specific Installation Notes. You should, however, review all of the options on the Software Update Checklists and verify that each option is set correctly for your installation. Ignore options for modules that you do not have installed. You should also review the Software Update Checklist for each intervening version/release.

Note: Because these Software Update Checklists contain only setup options, it does not list every new field in the new version. There may be additional fields, not included in the checklist, that you need to fill in to use a new function. For detailed information on the requirements of an individual new release function, refer to the description of that function in this overview.

The setup options on the Software Update Checklists are broken down by system, company, and warehouse options, then by Infor Distribution A+ module. For information on how to set a particular option, refer to the User Guides or Online Documentation for the menu option listed. For detailed setup checklists for Infor Distribution A+ modules, refer to the Infor Distribution A+ Cross Applications User Guide or the User Guide for the specific module.

Software Update Checklist - System Options

MENU OPTION	SYSTEM OPTION
Version 11.00.00	
None	
Version 11.00.01	
None	

Software Update Checklist - Company Options

MENU OPTION	COMPANY OPTION
Version 11.00.00	
None	
Version 11.00.01	
None	

Software Update Checklist - Warehouse Options

MENU OPTION	WAREHOUSE OPTION
Version 11.00.00	
None	
Version 11.00.01	
None	

Software Update Checklist - Application Action Authority

MENU OPTION	COMPANY OPTION
Version 11.00.00	
None	
Version 11.00.01	
None	

Software Update Checklist - Menu/Option Security

MENU OPTION	COMPANY OPTION
Version 11.00.00	
None	
Version 11.00.01	
None	

Installation Preparation

When planning for and performing the installation of any Distribution A+ software update, follow the setup and installation procedures in the Infor Distribution A+ Cross Applications User Guide and Infor Distribution A+ User Security User Guide. Additionally, because custom or modified programs might use files that have been affected by the update, it is important that you review the database changes described in this section prior to installation, noting the modified (changed) files and new (added) files.

Physical Files - New

The following physical files have been added for Infor Distribution A+.

Version 11.00.00	
APUUZSI	APUUZSIC

Version 11.00.01

GLWUS

Physical Files - Modified

The following physical files have been modified for Infor Distribution A+.

Version 11.00.00

FWOPT	APLUSREF	HSDET	INDET
ORDET	ORDOF	ORWDT	RPDET
YSDET	ESORDET	ESORDOF	PSHED
FWOPT	APLUSREF	HSDET	INDET

Version 11.00.01

None

Logical Files - New

The following logical files have been added for Infor Distribution A+.

Version 11.00.00

None

Version 11.00.01

None

Logical Files - Modified

The following logical files have been modified for Infor Distribution A+.

Version 11.00.00

None

Version 11.00.01

None

Version Specific Installation Notes

Version 11.00.00 Update Library

With the release of Version 11.00.00 of Infor Distribution A+, the Update Library code was rolled back into the base libraries (e.g., OE programs are placed back into **AP_OE**) due to the increasing size of the Update Library. This in turn clears out the Update Library (**AP_UPD**) for Version 11.00.00, except for any objects that need to be in the Update Library.

Installation Process Notes

In the 11.00.00 update, there are no install specific programs that will occur for specific enhancements included in the release.

In the 11.00.01 update, there are no additional install specific considerations, other than the normal patch update process.

Custom Linked Documents

If you use the Linked Report functionality, you should review the files used in the saved reports against the list of file changes provided. If a file change has occurred, it may require that you regenerate your saved document specifications against the new version of the specific file.

Chapter 2 Enhancements

This overview describes the enhancements to product functions and application features included in releases of the Infor Distribution A+ product.

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The enhancements added in these releases were selected by Product Management and Development based on feedback from the sales team, the TUG A+ Group (A+ SIG), and issues submitted through the Infor Support Portal (<https://concierge.infor.com/>).

Released Enhancements

Important: Effective with the 10.01.00 release of Infor Distribution A+, credit card processing will only interface to the CenPOS Secure Card Processing network. Your implementation of Distribution A+ at this release or higher must include a transition to CenPOS secure token processing if you are still using a credit-card authorization interface.

This section only includes enhancements made at A+ Version 11.00.00 and higher. All program changes, however, for both enhancements and fixes can be found in the appropriate release level of the Resolved Issues document. For example, all program changes for A+ Version 11.00.00, can be found in the *Infor Distribution A+ Resolved Issues Version 11.00.00 document*.

Accounts Payable

AP Receipts History Report

Version 11.00.01

The APREPT Receipt History Report (which prints accounts from 'current' GLXFER transfer definition account identifications) has been changed to utilize the Non-Inventory Item GL code, if it exists, rather than just the default GL-IA account. Now, for non-inventory items, the Non-Inventory Item GL code will be used when selecting the inventory account for the Receipt History Report, which will match the logic postings utilize.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

Accounts Receivable

Offline Customer Maintenance

Version 11.00.00

While some Customer Master and Ship-to Master numeric fields (e.g., customer price list, salesrep) are not allowed to be 'zeroed' out via Offline Customer Maintenance, it has been decided that some other numeric 'value' related fields should be. To allow more flexibility in this area, changes have been made to the offline process to allow users to identify a zero value in the spreadsheet for the following fields which will then update the appropriate CUSMS and ADDR file fields accordingly: Credit Limit, Order Minimum value, Mx W/O Amount field, and Mx W/O Percent.

Additionally, the AR135 Customer Offline Errors/Warnings report and the AR136 Ship-to Address Offline Errors/Warnings reports have been adjusted to eliminate any duplicate message information.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

Salesrep Suspension Checking

Version 11.00.00

Salesreps assigned to customer/ship-to records automatically default into your orders and allow you to track and analyze pertinent commission and sales data for your sales representatives. Notifying users performing customer/ship-to maintenance of any suspended salesreps is imperative to help ensure that proper, current salesreps are being used. To better provide more consistent notifications of any suspended salesreps, the edit checks for this situation being done via the ARFILE 1 Customer/Ship-to Maintenance option and the ARMAST 7 Offline Customer/Ship to Maintenance option have been better aligned.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

Cash Entry Date Warning

Version 11.00.01

To help eliminate keying errors during cash entry, in an earlier release, a warning edit and mic '8214: WARNING: Override date is outside of current date range' was added to the Override Date field on the End Group screen during ARMAIN 1 Cash & Adjustment Entry/Edit; if a date was entered that was 90 days prior or after the current date the user would be warned to check the date keyed. That same warning edit and message has now been added to the other screens in Cash Entry (Start

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Group, Enter Cash, or Apply Cash screens). This helps eliminate keying mistakes on the date wherever the date may be entered).

Note: This code change includes a change to the user message USR8214 in the DWERR message file.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

forms@work

Allow Entry of a longer OPTIO EMAIL Server Name

Version 11.00.00

To help with the identification of the computer name on which your Optio e-mail server is installed, or the address of your ISP SMTP server, the Optio Email Server Name fields in forms@work Options Maintenance have been expanded. These fields now permit entry of up to 100 characters, allowing you to identify your exchange 365 URL if so desired. Previously, identification of a longer server name/URL required modifications to each document to hard-code the server address information, or a modification to the data_parse.fun file on the Optio server to hard-code the 'eserver' field value to reflect your email server (instead of having that value passed as a parm from APLUS).

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added; the following file was changed:

- forms@work Options file (**FWOPT**)

General Ledger

G/L Transfer Definition Account “Where Used” Inquiry

Version 11.00.01

To help eliminate posting errors/problems when a suspended or invalid account number is attempted to be used for a post job, several changes have been made to the G/L Accounts Maintenance option (from Menu GLFILE).

While in GLFILE G/L Accounts Maintenance, convenient access to a new G/L Transfer Definition Account “Where Used” Inquiry has been added. By specifying a G/L account and selecting a new **F4=Where Used** function key, the user can now see, at a glance, which GLXFER Transfer Definition entries, if any, contain that account. This provides a quick way for users to see which transfer definitions should be maintained to remove an account before suspending or deleting that account.

And to help ensure an account is not accidentally suspended or deleted while it is still assigned to a GLXFER Transfer Definition record, a new edit has been added to GLFILE G/L Accounts Maintenance to prevent the suspension or deletion if such a record is found.

Using this new inquiry for a specific account eliminates the need for the user to run the GLXFER “Where Used” Report for an entire company just to determine where a specific account might be used. For convenience and familiarity, the information provided in this new inquiry for a single account is very similar to that seen for the account on the GLXFER “Where Used” Report.

This inquiry runs over a new ‘General Ledger Where Used’ file (GLWUS), which is filled/refreshed with the current data from the GLXFER Transfer Definition every time any user takes the GLFILE G/L Account Maintenance Option.

Note: This enhancement change includes a new mic message USR0775 in the GLERR message file: Can’t Suspend Or Delete This Account; Press **F4** To See Where Used.

As a result of this enhancement, one new file, GLWUS (G/L Where Used), was added but no other files were changed:

Inventory Accounting

Allow Assignment of Non-PO Vendor to Items

Version 11.00.00

Assigning vendors to items via Item Master Maintenance/Item Balance Maintenance serves several purposes, including providing a default vendor for use in suggested order and special order creations. For this reason, original logic required that any vendor assigned to an item must be flagged in Vendor Maintenance as allowing POs. However, for some items, the identification of a vendor number could be strictly for internal tracking purposes and thus shouldn't require the vendor specified be a PO vendor. To provide for this, the hard-halt prevention 'MIC 3974: Primary Vendor does not allow purchase orders' previously issued in Item Master/Item Balance Maintenance has been replaced with a warning 'MIC 1784: WARNING: Vendor does not allow purchase orders'.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

Exclude Items With No Availability from Item Search Results

Version 11.00.01

A new **F9=AvlOnly/ F9>All toggle** has been added to the Item Description Search Screen to allow users to switch between showing all items matching search criteria and showing just those items matching search criteria that currently have available quantity (in any of the item's stocking units of measure, not just the default unit of measure). This new **F9** key is available when searching in single warehouse mode using the regular (not advanced) search feature.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

IM&P / AIM

Overstocked Inventory Report

Version 11.00.00

The Overstocked Inventory Report is an important tool used by buyers to identify planned items for which you currently have too much inventory. The report can be printed from high to low dollar, quantity, or percent variance on items that are overstocked often times due to declining sales. To be more inclusive of items with significant overstock situations, the calculation of the ‘percent variance’ used for item selection has been changed to consider values greater than 999.99. This helps to ensure your items with extreme overstocks will now be included in your report.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

Order Entry

Bypass Best Pricing for Contracts

Version 11.00.00

If XAFILE 5 Order Entry Options are set to use best pricing, users must decide, for named and ship-to specific contracts, if those contracts should bypass that best pricing logic and then are required to set the 'bypass best pricing' flag on those contracts accordingly. To make this process easier, two changes have been implemented: if a named or ship-to contract is being created via the quote release process, the user will now be presented with the 'bypass best pricing' prompt for that contract; also, when the 'bypass best pricing' prompt is presented (whether from the quote release process or the OEPRCE Contract Maintenance option), a default value of N will now be provided so the user need only change the flag if desired.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

Date of Last Sale

Version 11.00.00

Tracking first and last sale date information can be very beneficial for customers' buying/selling analysis. To improve the accuracy and consistency of this information, changes have been made to ensure better and more uniform updates for this data will occur across multiple files.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

Clearing Pick Lists

Version 11.00.01

The **F9=CLEAR ALL** function has been changed to exclude orders with a ship date, even if they are on hold (status 9), to match the logic in the **F10=CLEAR ORDER** function. To help clearly identify which orders in the pick run have been shipped, any order that has a ship date (has been ship confirmed) will now be flagged with an 'SC*' indicator (presented at the end of customer name field).

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

Customer Service Comments

Version 11.00.01

The Customer Service Comments screen has been modified to present more information related to the ship-to. Now, the full information from the 30-character **CONTACT** field and the **EXT** (extension) for the PHONE number will be presented.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

Purchasing

Prevent Closure of Pre-Received Non-Stocks

Version 11.00.00

Pre-receiving, or pre-receipt processing, is considered the function of planning for items (stock and non-stock) expected to be received from a vendor. Should the actual receipt contain less than the pre-receipt information originally identified, a reduction or deletion of the appropriate pre-receipt information should be done to ensure any future receipt of the expected difference will be allowed. To help with this process as it relates to non-stock items, changes have been made to ensure the proper clearing of non-stock pre-receipt information from all related files when a reduction or deletion is done. Also, edit checks have been added to notify users of any existing pre-receipt information by preventing the closing of non-stock PO lines if any such information is found.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

Special Order Requisition/PO Numbers

Version 11.00.01

When special order requisitions/POs are automatically created, the system assigns the req/PO numbers beginning with a letter of A, B, C, or D to differentiate them from req/POs created by some other means. A change has been made to expand the range of these letters from A to D to now also include letters E and F. By expanding the range of letters available for use, it allows for more requisition/purchase order numbers to be created during the special order req/PO creation process.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

Radio Frequency

Remove Extraneous Warning with PutAways into System Locations

Version 11.00.00

Location definition information is used during putaway tasks to provide important warnings when any defined physical constraints are being exceeded, thus helping to ensure items are being stored properly. However, such warnings for system (phantom) locations, which do not actually have physical constraints, are extraneous and therefore have been removed. By preventing such warnings for system locations, wasted time and keystrokes have been eliminated, thus increasing the handler's efficiency.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

RF Inquiry Counts Updating Last Count Information

Version 11.00.01

When RF Inquiry counts change an item's quantity, the associated last count information is logged. The RF Inquiry count process has been changed so that now, even if the item's quantity did not change during the count, the ITBAL/ITWHM last count/immediate count flag information will be updated. This matches the logic used if the count was done using the WMPHYS count sheet process. Also, the counts year-to-date value in ITWHM will be updated (once per day) when counting is performed via the RF Inquiry function.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.

WEB

Infor Distribution A+ runs in Infor System i Workspace AnyWhere Interface

Version 11.00.00

A+ Version 11.00.00 has been enhanced to run in Infor System i Workspace AnyWhere.

Infor System i Workspace AnyWhere is a user interface for launching Infor ERP and IBM i application tasks through a web browser. It provides an intuitive way for users to navigate through the System Manager Menu structure and to launch tasks that can display screens either using a graphical or an emulator look and feel.

Note: System Manager is Infor's IBM i based task/menu/role management and authorization tool. Your System Administrator will use this tool to define the tasks/menus/roles that you are able to access within Infor System i Workspace AnyWhere.

Infor System i Workspace AnyWhere has a single Emulator mode available called the 5250 AnyWhere Emulator. The 5250 AnyWhere Emulator can be used within a wide range of browsers and platforms to provide day-to-day access to your Infor ERP and IBM i tasks or use the 5250 AnyWhere Emulator Designer to modify the IBM i task display. No additional software is required on the client to use the 5250 AnyWhere Emulator.

As a result of this enhancement, no files were added or changed.