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**Scope:** Conversion logic upgrade, UI restrictions, and module integration for `item-info.js`, `waste-entry.js`, and
`dataUtils.js`.
## Overview of the Upgrade
### Goal:
Transform the unit conversion system into a **smart, flexible, and context-aware engine** that:
- Standardizes all conversions using the **Case Unit Type** as a base.
- Supports **multi-hop and bi-directional conversions**.
- Dynamically filters unit selection dropdowns based on compatibility.
- Uses `unitPerCase` to compute **CS EA** conversions accurately.
- Locks `Case Unit Type` after an item is saved to prevent downstream data conflicts.
## `dataUtils.js` Conversion Engine Overhaul
### Key Changes:
- Added **unit categories**: `weight`, `volume`, `each`
- Created a **bi-directional, multi-hop conversion system** using BFS (Breadth-First Search)
- Added **dynamic CS EA logic** using `item.unitPerCase`
- New function: `getConvertibleUnits(baseUnit)` returns compatible units for dropdown filtering
### New Exports:
```js
convertUnits(from, to, quantity, item?)
  // Multi-hop, supports CS EA
convertWasteQuantity(quantity, fromUnit, item) // Converts & estimates cost
getConvertibleUnits(baseUnit)
   // Returns compatible UOMs
dataUtils-upgraded.js
## `item-info.js` Locking Case Unit After Save
### Key Changes:
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- When editing an existing item, the `Case Unit Type` dropdown becomes \*\*disabled\*\*.

- When adding a new item, the dropdown remains editable.

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### Code Behavior:
```js
if (currentItem?.id) {
 caseUnitField.disabled = true;
} else {
 caseUnitField.disabled = false;
}
item-info-patched.js
## `waste-entry.js` Dynamic Unit Filtering
### Key Changes:
- Imports `convertUnits` and `getConvertibleUnits` from `dataUtils.js`
- Adds a function to populate the unit dropdown with compatible options:
```js
function updateUnitDropdown(baseUnit) {
 const validUnits = getConvertibleUnits(baseUnit);
}
waste-entry-patched.js
## How It Works in Practice
### 1. **Case Unit Becomes Base**
- When an item is created, its `Case Unit Type` is saved.
- After saving, it becomes the **locked base** for all future conversions.
### 2. **Dropdown Filtering**
- Only compatible units appear in:
 - Default Waste UOM in `item-info.js`
 - Unit field in `waste-entry.js`
### 3. **Smart Conversions**
- `convertUnits("OZ", "LB", 32)` `2`
- `convertUnits("FL OZ", "GAL", 64)` `0.5`
- `convertUnits("EA", "CS", 12, item)` depends on `item.unitPerCase`
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## Files That Must Be Updated in Production

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| File | Purpose |
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| `scripts/utils/dataUtils.js` | Core conversion logic |
| `scripts/modules/item-info.js` | Locks base unit field post-save |
| `scripts/modules/waste-entry.js` | Smart unit dropdown + conversion prep |
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## Next Steps / Optional Enhancements

- 1. \*\*Integrate `updateUnitDropdown()` calls in HTML forms\*\*
- 2. \*\*Add client-side validation to prevent submitting invalid conversions\*\*
- 3. \*\*Log unit mismatches or bad conversions for debugging\*\*
- 4. \*\*Apply this logic to future modules (Events, Menus, Reporting)\*\*