

longer be assigned to the `sql_mode` system variable or used as permitted values for the `mysqldump --compatible` option.

Removal of `MAXDB` means that the `TIMESTAMP` data type for `CREATE TABLE` or `ALTER TABLE` is treated as `TIMESTAMP`, and is no longer treated as `DATETIME`.

- The deprecated `ASC` or `DESC` qualifiers for `GROUP BY` clauses are removed. Queries that previously relied on `GROUP BY` sorting may produce results that differ from previous MySQL versions. To produce a given sort order, provide an `ORDER BY` clause.
- The `EXTENDED` and `PARTITIONS` keywords for the `EXPLAIN` statement have been removed. These keywords are unnecessary because their effect is always enabled.
- These encryption-related items are removed:
  - The `ENCODE()` and `DECODE()` functions.
  - The `ENCRYPT()` function.
  - The `DES_ENCRYPT()`, and `DES_DECRYPT()` functions, the `--des-key-file` option, the `have_crypt` system variable, the `DES_KEY_FILE` option for the `FLUSH` statement, and the `HAVE_CRYPT CMake` option.

In place of the removed encryption functions: For `ENCRYPT()`, consider using `SHA2()` instead for one-way hashing. For the others, consider using `AES_ENCRYPT()` and `AES_DECRYPT()` instead.

- In MySQL 5.7, several spatial functions available under multiple names were deprecated to move in the direction of making the spatial function namespace more consistent, the goal being that each spatial function name begin with `ST_` if it performs an exact operation, or with `MBR` if it performs an operation based on minimum bounding rectangles. In MySQL 8.0, the deprecated functions are removed to leave only the corresponding `ST_` and `MBR` functions:
  - These functions are removed in favor of the `MBR` names: `Contains()`, `Disjoint()`, `Equals()`, `Intersects()`, `Overlaps()`, `Within()`.
  - These functions are removed in favor of the `ST_` names: `Area()`, `AsBinary()`, `AsText()`, `AsWKB()`, `AsWKT()`, `Buffer()`, `Centroid()`, `ConvexHull()`, `Crosses()`, `Dimension()`, `Distance()`, `EndPoint()`, `Envelope()`, `ExteriorRing()`, `GeomCollFromText()`, `GeomCollFromWKB()`, `GeomFromText()`, `GeomFromWKB()`, `GeometryCollectionFromText()`, `GeometryCollectionFromWKB()`, `GeometryFromText()`, `GeometryFromWKB()`, `GeometryN()`, `GeometryType()`, `InteriorRingN()`, `IsClosed()`, `IsEmpty()`, `IsSimple()`, `LineFromText()`, `LineFromWKB()`, `LineStringFromText()`, `LineStringFromWKB()`, `MLineFromText()`, `MLineFromWKB()`, `MPointFromText()`, `MPointFromWKB()`, `MPolyFromText()`, `MPolyFromWKB()`, `MultiLineStringFromText()`, `MultiLineStringFromWKB()`, `MultiPointFromText()`, `MultiPointFromWKB()`, `MultiPolygonFromText()`, `MultiPolygonFromWKB()`, `NumGeometries()`, `NumInteriorRings()`, `NumPoints()`, `PointFromText()`, `PointFromWKB()`, `PointN()`, `PolyFromText()`, `PolyFromWKB()`, `PolygonFromText()`, `PolygonFromWKB()`, `SRID()`, `StartPoint()`, `Touches()`, `X()`, `Y()`.
  - `GLength()` is removed in favor of `ST_Length()`.
- The functions described in [Section 12.17.4, “Functions That Create Geometry Values from WKB Values”](#) previously accepted either WKB strings or geometry arguments. Geometry arguments are no longer permitted and produce an error. See that section for guidelines for migrating queries away from using geometry arguments.