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1. If you would like to merge variations and have variations from one Parent ASIN added to another Parent ASIN, you can do so both manually and via the Template.
2. If you are doing this manually, go to the "Manage Inventory" from the "Inventory" tab Drop Down menu on the top menu of Seller Central.
3. In order to merge ASINs, the ASINs would need to have the following stipulations:
 - The Brand name should be the same for all ASINs;
 - The ASINs you merge should be in the same category.
4. You would then need to delete the parent ASIN for the ASINs you wish to add to another existing Parent ASIN, making the Child ASINs stand-alone ASINs.
5. It is advisable that you delete the Parent ASIN with the least number of Child ASINs so you have less Child ASINs to add to the new/other Parent ASIN.
6. Make sure that you click on the little Arrow alongside the Parent ASIN beforehand to be sure you only delete the Parent ASIN and not the Child ASINs as well.
7. Once these Child ASINs are stand-alone ASINs, you can proceed to click on the "Edit" button to the right of the Parent ASIN you wish to add these Child ASINs to.
8. Under the "Variations" tab, proceed to add the two new variations as you would if you were creating new variations.
9. Remember to copy all the information exactly from the now stand-alone Child ASINs to the new variations you are setting up under the Parent ASIN, that is, the same SKU, price, et cetera as the ASINs you wish to merge under this new Parent ASIN.
10. You can also choose to rename the Parent ASIN title to make it more relevant to the newly configured variations.
11. Once you are happy with your changes, click the "Save and Finish" button at the bottom of the page.
12. In order to merge Variations via Template, click on the "Add a Product" from the "Inventory" tab Drop Down Menu on the top menu of Seller Central.
13. Click on the link saying "Download an Inventory File".

14. On the next page, scroll down to the header “Inventory Files” and click on the “Category-Specific Inventory Files” link. In the Pop-Up Window under the “Choose a File Template” Section, click on the “Template for Specific Categories” Link and then click on the relevant Category for which you are merging the variations on the next page.
15. Make sure that you fill in all the same information under the “Variations” section as it stands for these newly formed stand-alone Child ASINs (SKU, et cetera) and insert the new Parent ASIN they are being mapped to.
16. Here you would select the “Partial Update” item from the Drop Down Menu provided in the “Update Delete” Field on the sheet for the variations and you would only be adding the stand-alone ASINs from the deleted Parent ASIN to this other Parent ASIN.
17. You wouldn’t need to re-add all the Child ASINs already under this Parent ASIN.
18. Make sure that you fill in all the required information and we recommend that you also fill in the “Item Type Keyword” field to ensure you are using the same category as you did for the Parent ASIN you are mapping these Child ASINs to.
19. In the event that the Parent ASIN is new, you would need to proceed to fill in all the information for the Parent ASIN as you would when creating a new Listing and select “Update” from the “Update Delete” Field.
20. Be reminded that you need to save this file in .txt format before uploading it under the “Check and Upload Your Inventory File” tab on the “Add Products Via Upload” Page.
21. Again, it should be noted here that, while merging ASINs to the existing variation, you need use the same variation theme as of the parent to the ASIN you are going to add manually.
22. However, you can change the variation theme if you follow the steps to edit/create variations steps via file template.

See Also:

- ▶ [SOP: Adding Existing Amazon ASINs Manually](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Adding Existing Amazon ASINs via File Template](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Creating New ASINs \(Not Listed on Amazon\) Manually](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Creating New ASINs \(Not Listed on Amazon\) via File Template](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Using the Lister Loader Template](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Editing ASINs Manually](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Editing ASINs via File Template](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Editing Pricing](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Removing or Deleting ASINs](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Changing from FBA to FBM and Vice Versa](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Adding, Editing and Removing Videos](#) 

- ▶ [SOP: Creating Variations Manually](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Creating Variations via File Template](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Editing Variations Manually](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Editing Variations via File Template](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Removing an ASIN as a Variation](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Splitting Variations](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Adding a Stand-Alone ASIN to an Existing Variation Family](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Creating a New Variation Family by Combining Existing Stand-Alone ASINs](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Locating Style Guides](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Locating Browse Tree](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Managing Pricing](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Managing Inactive Inventory](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Managing Inventory Amazon Fulfills](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Managing Listing Enhancements](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Managing Suppressed Inventory](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Fixing Stranded Inventory](#) 
- ▶ [SOP: Removing Unfillable Inventory](#) 