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INTRODUCTION

This document contains an overview of the new features, fixes and changes included in version 1.8.3.2 of Business Cloud Essentials.

The key features and enhancements are:

- Scanning App
 - Pre-payment Journals
 - Stock Item – Last Update Note
 - Custom Reporting
 - o Fixed Asset Data Fields
 - o Sample Reports – Free Stock Report and Purchase Invoices Awaiting Payment Report
 - o Additional Stock Domain Fields
 - o Sales and Finance – Redundant Data Fields
 - Projects – Support for Backdated Financial Reports
 - Sales Order API - Due Date (e-Commerce)
 - Stock & Order Items - Export/Import
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FEATURES

BCE SCANNING APP

The BCE Scanning App is a web-based application that introduces Barcode scanning functionality.

It is important to keep stock inventory levels accurate and this can be achieved by using an efficient 'Goods In' operation.

The 'Scanning App', is initially designed for 'Goods In' where stock deliveries can be easily be scanned and have their quantities checked and compared to your purchase orders using real time data.

Scanning your supplier Barcodes should eliminate duplication and avoid mistakes ensuring the stock is correctly recorded as soon as it arrives at the warehouse.



Key Features:

- Works with smartphones, tablets and Bluetooth scanners
- No limitations on number of users, scans or devices
- The Scanning App is a Web based application easily accessed from a link
- Does not require any storage on your device

Business Benefits:

- Increased stock accuracy
- Simplifies the 'Goods In' operation
- Quickly and easily scan suppliers stock barcodes
- Reduces purchase order delivery processing mistakes and operational errors

Barcode Compatibility:

The following barcode formats are supported:

- Code 39
- Code 128
- EAN 13
- EAN 8
- Interleaved 2 of 5

Note: 'GS1' is currently not supported

PRE-PAYMENT JOURNALS

A change has been made to the monthly calculation for prepayment journals.

Previously, BCE divided the total prepayment value by hours which when multiplied by the term gave an uneven balance distribution of the prepayments, even where the number of days in a calendar month were the same.

The calculation method has been changed to divide the prepayment value by days. For consistency, calculating the prepayments on a daily basis means that calendar months of the same number of days will display the same value for the period.

The daily pro rata value provides an accurate calculation for terms beginning and ending mid calendar month.

Any adjustment for values not equally divisible by the daily calculation will be adjusted on the first prepayment.

STOCK ITEM – LAST UPDATE NOTE

Changes to stock items to capture the 'username' and 'date' has been introduced to keep users informed of updates to stock items.

The following fields have been introduced:

- Created by: Shows who created stock from screen or any import
- Created date: Date stock item created
- Updated by: Username who last updated from screen or import
- Updated date: Date of last update

Defaults

Expense Account:

Sales Account:

Project:

Department:

Delivery Method:

Stock Location:

Other

Created By: Vishwa

Created Date: 27/10/2020

Updated By: Vishwa

Updated Date: 07/10/2021

The system will capture changes to fields for all stock types when performed from:

- Manual updates (on screen)
 - Bulk update
 - Stock imports including the set-up wizard
 - BOM Import
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CUSTOM REPORTING - FIXED ASSET DATA FIELDS

The 'Finance' domain has been extended to include a 'Fixed Asset' dataset increasing the reporting capability for asset accounts.

- Fixed Asset – Includes data fields for asset accounts and asset transaction details
 - o General Asset account/register details
 - o Activity Details Financial transaction level details

CUSTOM REPORTING – SAMPLE REPORTS

The following sample reports are supplied for reference:

- Free Stock Report
This report is created from the stock domain using stock and stock location sets and can be filtered by stock name and stock group
- Purchase Invoices Awaiting Payment Report
This report is created from the purchase domain using the purchase invoice data set and can be filtered by supplier name, due date, supplier account status and invoice status

CUSTOM REPORTING – ADDITIONAL STOCK DOMAIN FIELDS

The 'Stock' domain has been extended to include following additional fields:

Domain	Reporting Set	Field Name	Details
Stock	Stock	Accounting Date Profit Reference Type Invoiced Quantity Turnover Cost	These fields can be used to create a Stock Turnover report

CUSTOM REPORTING – SALES AND FINANCE – REDUNDANT DATA FIELDS

Redundant sets from the Sales and Finance domains have been removed:

Sales Domain

Source
> Sales_Quotes
> Sales Orders
> Sales Invoices
> Sales Credit Notes
> Sales Deliverynote
> Sales Activity
> Sales Revenue
> Combined_Sales_Detailed
> Sales_Revenue
> Combined Sales Detailed

Finance Domain

Source
> Finance Aged Creditors
> Cash Flow In
> Cash Flow Out
> Finance_Working_Capital
> Finance Profit & Loss For DB
> Finance Current Assets Liabilities
> Finance Bank Value
> Finance Account Head Value
> Finance Fin Year Head Value
> Finance Profit and Loss For GN
> Finance Profit and Loss For RE
> Finance FY Profit and Loss For GN

PROJECTS – SUPPORT FOR BACKDATED FINANCIAL REPORTS

A 'Completed Date' has been introduced to projects. This will be set to today's date when completing a project but can be changed as required.

This completed date is examined when running the Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet reports and therefore supports backdated reports where the open or closed status of the project is determined as at the date of the report.



The screenshot shows the 'Edit Project' form with the following fields:

- Project Code (required)**: PROJ001
- Project Name (required)**: Project 1
- Completed?**: (highlighted with a red box)
- Completed Date**: 31/10/2021 (highlighted with a red box)
- Customer Ref.**: (empty)
- Project Manager**: (empty)
- Start Date**: 01/05/2021
- End Date**: 31/12/2021

If a closed project was open as at the date of the report, the status will be respected by the setting of the 'Exclude incomplete projects' tick switch.

Note: A project can be marked as completed and reopened and have its closed date changed. The project's completed date will only record the last date closed which may not always reflect the correct status of the project as at the date of the report.

SALES ORDER API – DUE DATE (E-COMMERCE)

For users of eCommerce, a stock line due date has been introduced when creating of sales orders using the API.

Where line due dates are not set by the API, the sales order will use the today's date and add the number of lead days from the general tab of the stock item.

STOCK & ORDER ITEMS – EXPORT/IMPORT

The stock import templates have been modified to be aligned with the stock export file. This permits global changes or bulk updates to existing stock records to be more easily performed when exporting the existing stock list and importing any field changes.

If an export of stock records by stock type includes custom fields, they will be identified and included when reusing the export csv file as a source file for importing.

The following import field changes have been applied:

Stock Pack Size - Export file name changed to Stock UOM

Sales Unit Price - Export file name changed to List Price

The Supplier and Alternative supplier conversion rate will be forced to 1 where the import field remains blank

Note: It is recommended that users with existing templates for stock import and bulk stock import review their templates to ensure all fields are correctly named and included. The sequence of the import fields is not important within the csv file, but correct field names must be used.
