



Autoline Release Notes

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Release notes are compiled for each new release of the Autoline system to provide information about enhancements and features.

Note: The release notes are incremental and therefore only cover changes in the program since the 8.35.9304B release.

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System Requirements

Connection Manager, offering greater reliability and functionality over telnet, is the only recommended connection method for systems running KCML6.

Available memory (RAM) should be 18 MB per user. This increase from the prior recommendation of 16Mb is an incorporation of overall system overheads into a **per user** measure.

Windows Vista, Windows XP SP2 and Windows 2000 SP4 are the recommended operating systems for computers that run Kclient.

There are issues with the extra security that Vista enforces that means that some products have to be installed with admin privileges. See www.kcml.com/vista.html.

Earlier Windows products unsupported by Microsoft are no longer endorsed as recommended operating systems for KClient.

For optimal screen displays, we suggest screen resolution be set to 1024 x 768 on hardware that will support this.

- **KClient version used for KCC 9304C testing** - version 6.20.38.13130 - or newer
- **KCML upgrade used for KCC 9304C testing** - version 6.20.38.13130 - or newer

- KClient setup file and KCML IMAGE files for all operating systems can be found on www.kcml.com/kcml/06.20/

For systems using a non-standard back-up method that creates a token file in /tmp on completion of the back-up, administrators will need to be aware that the system now uses \$WORKSPACE instead of /tmp. Please refer to your Technical Consultant to ensure that changes have been made to accommodate this.

CRM and OCX integration with Outlook requires MS office XP (otherwise known as MS office 10 or MS office 2002)

The use of the integrated telephony products in Autoline requires the CAS client (minimum version 2.70.3000 build 1001) to be installed on every computer.

System Requirements (PDA)

Windows Mobile 5 device must have at least:

- 128Mb ROM
- 64Mb memory (RAM)
- Minimum 3.5 inch screen of either of the following types:
 - QVGA (240 x 320) colour
 - VGA (480 x 640) colour
- WIFI
- GPRS
- Ruggedized hardware
- Keyboard

Release Notes

Icons have been included to highlight the following:




Enhancements that may require further training.



Enhancements that require parameter, system utility or configuration changes.

Accounts

Sales Ledger/Purchase Ledger/Nominal Ledger

Menu option	Form/Tab	Description
Miscellaneous Options	-	E8/3009 Print Daybooks for Partition  The Print daybooks for partition option will update all daybooks for the daybook type transactions which are specific to the terminal number (partition) that is entered- it does NOT update transactions for other terminals. This means that any user who has access to the SL/PL/NL Miscellaneous options menu can print daybooks for terminals (in other words users working on specific terminals) that

		<p>can't print daybooks themselves. An example of a user who can't print daybooks would be a user in a module who completes a task such as a Purchase Control verification or Take deposits from the VS or SR menu but doesn't have the option to any print daybooks options.</p> <p>The postings stay unprocessed in the NL invoice buffer usually until the print daybooks options is run as part of the end of day processing. By using the Print daybooks for partition option, these postings can be processed at any time, without the need to get users to exit the system, or update other types of daybooks from other modules. This can be particularly useful when an accountant wishes to see the most up to date financial picture at month end without waiting for the end of day processing to run.</p> <p>Note: The Miscellaneous menus for all accounts modules will need to be recompiled prior to using this functionality.</p>
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Aftersales

Point-of-Sale

Menu option	Form/Tab	Description
9304C	Any module > Reports and enquiries > Enquiries	<p>R8/50070 Ad-hoc Signal Received out of Memory</p> <p>Running ad-hoc reports down large files could cause problems with memory. In an effort to control problems of this nature three new environmental variables have been introduced. These are a warning when the output reaches a set amount, and an additional warning each time a specified number has been reached the a stop command, which will stop the report running. If these variables have not been created the system automatically warns at 5000 records output and gives subsequent warnings each time a further 1000 records have been output. The report is stopped at 10,000 records output.</p> <p>Help file changes: None</p>
9304C	Point of Sale > Miscellaneous options > Edit customer details > Service Invoice format	<p>E8/4457 Account Specific Service Invoice Format</p> <p>A new field has been added to the Edit customer details > Other tab: Service invoice format. This provides the facility to specifically set an invoice format to be used in conjunction with the account loaded when invoicing from Service Point-of-Sale. This overrides the standard format set in SO System parameters.</p> <p>Introduced from: Rev8:35.9304C</p> <p>Help file changes: GB_EDIT_SO_custf.htm see DAT1524</p> <p>Note: Please be aware that while this enhancement was intended for 9304F it has been tagged back to 9304C and will be available from iteration 29.</p>
9304C	Point of Sale > WIP > Customer field	<p>E8/4502 Serial Element of VIN Searching in POS</p> <p>The changes made here enable users to input six or more digits from the end of a chassis number in order to search for a vehicle in Point-of-Sale.</p>

		<p>Introduced from: Rev8:35.9304C Iteration 29</p> <p>Help file changes: SO.CUST.html see DAT/1528</p>
		<p>Note: Originally intended for 9304F this has been approved for and applied back to 9304C.</p>
9304C	Point of Sale > WIP grid > Budgets	<p>R8/49778 Use of Budgets not preventing over invoicing</p> <p>The budget figure is set back to 0.00 when a WIP is fully invoiced. The true situation with regard to the budget and the credit is more accurately reflected.</p> <p>Parts and Service now have independent control via the terminal type used to create the WIP. Parts terminal-created WIP can amend the budget while a Service terminal may not change the budget for that WIP. The same applies the other way round. The only exception is where terminals are set to B for both.</p> <p>The message displayed when the gross value of the WIP exceeds the value of the budget set has been changed to warn what each of these values is. This should help you more easily recognize what the problem really is.</p> <p>Introduced from: Rev8:35.9304C</p> <p>Help file changes: None</p>

Purchase Control



Menu option	Form/Tab	Description
9304C	Purchase Control > Receive	<p>R8/48720 Wipline Status change to R even if received quantity is less than quantity on wipline</p> <p>It is no longer possible to amend the Required quantity in Purchase Control. If the part has been ordered via a Point-of-Sale WIP the Quantity Received and Quantity to Follow fields should now be used. If the quantity is to be reduced and the remainder from the original order is not required, the To Follow quantity should be set to zero and the backordered line in Point-of-Sale deleted.</p>

Workshop Loading

Menu option	Form/Tab	Description
9304C-13		<p>R8/40348 Unassigned Tasks Grid on the Day Form</p> <p>We have made it easier to view any unassigned lines on a WIP. When you load an existing WIP into workshop loading that has unassigned labour lines the labour lines on the WIP are highlighted in blue in the unassigned tasks grid and are now displayed to the user rather than using the scroll bar to find them.</p>

CRM

Customer Relationship Management

Menu option	Form/Tab	Description
-	Miscellaneous options>Team Management	E8/2373 Child to Parent Team Links  It is now possible to link a child team to more than one parent team allowing matrix management reporting with CRM Statistics.
9304C-07	My desktop>Tools>Demonstrator booking	E8/2378 Handling Demo Bookings  This enhancement allows the four different types of demo bookings to be handled in a single interface rather than the current three alternatives.
-	My desktop>Statistics tab	R8/31129 CRM Statistics (Vehicle Demos) It is now possible to display the differential between a customer's new vehicle demo or a used vehicle demo in CRM statistics.
9304C-09	System Maintenance>User Access Control	R8/38106 Complaints for Customer and Company Records Re-introduce the control of Complaints for Customer and Company records within User Access Control - Available Buttons . Note: Please be aware that if this issue is applied back to any packs it will have an impact on what the customer sees in CRM. Ensure that the customer is aware before applying to any packs. For this reason RMD is treating this issue as an enhancement.
-	CRM > My desktop > My CRM > My enquiries & My WIPS tabs & Purchase Control > Purchase Control > Purchase Transaction & Sales / Purchase ledger > Display Accounts	R8/48559 Introducing Telephony Integration Introduce Telephony Integration to My Desktop for My enquiries and My WIPS tabs, POS from a WIP, Purchase Control in the Purchase Transaction form and Sales / Purchase Ledger in Display Accounts. Help files amended: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GB_EDIT_SU_ctrls.html • GB_EDIT_SU_terms.html • GB_EDIT_GB_users.html • MK_MAINT_ENQUIRIES.html • MK_MAINT_WIPS.html • PC_P2.html • SO_POS.html • SL_DISP.html • PL_DISP.html

Environment


Global Master Module

Menu option	Form/Tab	Description
9304C-11	-	E8/2866 Named User Security This enhancement enables a license check by named user in addition to concurrent users. Named-user security prevents a user logging in on more than one terminal at a time. This functionality will not be used in existing systems. It is designed for special deals where the terms will be made completely clear to the customer.
-	User Details	R8/34940 Improved Diary Search This fix prevents diary entries against email address, and search will only find diary/entries for the actual GB userid login used. Diary search means that Other users drop down now searches directly down gb_users file and for name email and userid fields. Generate address book was the search file but this flat file generates different results depending on the format of gb users' email addresses (for example, helloworld@hotmail.com).

Report Generator

Menu option	Form/Tab	Description
-	-	R8/41881 Improved Report Logging The changes made correct a typo in rg_records printed to rg_records_printed and add prompts used in report A start time line and finish time line can be shown per report run.
-	-	R8/41939 Additional Logging This enhancement helps users to find out the number of ki_read_next made in reports. These can be amongst the biggest resource drains on CPU and can explain some performance problems when multiple users run heavy load reports several times a day or simultaneously so they end up on the CPU queue, often at the expense of all other users.



System Utilities

Menu option	Form/Tab	Description
9304C-11	EOD Calendar	ENH/2950 Creating Dates for End of Day Modes 
Timed Operations		This enhancement allows specific dates to be created for specific end of day modes, for example end of week, end of month, end of year and skipped days. This replaces the original functionality of using system utilities control fields. The new timed operations agent dates file in System utilities is called SU.todat and Contains the following fields: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date: Actual day timed operation agent is requested to run.


		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modes: Type of end of day required. • Userid: ID of the last user to amend record details. • Lastdate: Date recorded at point of last edit by user. • Lasttime: Time recorded at point of last edit by user. <p>The timed operations agent checks the SU.todat file periodically for an existing record using today's date. The default end of day mode is Daily and requires no record to be created and is always run on its own or with additional modes Weekly, Period or Yearly. The exception to this rule is the Skipped day's record and no end of day chain would be run.</p>
-	-	R8/34014 Check on User Priority <p>This change has gone back to 9304 and stops the ad-hoc button appearing on the GB/GEDIT form if user priority is below that for ad-hoc use in that particular module. Some Ad-hoc menu default priorities of 0 were changed to 4 and those that were higher than 4 were left at current priority.</p>

Vehicles

Franchise Data

Menu option	Form/Tab	Description
-	CAP>CAP valuation	E8/2495 CAP Valuations  <p>A new parameter has been introduced in CAP valuations. This allows users to view CAP data using a grid instead of the tree structure.</p>
-	CAP Data>Data import	E8/2751 Importing CAP Technical Data <p>Settings available in CD.capft to allow CAP technical data for CARS and LCV to be imported separately using the DD CAP import routine.</p>
-	DD>Model Variants	E8/2832 Fuel Tank Capacity <p>We can now record the fuel tank capacity in both the DD.variant and the MK.vehicles tables. When the tank capacity has been added to the DD.variant field then creating a MK vehicle in CRM or through VSB this field will be populated automatically</p>
9304C-24	Franchise Data > System Maintenance > System parameters > Henley tab	R8/49791 Restrict import of Fleetnet and Cap codes via IDS data  <p>Fleetnet (dd.dh fltnetid\$) and Cap codes (dd_dh_capref\$), should only be imported if the dealer has a commercial agreement with Fleentnet and Cap. An option to switch the import of these codes is available for priority nine users only in franchise data system parameters.</p> <p>No Help file changes as this option is available for priority nine users only</p> <p>Note: Only available to priority nine users.</p>

Showroom

Menu option	Form/Tab	Description
-	Quotations>	R8/30647 Change of Banner Message The banner message when accessing showroom has changed from Welcome to Kerridge Showroom to Kerridge .
-	Quotations>Recall Enquiry	R8/32455 Modifying Other Users' Enquiries and Quotes Users are able to modify other users' enquiries and quotes if they are in the same team (or team superior). Being a higher priority than the other user is no longer enough.
Miscellaneous options	Finance Maintenance	R8/35932 New Finance Maintenance Option There is a new option P (Repayment Pause at Beginning) for the Finance Maintenance. This new option allows a single period pause at the beginning of the loan.
Showroom > System Maintenance > Salesperson Settings	-	R8/49550 New Use VSB Estimated Value Validation If the SR system parameters are set to use VSB, then the On the Road (OTR) Calculation option on the Salesperson record now has an additional validation of 1 (Use VSB Estimated Value) for used vehicles, and no prices for new vehicles.
Showroom > System Maintenance > System Parameters	-	E8/3709 Consistent View of Vehicle Stock in Showroom  This enhancement provides user-defined control over the different matching stock display routines within Showroom (whether the stock is called from the New vehicle or Used vehicle selection routine, or the Stock number search process). Help file changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• GB_EDIT_SR_systm.html#sr_maint_4_7_9• SR_SMENU.html• SR_VEHCRT.html• SR_STNO1.html• SR_VEHCRT.html

Vehicle Stockbooks

Menu option	Form/Tab	Description
-	Vehicle Search	E8/3265 Reverse Sorting Reverse sort has been added in the Vehicle search window in vehicle stock books. Note: this is only available on the keypath of Stockbook Number.
-	Vehicle Administration	R8/41541 Displaying ICT References A new button has been introduced to display the current and previous ICT references when a vehicle's ICT reference has been updated several times.

CRM > My Desktop > Statistics	-	<p>R8/52419 CRM Stats does not Handle VSB Inv/Credits Correctly</p> <p>This change introduces an environmental variable to enable you to decide how VSB invoices and credits are handled in CRM statistics. The variable has been added to StdEnv.txt and is called MANYVSEVENTPERVEHIC. When switched to false only one invoice and credit are recorded per vehicle. If the variable is switched to true the VINV and VCRD type statistics are created for the vehicle each time the invoice or credit is printed. When the environmental variable is set to true then additional columns can be added to the stats view, which enables calculation of the actual values. This requires a new maths logic of (! VINV VCRD) to be entered on the calculation column.</p> <p>Introduced from: Rev8:35.9304C</p> <p>Help file changes: None</p>
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Toolset

Note: 2622 - E8 This enhancement, mainly for kcc technical staff, allows silent logging of errors while building packs. The standard 'gb_wait_message routine (that is called many times each day world-wide) was amended with a switch to log messages silently and should never be switched on with customers working on a live system. Amendments were made to GB/LOGON to force new sessions set to true to silently log error messages to a log file (regardless of UserEnv.txt). Anyone unsure of its use should beware. In future there may be uses for setting and unsetting silent logging for local sessions but no program should hardcode this in UserEnv.txt. GB/LOGON changes should help to catch potential disasters.