

Autoline Release Notes

Build 8.35.9304D - Additional Autoline Functionality (Franchise-Generic)

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These release notes cover optional additional functionality. Not all are installed as standard. Please refer to your account manager for further details.

ADP continually improves the stability, security, and performance of Autoline. As part of that effort, it addresses issues reported by the company's customers, employees, and business partners.

ADP periodically combines any changes that arise from that process into single packages and makes them available to our customers. Such packages include previously released individual updates and may also introduce new enhancements.

Note: Because release notes are incremental, this document covers only changes and enhancements implemented since the previous software build.

| Menu option | Form/Tab | Description |
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| POS for Commercial Vehicles | - | 520 Most parts users identify their significant customers by way of separate sales ledger accounts. They do not use CRM for this as the customer has to have a separate sales ledger account in order to use unique discount codes, sales types, mandatory order numbers and other POS specific conditions to be defined for each customer. Truck dealers are no different here, except that they often have accounts set up for the major truck operators (BT, British Gas etc.) where they deliver to a local branch but invoice to the head office. The concept of address-only accounts in the sales ledger is now a little out dated and we have therefore made improvements to meet the new demands |
| Vehicle stock books | Vehicle administration | 523 Load any new or used vehicle>icon now displays for Build schedule and updates via POS and outside orders. This enhancement allows build schedule in vehicle administration to be updated automatically when work has been booked in via POS with or without workshop loading, or when an outside order is raised and receipted in VSB. A new parameter has also been introduced allowing users to have no access, display, access or amend access to build schedule. Releases 9304D and 9304C. |
| Parts Stock Management | Sensitive parts | 687 The current method of creating sensitive parts is deemed to be to laborious and time consuming in that it only allows the creation and maintenance of single parts and in many cases requires the unnecessary intervention of the Stock Controller. The enhancement addresses this by giving a means by which many parts may be generated and or fixed as being sensitive at one time by batch input / |

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| Vehicle check-in | - | 701 We have enhanced the Loan vehicle diary to be able to swap courtesy cars from one customer to another, this has been done by adding a new icon to the Courtesy car booking form called Switch vehicle. The Switch vehicle form displays a list of courtesy vehicles that the user can then select to book for that customer, the charges from the original courtesy car booking are also transferred to the new courtesy car booking. |
| Point of sale > Workshop Launch control | Load form | FS/707 Four shortcut menu options have been added to the load grid date. They allow the user to do the following: • Load work assigned • Load work assigned and allocate a car • Load work unassigned and allocate a car • Allocate a car for the day These options are used for quick bookings on the day required only. We have added four new columns to the load form: • Capacity: Total hours of all your resources for the day • Assigned: Total number of assigned hours booked for the day • Unassigned: Total number of unassigned hours booked for the day • Remaining: Capacity less the sum of Assigned and Unassigned and the current time of the day. We have added a new courtesy car grid to display all your courtesy car vehicles into their respective loan car groups and the amount available to book out. The shortcut menu options are also available on the grid date just like the Load form. The loan car groups are displayed from your User access control in CRM. If a customer has a courtesy car group set on their customer record, it highlights the group that the customer is entitled to when making a booking. The courtesy car grid works with the Long and Short Range radio buttons and the calendar in the same way as the Load form. We have added the Graph button to the workshop load form which displays the capacity hours for each day and the Assigned and Unassigned work hours already booked. |
| Workshop Loading > Load > Display capacity hours | - | FS/1229 A new system parameter called Display total capacity hours has been added to control whether or not you want to display the Capacity hours every time you are in the workshop loading Load form. A new menu option has also been added to the Links menu in the Load form which allows the user to switch the Capacity hours on or off regardless of what the system parameter is set to. This enhancement revises FS/707 which introduced the Capacity hours to workshop loading on the Load form. |
| Workshop Loading | Resources | 728 This enhancement allows the user to include or exclude the clock off statuses L, P, A and C against each technician when clocking off a job. This will only have an effect on the touch screen and the new clocking device (klock) and will override the DEFCLOCKSTAT clock off status if it has been set. This has been done by adding a new field to the Resource record called +/- status codes for each technician. |
| Vehicle | - | 752 This enhancement brings in the ability to add Supplier notes |

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| Vehicle Administration | Vehicle invoicing | 757 This enhancement allows the description, the product notes, the supplier notes and the invoice value to be included or excluded on each specification line when printing a sales invoice or credit note. |
| Workshop Loading | Batch input timesheets | 758 This enhancement allows users to enter a factored rate to a clocking on the Batch Input of Time sheets form which will update the Cost per hour on the WIP by multiplying it by the Factored rate that has been used. |
| Display | Build Schedule | 769 This enhancement brings in the ability to add a New customer work line against a non-recoverable lines in Vehicle stock books if you have a company commercial vehicles (CV) set in Manufacturer systems. |
| Point of Sale | Courtesy Cars | 772 This FS GENERIC enhancement has added two new buttons to the Booking selection form called Print all and GotoWIP, the Print all button will print the courtesy car list of vehicles for that day, the Goto WIP button will take you to point of sale from the booking selection form. You can also hover over the courtesy car bookings in the loan vehicle diary grid and a tool tip has been added displaying the customer name, WIP number and registration number of the vehicle. |
| Courtesy Car | Loan Vehicle Diary | 773 This enhancement allows the user to filter on vehicle type by selecting the menu option called Type from the View icon in the Loan vehicle diary. This displays all your vehicles by their types to make it easier to determine the available vehicle types in one view. |
| Vehicle stock books | Vehicle administration | 774 This enhancement has added a new POS Parameter called Auto complete RTS code, when the parameter has been ticked the Courtesy car RTS codes that have been set up in CRM system parameters on the Loan vehicle - 2 tab, will be loaded to the WIP at C status with the time taken being set the same as the time allowed and ready to invoice. |
| Vehicle Stockbooks > Vehicle Administration > Vehicle (from the top tool) > Location transfer | Vehicle administration | FS/1134 This enhancement introduces a form that allows a vehicle to be transferred from one physical location to another. It also introduces the option to print a Movement Advice note and the facility to search for a specific field within the vehicle log file. |
| Point of Sale | Loan Car forms | 775 This enhancement has added a new option to the Tools menu in the main point of sale form called Print courtesy car agreements. Selecting this option will display a list of courtesy cars that are due out the next day, you can then print them off prior to checking the vehicle in for such jobs as collection and deliveries. The fuel and the mileage will need to be entered for the courtesy car and once printed the courtesy car booking is automatically started. |
| Resources | Resigned Date | 777 This enhancement allows the user to remove technicians that no longer work for the company from all the screens in workshop loading in Point of sale and touch screens by entering a Resigned date on the resource record, this will zero the technicians availability and remove him from any shifts and teams that he is assigned to. |
| Workshop launch control | Activity and Load forms | 834 This enhancement has added the Shift and Team filters to the Activity and Load forms to be the same as most of the workshop loading forms. This will allow you to filter on the shift or the team you have selected and refresh the forms, these will both work with your Team set in your operator record too. |

| Workshop Loading | Holiday Planner | 835 This enhancement allows the user to see all their resources that have any planned holidays and any authorised absences in one screen called the Holiday planner. The Holiday planner is updated from each of your individual resources calendars when you make any adjustments to them through the Resource availability option, you can also edit the availability for each individual resource from the holiday planner too. |
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| Quotations | Enquiry Builder | 838 This enhancement allows users to be forced through the wizard the first time when selecting options for a vehicle. |
| Reports and Enquiries | Database cleansing | 840 This enhancement allows users to set customers as potential duplicate records when using the search engine then allowing them to be deleted within the de-duplication utility. |
| Workshop Loading | Adjust Clockings | 847 The Analysis tab for Amend Clocking Entry, displayed when using the Batch input of Time Sheets or Adjust Clockings, has been enhanced to allow default entries for the Analyis code, Team and Shift fields for the relevant resource. The values may still be amended if required. |
| Service POS | Workshop Menu | FS/848 The Check In and Check Out facility within Workshop loading provides a method by which the workshop may record the arrival and departure of vehicles to the premises. However, it was possible to check in a vehicle more than once without having checked the vehicle out. Similarly it was possible to check out a vehicle more than once without having first checked in. This enhancement resolves this by validating the Check In / Out fields to ensure that a vehicle cannot be checked in a second time without first having been checked out and vice versa with appropriate warning messages displayed to the user when an attempt to do this is made. |
| Point of Sale - Load | Reports | 870 This enhancement allows a user to run one of five SO reports whilst in the four WL forms accessed via point of sale. |
| Showroom Quotation | Qualification | 871 This enhancement allows users to enter a source of business code against a contact with the origin of C for Customer. |
| Showroom Quotation | Enquiry Builder | 902 This enhancement allows users to use a quick right click function to enable a 'rental in advance' calculation when using a HP finance scheme within Showroom. This allows the dealer to quickly re-calculate the finance being proposed to a customer to maximise profitability by increasing the 'commission' that is received by the dealer. |
| Workshop Loading | Activity form | 907 This enhancement tracks the history of any Check in and Check out made via workshop loading. Each time a Check In/Out is made a record is written to the MS X1 Aftersales Generic Add-ons logch file. A separate record is made for each new check in and check out pair so that multiple check in/outs can be stored. |
| Workshop Loading | Activity form | 967 This enhancement allows the user to filter on the Workshop loading Activity form using the status buttons as filters on each of the Activity tabs. This will make it easier to view the progress of the jobs on the Activity form. |
| POS | Technicians | 968 New functionality added to the Technicians screen within Point of Sale. The legends for Out, Idle, Active and Warning are now filter buttons in their own right and may be used individually to filter the grid by the activity chosen by clicking the required button. The default view of all activities may be restored at any time by checking the Show all boolean adjacent to the filter buttons. |
| Workshop Loading | Jobs | 969 The RTS code and its associated description are now both displayed in WL on the assign jobs screen. |
| Showroom | Quotations | 1004 This enhancement has introduced the function to search on colour and trims in a vehicle stock search within showroom enquires. |
| POS | Operator tab | 1071 A new field added to the Operator tab called Owning operator. |

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| | | The owning operator is the operator who deals directly with the customer and meets the customer upon his arrival. The arrival is scheduled in workshop loading as an appointment using the Meet and Greet functionality. The service advisor is created as a resource type of 'A' and when the customer has been booked in the service advisor becomes the Owning operator of the job. |
| POS | - | 1072 This development provides a Parts wip status field on the WIP header and also within the CRM My WIPs form. The functionality is similar to that of the Labour status currently available. |
| POS | Labour Details | 1073 A new field added to the Labour Details form called Actual time for mechanic. This field allows the user to enter a different allowed time for the mechanic which is displayed in the Technicians Activity form when clocking on. Actual time is then written back to the clock file to a new field called 'Bonus time' and can be reported on. |
| Showroom | Quotations | 1170 This enhancement has introduced the function to allow the user to maintain the search results and cursor postion when they return from viewing a stock vehicle in Showroom. |
| POS | Parts or Service | 1181 The WIP Search in point of sale on the main POS form is opened by clicking the WIP number ellipse. This enhancement has changed the description "All" to "All departments", and moved this option from the bottom of the list to the top as the default. |
| POS | POS Operators | 1194 The Update WIP option from My Shortcuts in CRM will now allow the user to do the following if the POS operator parameter called CRM WIP update operator has been set and you work from CRM and not Point of sale: Search for an existing Wip. Edit the customer box to type in name and address details, but the CRM search ellipsis button is disabled. Edit the Wip header tabs. Once a Wip is saved the system will remain in Point of Sale allowing the user to search and load another Wip without going in and out of CRM. |
| POS | - | FS/1245 This enhancement introduces the ability to search for Labour or Menus from the New product section of the Service Point of Sale form with the 00 franchise selected. You can select multiple records and then load them to grid section. Methods available to search for RTS and Menu codes (Short name or Word search) remain unaltered. Releases 9304D-21, 9304E-11, 00APPS 1.10, 00SRP 1.1276 Help file changes: • MS_00_SO_APPS_SJC.html • MS_00_SO_APPS_SMP.html Note: Environmental variables MS_MULTI_RTSCO_SELECTION and MS_MULTI_MENUS_SELECTION should be set to TRUE to activate the new search form in Point of Sale. |