

Dentalab for QuickBooks
2011 Release XXVII-000 July

This document reviews the significant enhancements to Dentalab for QuickBooks (DQB) in 2011 Release XXVII-000 in July based on requests and suggestions from users of the system as well as the technical support staff. These will be applied only to the standard version unless otherwise indicated. Here is a summary list:

New Master Schedule Screens

The schedule master will now provide larger spaces for each calendar date for each work center, adding colors to show scheduled vs. completed cases, and adding analytics to show percentages completed and booked. The schedule will maintain the capabilities to view case details and reschedule from these screens.

New Formatting for Multiple Alert Messages

When multiple alerts have been entered for the same customer, the new format will provide for easier readability and increment the alert number for each one.

Dates in Customer Activity and Profile Reports

The tag lines for the following dates will more accurately convey their meaning:

First Date Active: Date first case for customer was entered.

Once this date is set, it is not changed.

Last Date Active: Most recent date a case is received, entered or invoiced.

Most Recent Case Date: Set to the latest enter date for a case.

The above two dates are always be compared to the prior setting to assure that the new date is later.

Licenses Exceeded Error

When DQB was inadvertently left open, this could cause licenses exceeded error on next launch. The fix was technical in nature:

Modified “tbClients” table to set “sMachineName” as primary key thus preventing duplicate computer names in the database; also field length expanded to prevent conflict with long computer names. Rewrote client counting code to ensure compatibility with Terminal Services to prevent using more licenses than allowed. DQB will pause with message preventing use if licensed clients amount is violated and then automatically resume when extra client closed.

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Standard Procedures Warning if QB Item Deleted or Inactive

When a standard procedure is requested, the system will check all of the items within it to determine if they are no longer active or if they have been deleted in QuickBooks. The user will be warned and given the opportunity to replace or delete the inactive or deleted item.

Backup/Restore DQB Database Utility

Originally, the backup and restore functions were documented in the DQB manual and required the user to stop SQL and then key in commands.

When we setup the restore database function as a utility within DQB, there were aspects that often required technical support, particularly to guide the user to stop (and then restart) SQL. New procedures have been introduced to provide a smoother process and prevent error messages due to the database being in use.

Batch Print Invoices Issue

Currently the latest invoice number is stored with each case item record. The SQL query to retrieve invoice information for printing in DQB was retrieving all of the case item records, even if not yet invoiced. For partially invoiced cases, this resulted in two lines on the grid, one with an invoice number, one without.

This query was changed to bypass those case items with a null invoice number (not yet invoiced).