
Application	Chreos
Service Pack	41
Requirements	Service Pack 40 (SP40)
Warnings	<p>All users of Chreos plug-ins should check with Chreos support before installing this service pack.</p> <p>Foreign Currency is now fully implemented for Creditors and the GL. If you have used it with previous versions please contact Chreos support BEFORE updating.</p>

Important

- A backup should be made before running this service pack.
- As service packs may install new software you should be logged into each computer as a user who has sufficient security rights to do so. If you are unsure you should log in as either Administrator or someone with Administrator privileges.
- Service packs rebuild the data and run a full data management for all companies supported by ChreosServer. Because of this the length of time that the process takes can be significantly reduced by first removing any practice companies.

Main Points

- GL analysis added.
- Foreign currency activated.
- Variable quoting implemented.
- Order completion enhanced.
- Merging creditors introduced.

General

- In “Maintenance | Setup | System | Extra data fields” there is now an ability to define and enter customised data fields for the company. These work in a similar way to the extra tab pages in the Client, Creditor and Item management screens. These fields are for data about your company and all systems start of with one entry field, ‘Company Logo For Reports’. It is envisioned that this will be used on reports, web sites etc.
- Foreign currency is now available for use in Creditors and the General Ledger.

- Chreos now graphs foreign currency movement. It displays the rate at the end of the month for the last 12 months or each day for the last 60 days. This is available from “Maintenance | Foreign Currency | Management”.
- New Software Update functionality allows users to check for new software and registration details at the click of a button. This is accessed from “Help | Software Update”. This will update a company’s licence number if required.

If software updates exist the user may view details of changes and choose to download the changes. These will be scheduled for installation the next time ChreosServer is restarted. When ChreosServer is restarted it will automatically install the updates and resume standard service. After this whenever a client machine that has not been up dated logs in Chreos Client will automatically update itself and log in to the server. This new update system should simplify and speed up the installation of updates.

- There is now the right-click option to open most grids in a spreadsheet form.

Clients

- The client listing in “Client management | Clients” can now be filtered to show 'All clients', 'Charge account' or 'No charge account' clients. The setting on the screen defaults to ‘All clients’ but will retain the setting last used for this computer / windows account. The caption at the top of “Client management” and the [Total] option for the grid reflect the option selected.
- A new “Sales History” screen is now available from the “Summary” tab page in “Client management” by clicking the [Sales History] button. This screen has two tab pages. The first, “Data”, displays sales broken down by ‘Current’, ‘Future’ and the last 12 months. It shows the number of ‘Transactions’ and ‘Net value’ by month. It also displays quarterly sales for the ‘Last 12 months’ vs. the ‘Previous 12 months’. The “Graph” tab page shows the ‘Net value’ for the last 12 months plus the current month in graphical form. The graph can also be printed.
- All of the activities in “Client management | Activities” now have a ‘Staff Member’ column (to the right) that displays the staff member who entered the transaction. Point of Sale transactions also show the machine it was entered on.
- When the 'All' option is selected for ‘Financial’ transactions on the “Activities” tab page of “Client management”, moving from one client to another no longer changes the setting to 'Current'.
- A “Banking” tab page has been added to “Client management”. Chreos can now store and validate client’s bank account details. Credit card and cheque details previously shown on the “Summary” tab page have been moved to this tab page.
- When unparking invoices using the [Process all] button the user is now prompted if one or more invoices have a date that is before the current client period. The user has the option of not processing the invoices and

later manually editing them or automatically updating them to the current invoice date.

- Chreos can now validate orders as they are entered – ie check that an item is available for purchase. This option is disabled by default and can be activated in “Maintenance | Setup | System | Clients | General” by clicking the ‘Orders - Check item availability’ checkbox. This is useful for preventing orders being placed for items that cannot be purchased from any suppliers. Users are warned and given the option of not ordering the item where the following conditions are all met.

Shelf and supplier order quantities are both less than or equal to zero.

The item has one or more suppliers specified.

All specified suppliers have their item availability marked as not available to purchase. This is setup in “Stock | Stock maintenance | Stock Lookups”.

- In “Order Completion” the initial filters have been extended to include ‘Location’ as well as recent ‘Inwards goods packing slips’ and ‘Inwards goods invoices’.
- In “Order Completion” if orders exist for the same client but have different delivery address details an invoice / packing slip for each delivery address is created. Previously only one invoice / packing slip was created.
- In “Order Completion” orders with a ‘not before’ date greater than the current date are not converted to invoice / packing slip by default. This can be over-ridden by ticking the ‘Supply Items Not Marked to Ship Yet’ checkbox.
- In “Clients | Order Completion” an [Abort] button has been added to the “Assign Freight” screen. This cancels all packing slips/invoices and returns the user to the original “Order Completion” screen.
- A new variable quoting system has been added. There are now two types of client quotes that can be used with client orders. The existing ‘fixed price’ Chreos quote that cannot change and ‘variable quotes’ where the price can drop below the original quoted price but never above it.

In a variable quote system the price quoted at the time of the order is the maximum that a client will pay. If a future discount / special occurs after the order is placed the client will receive this price if it is better than the quoted price. For assorted stock bins quoted items still count towards the total required for a price break, however these items will still get their quoted price if it is better than the stock bin price. Other items in the assorted bin may get the stock bin price if it is better than the quoted price.

The type of quoting that is used is determined in “Maintenance | Setup | System | Modules | Clients | General”. Ticking the ‘Orders - Quotes may reduce’ checkbox will enable the variable quoting. If this is unticked (default) then fixed pricing is used. These settings affect all further orders; any existing quoted orders will use the setting that was in use when they were quoted.

Creditors

- Creditor merge functionality has been added. This works in a similar way to the client merge functionality that is available in “Client management | Clients”. Select the creditor you want to merge in “Creditor management | Creditors”, click the [Merge] button, a list of creditors with the same currency type appears, choose the required creditor to merge into and press the [Merge] button. There is a tick box that determines whether the merged creditor will be removed from your system or left with no transactions. A backup should be made before using this functionality.
- A new “Purchase History” screen is now available from the [Purchase History] button on the “Details” tab page in “Creditor management”. This screen has two tab pages. The first, “Data”, displays invoiced purchases broken down by ‘Current’, ‘Future’ and the last 12 months. It shows the number of ‘Transactions’ and ‘Net value’ by month. It also displays quarterly purchases for the ‘Last 12 months’ vs. the ‘Previous 12 months’. The “Graph” tab page shows the ‘Net values’ for the last 12 months plus the current month in graphical form. The graph can also be printed.
- “Creditor journal” now displays the source creditor’s currency and balance. Only destination accounts or creditors with the same currency can be selected as the balancing side of the journal.
- The “Pay creditors” screen now has a ‘Currency’ selector. When a currency is selected only creditors using that currency will be available for payment. Likewise only accounts using that currency can be selected. Creditors in one currency can only be paid from accounts in the same currency.
- “Summary invoice”, “Summary inwards goods” and “Inwards goods” now applies an exchange rate based on the creditor’s currency when it is not the local currency. This rate may be manually altered. Right clicking on this field now displays a list of exchange rates entered since the beginning of the current creditor period. These can be selected.

Inventory

- Stock take screens no longer allow serial tracked items to be counted. The actual list of serial numbers needs to be confirmed against existing stock.
- The “Adjust Stock | Single Item” and “Stock take | By Region” screens now allow the user to specify the date the adjustment/stock take is for. The date entered must be in the current general ledger period or later. This will default to the current sales date.
- In the “Stock History” screen (formally called “Sales History” - accessed from the [Sales history] button in “Stock management | Stats”) now also includes purchases for the last 12 months. Details may also be viewed or printed in graphical form on the “Graph” tab page that has been added.
- The region can now be specified in the “Stock history” screen with ‘All Regions’ being the default.

- The ‘Item Find’ field for searching and entering items in the client order/packing slip/invoice screens and several other places has been modified to improve performance. These changes have also modified the functionality slightly. When an exact match is not found the list of items still pops up, however previously the list was all items in the system with the cursor positioned near the closest match. This now displays only items that start with the entered text. For example entering 'fre' will list fred, freddy, free and frequently. Typing further characters refines this list further for example entering 'fred' will reduce the list to fred and freddy. The major change here is that if no items start with the entered text than no results show. For example entering 'fref' will list no results. However in this case simply pressing backspace so the search changes to 'fre' will once again list results. These changes have been introduced to improve performance and produce more meaningful results. It does mean that if you mistype an entry you might get absolutely no results but in the old system the results returned were often meaningless.
- Two extra buttons have been added immediately below the stock grid in “Stock management | Items”. These do the same as <Alt., <Shift>, <F2> and <Alt>, <F2>. These screens can still be accessed by key strokes here and on many other screens.

POS

- In “Maintenance | Setup | System | Point of Sale” a ‘Default POS client’ can now be specified. If this is selected POS transactions will default to the specified client but can be overridden for each sale. Clearing this setting will return the system to the standard, no client specified, mode.
- A pre completion POS report can now be previewed or printed from POS before a POS sale is complete. This report is run by right clicking the POS item list and selecting ‘Preview / Print POS Report’. This requires a customised report to be set up in “Maintenance | Printing Setup | Point of Sale | Receipt Pre Completion” and can be used for things such as printing labels to go with a sale or a picking list for POS sale items.

General Ledger

- When creating an account in “General Ledger management” users may now select the currency of the account. If an account is a foreign currency account the financials tab displays balances in local and foreign currencies. Accounts may have their currency changed up until the point where the first transaction takes place.
- On the “Documents” tab page of “General Ledger management” a new ‘Source’ has been added for transactions featuring foreign currency alterations. These now show as ‘Currency conversion’.

- Users can now specify whether they display the system’s currency or the account’s currency amounts in “General Ledger management | Transactions”. A tick box on the tab page itself can override this setting.
- “General Ledger management | Transactions” now includes a ‘Date Range’ option. Clicking this allows the user to enter a date range to view transactions within. The transactions list above is then filtered down to show only those transactions within the selected range. Clicking the [Back] button on the date range box returns the user to the previous view.
- “General Ledger management” now includes an “Analysis” tab page. This displays summary information for each period for the selected account. The information is displayed as a total for the current period, the same period last year and the amount budgeted for this year. Information for current and future periods is also shown although these figures are subject to change.

The screen operates in two modes (selectable from a combo at the top). In one mode a total is shown for transactions entered in each period and in the second mode the value shown is a total at the end of each period. There is also the option to view and print this information in graphical form on the “Graph” tab page. Two different graph styles are available. Clicking any value in the ‘This year’ or ‘Last year’ columns takes the user to the “Transactions” tab page of General Ledger management” with the transactions filtered to the appropriate date range.

Clicking any value in the budget column will take the user to the “Budget” tab page.

- In “Journals” the list of transactions to replicate is now sorted with the most recent first. This now includes any journals entered since the screen was last opened. This means users no longer need to close and reopen the screen to see a journal they just entered.
- The account search functionality has been updated and now looks very like the ‘Item Find’ field (see earlier). This has been changed to improve and speed up searches. Initially it has been implemented in “General Ledger Journals”, “Cashbook Entries” and “Creditor Summary Invoice”. This functionality will be referred to as ‘Account Find’ from now on.

Apparel

- In “Style Management | Styles” the ‘Code’ search field now allows entry of a max of the number of characters that the code can be. If the code is set in “Maintenance | Setup | Apparel” to be 6 characters then a maximum of 6 characters can be entered into search fields.
- In “Style Management | Style Details” ‘Category’ and the user-definable combos can now be cleared or have items added by right clicking them in add or edit mode.
- “Summary inwards goods” now applies an exchange rate based on the creditor’s currency. This rate may be manually altered.
- Right clicking the ‘Exchange rate’ field in “Summary inwards goods” displays a list of previously entered exchange rates (since the beginning of

the creditor period). The user may select any of these dates to have the entry filled or may manually enter as normal. This list only displays for companies that are using the exchange rate system.

- Apparel now works with “Creditors | Inwards goods”. On the “Processed” tab page when [Line Entry] is clicked all of the items will appear on the grid just like in non-apparel Chreos. There is a ‘Style’ combo at the top that will default to ‘All Items’. Every style on the grid will appear in that combo and it can be filtered to only show those items.

New Reports Include

- ClientPhoneList
- StockReturnedByClients
- AdjustStock
- SaleOrReturnItems
- OurTokenReport

Many other reports have been updated.

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