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Section A: Introduction

This manual contains a description and instructions for this DSD product. Operating instructions are included for the features added by this product to Sage 100. For instructions on using Sage 100, refer to the appropriate Sage 100 manual, or call your Sage 100 reseller. DSD Business Systems offers excellent Sage 100 support, at an hourly rate.

Web Resources

DSD web site: http://www.dsdinc.com

The Enhancement page contains:

Current Release Schedule Purchasing Information Installation Instructions Product Support Enhancement Links

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The product web page contains:

Product Description
Web Links
Current Product Version Table
Product Installation File Download
Product Manual in .pdf Format
Revision History
FAQ

Support

DSD provides product support through Sage 100 resellers. Support is provided for the current version. Older versions are supported at an hourly rate. DSD's telephone number is **858-550-5900**. Fax: **858-550-4900**.

For a hard error, where the program displays an error dialog, report:

Error number.

Program name.

Line number.

Program version.

Exact sequence that caused the error, including menus and menu selections. Other pertinent information.

If leaving a message or faxing, please include:

Your name.

Your phone number (and fax if applicable) and extension.

It is possible to be unable to duplicate a problem, because of data corruption or because we have not exactly duplicated a particular operating environment. In such circumstances, we can only continue to try to fix the problem if we can either access the system remotely or by some other to duplicate the system.

Customer Credit Limit Evaluation Features

The Customer Credit Limit Evaluation enhancement is ideal for companies that want to set and maintain customer credit limits based on various factors. Evaluation Criteria can be set by company and then tailored by Customer, such as: Number of Years in Business, Number of Years as a Customer, Average Days Past Due, Average Number of Invoices by Month, Average Days Outstanding, and Average Balance. Credit Insurance can also be set by customer to define Credit Limit. Recalculation can occur on a Customer-by Customer Basis, or by Utility or Cash Receipt Update based on Number of Days to recalculate. Reporting is available to review Credit Limit History by Customer.

ADDITIONAL FEATURES

- Set Default Credit Limit for new Customers
- Include Credit Insurance in Credit Limit Calculations
- Set Number of Days to Recalculate
- Use various criteria in Credit Limit Evaluation
- Select which Evaluation Criteria to use by Customer
- Review Credit Limit History by Customer
- Recalculate Credit Limits by Customer, Customer Range or during Cash Receipts Update

Section B: Getting Started



- If you reinstall or upgrade one of the Sage 100 modules listed in the following table, you must also reinstall this Enhancement.
- Enhancements from different Sage Developers are generally not designed to work together. If installed together, problems are likely to occur.
- Check with DSD before installing more than one Enhancement.

Required Levels

Sage 100	Module	Required
Module	Required	Level
A/R	Y	5.40

Installation

- 1. Back-up: Exit all Sage 100 sessions. Back-up existing Sage 100 data.
- 2. Check Levels: Sage 100 module levels must match those listed above.
- 3. Run Enhancement Setup Program: Save the executable installation program (sent to you or downloaded from our website) in a convenient location on the Sage 100 server. Launch the program from Windows Explorer or by selecting Start/Run, and then browse for the file in the location you saved it. Follow on-screen instructions.
- 4. Send your Sage Serial Number to your DSD Representative: Send your Sage Serial Number to your DSD representative in order for us to send you back the encrypted keys to unlock your system. This serial number can be found in Library Master\Setup\System Configuration, Tab 3. Registration as Serial Number.
- 5. Re-Start Sage 100: Sage 100 will be updated.
- 6. Unlock the Enhancement: DSD Enhancements must be unlocked to run. When any part of the Enhancement is run for the first time, the DSD Enhancement License Agreement and Activation window will appear. Follow the steps shown on that window. You can click the Help button for more detailed instructions.

Note: On the next page is a screenshot of the DSD Enhancement License Agreement and Activation window.

After accepting the License Agreement, you can then select the type of unlocking that you'd prefer. The choices are File, Web, Demo and Manual Entry.

File Unlock: After receiving your encrypted serial number key file from DSD, and placing that file in the MAS90/SOA directory, selecting this option will unlock all products keys contained in the file. This means you can unlock all enhancements at once using this option.

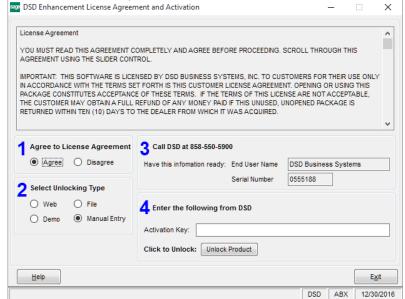
Web Unlock: If the system that is running the DSD Enhancement *has web access* and you *have* sent DSD your Sage Serial number, you can unlock the Enhancement without assistance using Web Unlock. When this option is selected, the program will attempt to download encrypted serial number key file from DSD and then proceed to unlock all enhancements contained in the file.

 The Sage 100 system that is being used must have web access for this option to be effective.

You can send your Sage Serial Number to your DSD Enhancements sales representative.

Demo Unlock: If a Demo mode is available for the Enhancement you're running, you will be able to Demo unlock the product without assistance from DSD for demo purposes.

 Creating a Demo Unlock is a good way to temporarily unlock DSD Enhancements off-hours, if you do not have web or email access. Later, you can unlock the product fully, during business hours.



Manual Entry Unlock: If you want to unlock a single enhancement using a single encrypted key, you can select this option and enter the 64 character key you receive from DSD by copy and paste.

Note: You can also unlock a DSD Enhancement through the **DSD Enhancement Control Panel** found on the Library Master Utilities Menu. Then, select the Enhancement with your mouse from the list of Enhancements and click the **Unlock Product** button on the right side of the window.

7. Convert Data: After unlocking, the DSD Conversion Wizard will appear. Follow on-screen instructions to complete data conversion. You can exit the conversion program without converting data. The Enhancement will not proceed, however, until data is converted. If you enter an enhanced program and data has not been converted, the conversion program will run again.

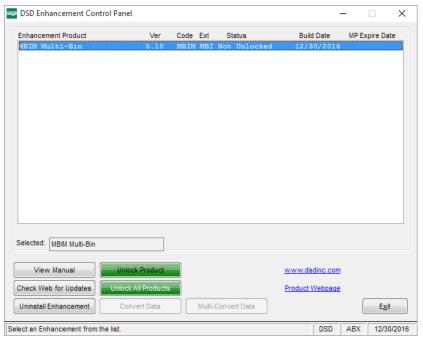


DSD Enhancement Control Panel

Starting with version 3.61, all DSD Enhancement products include DSD's Enhancement Control Panel. The DSD Enhancement Control Panel is accessed from the Library Master Utilities menu.

The DSD Enhancement Control
Panel is a simple to use yet powerful
system to help maintain DSD
Enhancements installed on a Sage
100 system. To use it, select an
Enhancement product from the list
on the window and then click the
button, on the right side of the
window, which corresponds with the
desired task.

View Manual: This button will display the product manual for the selected Enhancement using Adobe Acrobat. For this to be possible, the PDF file for the corresponding manual must be in the



"MAS90/PDF" folder in the Sage 100 system. If the file is not present, and the system has web access, the correct PDF file will be automatically downloaded from the DSD website, put into the "MAS90/PDF" folder and then displayed.

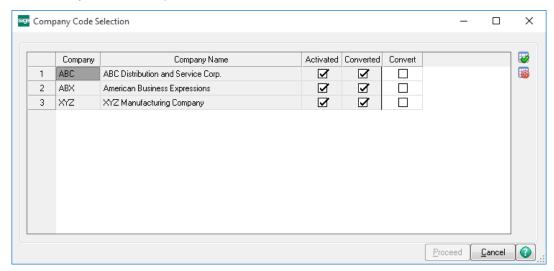
Check the Web for Updates: This button will check the DSD website to see what the current build is the selected Enhancement and alert the user if a later version is available. This requires an internet connection on the Sage 100 system.

Unlock Product: This will cause the DSD Enhancement License Agreement and Activation window to appear. Using this window is described on the previous page. *This button is disabled if the selected Enhancement is already unlocked or if unlocking is not required.*

Unlock All Products: This will cause the DSD Enhancement All License Agreement and Activation window to appear. This window is similar to the one described on the previous page, but has only web and file as options to unlock. *This button is never disabled*.

Convert Data: After verification, the selected Enhancement's data conversion program will run. Data conversion is non-destructive, and may be triggered any number of times. Sometimes this is required to fix data records imported or updated from a non-enhancement installation.

Multi-Convert Data: Multiple Companies can be converted at the same time for a given Enhancement. (If you have a large number of Companies to convert, please do in batches of 20 or fewer due to memory limitations.)



Help: The Help button, located at the bottom right of the window, opens an HTML help file.

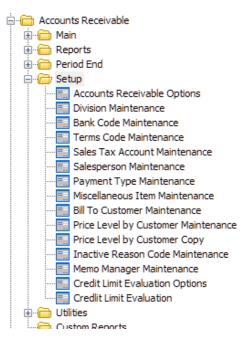
Get Adobe Acrobat: Opens the Adobe Acrobat website to the page where Acrobat can be downloaded and installed.

Uninstall Enhancement If this option is available, then selecting this button will start the un-install process, removing the enhancement from the system. (for more information see <u>Uninstall DSD</u> <u>Enhancements</u>)

Section C: Setup

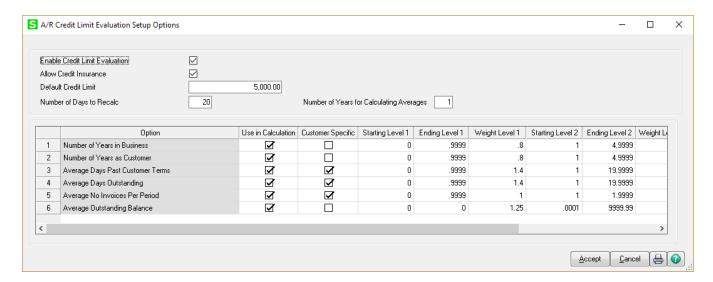
Role Maintenance

After Installation, new tasks have been added the Accounts Receivable Setup menu. Access "Role Maintenance" to update role permissions to access these tasks.



Credit Limit Evaluation Options

Access "Credit Limit Evaluation Options" to enable the enhancement.



Allow Credit Insurance: Enable this option to allow credit insurance to be entered for customers. If the Customer has Credit Insurance then the Credit Limit will be set to the Credit Insurance Amount.

Default Credit Limit: Enter a default Credit Limit for all customers.

Number of Days to Recalc: Enter the Number of Days to Recalc. When Credit Limit Evaluation occurs, Number Of Days to Recalculate field in Credit Limit Evaluation Options is read, and compared to the Last Recalc Date for the Customer, and will recalculate the new values in the customer, including the Credit Limit, if required.

Number of Years for Calculating Averages: Enter the Number of Years for Calculating Averages. This value is used for Avg Days Past Terms, Avg No Inv Period, Avg Days Outstanding, Avg Outstanding Balance calculations.

Options:

Select 'Use in Calculation' next to each of the options, to determine which will be used during calculation. Select the 'Customer Specific' Option to maintin these options by customer.

- No Years In Business The Business Start Date will be compared to the Module date to calculate the No Years in Business, rounded to 2 decimal places.
- No Years Customer The Customer Start Date will be compared to the Module date to calculate the No Years Customer, rounded to 2 decimal places.
- Avg Days Past Terms Each Open Invoice will be reviewed to determine number of days to pay, then that number will be subtracted from the number of days on the Customer Terms Code. The average for all Open Invoices will be passed back.

- Avg No Inv Period Invoice History will be read for all invoices for a Customer to
 calculate Total Number of Invoices, then divide that number by the number of
 months in between the earliest invoice and the Module Date, rounded to 2 decimal
 places.
- - i. \$1000 invoice on 1/1/17
 - ii. Paid \$600 1/11/17 (10 days)
 - iii. Paid \$400 10 days after Due Date (50 days)
 - iv. Avg Days Past Due = (600/1000*10) + (400/1000*50) = 6 + 20 = 26 days
- Average Outstanding Balance Each invoice and the payments are read to determine the Average Outstanding Balance for each invoice, then average all invoices. Example of an Average Outstanding Balance for an invoice
 - i. \$1000 invoice on 1/1/17
 - ii. Paid \$600 1/11/17 (10 days)
 - iii. Paid \$400 10 days after Due Date (50 days)
 - iv. Avg Daily Balance = ((1000*10) + (400*40)) / 50 = (10000 + 16000) / 50= 26000/50 = \$520

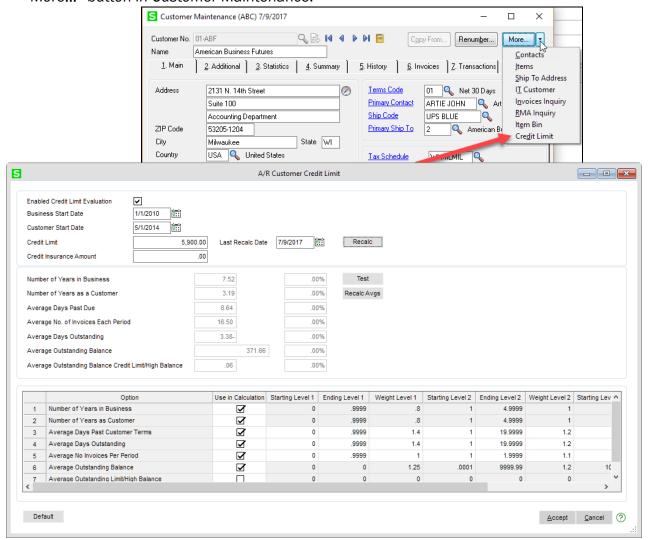
Once each Option is recalculated, the Credit Limit will be recalculated:

- The five (5) Start/End/Weights will be read to determine the Weight to be used for the option.
- The Average Weight for the Options will be multiplied by the Credit Limit to determine the new Credit Limit.

Section D: System Operations

Customer Maintenance

Once Customer Credit Limit Evaluation has been enabled, access the Credit Limit task from the 'More..." button in Customer Maintenance.



When the A/R Customer Credit Limit window appears, select 'Enable Credit Limit Evaluation' to enable evaluations for this customer.

Business Start Date: Enter the Business Start Date for the Customer to be used to calculate the Number of Years in Business.

Customer Start Date: Enter the Customer Start Date to be used for calculating the Number of Years as Customer.

Credit Limit: Enter the Credit Limit for the Customer, this value will default from the Credit Limit in Customer Maintenance. The Credit Limit will change when Evaluations occur.

Last Recalc Date: Displays the date of the last recalculation.

Credit Insurance Amount: Enter the amount of credit insurance for the customer. If a credit insurance amount is entered, the credit limit will be set to this amount. This field is only available if the 'Allow Credit Insurance' option is enabled in Credit Limit Evaluation Options.

Select the **Default** button at the lower left of the window to load defaults from the Credit Limit Evaluation Options. Options which are set to 'Customer Specific' will be editable. All other options are disabled.

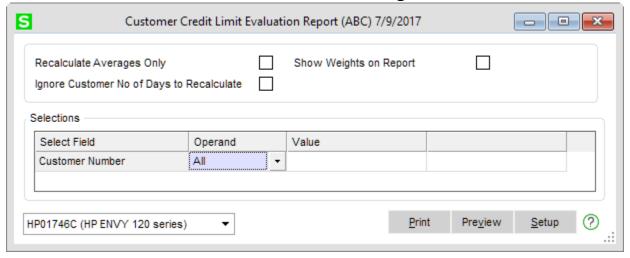
Select the **Recalc** button to manually recalculate the Credit Limit for the customer based on the settings.

Select **Test** to test recaluations. Select **Recalc Avgs** to recalculate averages only.

Credit Limit Evaluation

Run the Customer Credit Limit Evaluation task from the Accounts Receivable Setup menu to recalculate Credit Limits for all customers with Credit Limit Evaluation enabled.

The selection process will look at the Customer's **Number Of Days to Recalculate** compared to the Module Date to determine if it should be selected, unless the Ignore Customer Number Of Days to Recalculate is checked, in which case all customers in the range will be selected.

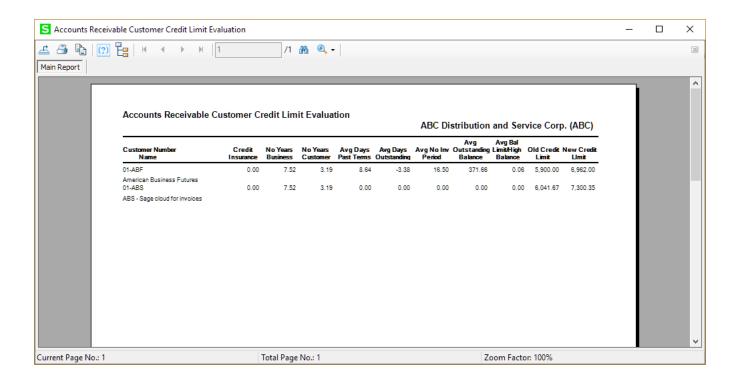


After printing, the user will be prompted: "Do you want to update Averages and Credit Limits?"



If the user selects **No**, then the report will exit without update. If the user selects **Yes**, then:

- The Customer file will be updated with the new information, including averages and Credit Limit.
- If the selection Recalculate Averages only is checked, then only the averages will be updated.
- The new A/R Customer Credit History file will also be updated.



Cash Receipts Update

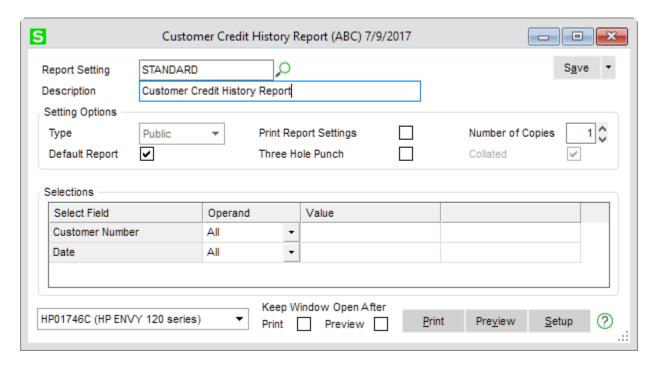
Durring Cash Receipts Update, the Credit Limit is recalculated for Customers with Credit Limit Evaluation enabled. The Cash Receipt Update will look at the Number Of Days to Recalculate field in Credit Limit Evaluation Options, and compare it to the Last Recalc Date for the Customer, and will recalculate the new values in Customer Maintenance, including the Credit Limit, if required.

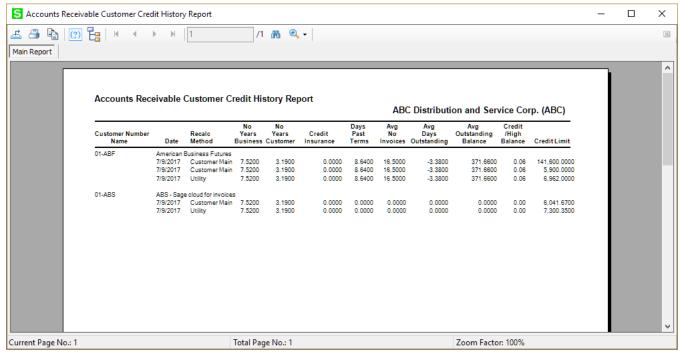
If the Number Of Days to Recalculate is set to 0, then the recalculate will not occur.

The new A/R Customer Credit History file will also be updated.

Customer Credit History Report

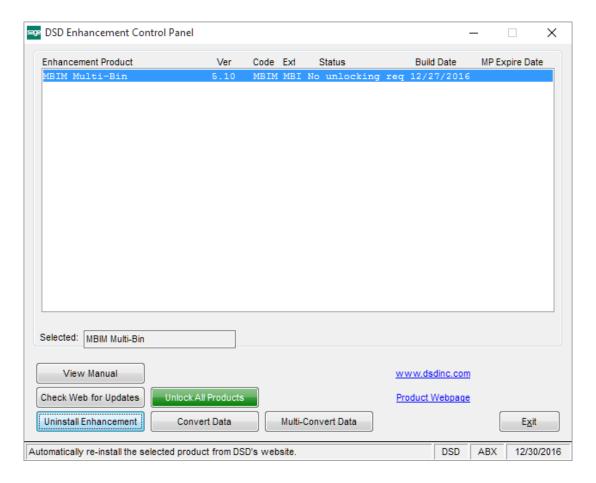
The Customer Credit History Report has been added to the Accounts Receivable Reports menu. The report can be printed by Customer or by Recalculation Date.



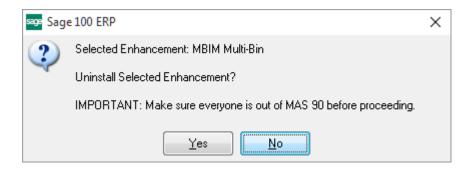


Section E: Uninstall DSD Enhancements

A DSD Enhancements Uninstall Utility has been provided for the purposes of removing DSD Enhancements from your Sage 100 System. This utility may be accessed from the **DSD Enhancement Control Panel** menu option on the **Library Master / Utilities** menu.



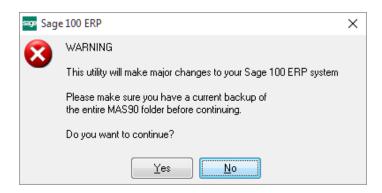
When accessing the **DSD Enhancement Control**, select the enhancement that you wish to Uninstall, and then select the **Uninstall Enhancement** button. The following message box will appear:



Select **No** to exit the Uninstall Process.

Select **Yes** to continue with the Uninstall Process.

The following message box will appear, to remind you that a complete backup of your entire Sage 100 system should be completed prior to uninstalling a DSD product.



Select No to exit the Uninstall Process.

Select Yes to continue with the Uninstall Process.

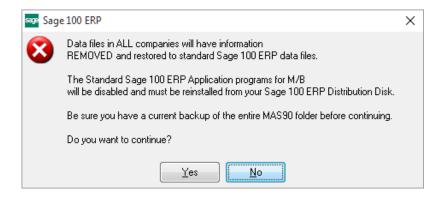
After the Uninstall of the DSD Enhancement, you MUST reinstall certain standard Sage 100 modules, followed by reinstallation of Product Updates and Hot Fixes, if applicable.

A message box will appear, and will display which of those specific Sage 100 modules you must reinstall afterwards.

Select No to exit the Uninstall Process.

Select Yes to continue with the Uninstall Process.

The following message box will appear, displaying the final warning message.



Select No to exit the Uninstall Process.

Select **Yes** to continue with the Uninstall Process. At this point, the DSD Enhancement will be removed from the Sage 100 system.

After completion of the Uninstall, the following message box will appear. Select OK to continue.



Now that the Uninstall process is completed, you must:

- Reinstall the applicable standard Sage 100 modules
- Reinstall the latest Sage 100 Service Pack/Updates, if applicable.
- Reinstall any other DSD Enhancements or Developer products that are affected from the reinstallation of the standard Sage 100 module(s).