Oracle® Retail Macro Space Management

Release Notes

Release 13.2.1

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This document highlights the major changes for Release 13.2.1 of the Oracle Retail Macro Space Management application. It includes the following sections:

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Product Overview

The Macro Space Planning family consists of two products:

1. Macro Space Management
2. In-Store Space Collaboration

Macro Space Management is the 'core' application and must be installed. In-Store Space Collaboration is optional and may or may not be installed depending on the user's preference.

Oracle Retail Macro Space Management (MSM) is a complex, integrated program that allows users to carry out highly sophisticated store planning, fixturing, and merchandising operations. It also allows them to monitor retail performance using KPIs and reports. MSM is primarily intended for centralized planning, must be on a local area network (LAN) and is typically located at head or regional offices.

These operations can either be carried out in a Computer Aided Design environment (Planner), or in 3D Virtual Reality Environment (Merchandiser).

> **Note:** The Planner and Fixture Studio modules in Oracle Retail Macro Space Management require the use of the Autodesk AutoCAD software. Before installing these applications, you must purchase and install Autodesk AutoCAD.
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> Oracle does not ship the Autodesk AutoCAD licenses along with these products. You must purchase the Autodesk AutoCAD license directly from Autodesk or the recognized resellers.

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Overview of the 13.2.1 Release

The 13.2.1 Release of Oracle Retail Macro Space Management contains enhancements to the planogram substitution functionality introduced in the 13.2 software release.

Hardware and Software Requirements

See the *Oracle Retail Macro Space Planning Installation Guide* for information about the following:

- Hardware and software requirements
- Oracle Retail application software compatibility information

Functional Enhancements

The following additional functionality has been included in this release:

Planogram Substitution

- Planogram Substitution can now be carried out with the planogram in exploded (3D) form. The requirement to manually implode the planogram (change to 2D form) prior to planogram substitution is no longer mandatory.
- A new System Variable (PLANOGRAM_SUBSTITUTION_PROCESS_ EXPLODED) controls the precise way planogram substitution operates.
- A tolerance function has been added. Planograms of differing length, depth and height to the parent fixture will still place providing the planogram dimensions are within tolerances specified by the person setting up the substitution.

Known Issues

The following significant issues exist in this release of the application.

- When manually creating a planogram hierarchy in the Merchandiser module, if you add a second level to the planogram hierarchy immediately after adding the first, an unhandled error will result.
- Some of the Automated Calculations are not writing back full results to the database. This can significantly affect reporting accuracy.
- Area Calculations only work correctly if the insertion point for fixtures is set to Bottom, Back, Left.
- The Reverse Planogram option is not working in Planner or Merchandiser.

Noteworthy Defect Fixes

The following noteworthy defects have been fixed for this release.

- Synchronize was not functioning if an architectural plan was X'refd to a floor plan. This issue has now been corrected and synchronize functions correctly in floor plans with xref'd architectural plans.
- The ability to create 3DS files was removed by Autodesk from AutoCAD 2009, 2010 and 2011. This functionality has been replaced by equivalent functionality by Oracle.

Related Documentation

The following documentation has been updated for this release:

- *Oracle Retail Macro Space Planning Installation Guide*
- *Oracle Retail Macro Space Management Administration Guide*
- *Oracle Retail Macro Space Management Administration On-Line Help*

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