

Oracle® Retail Merchandise Financial Planning

Release Notes

Release 13.1.2.9

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Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning (MFP) is part of the Oracle Retail Predictive Planning Suite. MFP provides strategic and financial product planning functions. These functions support industry planning standards for preseason and in-season processes. Functions and processes that are a part of the MFP solution include:

- Setting and passing targets
- Creating a financial plan in a structured method
- Plan reconciliation
- Plan approval
- Plan maintenance
- Re-planning
- Plan monitoring

Overview of the Fashion Planning Bundle

The Fashion Planning Bundle is the integration of Item Planning (IP), Clearance Optimization Engine (COE), Assortment Planning (AP), Merchandise Financial Planning (MFP), and Size Profile Optimization (SPO) as a full-suite planning solution for fashion retailers.

Hardware and Software Requirements

See the *MFP Cost Installation Guide* and *MFP Retail Installation Guide* for information about the following:

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

Technical Enhancements

MFP 13.1.2.9 includes the following technical enhancements.

Markdown Budget Export

An extract has been created for exporting of the markdown budget from MFP for use in markdown optimization applications such as Oracle Retail Markdown Optimization (MDO).

For more information about this extract, see the *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning Operations Guide*.

Alternative Method to Integrate MFP

MFP 13.1.2.9 includes the following integration option.

Script Integration

Script integration has been reintroduced into this release of MFP. Oracle provides the integration scripts as an alternative to using the Oracle Retail Oracle Data Integrator (ODI) enabled integration.

For more information about script integration, see the *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning Operations Guide*.

Related Documentation

For more information, see the following documents in the Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning 13.1.2.9 documentation set:

- *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning Retail Installation Guide*
- *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning Cost Installation Guide*
- *Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning Operations Guide*

For more information about the Fashion Planning Bundle applications see the following documentation sets:

- Oracle Retail Item Planning documentation
- Oracle Retail Item Planning Configured for COE documentation
- Oracle Retail Clearance Optimization Engine documentation
- Oracle Retail Assortment Planning documentation
- Oracle Retail Size Profile Optimization documentation

For more information about RPAS and the ODI Enabled Integration, see the following documentation sets:

- Oracle Retail ODI Enabled Integration documentation
- Oracle Data Integrator documentation
- Oracle Retail Predictive Application Server documentation

Previous Releases

For additional information on previous Oracle Retail Merchandise Financial Planning release enhancements and additional information, refer to the release notes and documentation that accompany the previous releases.

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