

Features, Enhancements and Bug Fixes in the ResourceMate 4.1.15.0 build

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Features

- In order to help ensure that invoices for subscription renewals are sent to the proper person on your side, we are going to request that ResourceMate operators complete and submit a short form. This information will be captured in a new form that will display automatically (see note below). As well, a new **Help > Accounting/Administrative Contact Information** menu item can call up the form and permit operators to update and submit the appropriate contact information. This information will be sent to our Business Office. In this manner, we hope to eliminate outdated or stale contact information and thus ensure that invoices are directed to the correct person at your end.

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Accounting/Administrative Contact Information". At the top, there is a question mark icon and the text "Why are we asking for this information?". The form contains several input fields: "First Name" (placeholder: "First Name of Your Administrative Contact"), "Last Name" (placeholder: "Last Name of your Administrative Contact"), "Email" (placeholder: "EnteryouradministrationEmail@somedomain.com"), "Phone" (placeholder: "(222) 222-2222"), and "Job Title" (placeholder: "Accounts Payable"). There is also a "Comments" field with a text area containing the instruction: "Please enter the relevant information for your administrative contact - this is the person who receives and pays invoices from vendors." Below these fields, there are two rows of information: "Support End Date: 6/30/2024" and "Web OPAC Expiry: 6/30/2024". A note at the bottom states: "Note: This form is available to update anytime you wish to make changes to this information from the ResourceMate Help menu." At the bottom right, there are two buttons: "Submit this info" and "Cancel".

This form will be displayed when version 4.1.15.0 is launched for the first time and again, prior to the expiration of your site's ResourceMate support agreement.

Enhancements

- When ResourceMate is started, it will warn operators of any impending expiration of their Web OPAC subscription. Customers are allowed a thirty day window during which time their local copy of ResourceMate will continue to accumulate all additions, changes and deletions to Items and Patrons, but will not transmit them to Web OPAC. After thirty days following expiration of a Web OPAC subscription, no changes will be retained or synchronized and Web OPAC will effectively be turned off;
- The step-by-step Product Activation has now been changed to make clearer the process of moving your copy to another computer. Activation occurs when ResourceMate is launched for the first time following installation. (It's highly recommended that customers who want to move their copies of ResourceMate send an Email to support@resourcemate.com for written instructions);
- When changes are made to an item, data on the its Web OPAC form will be refreshed automatically in Web OPAC when the Save button is clicked;
- When an item's barcode is scanned in the Self Circulation check out, operators no longer need to click on the **Check Out Item** button; the scan will complete the transaction without further operator intervention;
- The **Circulation Grid** now has the fields **Date Added** and **Date Updated** visible on the **Detail** form. As well, these fields can now be added to the Circulation Grid. These are the actual system dates when that the Circulation record was created and/or updated, respectively;
- The Import Process has been enhanced to allow for better recognition of workbooks created with newer versions of Excel - operators are no longer forced to save and import a CSV format;
- For those sites that either do not have or do not permit access to the internet, a new option can now disable attempts by ResourceMate to use it;

Bug Fixes

- **Import Process / Copy Information to Library (from Volunteer):** for sites that maintain an active Web OPAC subscription, cover images were not being properly synchronized and consequently not appearing in Web OPAC;
- **Update Items by Barcode** utility: An exception would be thrown if duplicate barcodes were scanned;
- Runs of the **Change Utility** against the **Subject** table occasionally created exceptions when run in databases using the Local Single User data framework;
- The migration of databases from the Local Data to MSSQL frameworks occasionally generated exceptions that terminated the process;
- When setting the **Treat As Textbook** checkbox in an existing Resource Type, an exception was generated when the change was saved;
- There were layout issues that prevented the proper display of Availability information on the Textbooks **Copy** tab/form,
- An issue with extracting the number of pages from Physical Description was corrected when importing MARC records in the **Import Process** utility;
- An exception was triggered in the **Utilities > Web OPAC > Cover Image Assignment** utility when it encountered an item's Default Multimedia record that was too large;
- The **Circulation > Process Remote Circulation** utility was not assigning correct dates to Check Out and/or Check In transactions when Remote Circulation files were processed well after their initial creation;
- **The Remote Circulation Log** would throw an exception and fail to display;
- There were layout issues on the **Items - Web OPAC** form that prevented some important field labels from being displayed properly;
- A typographic error was corrected in the final confirmation message displayed by the **Utilities > Update Item Replacement Value** program;
- On the Item > Web OPAC tab/form, there were issues with field layout that prevented some important field labels from being displayed properly;
- The **Assign Cover Image** utility would throw an exception if the **Default Multimedia** record was too large;
- Processing the Remote Circulation Data (rcd files) were not using the correct dates for creating new Check Outs or Checking Items if the file was being processed a long time after it was created. These files are meant to be processed in a timely fashion, however, this was a problem with the program. Remote Circulation Log (Grid) would display an error and not display.