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## ***What's New in Star Projects***

### ***Version 7.11***

The features listed here, are the enhancements and additions made to Star Projects since the release of Version 7.10.

#### **General Enhancements**

**Ability to setup no-charge activities by project** – the activity maintenance screen now has a new no-charge checkbox. When assigning activity codes in Project Maintenance (behind the Modify button), the default flag can be overridden. During timesheet entry, new lines will be marked as no-charge if the selected activity for that project is marked as no-charge.

**Ability to setup no-charge expenses by project** – the expense maintenance screen now has a new no-charge checkbox. When assigning expense codes in Project Maintenance (behind the Modify button), the default flag can be overridden. During timesheet entry, new lines will be marked as no-charge if the selected expense for that project is marked as no-charge.

#### **Invoicing**

- New maintenance screen for "invoice type".
- Project Maintenance screen -> Invoices tab default values for "invoice type".
- "Invoice type" field attached to invoices for customisations.
- New option on Print Invoice Screens to print unposted invoices.
- Review Invoice screen footer total now also shows the totalled charge value when using the Time/Disbursement radio buttons

#### **Maintenance - System**

**Client Maintenance Screen** – "Report Nodes" tab added for use in reports.

## **Rate Maintenance**

- "More" tab added to Rate Edit Screen (via Rate Maintenance grid).
- New "Cost Maintenance" Screen with ability to maintain "more" fields. Popup menu option to Adjust Cost Rates in bulk mode. This new screen shows all the cost rates entered against the various masterfiles: Resources, Resource Class, Section, Department
- Added "rate type" field
- Added "scale type" field

## **Maintenance - Setup**

**Registration Screen** – Ability to import module registration codes.

**Options Explorer** - The addition of a number of new system settings within the Options Explorer screen, which control new functionality in Star Projects.

### **Configuration / Multiple More Rows / Cost Rates**

Enable multiple more rows on the "More" tab in Cost Rate Maintenance. Note: this screen is only accessible via the new Cost Maintenance screen introduced in this version. The previous method of entering costs via grid lines still exists as before but the more tab is not accessible on those screens.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

### **Configuration / Multiple More Rows / Rates**

Enable multiple more rows on the "More" tab in Rate Maintenance.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

### **Configuration / Project Activity / Foreground Color**

Specifies foreground color to be used in the project activity enquiry screen.

### **Invoices / Entry/Review / Auto Post Voided Invoice**

Determines whether voided invoices are to be included during post or not.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

### **Security / Parent Security / Cost Rate More**

Determines if the more screen respects its parent screens security or can be secured in its own right. Refer explanation in previous What's New settings.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default) meaning the screen will respect the function setting in module manager for the role attached to that screen (default)

### **Security / Parent Security / Rate More**

Determines if the more screen respects its parent screens security or can be secured in its own right. Refer explanation in previous What's New settings.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default) meaning the screen will respect the function setting in module manager for the role attached to that screen (default)

# ***What's New in Star Projects***

## ***Version 7.10***

The features listed here, are the enhancements and additions made to Star Projects since the release of Version 7.05.

### **General Enhancements**

#### **eAdvice Integration**

- New system option to globally enable/disable the "Use PDF Only" checkbox in the various eAdvice contacts grids.
- Added Print/Preview option when calling eAdvice via StarProjects.
- Info Only - Updated command line interface to eAdvice.

**Enhanced Budgeting** – custom columns can now integrate more seamlessly with standard budget lines. A softcoded properties table is available for implementing customisation requirements.

**Enhanced Invoicing** – custom columns can now integrate more seamlessly with standard normal and progress invoice lines. A softcoded properties table is available for implementing customisation requirements.

**Rating Precision** – Unit Rate extended to 8 decimal places for rates and scales. Extended amounts remain rounded to the number of places on the currency code.

**User Preferences for grid column widths and positions** – This data is now held in a table called sy\_userset instead of the windows registry. *Please note that some settings may not be ported when upgrading to this version.*

**Module Manager Security Settings** – The following have been added this release:

- Maintain Project – Invoice Schedules More
- Maintain Sell Rates – Adjust General
- Maintain Scale – Adjust General

### **Maintenance - System**

#### **Project Maintenance**

- Budgets tab – custom columns can be added to budget lines displayed in grid. New softcoded properties table available to further customize maintenance.
- General tab – added "Location" field.
- Invoice Schedules tab – "More" tab added so fields can be seen in one screen.

**Rate Maintenance** – New popup menu option to Adjust Rates in bulk mode.

**Resource Maintenance** – "General" tab added to standardise screen layout.

**Scale Maintenance** – New screen to maintain scale data from grid layout like rates.

**StarProjects to Epicor integration** - Expense Account field added to Maintain Activities screen. *(customisation work required to use the newly added fields).*

## **Maintenance - Setup**

**Registration Screen** – Ability to import module registration codes.

**Options Explorer** - The addition of a number of new system settings within the Options Explorer screen, which control new functionality in Star Projects.

### **Configuration / Contacts / Allow PDF Only**

Enable 'Use PDF Only' checkbox in eAdvice contacts grid. This flag controls whether invoices sent through to eAdvice are restricted to generating a pdf file instead of physically printing.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

### **Configuration / Multiple More Rows / Invoice Schedules**

Enable multiple more rows on the "More" tab in Project Maintenance scheduled invoices tab.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

### **Configuration / Resources / Default Allow Global Activities**

Default value for the allow global activities checkbox in Maintain Activities.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

*Please Note: This setting is not respected yet. It is earmarked for a future release to allow **Activity Restrictions by Resource** as an extra layer to co-exist with the existing ability to configure activity codes by projects/phase.*

### **Interfaces / Modules / Inventory - Invoices**

Integration flag that determines whether an inventory transaction should be created in the host accounting system when an invoice is posted in Star.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

### **Interfaces / Modules / Inventory - Journals**

Integration flag that determines whether an inventory transaction should be created in the host accounting system when a journal is posted in Star.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

### **Interfaces / Modules / Inventory - Timesheets**

Integration flag that determines whether an inventory transaction should be created in the host accounting system when a timesheet is posted in Star.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

### **Security / Parent Security / Schedule More**

Determines if the more screen respects its parent screens security or can be secured in its own right. For example if a scheduled invoice has already been generated, the line in the scheduled invoices grid would be greyed out and not editable. A value of 1 means to respect the read only status as the parent screen (the Invoice Schedules tab in this case) is showing the grid line as read only whereas a 0 value means allow the more fields to be editable.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default) meaning the screen will respect the function setting in module manager for the role attached to that screen (default)

### **Security / Screens / Default Approver / Reviewer**

This flag determines whether the logged in resource will default on the approver / reviewer filter boxes in an Authorise screen.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

### **System / Object Names**

The following objects have been added:

- Normal Invoice
- Normal Invoices
- Progress Invoice
- Progress Invoices

## **Processing**

### **Invoicing**

- New softcoded properties table available for customizations.
- New option on Review Filter screen to select printed status.
- Added "Section" code as filter option on Prepare Invoices screens.
- Added "nocharge flag" and "resource code" fields to progress invoice lines.
- Zero value invoices now respects the Invoices → Entry/Review → Prepare Negative Invoices as Bal Fwd system option. If that setting is on, a zero value invoice that gets created will now also be marked as balance forward.
- Print Invoices screen – selecting the "Print All Unprinted Invoices" option will exclude Balance Forward invoices that have already printed once.

**StarProjects to Epicor integration** – New integration points added to create inventory transactions in Epicor when posting a timesheet, journal or invoice. *(customisation work required to implement this).*

# ***What's New in Star Projects***

## ***Version 7.05***

The features listed here, are the enhancements and additions made to Star Projects since the release of Version 7.04.

### **General Enhancements**

**eAdvice Integration** – New functionality that allows Star Project invoices to be sent from eAdvice, or eAdvice to be launched from Star to send an invoice. Contacts added to company, client, project, invoices and invoice schedules.

**Options Explorer** – Added the ability to configure user based override settings.

**Period Control** - Added the ability to configure open and closed periods to control the authorisation and posting of transactions for financial periods. Applies to journals, timesheets, expenses, invoices and percent complete.

**Screen Management** – Internal code rework when multiple screens are open to better control the appearance of one screen on top of another.

**Security Workbench** – New facility added to the Options→Tools menu to make it easier for administrators to configure security settings for functions within each role.

### **Invoicing**

- Speed improvement on Prepare Normal Invoices
- Speed improvement on Get Wip Lines
- Enhanced validation and customization points
- Added "eAdvice" to list of Invoice Type options in Print Normal Invoices
- Added ability to jump to company screen in transaction edit screen
- Posting a 0 value progress invoice will auto-post the invoice line
- bug fixes for divide by zero in pro-rata, clearing writeoff when voiding and enable print no-charge flag on progress invoices

### **Maintenance-Setup**

**Options Explorer** - The addition of a number of new system settings within the Options Explorer screen, which control new functionality in Star Projects.

#### **Configuration / Clients / Default Use Company Contacts**

Default for this checkbox on the eAdvice tab in Client Maintenance.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

#### **Configuration / Copy Project Wizard / Copy Contacts**

Default for this checkbox when copying an existing project.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Configuration / Invoice Schedules / Default Use Client Contacts**

Default for this checkbox on the eAdvice tab in Invoice Schedules.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Configuration / Invoice Schedules / Default Use Company Contacts**

Default for this checkbox on the eAdvice tab in Invoice Schedules.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Configuration / Invoice Schedules / Default Use Project Contacts**

Default for this checkbox on the eAdvice tab in Invoice Schedules.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Configuration / Invoice Schedules / Default Use Phase Contacts**

Default for this checkbox on the eAdvice tab in Invoice Schedules.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Configuration / Project / Default Use Client Contacts**

Default for this checkbox on the eAdvice tab in Project Maintenance.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Configuration / Project / Default Use Company Contacts**

Default for this checkbox on the eAdvice tab in Project Maintenance.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Configuration / Phases / Default Use Project Contacts**

Default for this checkbox on the eAdvice tab in Phase Maintenance.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Invoices / Entry/Review / Default Use Project Contacts**

Default for this checkbox on the eAdvice tab in Review Invoices.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Invoices / Entry/Review / Default Use Phase Contacts**

Default for this checkbox on the eAdvice tab in Review Invoices.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Invoices / Print Fonts/Settings / Use RTF text**

Save special RTF formatting strings with the invoice text.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

(the keyname of this setting was previously **Cystal Invoice: Use RTF text**)

**Configuration / Periods / Allow Future Open Period**

Allow users to post transactions to open future periods.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Configuration / Periods / Allow Prior Open Period**

Allow users to post transactions to open prior periods.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Configuration / Projects / Default Do Not Print Normal Invoices**

Default for this checkbox when creating a new project.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

**Configuration / Projects / Default Do Not Print Progress Invoices**

Default for this checkbox when creating a new project.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

**Configuration / Projects / Default Do Not Print Balance Forward Invoices**

Default for this checkbox when creating a new project.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

**Configuration / Projects / Default Ready To Print**

Default for this checkbox when creating a new project.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Reports / Options / eAdvice**

The name of the executable used to process eAdvice invoices.

**Validation Rules / Invoices / Validate on Authorise**

Validation is performed during the authorize invoice process.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

**Validation Rules / Invoices / Validate Before Post**

Validation of invoices occurs during the posting process.

0 = No

1 = Yes (default)

*The following settings are now redundant in Module Manager:*

Maintain Project - General

**Other**

- **Calculate Percent Complete** – added log facility
- **Project Activity** – added charge rate field
- **Import Timesheets/Expenses** – added Select All and Unselect All buttons
- **Name and Options** – enhanced Report Viewer restrictions



## **Report Manager (v7.0.5)**

Enhanced command line interface which now supports the following parameters:

/M	Module
/S	Server
/D	Database
/U	login id
/P	password
/T	NT Authentication
/R	Report File Name
/d	0 = Screen 1 = Printer 2 = File
/t	Report Title
/p	printer name
/o	Paper Orientation
/s	Paper Size
/b	Paper Bin
/x	Crystal Export Format
/f	Crystal Export File Name
/v	Pass a report parameter (e.g /v @print_run=100)

### ***Example Command line:***

```
C:\ReportManager.exe /M PA /S myserver /D mydatabase /U sa /P sa /d 0 /t "Star  
Projects Invoice Print - FORMAT1" /p "Star PDF Writer" /o 1 /s 1 /b 15 /x -1 /f "" /R  
C:\myReport.rpt /v @print_run=128
```

# ***What's New in Star Projects***

## ***Version 7.04***

The features listed here, are the enhancements and additions made to Star Projects since the release of Version 6.45.

### **General Enhancements**

**ADO/BDE Database Connectivity** – Significant code rework has been done internally to allow StarProjects to run without BDE (Borland Database Engine) connectivity. Note: the MS Project interface however still uses BDE and will be converted to ADO in a future v7 release.

**Configuring Application Security** – A new branch has been added to Options Explorer to provide more flexibility in setting up security. These options interpose a new security layer above the role function settings maintained in Module Manager.

- **Parent Security** – Ability to configure each 'more' screen to use the same security as its parent screen OR allow it to be secured in its own right.
- **Reports** – Global switches that to enable or disable Project Security and Resource Security. For example, turning off Project Security here means individual reports within each module manager do not have to be configured. (Note this requires ReportManager v7.0.3 or greater.)
- **Screens** – Global switches to enable or disable security (eg Project Security) for individual screens. Similar to reports above, turning an option off here means the setting on each module manager role can be ignored. Enabling project security in Options Explorer will turn on project security for all non-administrator roles.

**Custom Zoom/Validate functionality** – A number of screens have now been standardized internally to call zoom and validation stored procedures for activity, activity type, location, inventory and staff codes. This allows the routines to be customized by users for their specific requirements.

**Edit Wip Lines** – A transaction not associated with an invoice can now be edited via the Processing / Audit Trails / Display Posted Transactions screen. This negates the need to prepare the line onto invoice change the transaction details and void the invoice. Please note that all security constraints that apply to Review Invoices – Edit Transaction still apply with the ability to change the client, project allowed and putting the line onto hold disallowed.

## Invoicing

- **Multi format invoice layouts** – has been implemented for crystal reports
- **Invoice Print Formats** - A Crystal report filename can be linked to an invoice format code. Only report files located in the Reports / Options / Report Path directory can be linked. The type can be set normal or progress invoice.
- **Do Not Print flag** – on the Printing tab in the project and phase screens as defaults for the flag on the invoice (Print Options tab) – allows invoices to be posted without invoice number and ensures invoice is never printed.
- **Ready to Print flag** – new checkbox on invoice header to indicate invoice is ready to be printed – “Do Not Print” flag above has precedence over this flag.
- **<all> selection in Print & Post screens** – a new options explorer setting has been added to disallow the selection of <all> in the radio button choices. Disabling this means entry of a value is compulsory when selecting a batch, control number or specific invoice.
- **Unpost Invoice** – menu items for unposting a normal or progress invoice has been moved from the Processing menu to Maintenance / Setup / Utilities
- **Print Stamping** - Invoice Print now stamps invoice with the user that printed it and the date time it occurred.
- **Split Line** - splitting a transaction line in Review Invoices now copies expense, gl credit, gl debit, write off code & description.
- **Print/Post Invoices** – added selection options for Client/Project/Phase, debtor, fee basis, invoice not ready to print

**PDF Document Viewing** – PDF documents linked to the items in the Help menu are now viewable with any viewer that has been installed to read pdf file types.

**SQL Server** – Network Configuration “Force protocol encryption” now supported.

**SQL 2005** – StarProjects has been modified so it will work on this database store.

### StarProjects to Epicor integration

Support msql 2005 database changed introduced in epicor e7.3.6 patch.

### Tools – Show Audits (Alt+7)

New tree view screen to show both record based audits and column based audits.

**XP Screen Sizing** – A number of screens are now more XP friendly so that buttons can be accessed at the bottom of the screen without the need to resize first.

### Other Miscellaneous Items

- Confirm close prompt “Do you want to exit Star Projects?”.
- Move transaction now restricts invoices on phase if phase specified.
- Custom more / table screens now remove ‘\_’ from display labels to give the screen a more natural feel.
- ‘sy\_permit\_select\_all\_sp’ – can be used to grant SELECT ONLY access to a database user.
- New system settings to ensure that the correct executable and version of the report viewer is accessed when executing a report from Star Projects.

## **Maintenance-System**

### **Invoice Schedules**

- Added the ability to right-click on grid and select "Prepare..."
- Scheduled progress invoice lines
- Increased description line to 512 characters
- Added jump Ctrl-J ability to Milestone Event value (phase / task)
- Progress Invoice check box replaced with a drop down list (Normal / Progress)
- When Invoice is prepared, printed, posted, voided the invoice schedule screen is refreshed if visible

## **Maintenance-Setup**

### **Maintain Projects**

- "Change Address..." button to maintain project/ phase/invoicing which defaults the hosts customers address and allows the user to override.
- Copy Project now allows for the entered project code to be treated as a suggested project code - changed stored procedure `pa\_create\_paproject\_sp`.

**Options Explorer** - The addition of a number of new system settings within the Options Explorer screen, which control new functionality in Star Projects.

#### **Configuration / Clients / Hot Refresh**

This setting is to force the Maintain client screen to re-load the current record after an insert or update is saved. This is usually required if data changes are made behind the scenes in the database itself (eg triggers) so the user can immediately see any automated changes to data.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

#### **Configuration / Lookups / Max MRU Count**

The maximum number of entries in the personal desktop MRU list.  
(default = 10)

#### **Configuration / Overtime / Unrestrict Entry**

Disable validation that checks to ensure that total qty on a timesheet transaction (time) = sum of Normal Hours + Overtime Hours 1 to 5.

0 = validation enforced (default)

1 = validation disabled

#### **Configuration / Project Activity / Show No Charge Default**

Default setting for Show No Charge Lines in project activity advanced filter

0 = unticked

1 = ticked (default)

#### **Configuration / Projects / Enforce Project Type Entry**

This setting is used in the Project Wizard to determine if the user must enter a Project Type code when creating a new project.

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

**Configuration / Rating Timesheets / Post Timesheet with no sell rate**

This setting controls the posting of timesheets with no sell rate setup.

0 = Chargeable client timesheets that have no rate setup will fail on post.

1 = No rate validation will be performed on timesheet post.

2 = Chargeable and non-chargeable client timesheets that have no rate setup will fail on post.

(the keyname of this setting was previously *Post timesheet with no rate*)

**Configuration / Rating Timesheets / Post Timesheet with no cost rate**

This setting controls the posting of timesheets with no cost rate setup.

0 = Chargeable client timesheets that have no rate setup will fail on post.

1 = No rate validation will be performed on timesheet post.

2 = Chargeable and non-chargeable client timesheets that have no rate setup will fail on post.

**Configuration / Resources / Default Allow Global Resources**

Default value for Allow global resources on the Resource Security tab when creating a new resource.

0 = unticked

1 = ticked (default)

**Configuration / Tasks / Default Allow Global Resources**

Default value for Allow global resources on the Security tab in task templates.

0 = unticked

1 = ticked (default)

**Interfaces / Accounts Receivable / Auto Create Customers from Clients**

Enables client/debtor host synchronisation.

0 = no integration of Star to customer masterfile in host system (default)

1 = maintain customer masterfile in host system via Maintain Client

**Invoices / Entry/Review / Allow Invoice Number Edit**

Allow users to change the Invoice Number field in Review Invoices

0 = No (default)

1 = Yes

**Invoices / Entry/Review / Invoice Date Validation**

This setting determines what level of checking will be performed in the Review Invoices screen when an invoice date is entered.

0 = No validation of invoice date will be performed. (default)

1 = If the invoice date does not fall into the current revenue period a warning dialog will be shown.

2 = An invoice date outside of the current revenue period will not be allowed.

**Invoices / Entry/Review / Recurring Invoice Date Validation**

This setting determines what level of checking will be performed in the Progress Invoices screen when an invoice date is entered.

0 = No validation of invoice date will be performed.

1 = Log warning if the invoice date  $\geq$  project or phase end date

2 = invoice date  $\geq$  project or phase end date will not be allowed (default)

### **Invoices / Entry/Review / UI Wip Update**

This setting is for the Review Normal Invoices screen to determine when the invoice totals on the header should be calculated. Both methods will also update the invoice totals if save invoice is explicitly done by the user via clicking on the save icon or using the hot key combination Ctrl+S.

0 = update totals when the cursor moves to another line (default)

1 = update totals when the cursor moves to another field on the line

### **Invoices / Other/ Disallow All**

This setting allows/disallows the "<ALL>" selection option in Print/Post.

0 = allow user to leave option blank meaning ALL invoices will be selected

1 = The user will not be able to print or post when selecting batch, control or invoice number and not supplying a valid value. (default)

### **Invoices / Print Fonts/Settings / Include Balance Forward Default**

This setting determines what the default value should be for "Include Balance Forward Invoices" checkbox in the Print Normal Invoices screen.

### **Multi Currency / Setup / Use bi-directional exchange rates**

Default new exchange rate definitions to bi-directional.

(keyname was previously **Default bi-directional exchange rates**)

### **Reports / Options / Composite Report**

This setting is used to specify if the crystal runtime being used supports multiple print formats to be displayed to the user in the same crystal viewer.

0 = No (default)

1 = Will render all report formats in one crystal viewer.

### **Reports / Options / Report Viewer**

Specifies name of the executable used to preview reports (ReportManager.exe)

### **Reports / Options / Report Viewer Min**

The minimum version number of the report viewer used to preview reports

### **Security / Parent Security / xxxxxx More**

Determines if a more screen respects its parent screens security or can be secured in its own right.

0 = No

1 = Yes meaning the screen will respect the function setting in module manager for the role attached to that screen (default)

*For example "Security / Parent Security / Invoice More"*

*0 - "Review Normal Invoices - More" dictates the security access to the more screen, the parent screens read only status is ignored.*

*1 - If the invoice is read only due to security, posted / void status then the more screen will also be read only.*

### **Security / Reports / Project Security**

Global setting that determines if Project Security is to be used for reports.

0 = No

1 = Yes meaning the reports will respect the function setting in module manager for the role attached to the user running the report (default)

**Security / Reports / Resource Security**

Global setting that determines if Resource Security is to be used for reports.

0 = No

1 = Yes meaning the reports will respect the function setting in module manager for the role attached to the user running the report (default)

**Security / Screens / xxxxxx**

Determines if the nominated screen respects the security aspect associated with that screen eg project security, resource security, task template security.

0 = No

1 = Yes meaning the screen will respect the function setting in module manager for the role attached to the for that screen (default)

*Please note that enabling project security via Options Explorer will turn on project security for all non administrator roles.*

*Security / Screens / Prepare Normal Invoices*

*Security / Screens / Prepare Scheduled Normal Invoices*

*Security / Screens / Prepare Scheduled Progress Invoices*

*Security / Screens / Project Activity*

*Security / Screens / Project Explorer*

*Security / Screens / Maintain Projects*

*Security / Screens / Maintain Resources*

*Project / resource security can still be enabled / disabled per role by setting relevant Module Manager setting to Administrator*

*Copy Task Template - Security Level*

*Maintain Project - Security Level*

*Maintain Resource - Security Level*

*Maintain Task Template - Security Level*

*Prepare Normal Invoices - Security Level*

*Prepare Scheduled Normal Invoices - Security Level*

*Prepare Scheduled Progress Invoices - Security Level*

*Project - Percent Complete - Security Level*

*Project Activity Enquiry - Security Level*

*Project Explorer - Security Level*

**System / Object Names / Sales**

Specifies what caption/label to use for keyword.

**System / SMTP / Enabled**

Specifies what transport method to use for sending email messages.

0 = MAPI Email (default)

1 = SMTP Mail

**System / SMTP / Host**

Host name of SMTP server

**System / SMTP / Port**

Port number used to send SMTP mail

**System / Technical Settings / Expense Manager**

Contains the expense manager application title.

### **Validation Rules / COMMON / Default All Batches**

This setting is for the 'All users Batches' checkbox which appears on most of the filter selection screens in the Processing menu transaction entry screens.

0 = unticked

1 = ticked (default)

### **Validation Rules / COMMON / Default Force Posting of Unapproved/Unreviewed**

Default setting for Force Posting checkboxes in Posting screens for transactions not approved/reviewed.

0 = unticked (default)

1 = ticked

### *The following settings have been deleted:*

Invoices / Other / Authorise

Invoices / Print Fonts/Settings / Crystal Connection Dll Name

System / BDE Settings / Read Extended Field Cache

System / BDE Settings / Read Extended Field Size

System / Technical Settings / ProjectAccounting.exe

System / Versions / StarProjects.dll

## **Module Manager (v7.0.3)**

- **New Module Manager Security Settings**

Maintain Project – Budgets – Lock

*Requires a minimum of Advanced to allow user unlock / lock access.*

- **Updated Module Manager exe**

To allow it to work with SQL Server 2005.

## **Desktop TimeRecorder**

Star Projects v700 is designed to work with Desktop TimeRecorder v6.444 and above. Expenses and timesheets submitted with earlier versions of TimeRecorder are able to be processed by the new StarProjects product. At the time of writing this document, the use of StarProjects to synchronise data down to earlier versions of TimeRecorder is NOT supported.

## **Import Service**

The Import Service that shipped with the StarProjects v6 series also works in v700. It does not require the BDE to be installed and has successfully been tested on v7.

## **MS Project Interface**

The MS Project Interface in Star Projects v7 does NOT require the BDE (Borland Database Engine) to be installed.



## **Report Manager (v7.0.3)**

- Updated to allow it to work with SQL Server 2005
- Modified to respect new security options in Options Explorer for Reports
- Bug Fix: When launching a report from Star Projects the report option screen disappears behind the Star Projects main screen
- Printer setup button added to report options screen
- Support added for crystal 11 and 11.5
- Enhanced command line interface to provide more flexibility working with crystal invoice printing out of StarProjects including multiple invoice formats within the same print run
- Improved error messages
  - crystal runtime not installed
  - unable to locate report <filename>
  - sy\_report\_user\_security\_identity\_sp is out of date or not installed
  - Unable to bind parameter (support for command line interface)
- Respect new system setting to ensure the correct executable and version of the report viewer is accessed when executing a report from Star Projects

## **Printing invoices via crystal in StarProjects**

- Printing crystal invoices from the processing menu will now shell out to Report Manager; therefore all versions of crystal are supported.  
IMPORTANT – Only stored procedure based ODBC reports with '@print\_run' interface will be supported.
- The destination printer, paper bin and paper size selected by Printer Setup button in Star Projects will now be respected by Report Manager. It is now possible to dispense with two report packs A4 and Letter as Report Manager will set the paper size to the targets printers default paper size.
- When printing multiple invoice formats one crystal viewer per report format will be displayed to the user unless configured otherwise in Reports / Options / Composite Report. This will only work if the crystal runtime supports this.
- Currently Invoices / Print Fonts/Settings / Crystal Report Name dictates the file name used when printing crystal invoices. Use this setting as follows:
  - as is: if no invoice formats are to be used
  - a default report format to use for invoices not associated with a format
  - set to '' to indicate that the invoice formats dictate report file name