

SYNTAX iSDM4

Built to Make Business Better

Syntax is very pleased to announce iSDM.4. This new release of our Enterprise Resource Planning software offers new mobility capability, new business functions, productivity enhancements, and new report distribution options. In addition, the iSDM.4 code base will see ongoing enhancements over the coming years. By adopting this release, customers will be positioning themselves to be able to adopt these new functions, some of which are described below, as they become available.



Some of the highlights of this powerful new release include:

Mobility

	1703	1702	1701	1612	1611	1610
QTTES	.00	1784.00	41.00	.00	.00	.00
AMT	.00	1315331.84	3915.72	.00	.00	.00
PPFL	.00	10.15	114.41	.00	.00	.00
LEVEL	8446.00	9286.00	10126.00	10126.00	10126.00	10126.00
NOT	.00	.19	.00	.00	.00	.00
QTTES	.00	150.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
AMT	.00	156318.90	.00	.00	.00	.00
PPFL	.00	90.71	.00	.00	.00	.00
LEVEL	10126.00	5061.00	.00	.00	.00	.00
NOT	.00	.03	.00	.00	.00	.00
QTTES	19.00	3994.00	RECEIPTS	.00	476.00	
AMOUNT	435.95	1474002.41	RETURNS	.00	.00	
			TRANSFERS	.00	18.00	
			ADJUSTMENTS	.00	2545.00	
			COMMITMENTS	.00	.00	
			DEFECTS	18.00	1446.00	

Mobility for Tablets and PCs

iSDM.4 features a browser based, graphical version of the software that can be deployed on tablets as well as PCs. The user interface is hosted in the Syntax Cloud for SDM while the data remains on the customer's server. This allows secured users access to SDM from any device with a browser.

Mobility Statement of Direction ¹

The following features are being planned as additions to i.SDM4 at a later date.

Mobility for Phones

Special purpose applications will be delivered for mobile phones. Areas under consideration include: Order Status, Credit Status, Inventory Status and Purchase Receipt Alerts.

Inventory Control

Inventory Transactions Enhanced Approval Process

Introduction of Threshold Limits

- Allow transactions that do not hit the threshold to be processed without management approval

Reduce size of 'Compare Physical Count to Perpetual Inventory Report'

Option to omit zero variances

Physical Count - Support Simultaneous Updates for Multiple Locations

Allow the Generation of the Inventory Snapshot and Inventory Update to be run for multiple locations and provide the following options:

- View all locations and their status within the inventory count cycle
- Update single or all locations



Purchase Order Processing

New Feature: Returns to Vendor

As of i.4 the Purchase Order Entry will handle returns to vendors with documentation and G/L updates.

- New Vendor Return P/O Type
- New P/O Return Document (to be used in the warehouse for preparing the shipment to the vendor)
- Activating Supplier Form: "R" (P/O Return)
- G/L Interface will generate appropriate entries (reduce inventory)
- Custom option to create A/P Debit Memo

New Option: Suggested Order Maintenance by Product Selection by:

- Company/Division
- Ordering Location (from / to)
- Product Number
- Replenishment Cycle

Product

Inventory Inquiries

Option to configure how Sales Periods are displayed

1. G/L Accounting Period (YY/PP)
2. Calendar Month (YY/MM)

This option is very useful if the accounting periods are different from the calendar.

Product Master

Introduction of new fields to store more product information

- Full Title 70 characters English and French
- Product Longer Description - 140 characters English and French
- Product Notes up to 99 notes of 60 characters each

Product Inquiries

Search and Inquiry screens will show or provide access to:

- Full Title 70 characters English and French
- Product Longer Description - 140 characters English and French
- Product Notes up to 99 notes of 60 characters each

Search screens will have a new function key (F11) to toggle between all products and only those with an available quantity

This will exclude products:

- With a zero or negative available quantity
- Stock records with an activity code =
 - 'S' (suspended from sales activity)
 - 'A' (suspended from all activity)

Sales Order Processing

Enhanced Order Transfer Function

Provides the ability to change Order Type and other Order Header information for orders in progress. This new feature will simplify the Order Transfer Function and allow counter sales staff to speed up the process of changing order header information midstream.

Enhanced Work with Orders (by Sales Rep) Function

The i.3 Work with Orders function was enhanced to allow users to work exclusively with their orders and provide complete access (within the processing rules of the SDM package).

- I Inquiry
- M Maintenance
- O Open Order Invoicing
- R Call Booking or B/O Release
- X Order Cancellation

without having to press F10 for the action bar



New Detailed Credit Violation Message Window on Order Summary Screen

New constant controlled option to display a detailed message explaining why the order was rejected and put on credit hold

Enhanced Order in Use Message

"Order In Use" has been expanded to show who is blocking the order and for how long

Accounts Receivable

Credit Management - A/R Follow-Up Integration

- Provide full access to A/R Follow-Up within Credit Management
- Reduce number of open sessions
- Consolidate the Reason/Ltr/Response section into one Comment section to simplify the taking of notes and to provide more space

Accounts Payable

Positive Pay File

Head Start Versions for the following Banks:

- Bank of Montreal
- Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce
- HSBC Bank Canada
- Royal Bank of Canada

New Discount Based Upon Payment Frequency

The accounts payable general parameters - table 02 - Discounts - was modified to allow discount with payment frequencies definition. The supplier master file and the payable invoice maintenance tasks (accounts payable, automatic invoices and purchases) were also modified to allow the new discount type use.

Examples:

- 2% discount if paid before or on the 10th day of the following month;
- 1% discount if paid before or on the 15th day of the following month;
- Net payment on the 15th day of the following month.

Monthly Payments

The payments spread over many months concept was added in the A/P invoice process. To do so the payment terms definition, as well as the posting process of the A/P invoices, were modified. It will now be possible to set a monthly payment frequency with a number of occurrences in table 03 -Multiple payments of the accounts.

Example:

- Number of occurrences: 12 months
- Percentage: $100 / 12 = 8.3333333333 \%$
- Percentage for the first 11 months: 8.33 %
- Percentage for the 12th month: 8.37 %



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SenSaaS Portal Interface to Accounts Payable Head Start Module

- Syntax will provide an interface to Integrim’s SenSaaS application for Accounts Payable. SenSaaS is a PAY-AS-YOU-GO PORTAL offering an outsourcing service which quickly processes some or all of the following tasks with your documents: Capture, classification, extraction, validation, workflow and archiving. Manual data entry is no longer necessary - SenSaaS is the new way to easily process your documents faster and at a lower cost.
- Some personalization services will be required for implementation.

G/L

- In the G/L entry screen, the user will have the option to select the original currency of a transaction and the exchange rate used by the user to generate the base G/L entry
- New ability to define a G/L transaction with a foreign currency has been added

General Productivity Enhancements

Supplier Advanced Search Capability:

- Full Text Capability
- User Group Controlled
- Wild Card
- Conditional Searches

Reporting Enhancements

Many reports provide additional user controlled execution:

- Print or Email
- Email Address
- Output Queue
- Hold Spooled File
- Save Spooled File
- Scheduled Date and Time

Option to export five selected reports to Excel:

- Stock Status
- A/R Aged Trial Balance
- Physical Count Comparison to Perpetual Inventory
- Outstanding Sales Orders by Customer
- Outstanding Purchase Orders

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