

How to re-create the Reports.dic file in Microsoft Dynamics GP

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INTRODUCTION

This article describes how to re-create the Reports.dic file in Microsoft Dynamics GP and in Microsoft Business Solutions - Great Plains. This article describes how to do this when you use these programs on a computer that is running Microsoft SQL Server.

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Step 1: Export resources from the current Reports.dic file

1. Use the appropriate method:
 - In Microsoft Dynamics GP 10.0, click **Microsoft Dynamics GP**, click **Tools**, click **Customize**, and then click **Customization Maintenance**.
 - In Microsoft Dynamics GP 9.0 and earlier versions, click **Tools**, click **Customize**, and then click **Customization Maintenance**.
2. Select the forms or the reports that you want to export from the current dictionary files. Use the SHIFT key or the CTRL key to select more than one resource.
3. Click **Export**.
4. In the **Please select a package file** dialog box, select the location where you want to save the file, name the package file, and then click **Save**.

Note By default, the package file name is "PackageNumber.Package." The *Number* placeholder is a placeholder for the number that is incremented every time that an export is performed.

A progress bar shows the status of the export. If an error occurs during the export, the error is listed on the screen. Generally, reports that appear in the error list are not exported.

Step 2: Rename the existing Reports.dic file

1. Make sure that all users exit Microsoft Dynamics GP.
2. Rename the dictionary file or files. The file or files may exist on the server or on the workstation. Review the local Dynamics.set file for the correct path.
3. Start Microsoft Dynamics GP or Microsoft Business Solutions - Great Plains.

Step 3: Import resources into the new Reports.dic file

1. Use the appropriate method:
 - In Microsoft Dynamics GP, click **Microsoft Dynamics GP**, click **Tools**, click **Customize**, and then click **Customization Maintenance**.
 - In Microsoft Business Solutions - Great Plains 8.0, click **Tools**, click **Customize**, and then click **Customization Maintenance**.
2. Click **Import**.
3. In the **Import Package File** dialog box, locate the package file that you created during the export process, and then click **Open**.
4. In the **Import Package File** dialog box, click **OK** to start the import.

Notes

- The **Import Package File** dialog box lists all the resources that exist in the package file.
- A progress bar shows the status of the import. If an error occurs during the import, the error is listed on the screen. Generally, reports that appear in the error list are imported. However, users

may be unable to print the reports.

Import the reports from the Reports.dic file if the Reports.dic file cannot be opened

1. Make sure that all users exit Microsoft Dynamics GP.
2. Rename the Reports.dic file to Reports.bac. The Reports.dic file may be located on the server or on the workstation.
3. Start Microsoft Dynamics GP.
4. On the **Tools** menu, click **Customize**, and then click **Report Writer**. When Report Writer starts, a new Reports.dic file is created.
5. Click **Reports**. The **Modified Reports** list is empty. If the **Modified Reports** list is not empty, you renamed the wrong Reports.dic file in the "Step 2: Rename the existing Reports.dic file" section. Find the appropriate Reports.dic file, and then start over in that section.
6. In Report Writer, click **Import**.
7. Click the ellipsis button (...) next to the **Source Dictionary** box. Locate the Reports.bac dictionary file that you named in step 2, and then click **Open**.
8. In the **Source Dictionary Reports** list, select the modified reports that you want to import, and then click **Insert**. The reports are listed in the **Reports to Import** list.
9. Click **Import**. When the **Reports to Import** list is empty, the modified reports have been imported into the new Reports.dic file.

Note If you created your own table relationships, the table relationships will be removed when you rename the Reports.dic file. After you import the reports, the table relationships that you created will be restored. If you created the relationship but did not link the relationship to a report, you must create the relationship again.

APPLIES TO

- Report Writer
- System Manager
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