In This Issue

Announcement about SQL Server 2005

Feature Spotlight: New Text Editor

Improvements to Item Grid View

Spitfire Q&A: File Folders

Have You Read?

Your Clients Area

Training Classes

Contact Us

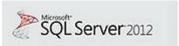
Note: where applicable features mentioned in this newsletter are available in 4.3.4894.

Announcement: SQL Server 2005

Version 4.3 will be the last version of Spitfire Project Management System that supports SQL Server 2005.

Microsoft mainstream support for SQL Server 2005 ended in April 2011, but Spitfire Management made the decision to continue supporting SQL Server 2005 through version 4.3.

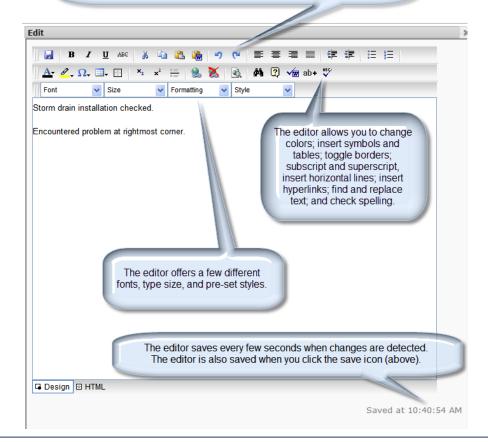
With new versions of sfPMS under development, we encourage our users who use SQL Server 2005 to plan an upgrade to a newer version of SQL Server (such as SQL Server 2012).



Feature Spotlight: New Text Editor

sfPMS V4.3 has a new text editor, accessed through the **i**con. (This new editor replaces both the popEdit and the ZoomEdit functionality in previous versions.)

The editor allows you to bold, italicize, underline and strikethrough text; to cut, copy and paste; to undo and redo; to left-center-right justify text; to indent and unindent; and to create bullet or numbered lists.



Improvement to Item Grid View

On some Doc types, Items need only a few fields of information. It is now easier than ever to enter this information.

When Items are properly configured in the Customization tool to use Quick Edit (see <u>KBA-01112</u> and <u>KBA-01336</u>), fields can be edited directly in grid view. With the addition of the **DocItemConfig** | **ExpandWhenAdded** rule, Items can remain in grid view to facilitate editing..

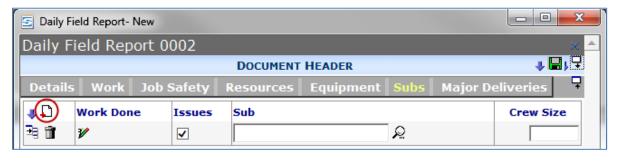
The Setup

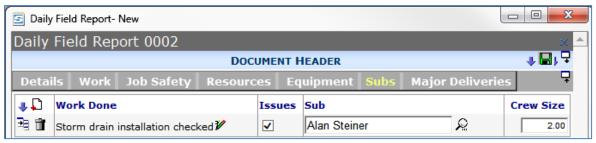
The default for the **ExpandWhenAdded** rule is \checkmark , which means "expand the Item in order to enter Item details." When you set the result value to \times (blank), it means "allow the Item to stay in grid view." In the example below, Daily Field Report documents are set to allow Items to remain in grid view when being added and edited:



The Result

When you click to add a new Item (here relabeled **Sub**), the new Item will appear in grid view. The fields that appear in grid view (as established through the Customization tool) are now input fields. The **V** can be used to enter the text for the **Work Done** field:





Note: you can still get to Detail view, if you want, by clicking ³ as usual.

Spitfire Q&A: File Folders

Q: If I place files in folders in the Catalog, do the files get deleted when I delete the folder?

A: No. Files that are in a first-level folder remain in the Catalog (just not in any folder) when that folder is deleted. If the files are in a sub-folder, they get moved up to the next level folder when the sub-folder is deleted. For example,

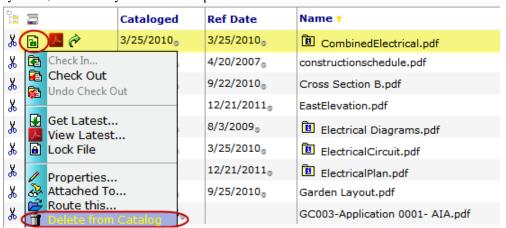
Files are in the **Drawings/Electrical** folder:



If the Electrical folder is deleted (through the icon), the files are moved to the **Drawings** folder (after you click the Drawings folder):



To delete a file, you must select the **Delete from Catalog** choice from the files drop-down menu. If the option does not appear or is grayed out, that means you do not have permission to delete the file.



Q: I renamed a file folder on my project, but see that that change appears on all my projects. How can I make it rename just the folder on one project?

A: sfPMS has only one file catalog. The File part that you see on a Project Dashboard is a pointer to the full catalog, filtered by project. Think of it as a view of the Catalog with only the files pertaining to the project. Changes made to the Catalog apply to all views of the Catalog. Whether you make a change at the Catalog Dashboard or at a Project Dashboard, that change is system-wide. For this reason, we recommend that careful thought be given to the folder names and structure for the whole site (because all projects will have the same exact folders) and that only a few people be given permission to rename, add or delete folders (because a change made for one project will affect all projects).

Have You Read?

The following guides and other documentation have been updated for sfPMS V4.3 since May 1:

Focus on the BFA Workbook

<u>Focus on Budgets and Period</u> <u>Distribution</u>

Focus on Forecast and Analysis

Focus on System Administration

TWP: The BFA Report Tool

TWP: <u>Bid Package – RFQ</u>

Processing

TWP: Change Order Management

TWP: Spitfire's Import Utility Tool

TWP: <u>Viewing Changes Through</u> sfChest



Contact Us

84 Business Park Drive, Suite 111, Armonk, NY, 10504

Phone:888-287-4603 Fax: 888-287-4603

Support:

support@spitfiremanagement.com

Training:

training@spitfiremanagement.com

Copyright © 2013, Spitfire Management LLC. All rights reserved

Your Clients Area



The Clients area on our website includes links to our <u>documentation</u>, our <u>Knowledgebase</u>, our <u>forum</u>, our <u>downloads</u>, and a list of what's new in versions 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3.



You will need your login and password to get to the Clients area. If you need or have forgotten your login and password, contact

support@spitfiremanagement.com.

Training Classes and Videos

We offer live training classes by appointment for those who request them. Training class descriptions are available from the Clients area of our website.

We also offer training videos from the client area of our website for those who want to review various topics.

Training Video Library

Aside from, and corresponding with, our live training, we offer a series of training videos that can be accessed 24/7. These videos are particularly useful for those who need to refresh their memory about a specific topic, or for new employees at companies that are already using the Spitfire Project Management System and who need general instruction before learning the specifics at their site.

There is no limit to how many people can access or view any video at one time, nor is there a limit to how many times any video can be viewed. Click on a header tab below to select a video in that series.

Basic Navigation Series [Foundation

- This series is a must for anyone who has not yet used or seen the Spitfire Project Management System (sfPMS).
- 101A Basic Navigation Part 1, [6:08 min]
- 1018 Basic Navigation Part 2, [2:56 min]
 An introduction to the Watchdog Alerts part of the Home Dashboard.
- An introduction to the Watchdog Alerts part of the Home
- 101C Basic Navigation Part 3, [6:59 min]
 An introduction to the Inbox and to Spitfire documents, and how to open a document and remove it from the Inbox.
- 101D Basic Navigation Part 4, [9:21 min]
- 101E Basic Navigation Part 5, [5:25 min]
 An introduction to the Add Files tool and how to attach files to a document. Also, how to log out.
- 101F Basic Navigation Part 6, [7:29 min]
 How to create a new Project Setup document from the Home Dashboard and an introduction to the Addr, Dates and Items tabs.

How to get to a Project Dashboard and create a new document. Also, an introduction to fields (look-ups, drop-downs and dates) and popEdit.

- 101G Basic Navigation Part 7, [7:14 min]
 An introduction to the Team Contact part of the Project Dashboard including how to add new team members to the project.
- 101H Basic Navigation Part 8, [7:11 min]
 An introduction to the parts of the Project Dashboard: Conditions, Remarks, Photo, KPI, Cost Analysis Details and Files.

Documents, Items and Route Series [Foundation]