



What's new in Sage Evolution Premium Version 6.82

Sage Pastel's continuous investment in research and development ensures that you are kept up-to-date with the latest and most cutting-edge business management software.

One of the many benefits of your annual renewal fee is that you receive free upgrades when new versions of the product have been developed. This release of Sage Evolution Version 6.82 incorporates your suggestions and considers your feedback in the new enhancements and modules, giving you greater flexibility, efficiency and control in your business.

New Modules

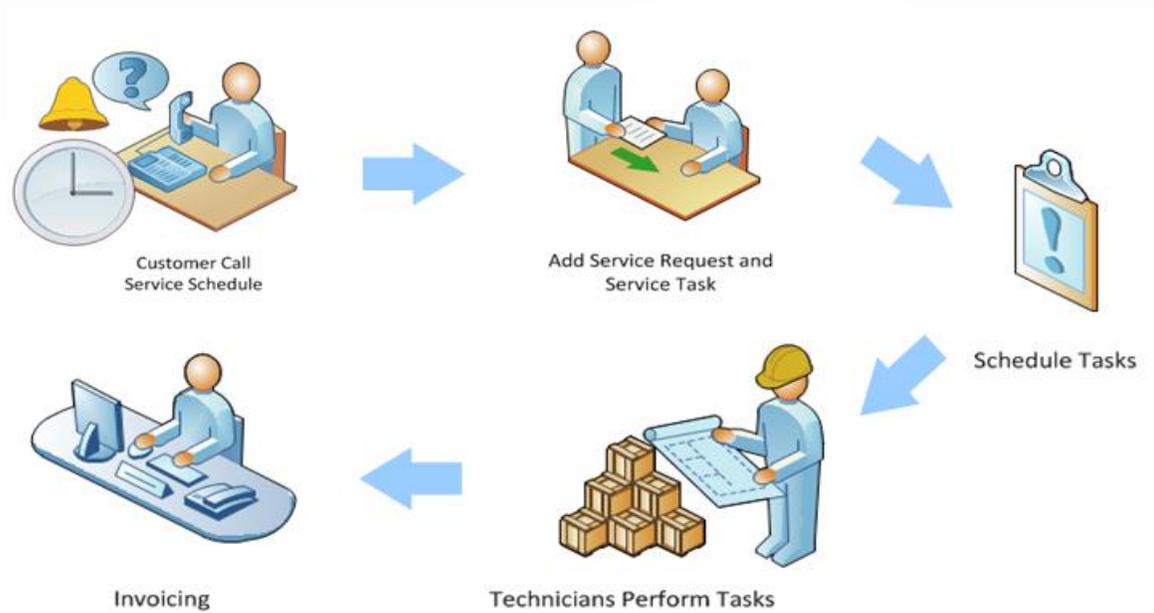
Sage Evolution Service Manager

The Sage Evolution Service Manager add-on module caters for the servicing of assets of customers. Companies involved in plant hire, vending machine rental and so on, are perfect candidates for this add-on module. It also caters for the in-house servicing, repair and maintenance of assets in capital-intensive industries such as agriculture and mining.

With Sage Evolution Service Manager add-on module, you can effectively manage customer service contracts and Service Level Agreements (SLA's). It allows you to manage, track and analyse the servicing of assets by generating a service request and invoicing the service tasks. These can be your assets or your customers' assets. Each Contract Template can be setup to include special spare parts and technician rates.

The costs associated with servicing of assets are controlled. This can range from the consumption of Spare Parts (Inventory), Sub-Contracted Work (Accounts Payable), Labour Costs (Technicians), and the absorption of Overhead Costs (General Ledger). Inventory transactions integrate with the Multi-Warehousing, Lot Tracking and Serial Number Tracking add-on modules as well.

The Service Manager processing flow is as follows:



Main features of Sage Evolution Service Manager:

- Track Asset warranties and service histories.
- Automate and manage Service Requests and Service Tasks.
- Report on and control Service and Maintenance costs.
- Manage Technician schedules and productivity.
- Administer service contracts (SLA's).
- Error Code and Bulletin knowledge base.
- Control the costs associated with the servicing of the assets.



New features in Sage Evolution Core

The following new features have been added to the Sage Evolution Core modules.

Inventory Optimisation

This new feature will form part of the core modules of Sage Evolution Premium. It allows you to manage your inventory levels by specifying minimum and maximum stock levels, minimum re-order levels and quantities. An automatic purchase order will be generated by the system, taking into account the preferred suppliers linked to the inventory item, lead times and reorder levels determined by your business' standard operating procedures.

Main features of Sage Evolution Inventory Optimisation:

- Automate the process using templates.
- Perform real time sales analysis.
- Manage minimum, maximum and re-order inventory levels.
- Create custom formulas.
- Cost optimisation.
- Makes use of the Just In Time (JIT) approach.

Tax Processing

A new Tax node has been added to the Sage Evolution software to align the SARS requirements pertaining to VAT submissions in South Africa. This node will host all tax related information pertaining to your business. This node will include the generating of:

- Tax Types.
- Tax Groups.
- A Tax Report based on the SA VAT 201 layout. This is referred to as the Tax Box Report. This report will allow you to consolidate transactions by reference.

Registration and Installation

- If you are upgrading from an earlier version to Version 6.82, it will require a reregistration.
- During the installation, you now have the option to install the Standard or Premium version of Sage Evolution.

Administration

Administration | Agent Administration | Agent Access Permissions

You can now colour code agents and agent groups in the Permission Tree List by using the alternative row colour to easily distinguish between the check boxes.

Administration | Agent Administration | Reports

An Agent Permissions Report has been added.

Administration | System Configuration | System Wizard

A diagnostic tool has been added to assist in troubleshooting email errors received from Sage Evolution when using SMTP/Mappi applications and formats.

Administration | Agents | Inventory

A permission has been added to display other branches' cost at branch level.

Desktop

My Desktop now accommodates post-dated Voucher Management transactions by displaying notifications.

Common

Common | Maintenance | Company Details

Additional fields have been added to the Company Details Screen to accommodate the SARS submission requirements.

Accounts Receivable

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Accounts Payable

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General Ledger

[General Ledger Table changes](#)

- The reference field on the PostGL has been increased to 50 characters.
- Implemented a more efficient way to update the Acdblnc table to accommodate the processing of simultaneous transactions.

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Added an unprocessed purchase order value to the pipelines for general ledger reports.

Order Entry

Order Entry | Transactions | Sales Order

The delivery method description field is now available on a sales order invoice layout.

Order Entry | Transactions | Purchase Order

The ability to generate a purchase order from a sales order has been added.

Inventory

Inventory | Maintenance | Items

- Added a Minimum Order Quantity to linked suppliers on the item master file.
- Added a currency symbol to the prices displayed on the item maintenance grid.

Inventory | Transactions | Return to Supplier

The Allocation screen now displays after a Return to Supplier transaction was processed.

Inventory | Transactions | Goods Received Voucher

An option was added to post cost variance financial lines to a purchase cost variance account specified on the inventory defaults or general ledger account transacted on.

Inventory | Transactions | Inventory Count

The ability to search for stock items during the stock take procedure has been added.

Inventory | Reports | Slow Movement

The Slow Movement Reports has been enhanced.

Inventory | Reports | Preferred Supplier Report

A new Preferred Supplier Report has been added allowing you to analyse last purchase prices of items.

Inventory | Reports | Inventory Levels

A Date Last Moved field was added to the Inventory Levels report.



New features of Sage Evolution Add-on Modules

The following features have been incorporated in the add-on modules of Sage Evolution.

Cash Manager

The Cash Manager add-on module has been renamed to Debtors Manager. The functionality remains the same.

Bill of Materials

Bill of Materials | Maintenance | Items

You can now add user defined fields on Bill of Material items and document headers.

Bill of Materials | Reports | MRP

The ability to import bill of material items onto the MRP Report has been added.

Branch Accounting

Accounts Receivable/Payable | Transactions | Accounts Receivable Payable Batches

Accounts Receivable and Account Payable batches now have loan account functionality allowing you to process payments at head office on behalf of a branch customer or supplier.

Contact Management

Contact Management | Transactions | New Incident

The ability to automatically email and incident on posting an incident has been added.

Business Intelligence Centre

A new version of BIC is available which is 64bit compliant.

Procurement

Procurement | Transactions | Requisitions

- Added an option to allow clients to re-action rejected requisitions.
- Added an option to allow the processing of requisitions to On Hold Suppliers.

Retail Point of Sale

Retail Point of Sale | Maintenance | Till Security

Added permission to manage the start and end of day as well as finalising cash-up transactions.

Retail Point of Sale | Transactions

- Implemented Fiscal functionality on Epson slip printers.
- A float per till was added to indicate which agent did the cash-up for the specific till.
- An option was added to force the selection of non-strict serial numbers when processing till transactions.
- An option was added to create serial numbers at the time of invoicing.
- A setting on item prices has been added to revert back to the system item price when changing quantities.

Retail Point of Sale | Transactions | Cash-up

- The ability to list all of the tender methods, whether they have been used or not, has been added to the cash-up process.
- The ability to cash-up per till, and not just per agent, has been added.

Retail Till and Dockets

An Available Quantity column was added to the Item Totals screen.

Retail Point of Sale | Reports | Cashier Sales Report

A group by till option has been added to the Cashier Sales Report.