

Oracle® Retail Back Office

Release Notes

Release 13.1.8

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Oracle Retail Back Office (ORBO) Release 13.1.8 is a patch release for ORBO 13.1. ORBO 13.1.8 includes selected defect fixes for ORBO 13.1 code.

Oracle Customer Support investigates submitted issues assuming that all released patches have been applied. It is the customer's decision when to apply a new release; however, delays in applying updates can complicate the support process.

About Patch Releases

Oracle Retail patch releases are periodic releases that can include the following:

- New defect fixes
- Product enhancements
- Technology upgrades
- Performance fixes

Documentation for patch releases includes new and updated guides (for example, Operations Guides, User Guides, and so on) that apply to the patch release level. These documents include applicable updates made since the last patch release. Documents revised for this patch release supersede and replace all previous document versions. See "[Related Documentation](#)" for a list of the documents published for ORBO 13.1.8.

Note: Customers must apply the entire patch release to update their installation to the currently supported level.

Hardware and Software Requirements

See the *Oracle Retail Back Office Installation Guide* for information about the following:

- Hardware and software requirements
- Oracle Retail application software compatibility

Applying Source Code

Before applying the ORBO 13.1.8 patch release, be sure that:

- ORBO 13.1.1 has been installed
- Patch releases ORBO 13.1.2 through 13.1.7 have been applied

Before applying the source files over your code:

- Note whether any modules have been customized. If so, the customizations must be reapplied to the new version of the module, or the fix may need to be applied to the custom version of the code.
- Copy the original files to a different directory before you copy over them, in case you need to refer to them at a later date.

Running Scripts

Back up data before running any script, because the scripts provided do not preserve data. See defect reports for details.

Check with your database administrator to determine whether your database should be analyzed after a script is run. In many cases, analysis of the database is necessary to take advantage of new or modified indexes intended to improve performance of the application.

Technical Enhancements

This section addresses the technical enhancements included in Oracle Retail Back Office, Release 13.1.8.

Note: The following list announces the addition of Oracle Retail support for the technology described. See the Installation Guide requirements section for critical information, such as whether the enhancement below *replaces* previous versions or is supported *in addition* to already existing versions.

- Microsoft Windows 2008 Server R2 Standard Edition
Oracle Retail Back Office Release 13.1.8 is supported for use with Microsoft Windows 2008 Server R2 Standard Edition on the Oracle stack.
- IBM DB2 9.7
Oracle Retail Back Office Release 13.1.8 is supported for use with IBM DB2 9.7 on the IBM stack.
- Web Browser Mozilla Firefox ESR 17+
Oracle Retail Back Office Release 13.1.8 is supported for use with Mozilla Firefox ESR 17+ on the Oracle and IBM stacks.

Defect Fixes and Documentation

A defect fix is a modification to the base Oracle Retail code (for example, a bug fix, a performance enhancement, or a functional enhancement). Each defect fix that is included in this patch has a corresponding defect report titled *<defect-number> <module>.PDF* (for example, 1234567.PDF).

The file **DEFECT MODULE XREF POS SUITE 13.1.8.XLS** lists the defect fixes for Release 13.1.8. Review each defect report carefully before this patch is implemented. Note that scripts do not preserve data. Make sure that all data is backed up before you run any script.

Known Issues

The following issues occur in this release.

Error Trying to Display Sales Reports in Greek Language

When trying to display any of the sales reports in the Greek language when using Microsoft Internet Explorer, an error occurs. To get around the problem, refresh the page and the report is displayed.

Incorrect Calendar Displayed When the Calendar Icon is Selected

If the calendar icon is selected, the calendar for 1930 is displayed.

Download of Items Currently on Promotion to New Stores

In a new store situation, items currently on promotion may download to Oracle Retail Back Office with the original price on the item, not the promotion price. This occurs because the import process assigns a creation date equal to the current date, but this date is after the start date of the promotion.

Incorrect Price Displayed on Discount Rule Screen

On the Discount Rule screen, the current price is displayed if the Pricing Group selection was 'None' when the discount rule was created. Oracle Retail Point-of-Service returns the correct price for the item in the sales transaction regardless of what is displayed in Oracle Retail Back Office.

Installing with Store ID of 01291 Results in Database Errors

Seed data includes sample data used to evaluate the application and demonstrate core functions of the software. There are references in the seed data to store ID 01291. During installation, if 01291 is selected for the store ID, SQL errors occur during the loading of the database. The SQL errors are caused by those references.

Data Import

If an individual batch fails during a data import, there is no retry mechanism to import only the batch that failed. An administrator must resolve the issue that caused the batch failure and recreate the data that consisted of the failed batch.

If the integrity of the incoming data cannot be guaranteed as Data Import expects, it is possible to avoid rolling back valid data within a failed batch by adjusting the size of the import batches from the default size of 1000 to 1 by editing the `spring.properties` file and restarting the application server. Note that this resolution will have a negative impact on performance.

Transaction Level Discounts

If the discount rule type indicates the presence of targets when there are none and you try to display the discount rule, a null exception pointer error occurs.

Related Documentation

See the following document in the Oracle Retail Back Office Release 13.1.8 documentation set:

- *Oracle Retail Back Office Installation Guide*

Documentation Accessibility

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