

Paladin's Import/Export lets You Make Big Changes with Little Effort

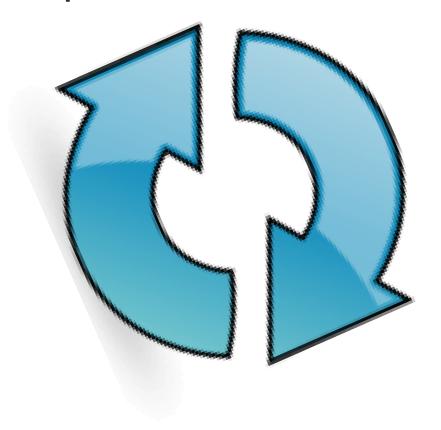
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WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- Importing & exporting capabilities and benefits
- The best toolset for working with data
- Exporting data from Paladin
- Alternative ways to export data from Paladin
- Importing inventory data into Paladin
- Taking precautions when importing data
- Open <u>DataBase</u> <u>Connectivity</u> ODBC option
- ODBC and Excel working together



Importing & exporting capabilities and benefits



- Custom reporting made easy.
- Can transform your data into column and row format for easy analysis and editing.
- Provides the ability to effect change in mass.
- Quickly update inventory pricing in bulk.
- Easily add supplier catalogs to obscure inventory.
- Import customer data and third-party invoices from other systems, i.e., fuel, webstore, etc.
- Import purchase orders from non-EDI suppliers.



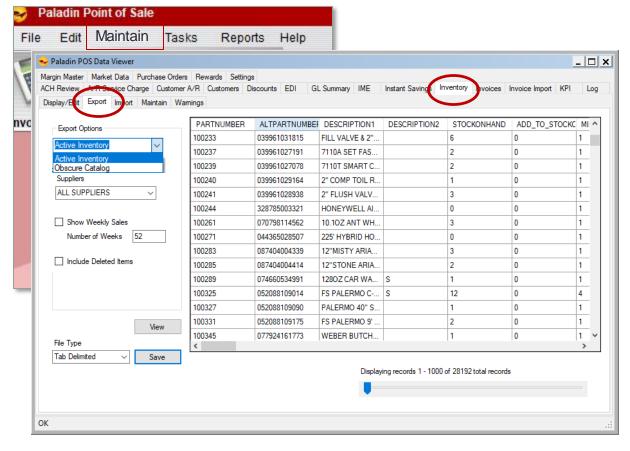
The best toolset for working with data



- When exporting Paladin data, Microsoft Excel is the most favorable option.
- Excel is required for most reports in Paladin.
- Microsoft Excel is included in Office 365 subscriptions, which Paladin can install and setup for our customers.
- To determine if Excel is installed on your computer, click the Start button, and then search for Excel.



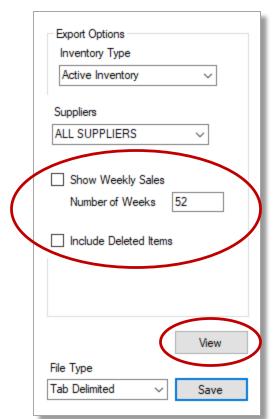
Process for exporting data from Paladin

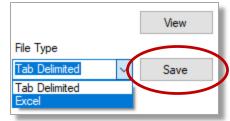


In this example we're showing exporting Inventory data into Microsoft Excel:

- Select Maintain > Data Viewer.
- 2. Select the **Inventory** tab, and then select the **Export** tab.
- 3. In the Export Options section, in the Inventory Type list, select Active Inventory or Obscure Catalog.
- 4. In the **Suppliers** list, select a supplier name or use default **ALL SUPPLIERS**.
- 5. Optional: Check Show Weekly Sales.

Process for exporting data from Paladin (cont'd)

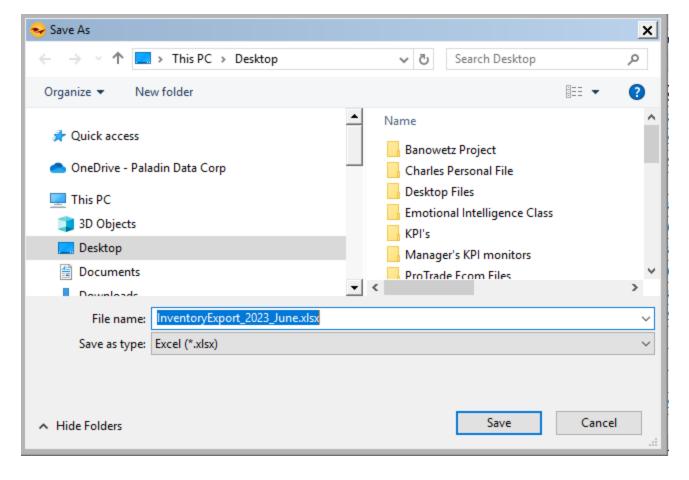




- 6. In the **Number of Weeks** box, enter how many weeks that you want to view.
- 7. Optional: Check **Include Deleted Items**.
- 8. To verify the data that you want to export, click **View**. The data field will populate.
- 9. When you are sure that you want to export the data, from the **File Type** list, select either **Tab Delimited** or **Excel**.
- 10. Click Save.



Process for exporting data from Paladin (cont'd)



- 11. In the Save Inventory Export File window, browse to a location for saving the file.
- 12. In the **File** name box, enter a file name.

Example:

InventoryExport_2015_August.xlsx if Excel was the file type, or InventoryExport_2015_August.csv if Tab Delimited was the file type.

13. Click Save.



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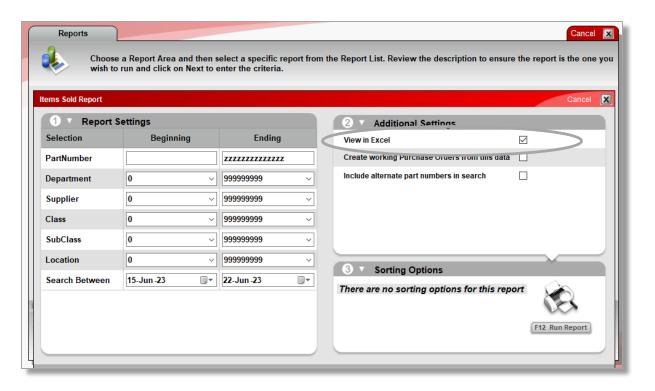


Other exportable Paladin tables include:

- Customer data
- Purchase order information
- General ledger summary by date range
- Invoices by date range



Alternative ways to export data from Paladin



- Exporting data from the Data Viewer includes more information than you will most likely need or will use.
- As an alternative, many reports in Paladin either open in Excel or provide the ability to select a "View in Excel" option, such as:
 - Master report
 - Items sold report
 - Inventory count list
 - Discontinued items report
 - Most magnifying glass drill down lists
 - And many other reports



Importing inventory data into Paladin



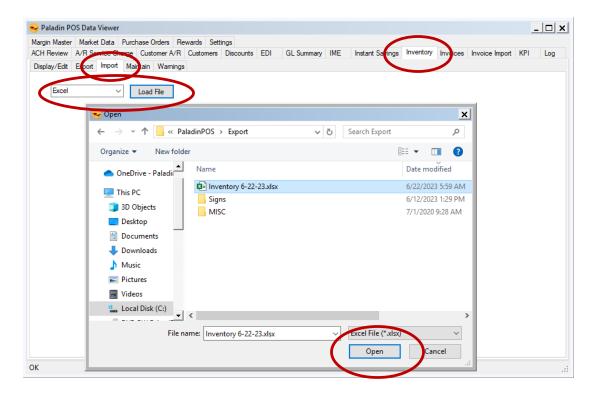


In preparation for importing, first run a backup:

- On your primary Paladin database server, usually named Terminal-1, on the top ribbon, select the **Backup** module.
- 2. In the **Backup** window, click **Yes**.
- 3. When the backup is finished, go to the shortcut for **Backups**, and verify the following information.
 - Date of backup
 - Time of backup
 - Size of backup (Note: The size of the new backup should be higher than the previous one.)
- Next, on the top menu, select Maintain > Data Viewer.

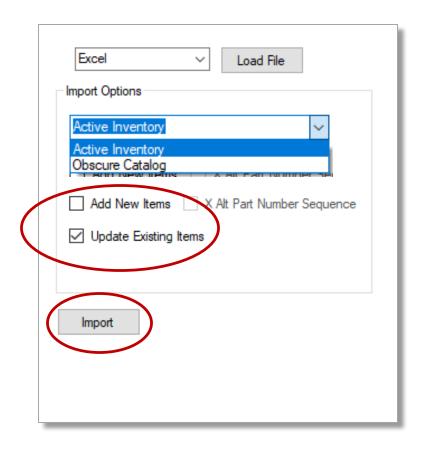


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- 5. Select the **Inventory** tab, and then click the **Import** tab.
- 6. Select either **Tab Delimited** or **Excel** from list next to the **Load File** button.
- 7. Click Load File.
- 8. Browse to the file you want to import, select the file, then click **Open**.

Importing inventory data into Paladin (cont'd)



- In the Import Options pane, in the Inventory
 Type dropdown list, select Active Inventory or
 Obscure Catalog.
 - Active Inventory: Inventory carried in your store.
 - Obscure Catalog: Inventory available through supplier.
- 10. Check **Add New Items** or check **Update Existing Items**.
- 11. Verify a backup has been made, click **Import**.
- 12. When the import is completed, click **Close**.
- 13. In Paladin, on the top ribbon, select the **Inventory** module.
- 14. Spot check a few part numbers from the import file and check all fields for accuracy.



Taking precautions when importing data



- Make a backup before executing the Import function.
- Export your entire inventory as a secondary backup of your inventory data.
- It's best to perform the import after hours when no one is logged into Paladin.
- Garbage in, garbage out. Validate your data before running the import as it can be destructive if you're not careful.
- Should be done with KBA in hand and/or Paladin Support on the line, especially if it's your first time.



Open DataBase Connectivity ODBC option

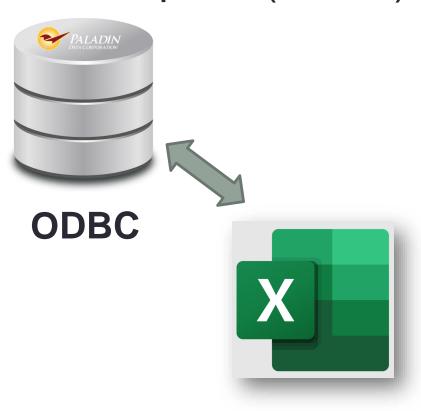


ODBC

- Open Database Connectivity (ODBC) is an open standard application programming interface (API) for accessing a database.
- By using ODBC statements in a program, you can access files in many different databases, including Access, dBase, DB2, Excel, and Text.



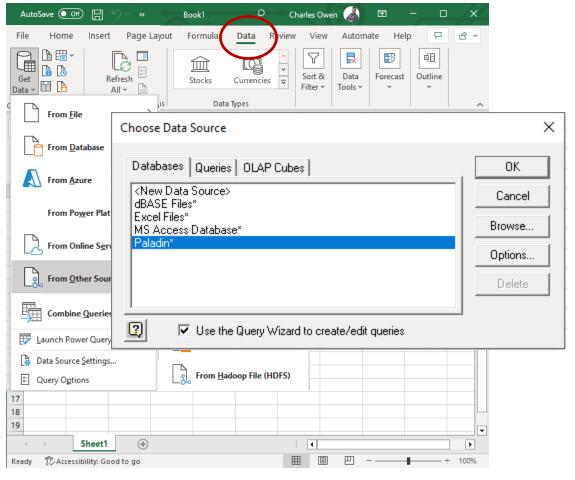
Open DataBase Connectivity ODBC option (cont'd)



- Quickly create custom reports.
- Access POS data in a column and row format.
- Easily sort data, create custom reports and statements.
- You can get access to most tables in Paladin POS.
- The Paladin ODBC connector is Read-Only.



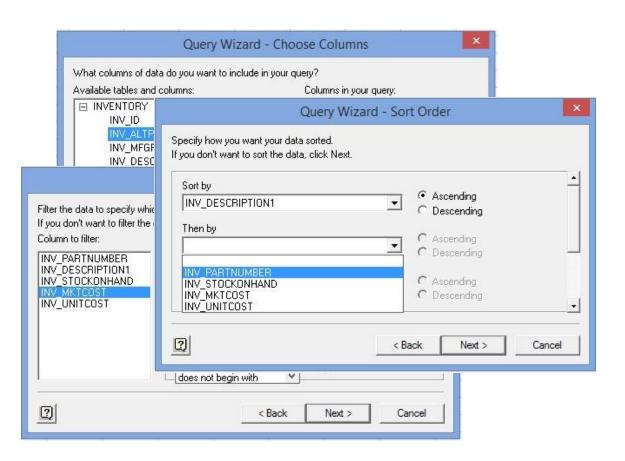
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- 1. In Excel, Select Data
- 2. Select Get Data
- Select Get Data from Other Sources
- 4. Select From Microsoft Query
- Select *Paladin Database



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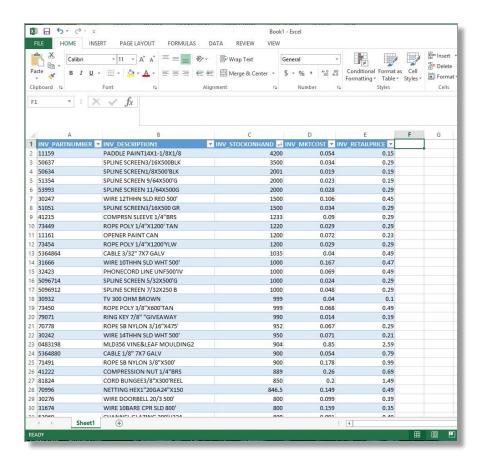


Next, follow the MS Excel Wizard prompts:

- Select the table
- Select the fields/columns
- Apply optional filters
- Set optional sort order



Open DataBase Connectivity ODBC option (cont'd)



- All of the data instantly appears in a column and row format.
- Add additional sorting options or formulas for custom reporting.
- This SQL script can be saved to run this same report in the future.



Learn More

To learn more, see the following resources in our Help Portal

Single Store: How to import inventory data into a Paladin database

A recording of this webinar will be available at <u>portal.paladinpos.com/webinars</u>.



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