

New-style Global 2000 to Global 3000 Debtors and General Ledger upgrade programs

We are pleased to announce that revised versions of the two of the upgrades from Global 2000 to Global 3000 is now available. These new upgrades (style B) will co-exist with the original upgrades (style A) which continue to be available as part of Debtors, Creditors, General Ledger and Stock Control.

Three style B upgrades were planned: Debtors, Creditors and General Ledgers. Problems found in Quality Control have delayed the release of these already from the original release dates in May. Problems in Debtors and General Ledger upgrade have now been solved and these are released today. We are still working on the Creditors Ledger upgrade; an announcement of the availability of this will follow.

The style B upgrades operate in a different way to the style A upgrades. In many cases these style B upgrades will be quicker than the style A upgrades (which will **not** be withdrawn). Upgrades from Global 2000 Sales Ledger V6.3 to Global 3000 Debtors Ledger V4.2 and Global 2000 Nominal Ledger V6.0 to Global 3000 General Ledger V4.2 are available. Upgrades from Global 2000 Purchase Ledger V7.1 to Global 3000 Creditors Ledger V4.2 will follow.

All the style B upgrades are available free of charge.

There are a number of other advantages to style B upgrades (and, for Debtors, advantages to style A also). We therefore strongly recommend that all the documentation is studied carefully before upgrading is planned.

All versions of Global 3000 referred to in this bulletin are V4.2.

The upgrade of Stock Control has not changed.

UPGRADE SOURCE

The source of the style B upgrade programs and the Global 3000 libraries needed to compile and link them are included on the diskettes. However, the Global 2000 libraries, subroutine libraries etc. also needed to compile and link the style B source are only available with the unchanged style A upgrade source product (HD, HG and HP) which must be ordered separately; the charge is £200.

We **strongly recommend** that if a reseller needs to use any of the upgrades for anything other than demonstration purposes, that the reseller buys the style A source to allow modification of the style B source. The unavoidable lack of flexibility in the upgrades will make this purchase inevitable; for example, Debtors upgrade (both styles A and B) only upgrades company 1.

You will need version 8.0 of Speedbase Presentation Manager to amend the upgrades.

DEBTORS LEDGER UPGRADE

If there are more than 10,000 transactions to upgrade, the style A upgrade programs are likely to be too slow to be usable. However, the style A upgrade programs do more validation of the data to be converted, and therefore are less likely to fail due to corrupt or inconsistent data. They may therefore be preferred for converting small datasets.

The new (style B) upgrades automatically create records in the correct period without the need to close the period for each period created.

The main difference between styles A and B is that with style B, the Debtors databases are updated directly, without the need for an intermediate database or the running of auto-transfer. The currency codes are now upgraded into their symbolic forms, rather than currencies 1 to 20. Only the second part of the upgrade, transaction details, is different between styles A and B; the first part, static data upgrade, is identical.

Only a single allocation record is created for each period, reducing the size of the converted data.

To order, specify product KD.

GENERAL LEDGER UPGRADE

The style A upgrade programs create a balance record for every possible combination of profit centre (department) and account code, even when there are no postings allowed to those combinations. The style B upgrade program only creates balance records for combinations with non-zero balances. The style A upgrades may be preferred for sites with few or no disabled PC/Account combinations.

Another difference between the styles is that in style B the General Ledger database is updated directly, without the need for an intermediate database or the running of auto-transfer. This is done by running one new program, NLGL42, which upgrades both static data and transactions at the same time.

To order, specify product KG.

DOCUMENTATION

The notes supplied with Debtors and General Ledgers have been updated today to include details of both styles. New documents, distributed with the style B upgrades explain how to date the style B source.

SUMMARY

See overleaf for a table showing most aspects of the upgrades. This table includes the style B Creditors Ledger upgraded which has yet to be announced.

TABLE OF UPGRADE PROGRAMS

	<i>2000 Sales Ledger to 3000 Debtors Ledger</i>		<i>2000 Purchase Ledger to 3000 Creditors Ledger</i>		<i>2000 Nominal Ledger to 3000 General Ledger</i>		<i>2000 Stock Control to 3000 Stock Control</i>
	<i>Style A</i>	<i>Style B</i>	<i>Style A</i>	<i>Style B</i>	<i>Style A</i>	<i>Style B</i>	
Typical Use	Only in those few cases where the advantages of style B are insignificant compared to the improved integrity checking of style A	Almost all upgrades from 2000 Sales Ledger to 3000 Debtors Ledger	Only in those few cases where the advantages of style B are insignificant compared to the improved integrity checking of style A	Almost all upgrades from 2000 Purchase Ledger to 3000 Creditors Ledger	Never – unless advised by the Global Support Department	All upgrades from 2000 Nominal Ledger to 3000 General Ledger	All upgrades 2000 Stock Control to 3000 Stock Control
Which module to order for the upgrade program	ZD V4.2 Global 3000 Debtors Ledger	KD V4.2 Global 3000 Debtors Upgrade Style B	ZP V4.2 Global 3000 Creditors Ledger	KP V4.2 Global 3000 Creditors Upgrade Style B	ZG V4.2 Global 3000 General Ledger	KG V4.2 Global 3000 General Upgrade Style B	ZI V4.2 Global 3000 Stock Control
Where upgrade program is written up	MZDNV4.2 Global 3000 Debtors Ledger Notes	MZDNV4.2 Global 3000 Debtors Ledger Notes	MZPNV4.2 Global 3000 Creditors Ledger Notes	MZPNV4.2 Global 3000 Creditors Ledger Notes	MZGNV4.2 Global 3000 General Ledger Notes	MZGNV4.2 Global 3000 General Ledger Notes	MZIOV4.2 Global 3000 Stock Control Notes (II)
Which module to order for the source of the upgrade program	HD V4.2 Global 3000 Debtors Ledger Upgrade Style A Source	KD V4.2 Global 3000 Debtors Upgrade Style B	HP V4.2 Global 3000 Creditors Ledger Upgrade Style A Source	KP V4.2 Global 3000 Creditors Upgrade Style B	HG V4.2 Global 3000 General Ledger Upgrade Style A Source	KG V4.2 Global 3000 General Upgrade Style B	HI V4.2 Global 3000 Stock Control Upgrade Source
Where the source of the upgrade program is written up	MHDNV4.2 Global 3000 Debtors Ledger Upgrade Style A Source Notes	MKDNV4.2 Global 3000 Debtors Upgrade Style B Notes (Source)	MHPNV4.2 Global 3000 Creditors Ledger Upgrade Style A Source Notes	MKPNV4.2 Global 3000 Creditors Upgrade Style B Notes (Source)	MHGNV4.2 Global 3000 General Ledger Upgrade Style A Source Notes	MKGNV4.2 Global 3000 General Upgrade Style B Notes (Source)	MHINV4.2 Global 3000 Stock Control Upgrade Source
Pre-requisites for persons using the source of the upgrade program source	SE V8.0 ZD V4.2	SE V8.0 ZD V4.2 HD V4.2	SE V8.0 ZP V4.2	SE V4.0 ZP V4.2 HP V4.2	SE V8.0 ZG V4.2	SE V4.0 ZG V4.2 HG V4.2	SE V8.0 ZI V4.2
Availability	Programs since 15-Feb-94; sources since 31-Mar-94	from today	Programs since 15-Feb-94; sources since 31-Mar-94	not yet	Programs since 15-Feb-94; sources since 31-Mar-94	from today	Programs since 15-Feb-94; sources since 31-Mar-94