

# TECHNICAL BULLETIN FROM GLOBAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS

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## **Making Tax Digital**

Following from bulletin GT955 (March 2018) this bulletin describes the status of the project to ensure G-3000 V6.0 remains fully compliant with the HMRC “Making Tax Digital” regulations that become mandatory in April-2019.

The necessary changes to the G-3000 V6.0 General Ledger and Government Gateway modules are currently being implemented. Subject to successful internal QC, and external accreditation from the HMRC, we anticipate the application service packs will be released during 4Q2018.

As will be fully explained in the service pack notes for the Making Tax Digital release, the G-3000 enhancements will require the following software running on the Global server:

- Global System Manager Service-Pack 35 (SP-35), or later;
- GLOBAL.EXE V5.6, or later.

Integration testing between the new GSM software and the enhanced G-3000 is currently in progress. When this testing is complete, the new GSM software will be released well in advance of the G-3000 service pack.

Note also, the minimum version of the GX thin-client will be V3.5x but it is highly unlikely that any sites will still be using such an obsolete version of GX.EXE.

Additionally, in order for G-3000 to generate the IRMark digital signature required for HMRC submissions, an “assist module” must be available on the Global server. We have developed such a program in Java, using HMRC approved Java classes. This program will require a Java run-time environment V1.4, or later, to be installed on the GSM server.

The IRMark “assist program”, initiated from a Windows batch file, together with an example XML submission file and installation notes are available upon request to test the Java run-time in advance of the G-3000 service pack release. Please complete a Hotline support form to request a copy of the IRMark test harness.

Finally, it's our intention to ensure that **only G-3000 V6.0** remains compliant with the HMRC "Making Tax Digital" regulations. Users currently running G-3000 V5.0, or earlier, should upgrade to V6.0 ASAP.