

What's New in 6.5

Your Support Agreement at Work

The 6.5 update consists of dozens of **user-requested** enhancements that RTA received from the RTA User's Conference attendees as well as wish list items collected from our website and call-ins. The *What's New in 6.5* document highlights the major enhancements contained in this update. RTA recommends distributing a copy of this document to all RTA users in your company to make them aware of the enhancements and new features available to them. After the 6.5 update has been installed, this document will also be available in PDF format. Users can access it through the RTA software via System > RTA Information > About RTA > What's New In RTA.

Before installing the 6.5 update, do the following:

1. Read the installation instructions for system requirements
2. Read completely through this document for system enhancements
3. Make a full RTA system backup

The major enhancements are listed with the menu path and a brief description of the modification. Additional information can be found in the *RTA User's Manual*. The manual is accessible by selecting **System > RTA Information > Manual** from the RTA main menu.

General RTA System Enhancements	
Dashboard (SADS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New dashboard configuration screen allows as many as 9 dashboards to be created. • Several new widgets have been added which you can include in your dashboard display. • Several new metrics and many offer drill-down capability to show more detail
Import/Export VMRS Codes (STWV)	The VMRS job code list can be exported to a delimited text file. This can be modified using a text editor or spreadsheet program. After changes have been made to the data, the text file can then be imported back into the system to update the changes made. New VMRS codes can be added to the system using this utility. The utility updates the master VMRS code lists but does not update historical transaction files.
User Passwords (SUP)	This new screen allows users to change their own system password without needing an administrator using the Setup Users screen to change it for them.
User Security (SUM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • F1 lookup list can now be sorted by facility number. • New security switch #155 controls whether the user can change the password for their own RTA login • New security switch #156 controls whether the user can access the new Quick PM Post screen. • New security switch #157 controls whether the user can change the PO number specified in the work order master info screen. • New security switch #158 controls whether the user can access the Warranty Claims module. • New security switch #159 controls whether the user can access paperless inspection maintenance screens. • New security switch #160 controls whether the user can access paperless inspections for work orders.

General RTA System Enhancements (continued)

Quick-Launch Buttons (SUQ, SUM)	The number of quick-launch buttons each user can display on their screen has been increased from 14 to 40.
Configuration Options (SSx)	(SSM, option 14) – Paperless Inspections (SSM, option 38) – VMRS code validation (SSM, option 41) – Warranty Claims Tracking (SSP, option 12) – End of Period Parts Audit File (SSP, option 36) – Part Account validation
Reports	Numerous reports have been updated to be printed using the Advanced printing format.

Menu Changes

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Vehicles	
Vehicle Lookup Lists	When prompted for a vehicle number, pressing F1 displays a list of vehicles to choose from. The Department, Make, and Year fields are now sortable and searchable fields.
PM Due List (VL)	The PM Due list can now be printed in addition to it's on-screen display and functionality.
Import/Export Vehicles (STVI)	This utility now allows new vehicle records to be added to the system.
Vehicle Links (MVM)	Vehicle link relationship tree can now be browsed in reverse order. This allows you to start at a grandchild vehicle and browse backwards to see it's parent and grandparent vehicles, in addition to browsing in forward order to see it's children and grandchildren.
User Definable Fields Template (MVM)	When adding a new vehicle you select another vehicle to use as a template. An additional checkbox option is added to this prompt which allows you to include or ignore the user definable fields from the template vehicle.
Fluid Units (MVM)	In the Fluids tab, if the part number indicated for each fluid type is on-file in the parts master list, the 'unit of issue' information from the part record will be displayed next to the quantity.
Moving to New Facility (MVM)	When renumbering a vehicle to a new facility, the template work order and partkit assignments for each PM will also be changed to reflect the new facility.

Fueling	
No Changes	

Work Orders	
Work Order Checklists (WW, WT)	Work Order checklist items now have the option of whether you want an actual clickable checkbox next to each item. Clickable and non-clickable checklist items can be combined on a single checklist. Each checkbox has three possible states: unchecked, checked OK, checked FAIL.
Batch WOs (WB)	The work order selection prompt has been removed from this screen. Upon entering the screen, the first prompt will now be for the vehicle number you are recording a work order for. To view previously created work orders, now use screen (WW).
Quick PM Post (WU)	Post PMs quickly. A work order is automatically created based on the template work order assigned to the PM. A 'Quick Post' button automatically uses the assigned partkit and labor for the mechanic specified. A 'Post' button allows manual selection of parts and labor to be posted.
VMRS Code Validation	New option #38 in Main System Parameters (SSM) can be configured to validate VMRS codes. If this option is set to yes, users cannot enter a VMRS code into any work order related screen if the code doesn't already exist in the master VMRS code list.
Record Locking	Record locking methods in the database have been enhanced to reduce the situations where a record lock is required. This will reduce the occurrence of "The record needed is already in use by a user at another terminal, please wait..." messages when multiple users are in the work order and paperless shop modules.
Deferred Jobs Management (WF)	Deferred jobs can be created for a vehicle without first adding the job to a work order. Previously deferred jobs can be edited or deleted if they are not going to be done.
Inactive Employees (WW, MMM)	Employees marked as 'inactive' in the employee master screen can not be specified when posting labor to work orders.
Warranty Claims (WR)	If option #41 in Main System Parameters (SSM) is set to YES, warranty claims tracking will be enabled. When a work order is created for a warranted repair, a claim record will be created. A claim form can be printed to submit to your vendor. Once you are reimbursed by the vendor, record the amount and check number to close the claim. The warranty credit can then be applied to the original work order, or to a new work order if you wish.
Lookup List Detail (WW)	Job detail has been added to the work order list. When using the F1 lookup for work orders, a new 'Detail' button appears on the toolbar. Enabling this shows the additional level of detail about the open jobs in the lower portion of the lookup list window.
Shop WO Print (WW, WLS)	The "Shop WO" print option now prints all line notes, instead of the first five only.
WO's By Vehicle (WLV)	Print a list of work orders by vehicle number.

Parts	
Partkits (MPKM)	New parts can be added on-the-fly when specifying components in a partkit.
Onhand Qty (MPM)	Onhand Quantity and Bin Location fields are now displayed with bold font.
Validate GL Account (MPM)	GL Account number field will be validated if option #36 in the Parts Parameters (SSP) is set to “validate”. The account code entered must match one of the account numbers specified in the GL Account number list (STPA).
Import/Export Parts (STPX)	This utility now allows new part records to be added to the system.
Parts List (MPLB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New report provides simplified parts listing. Displays the basics about each part. Easy to read format since there’s only one row of information for each part. • Includes an option to export the data to a tab-delimited text file.
Facility Transfers (PF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The part transfer utility now prompts for stocking location of both the sending and receiving facilities if multiple stocking locations are enabled (SSP, option #9). • If the part to be transferred does not exist in the receiving facility, it can be added on-the-fly.
Renumber Part (STPN)	New part renumbering utility. Renumbers the part and all associated transactions in the various audit records (purchase orders, work orders, adjustments, partkits, warranty, etc.)
End Of Period (SEP)	If option #12 in the Parts Parameters (SSP) is set to YES, a tab-delimited audit file will be created that lists each part at the time EOP was processed.
Inventory Balance (STPB)	This utility adjusts your inventory balance totals (RPI) to match your part inventory total (MPLL) if the current inventory value does not match.
Part Markup Limit (MCM)	A new setting has been added to the customer master screen which allows you to set maximum part markup and sublet markup limits. The markup will be calculated based on the percentage as usual, but if the percentage markup is larger than the max setting, then the maximum markup amount will be used.

Purchase Orders	
Lookup List Detail (PPC)	Item detail has been added to the purchase order list. When using the F1 lookup for purchase orders, a new ‘Detail’ button appears on the toolbar. Enabling this shows the additional level of detail about the individual items on the PO in the lower portion of the lookup list window.
Lookup List for other shops (PPC)	By default, when using F1 to display a list of purchase orders, PO’s in your current facility are displayed. A new button on the toolbar “Other Shops” will display PO’s for other facilities. This is useful when an invoice is received that doesn’t indicate which facility initiated the PO.
Add Vendor (PPC)	Case-lots can now be specified when adding a new vendor cross-reference on-the-fly from the purchase order screen.

Tires	
No Changes	

Add-On Options

Add-on options are upgrades that can be purchased to enhance your RTA system. All upgrades are designed to work with your existing RTA data files—adding numerous features with minimal setup. Once an option is purchased, enhancements for that option will be included with each RTA update at no additional cost. For more information about any of the options listed below, contact RTA at 800-279-0549 or rtasales@rtafleet.com.

Image Viewer	Will use windows file associations to determine which program will be used to view the image or file specified. Each computer can have different preferences for the same file type.
Messenger (SAG)	Messages can now be printed.
Watchdog (SAWL, SAWS)	This new feature allows users to select alerts from a predefined list. Each alert selected queries data in the RTA system and provides a record count for each item found. An alert summary printout is available as well as a detailed list displaying each alert.
Paperless Shop – Time Off (WPT)	Paid time off can now be tracked for each employee. Enter the date and quantity of hours for either sick, vacation, or holiday for that day. Transactions are created and the time is captured on the Mechanic Accountability transactions report (RSA). It also is captured as indirect labor on the Labor Recap Report (RSL) and the shifts are recorded on the Timecard (RSM).
Paperless Shop (WPL)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When a mechanic adds a new job line from his paperless shop login screen, he will now be prompted for a cause code (if cause codes are enabled in the system settings). • If the newly added job is covered under OEM warranty, the mechanic will now receive a notification window indicating this. • When a new job is added, previous history of related jobs will be displayed at the bottom of the window. • Labor hours posted increased from tenths to hundredths of an hour.
Motor Pool (VTR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When using F1 list to search for motor pool reservations, you can now search/sort on the reservation date and pickup date fields. • Reservation, Checkout Receipt, and Invoices can now be printed in advanced printing mode for a more professional look.
Paperless Inspections Module (WNx)	This new add-on option is an interactive inspection with time tracking and work order update capabilities. It has the ability to create a customized electronic inspection record. It also can update or create new work orders based off of inspection results.