



Search Screens

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Overview

As of SalesPad Desktop version 4.6.4.0, search screens throughout the application have been updated. Each search screen varies slightly, depending on the nature of the screen and what would be searched on it, but in general, the options are clearly laid out and easier to use than in previous versions of SalesPad Desktop. Additionally, search screens now display the theme that the rest of SalesPad Desktop uses.

Once search criteria is entered and submitted, only visible fields will return search results. This improves search speed. In previous versions of SalesPad Desktop, this was a security-based option.

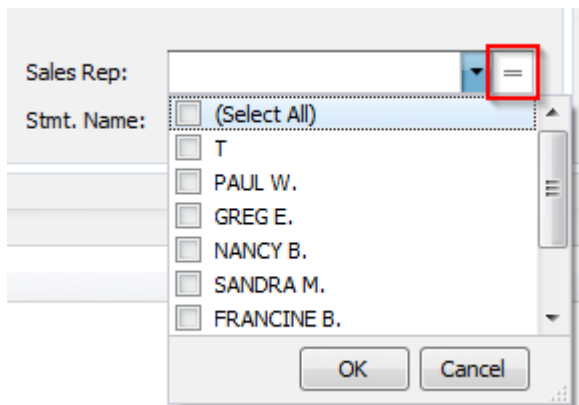
Usage

For each search field, you can choose a search operator. This gives you more flexibility when conducting a search. To choose a search operator, click the **Search Operator** button to the right of the search field.

The screenshot shows a search interface with the following elements:

- Search By:** A header for the search criteria section.
- Customer:** A text input field with a red box highlighting a search operator dropdown icon (a square with 'R%' and 'C').
- Contact:** A text input field.
- City:** A text input field.
- Search Results:** A section containing a table with columns 'Cust#' and 'Cust Name'.
- Search Operator Menu:** A dropdown menu is open, listing the following operators:
 - = Equals
 - R% C Is Like
 - R% C Begins With
 - > Is Greater Than
 - >= Is Greater Than Or Equal To
 - < Is Less Than
 - <= Is Less Than Or Equal To

If you're searching a dropdown field, the only operator available is Equals, since you are searching for pre-defined options.



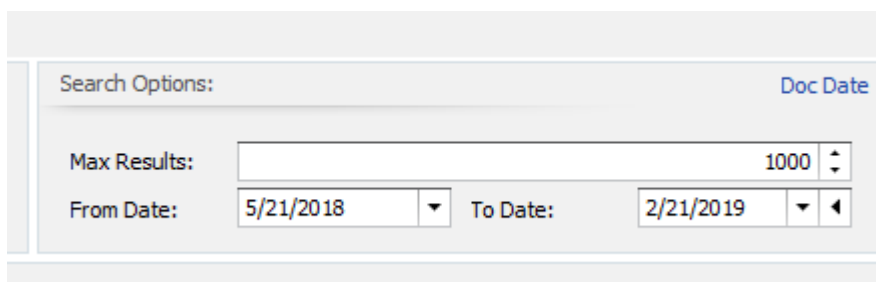
To clear out search fields including date ranges, select the **Clear** button in the upper left-hand corner of any given tab. To quickly reset all search operators on a given tab to the default Is Like, select **Reset Search** from the dropdown below the Clear button.



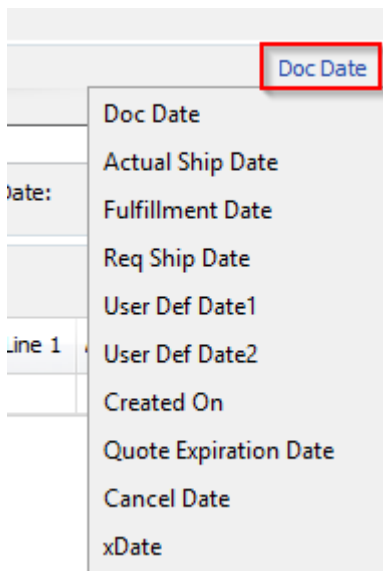
Search operators are saved in the registry and restored when re-opening SalesPad Desktop.

Date Range Search

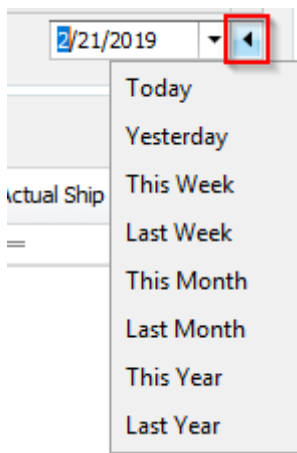
For tabs in SalesPad Desktop that display date information, date range options are available in the Search Options section, found on the far right of the screen.



To change which date field you are searching, click the Date Field link in the upper right-hand corner of the Search Options field and choose a different date field.



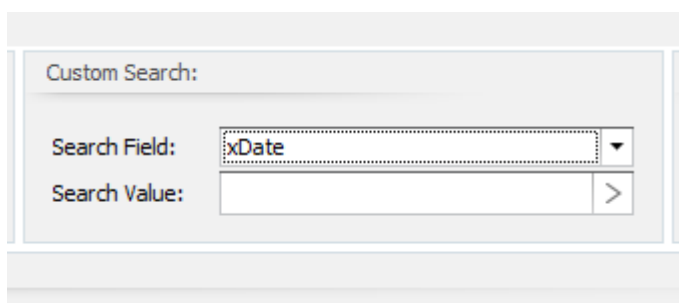
For quick access to predefined date ranges, which can be limited based on the *Date Range Month Limit* security, select the dropdown to the right of the To Date field.



Custom Search

A Custom Search section is now available on most search screens, found to the right of the Search By section. This section allows you to search specific fields that appear on the tab you are searching. Boolean and Date field values are validated when using the custom search.

To conduct a custom search, select the Search Field you want to search from the Search Field dropdown, then enter your Search Value and hit Enter to run the search.



Security

In general, search screens have the same securities, or securities that are consistent with similar securities on other search screens.

Allow Screen Layout Customization - Allows screen layouts to be customized

Allow Search With No Parameters - If disabled, blank searches will be prevented

Can Change Max Results - If enabled, the Max Results field in the Search Options section can be edited

Can Export Grid - If enabled, the search results grid can be exported

Can Print Grid - If enabled, the search results grid can be printed

Date Range Month Limit - Limits how many months the date range search parameters will allow

Disable Search Prompt - If enabled, disables the search prompt that appears when the search results would be greater than or equal to the Max Results limit

Max Results Limit - Set a value for the Max Results field in the Search Options section