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WBSCM Readiness: Go-Live Functionality and System Requirements

The previous issues of the WBSCM update featured the agencies' Go-Live collaborative activities focused on getting the WBSCM user community ready and prepared for WBSCM.

The WBSCM team (USDA, USAID and SRA) continues to execute WBSCM development, testing, training, data maintenance, and governance activities.

This issue of the WBSCM update focuses on the functionality that will be going live on June 30 and WBSCM system requirements.

Go-Live Functionalities

Functionality that is planned for Go-Live in the WBSCM system June 30, contingent on successful testing, are:

- Organization/User Administration
- DoD Fresh Payments
- Price Support (PS)
- Multi-Food Outbound

Organization/User Administration

Organization/User Administration consists of loading existing materials, vendors, customers and users into WBSCM. This also includes maintenance of existing data and creation of new master data (materials, vendors, customers, and users).

DoD Fresh Payments

DoD Fresh is a process in WBSCM that will enable FNS and AMS to enter budget information, create purchase orders and invoices to pay DFAS (Defense, Finance, and Accounting Service) vendors. New DoD Vendors will be established in Financial Services. Obligation and payments will be established in eFMS (Electronic Funds Management System), and NPS (National Payment Service) respectively.

Price Support

The Price Support functionality that will go live on 6/30 includes:

- Warehouse Setup and Invoicing
 - Setup of warehouse
 - Storage contracts
 - Establishment of budget from eFMS
 - Inbound commodity and freight purchase order with appropriate linkage
 - Inspection results
 - Payments to commodity, freight, and storage vendors
 - Invoicing
 - Interfaces to FMFI-R (Financial Management Modernization Initiative – Readiness)
- Inventory Adjustments and interface to CORE (Core Accounting System)
- Sale of PS inventory
 - Creation of business partner
 - Sales order
 - Delivery document
 - Billing document and NRRS (National Receipts and Receivables System) interface
- Storage payments
 - Creation of storage contracts
 - Automated generation of PO to pay vendor
 - Submission and approval of invoice
 - Interfaces to FMFI-R

Multi-Food Outbound from National Warehouses (NW)

The Multi-Food Outbound processes that will be going live on WBSCM include:

- CSFP and FDPIR customers placing Multi-food requisitions with their associated NW
- NW downloading requisitions
- NW uploading BOL (Bill of Lading) to create delivery documents
- Inventory being decremented
- Sold-to / Ship-to entering receipt against delivery document
- FNS adjusting inventory as required
- NW setup
- Loading inventories into each NW
- Establishing customer delivery calendars

System Requirements

When WBSCM goes live, there will be certain requirements users will need to have configured before they can use WBSCM.

Internet Explorer Settings

In order to ensure that WBSCM runs correctly at Go-Live, end users will need to take steps to change their IE settings. Note that some settings may be managed by your system administrator.

To add WBSCM to the Trusted Sites List:

1. Open IE
2. Select *Internet Options* from the *Tools* menu (figure 1)

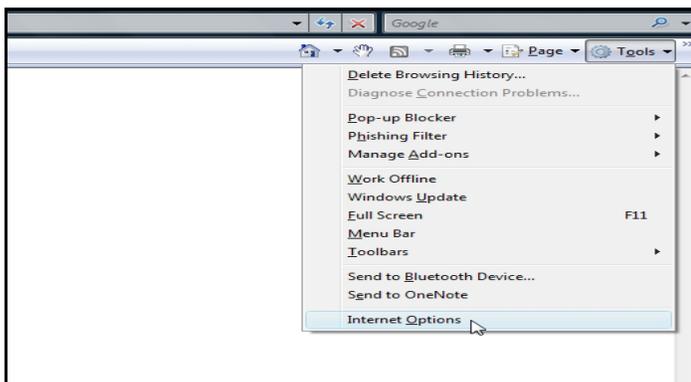


Figure 1

3. In the *Internet Options* dialog box, select the *Security* tab
4. Select *Trusted Sites* from the *Zone choices* (figure 2)



Figure 2

5. Click the *Sites* button
6. Add **.wbscm.usda.gov* to the *Trusted Sites* zone (figure 3)

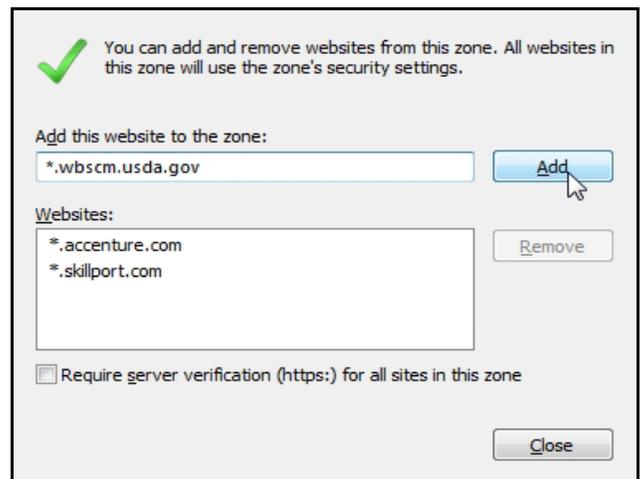


Figure 3

To add WBSCM to the pop-up blocker exceptions list:

1. Open IE
2. Select *Internet Options* from the *Tools* menu
3. In the *Internet Options* dialog box, select the *Privacy* tab (figure 4)



Figure 4

4. Click the *Settings* button in the *Pop-up Blocker* section
5. Add **.wbscm.usda.gov* to the *Address of website to allow* box (figure 5)

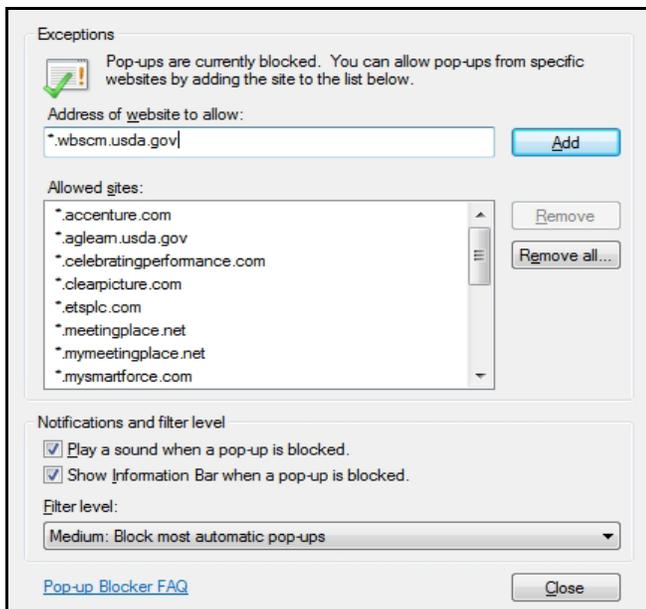


Figure 5

To allow JavaScript and Automatic Downloads:

1. Open IE
2. Select *Internet Options* from the *Tools* menu
3. In the *Internet Options* dialog box, select the *Security* tab

4. Select *Trusted Sites* from the *Zone* choices (figure 6)

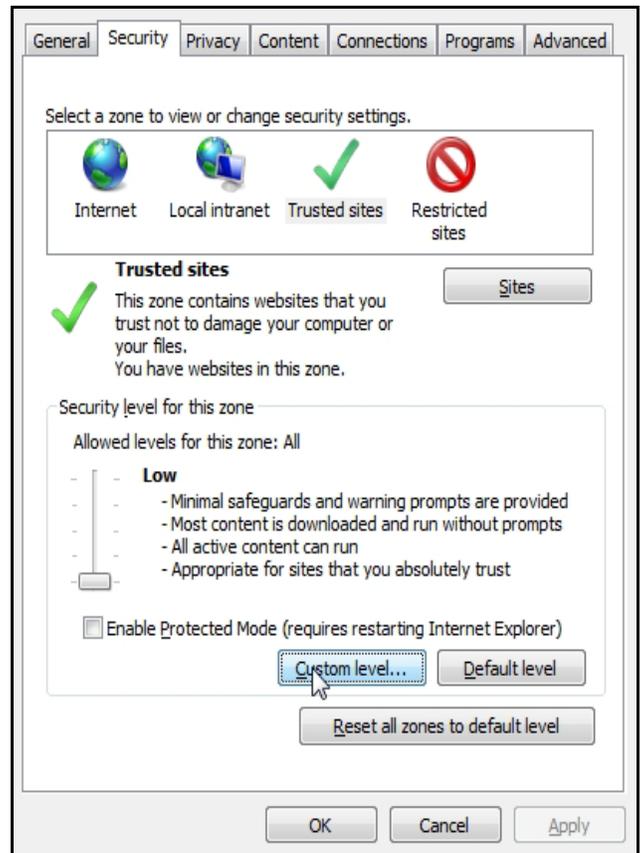


Figure 6

5. Click the *Custom level* button
6. Select *Enable* in *Downloads*
7. Select *Enable* in *Scripting* → *Active Scripting*
8. Select *Enable* in *Scripting* → *Allow paste options via script*
9. Select *Enable* in *Scripting* → *Scripting of Java applets*

To allow cookies:

1. Open IE
2. Select *Internet Options* from the *Tools* menu
3. In the *Internet Options* dialog box, select the *Privacy* tab
4. Click the *Sites* button in the *Settings* section
5. Add **.wbscm.usda.gov* to the *Address of website* box and click the *Allow* button (figure 7)

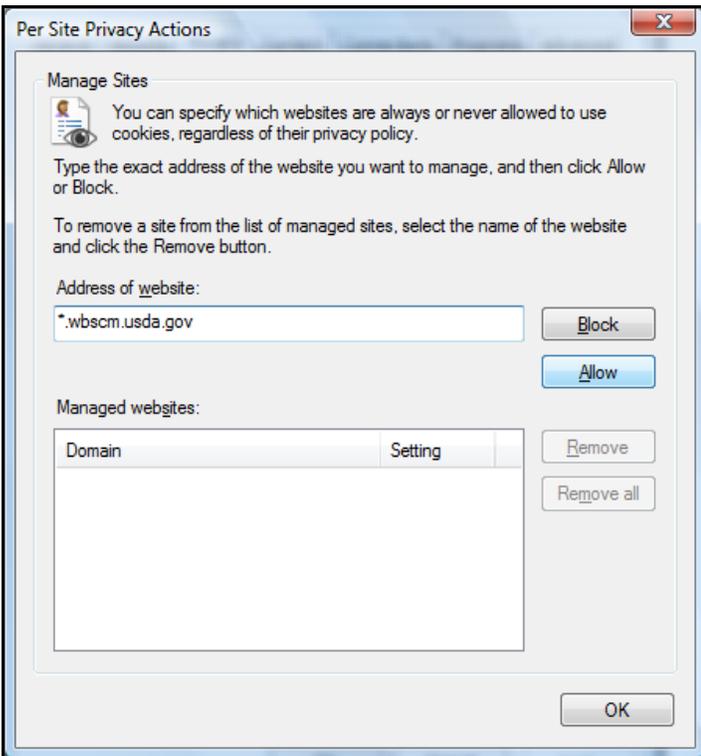


Figure 7

For users who currently have Internet Explorer 8.0, the SAP Portal is not compatible with this version and you are advised to run Internet Explorer in IE7 compatibility mode.

To run the IE compatibility mode setting:

1. Open IE
2. Navigate to the WBSCM URL <https://portal.wbscm.usda.gov>
3. Authenticate with USDA eAuthentication to arrive at the WBSCM portal home page
4. Browser header bar should have the compatibility mode button toggled off, as shown below in red (figure 8)



Figure 8

5. Click the compatibility mode button in the address bar to enable IE7 compatibility mode. Button should switch state (figure 9)



Figure 9

Minimum System Requirements

In order to run WBSCM successfully, users will need to have certain minimum requirements. These minimum requirements are shown in figure 10.

	Minimum Requirement	Notes:
Hardware		
Processor	800MHz +	
Memory	512 MG +	
Hard Disk Drive	110 MB +	
Monitor Resolution	1024 x 768 16K colors or better	
Software		
Operating System	Microsoft Windows XP, Microsoft Windows 2000, or Microsoft Windows Vista	
Web Browser	Microsoft Internet Explorer 6.0 - Service Pack 2 or Microsoft Internet Explorer 7.0	WBSCM is not compatible with Internet Explorer 8.0. <i>Uninstall Internet Explorer 8 or run Internet Explorer in IE7 compatibility mode.</i>
Adobe Flasher Player	Adobe Flash Player 8.0 or higher	Only needed for viewing uPerform simulations.
Additional Desktop Integration Software	Microsoft Office (MS-Word, MS-Excel); Adobe Acrobat Reader	Required for viewing documents attached to WBSCM transactions.
Additional Software for Records Management	Internet Explorer web browser SAP Plug-in	This software will only be applicable to USAID, USDA, and Freight Forwarder staff and supports only Internet Explorer 6 and 7 browsers.
Additional Software for Procurement	Java Runtime Environment 1.4.2 or higher	This software will only be applicable to USAID, USDA users of Procurement transactions.

Figure 10

Note: Records Management requires the SAP Plug-ins which only support Internet Explorer 6 and 7. Other browsers (Firefox 2.0) do not support Records Management.

Sun JRE version 1.4.2 or higher is only needed by internal users who execute the following procurement transactions which have approver workflows:

- Process Bid Invitation
- Process Contract
- Process Purchase Order

New to WBSCM?

If you are new to the WBSCM team, you can go online and view the [WBSCM Overview Course](#). This course is available by selecting the link on the bottom of the web page. Topics include WBSCM overview, technologies, basics of the SAP order process, and the program timeline.



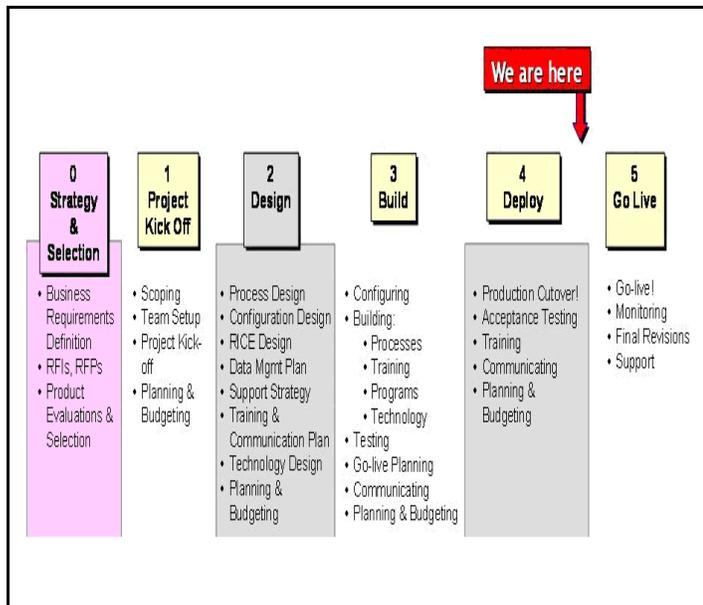
What's My Role?

You can gain more insight and awareness into WBSCM functionality through the viewing of online demonstrations (over 30 simulations are available) and general WBSCM information in preparation for training. All WBSCM information is found on AGNISX or agency-specified sites.

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The list of playbacks to date can be found in previous editions of the [WBSCM Update](#).

The WBSCM team is currently in the Deployment phase.



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WBSCM Terminology

Bill of Lading: Document that is generated when goods are shipped. It accompanies the shipment, and is visible to the customer. It is similar to a packing slip, indicating which goods are contained in the shipment.

WBSCM Portal: is a USDA initiative to create a customized computer system for fulfilling and procuring orders. The WBSCM Portal is the web interface where order management is done.

Delivery Document: A delivery document is automatically generated when goods are picked and issued from a warehouse. The customer does not receive or have access to view this document. It simply indicates for internal purposes that the goods were issued.



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WBSCM@kcc.usda.gov

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