

Food Manufacturing & Distribution for Dynamics 365 Business Central 2023 Release Wave 1, Update 22.4

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1. Purpose

This document describes the fixes implemented in To-Increase Food Manufacturing & Distribution for Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central 2023 Release Wave 1.

This release replaces Food for Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central 2022 Wave 2 Fall Update and is based on Update 22.4 for Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central 2023 Wave 1 release (Application Build 22.4.202401).

2. Audience

This document is primarily meant for product- and implementation consultants familiar with the concepts of Food Manufacturing & Distribution.

This document explains the content of the delivery package to consultants of To-Increase partners.

2.1 Links to To-Increase OnlineHelp

- General: Home Page - To-Increase Documentation
- Food: To-Increase Food Manufacturing & Distribution
- What's New in Food: What is New in Food Manufacturing & Distribution
- Release Notes: Food Manufacturing & Distribution Release Notes

2.2 OnlineHelp especially for EmbedApp

The EmbedApp may respond differently in some cases than the standard Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central SaaS environment.

We see this especially when installing 3rd Party ISV apps and when using so-called Connector Apps.

Below are 2 links that may provide more insight on this:

- 3rd Party ISV apps instructions: ISV Instructions
- Connector Apps: Connecting to EmbedApp

3. Deliverables

Besides 2 On-Premise packages (W1 & NA) we also deliver a SaaS EmbedApp package.

This SaaS EmbedApp is only available in the USA, localized as NA, in a Microsoft Azure Cloud environment, managed by To-Increase.

3.1 Deliverables for On-Premise

Each release contains the W1 and the NA localization.

The Artifacts folder contains:

Food Artifacts	W1 Version No.	NA Version No.
FOOD Application	22.4.202401.0	22.4.202401.0
FOOD ESHA Genesis Integration	22.4.202401.0	22.4.202401.0
FOOD Item Lifecycle Management	22.4.202401.0	22.4.202401.0
TI-Lifecycle Base	19.0.87347.0	19.0.87347.0
TI-Common	19.0.87173.0	19.0.87173.0
FOOD Label Printing	22.4.202401.0	22.4.202401.0
TI-BIS	22.0.87693.0	22.0.87693.0
TI-Common	19.0.87173.0	19.0.87173.0
FOOD Anywhere	22.4.202401.0	22.4.202401.0
Anywhere Mobility Studio	20.0.87698.0	20.0.87698.0
TI-BIS	22.0.87693.0	22.0.87693.0
TI-Common	19.0.87173.0	19.0.87173.0
FOOD Bank Deposits	22.4.202401.0	22.4.202401.0

The extensions in the TI- ... folders are mandatory and part of the base installation for To-Increase applications.

- Refer to Installation instructions to learn how to install these artifacts.
- Refer to Checklist to create a demo database with extended CRONUS data to learn how to create a demo database from the included resources.
- For ESHA we deliver interface-data for the Genesis-module and database
- For Food Label Connections we provide two examples of labels, 1 for containers and 1 for cases. To be used with the Labelprinting module.
- For Food Lifecycles a number of example-lifecycles are available for ILM in Food.

- For Anywhere for Food the out of the box processes are delivered for the Warehouse Scanning Solution Anywhere Mobility Studio.

We deliver Runtime Packages for Business Central On-Premises. When the runtime package is generated on the server, the developer license is checked for permissions to the used extension IDs. The extension in a runtime package can then be installed on servers that do not have a developer license; the server only needs permissions to run the objects, but not to modify or insert them.

3.2 Languages NA version

Since version 22.4.202310.0 the NA localization contains 3 extra languages besides English (US).

These languages are English (CA), French (CA) and Spanish (MX).

The next translation files are part of FOOD:

- FOOD Application.en-US.xlf
- FOOD Application.en-CA.xlf
- FOOD Application.fr.CA.xlf
- FOOD Application.es-MX.xlf

Dynamics 365 Business Central is multi-language enabled, which means that you can display the user interface (UI) in different languages. In Dynamics 365 Business Central, this is done using XLIFF files, which is a standardized format used for computer-based translations.

To-Increase is using the Microsoft Dynamics 365 Translation Service for automated translations of user interface elements. In our solutions we use standard labels and new solution specific labels. The standard labels are already provided with translations done by Microsoft. The solution specific labels are now also available to users in more languages.

As we used automated translations and reused existing labels it might be the case that some translations are wrongly translated. With a single translation unit the AI powered translation service is not aware if it should be translated as noun or verb. Some words do have multiple meanings, like “application”. It could be related to recruitment or a software solution. If you come across such issue, please create a support case, so we can improve the translations for future releases.

Next to the NA-version, the W1 also contains the g.xlf file to generate the TranslationFile.

3.3 Deliverables US EmbedApp

As US EmbedApp follows Modern Lifecycle Policy of Microsoft it follows the majors and minors for Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central SaaS.

No minor platform updates for 22.x

What? Microsoft is changing how we update and maintain our platform. Microsoft will no longer release minor updates to the ISV EmbedApp platform.

When? 2023 release wave 1, April 2023, version 22.0

For the US EmbedApp we deliver the following apps:

US EmbedApp	Version
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Application	22.0.202309.0
FOOD Application	22.0.202309.0
FOOD Anywhere	22.0.202309.0
Anywhere Mobility Studio	19.0.93276.0
TI-BIS	19.0.87349.0
TI-Common	19.0.93173.0
FOOD Bank Deposits	22.0.202309.0

Anywhere Mobility Studio + FOOD Anywhere can only be used with a license for Anywhere Mobility Studio and Device subscriptions.

To keep the SaaS experience the same as standard Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central, the Microsoft apps listed below have been added. As they are _exclude apps they will not be shown in Extension Management within Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central or in the Business Central Admin Center Manage apps part.

Microsoft _Exclude apps
_Exclude_SyncBaseApp_
_Exclude_APIV2_
_Exclude_APIV1_
_Exclude_AnonymizedDataSharing_
_Exclude_ClientAddIns_
_Exclude_Microsoft Dynamics 365 - SmartList
_Exclude_Bank Deposits
_Exclude_ReportLayouts
_Exclude_Email Logging Using Graph API
_Exclude_PlanConfiguration_
_Exclude_Onboarding Signals
_Exclude_Connectivity Apps
_Exclude_Review_General_Ledger_Entries
_Exclude_Master_Data_Management
_Exclude_Business_Events_

The standard Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central SaaS experience contains more apps, but we don't supply them, as they can be found on AppSource/Extension Marketplace.

Third party apps and connector apps can be used on our US EmbedApp environment when they contain the correct settings, see chapter 2.2 for links to more information.

Partners will be informed separately on upgrades and updates for US EmbedApp environments.

4. Granule List on-premise

To-Increase **FOOD Manufacturing & Distribution (FOOD)** for Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central consists of the granules listed below.

These granules must be listed in the **Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central, Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central on premises** and **Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central on premises subscription** licenses based on the customer's purchase.

Product	Granule	Name	Version	Release
Solution Center				
N108	11.068.690	Integration Platform Base	2023 Wave 1	22.4
N108_WS	11.068.810	Life Cycle Management		
FOOD – Core Solution				
N200	370.02.010	Basic Functions	2023 Wave 1	22.4
N201	370.02.060	Warehouse Management		
N202	370.02.020	Enhanced Lot Tracking		
N203	370.02.030	Enhanced Pricing		
N204	370.02.090	Sales Status Board		
N205	370.02.200	Distribution Core		
N227	370.02.920	Allergen Management		
FOOD – Manufacturing				
N206	370.02.140	Process Manufacturing	2023 Wave 1	22.4
N212	370.02.180	Co-Product/By-Product		
N222	370.02.290	Genesis Integration		
	370.02.170	Packaging Configurator		
FOOD – Warehouse and Distribution				
N213	370.02.040	Distribution Planning	2023 Wave 1	22.4
N214	370.02.160	Container Tracking		
N220	370.02.260	Advanced W/H Management		
FOOD – Quality Management				
N207	370.02.150	Quality Control	2023 Wave 1	22.4
N226	370.02.300	Process Data Collection		
FOOD – Commodities				
N223	370.02.560	Commodity Costing	2023 Wave 1	22.4
N224	370.02.680	Commodity Payment		
FOOD – Labelling				
N218	370.02.210	Basic Labelling	2023 Wave 1	22.4
N219	370.02.220	Labelling – Software*		
FOOD - Value features				

N208	370.02.240	Deduction Management	2023 Wave 1	22.4
N209	370.02.070	Rebates/Commissions/Billback/Promo		
N210	370.02.270	Maintenance Management		
N211	370.02.050	Dual UOM & Catch Weight		
N221	370.02.280	Repack		
FOOD - Lifecycle Management				
FILM	370.02.330	Food Item Lifecycle Management		
FOOD – Anywhere				
	370.02.350	Anywhere for Food**	2023 Wave 1	22.4
	11.158.610	Anywhere Mobility Studio ***		
FOOD – Bank Deposits				
BankDep		Extension		

Anywhere for Food consists of 11 out-of-the-box processes that are being shipped upon receipt or an order:

Process description
Warehouse Pick
Warehouse Shipment
Warehouse Receipt
Warehouse Put-away
Production Consumption
Production Output
(Warehouse) Physical Count
Warehouse Movement
Bin-to-Bin Movement (ad-hoc)
Container Management

* Labelling - Software has been integrated in 370.02.210 Basic Labelling

** Please note that Anywhere for Food processes are based on some of the existing Food modules.

*** Please note that separate ISV Device CALs are mandatory when using Anywhere for Food.

5. New Features Summary

This is a major release where the functionality is migrated as is and adapted to new Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central features as needed.

Refer to What's New in FOOD for D365 Business Central for an overview of new features and links to the corresponding manual.

Microsoft is continuously adding new features in the application directly and via Feature Management. Sometimes these are public preview and will be made generally available in future releases, in other cases, they are already general available, and you have the choice to activate them.

Currently, we are not testing compatibility with all new features or combinations.

Once a feature is enabled at the customer environment and in case of any issues or questions related to new standard features and our solutions, kindly contact us via To-Increase support.

5.1 Supported Microsoft features in this release

To-Increase Food has been modified or integrated with Microsoft functionality:

(Words in bold contain a link to the relevant Microsoft page)

Define an invoice posting policy for various users

Microsoft added User setup to define invoice posting policies on Sales and Purchasing.

Within To-Increase Food we incorporated this feature where possible.

However, in 3 places we automatically overrule the User setup to Prohibited (Posting Invoice = false) as we don't want that Users post invoices from this side.

It is concerning:

- Order Receiving
- Order Shipping
- Commodity Manifests

Undo transfer shipments

Microsoft has added a new feature to transfer orders, namely undo shipments, which we have fully integrated for Container Management, Alternate/Dual Unit of Measure and Catch Weight in transfer orders.

For most Location setup the behavior is the same, when a container or item has been shipped and the undo transfer shipment will be executed the container or item will be moved back to the original location and posting status of the transfer order line will be changed from receive to ship.

When a part of a container will be undone, this part will enter the system as loose inventory, which can be placed on a container in a later stadium within the warehouse.

Preview item journals and 20 other journals and documents before posting

Microsoft has added Posting Preview to a number of journals and documents.

These are mostly for pages based on the item journal (e.g. Item Journal, Consumption Journal, Revaluation Journal, ...)

We have added Posting Preview to our pages based upon the item journal:

- Bin Reclassification Journal
- Physical Inventory Journal with Tracking
- Batch Reporting
- Process Reporting.

We also added this to Repack Orders which are all about posting item ledger entries (transfers and +/- adjustments) and are similar to Assembly Orders (where Microsoft has added Posting Preview).

5.2 Remarks on Microsoft features

(Words in bold contain a link to the relevant Microsoft page)

Microsoft added in 2023 Wave 1 release (BC22) **Easier to create opening balances for item tracked inventory** by adding Item Tracking on Lines.

Within To-Increase Food we disabled this new feature as we already have easy lot entry functionality in Item Journal pages and many documents throughout the system as Microsoft only added this to the Item Journal.

Behavior changes due to **Auto-save as you work**.

Microsoft added the new feature “Auto-save with every field save” in the 2022 Wave 2 release (BC21), when this is enabled changes (OnModify) made by the user will be saved immediately.

This has resulted in Business Central responding differently to alerts and errors as users are used to.

Also To-Increase is not able to change this behavior by adjusting code.

Therefore we advise not to enable this feature, of course, users may use this feature if they want to, but To-Increase cannot adjust the changed behavior if users complain about it.

In 2020 Wave 2 release (BC17) Microsoft added the feature **New sales pricing experience**, as To-Increase we do not support this new feature at the moment.

The To-Increase pricing enhancements are built on the old pricing system of Microsoft.

As the new sales pricing experience is still under construction, auto enablement is even postponed several times, and old pricing system is not yet retired we advise not to enable this feature as this will give an error.

Microsoft is busy to make changes to the new sales pricing experience, but not expect them to be ready before Q2-2023, so Microsoft postponed the retirement of the old pricing system.

6. Post Release Defects Resolutions

In case of an Error, To-Increase may provide a Hotfix on a reasonable efforts basis in a way it considers appropriate in its discretion. To-Increase cannot be obliged to provide Hotfixes if Client has not deployed the latest Release or the Release second to the latest Release and/or is not using a supported version of Microsoft Dynamics.

To ensure our customers can fully leverage the latest enhancements, features, and quality improvements, we are committed to providing increased support by keeping them updated with the most recent releases. Our data indicates that customers on the latest version experience fewer issues and requests, demonstrate greater resilience, and effectively enhance their organizational efficiency.

6.1 Post Release Defects Resolutions

In this update the following issues have been resolved:

ID*	Title	Case**
180783	External document no. string length on Sales Order gives error when using Accruals Issue fixed.	CS00227860
	Object(s): CU37002122/CU37002123/T37002132/T37002142	

6.2 Other Resolutions

In this update the following has been resolved or added:

ID*	Title	Case**

*ID: Azure DevOps Work Item

**Case: Internally found defect or external found defect, external is marked with Case no. from SNOW

7. Upgrading

When upgrading from previous versions of FOOD please contact To-Increase Support for the relevant upgrade kits and upgrade guidelines.

7.1 Attention points Per Tenant Extensions in SaaS

For upgrading SaaS environments extra attention is needed for installed Per Tenant Extensions as they can't upgrade automatically.

See Microsoft docs related pages:

- [Environments that can't get updated](#)
- [Upgrades and per-tenant extensions](#)
- [Behavior on upgrade](#)
- [Uninstall an app](#)