



# Sage 100 ERP Newsletter

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## INTRODUCING SAGE 100 ERP 2015

Released on April 7, 2015, **Sage 100 ERP 2015** is one of the most feature-packed new releases in a while. It includes a [long list of enhancements](#), many of which are inspired by customer requests submitted through the [Sage 100 Ideas](#) website. Let's take a closer look.

### Popular Customer-Requested Features

Here's a quick look at some of the most highly-requested new features or enhancements.

**Canadian Postal Codes** - customers who distribute products all over North America will be happy to learn you now have the option to install Canadian postal codes during Sage 100 installation. Once installed, you can maintain Canadian codes using Zip Code Maintenance.

**Better Print and Data Export Control** - new security features allow administrators to control which users have rights to export data from Sage 100 into Excel from lookups/grids and whether to allow printing from lookup windows.

**Expanded Vendor Name Field** - by popular request, the vendor name field has been expanded to 50 characters. Previous versions were limited to 30 characters. In addition, various standard forms and reports have been adjusted to accommodate the expanded field.

**Expanded Company Color Options** - you may already know that Sage introduced the ability to color-code company windows in Version 4.4. But for some customers, many of the color options are an eye-sore and made it harder to read certain fields and text. So 100 ERP 2015 introduces additional options to color code the entire background, **just the window frame**, or both.

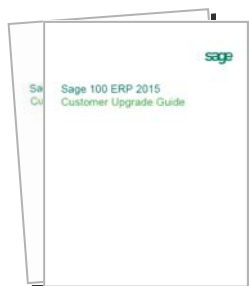
**Sort by Multiple Columns** - a new Sort Columns button has been added to several windows in A/P and Bank Reconciliation that allow you to select one or more columns and sort each one in ascending or descending order. This comes in handy for things like Invoice Payment Selection, Cash Receipts Entry, and more.



Now you can color code **just the window frame** of different companies in Sage 100 ERP 2015



Download the [List of Key Features](#) to see some of the other areas of enhancement from General Ledger and Bank Reconciliation to Order Processing and Inventory.



## Customer Upgrade Guide

[Contact us](#) to request a copy of the Sage 100 ERP 2015 guide with details about the upgrade process, workflow changes, a conversion checklist, and details on all the new features.

# Affordable Care Act (ACA) Compliance

## Does Sage 100 Support Affordable Care Act (ACA) Requirements?

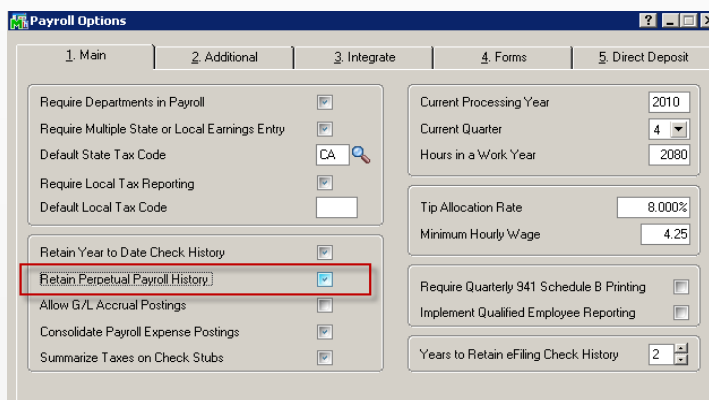
That's probably a question most Sage 100 ERP customers are asking themselves. And you'll be happy to learn that the answer is yes. Here's a look at new payroll options and features to help you manage ACA tracking and reporting.

### ACA Overview

In a nutshell, employers with 50 or more full time employees will be required to provide additional reporting on employee and dependent coverage to the IRS beginning in 2015. You can get more details [on our website](#).

### Enable Perpetual Check History

The most important thing to do in Sage 100 ERP is to enable the **Retain Perpetual Payroll History** checkbox located on the **Main Tab** in the **Payroll Options** screen.



The screenshot shows the 'Payroll Options' window with several tabs: 1. Main, 2. Additional, 3. Integrate, 4. Forms, and 5. Direct Deposit. The 'Main' tab is active. On the left side, there are several checkboxes: 'Require Departments in Payroll', 'Require Multiple State or Local Earnings Entry', 'Default State Tax Code' (set to CA), 'Require Local Tax Reporting', 'Default Local Tax Code', 'Retain Year to Date Check History', 'Retain Perpetual Payroll History' (highlighted with a red box), 'Allow G/L Accrual Postings', 'Consolidate Payroll Expense Postings', and 'Summarize Taxes on Check Stubs'. On the right side, there are input fields for 'Current Processing Year' (2010), 'Current Quarter' (4), 'Hours in a Work Year' (2080), 'Tip Allocation Rate' (8.000%), and 'Minimum Hourly Wage' (4.25). At the bottom, there are checkboxes for 'Require Quarterly 941 Schedule B Printing' and 'Implement Qualified Employee Reporting', and a dropdown for 'Years to Retain eFiling Check History' (set to 2).

This should be done **before processing your first payroll in 2015** and for **each** company code that has ACA reporting requirements.

### New Reports and Screens

A new Crystal Report is available in Sage 100 ERP to help you determine if you qualify as an **Applicable Large Employer (ALE)** that is required to report on compliance with ACA.

It's important to note that if the option to 'Retain Perpetual History' is not selected in Payroll Options, no data will show in this report. In addition, new Payroll interface screens and menu tasks allow you to enter and manage the employee or employee dependent health insurance offering data required on various IRS reporting forms.

### Sage 100 ERP Versions for ACA Support

As of this article, the current plan from Sage is to release product updates for Sage 100 ERP 4.5 and higher as follows:

Version 2014, Product Update 5 - March 30, 2015

Version 2015, Product Update 1 - April 7, 2015

Version 2013 Product Update 9 - Date TBD

Version 4.50, Product Update 8 - Date TBD

### Additional Resources

For additional guidance on ACA Reporting in Sage 100 ERP, please don't hesitate to [Contact Us](#) and/or check out these additional resources:

[Sage 100 and ACA Knowledgebase Article](#)  
[Affordable Care Act Center on Sage City](#)

## SAGE SUMMIT 2015

This year **Sage Summit 2015** is headed to **New Orleans** for the annual gathering of Sage customers and partners. Join the fun **July 27th - 30th 2015** in the "Big Easy" for this unique conference where you'll find inspiration from world-class business leaders, workshops, networking events, and tips to make the most of your Sage product.

### Registration for Sage Summit 2015 is Now Open!

Head over to our [Sage Summit Web Page](#) for details or to save with early bird rates through April 30, 2015.

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