

## **CAFAM - TECH NOTES NO 23**

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#### **VERSION CHANGE 5F.00**

- 1) JOB No. INCREASE TO 9-CHARS**
- 2) NEW PASSWORD SECURITY OPTION IN CAFAM**

#### **1. INTRODUCTION**

A new version of CAFAM 5F.00 has now been released. The major change in the program is:

- a) An increase of 1 character in the job number from 8-Characters to 9-Characters. This change became necessary because one of our Users were running out of Job Numbers i.e. they were approaching a point where the job number would go past "99999/00". Whilst the outward change in the program appears minimal in that it now simply prompts and runs a Master Job number of 6 digits, internally in how the program works has necessitated a substantial amount of program re-write – hence one of the reasons for the version change.

The other reason for the version change is

- b) An option to have much stricter and secure Password control that has been requested by a different User of CAFAM. This Technote has been written to explain this particular issue

#### **2. NEW SECURITY**

First and foremost following the upgrade to 5F.00, all passwords are now case sensitive. They come across upper case by default from any previous version and they can be set to lower case through the "Amend User/Passwords" menu. Remember that the CAFAM Master Password is case-sensitive too and will need to be entered in upper case in the first instance until changed by you.

In addition, we have added a "Setting an Parameter" control item to turn OFF this enter section for those Users not requiring these stringent password control

The two changes that have been made:

#### **a) Increased Password security in CAFAM**

Developed algorithm to ensure password chosen conforms to the "rules" defined below

##### **Rules of Password**

1. User entered Password must contain
  - at least 7 characters
  - at least 1 of the following character types:
    - lower alpha(a-z)
    - Upper alpha(A-Z)
    - numeric (1-9)
    - special character (!@#\$ % ^ & \* - + = \ { } [ ] ; : ' < > , . ? / )
2. Password used cannot be used again within 365 days.
3. Number of failed logins is limited to 5 attempts after which password is "LOCKED" and can be released by CAFAM Administrator
4. User is forced to change his/her password every 90 days

#### **2. Added New Report to show user access rights**

Developed programming to reverse the logic of the password table to display User Names and rights as specified above

## SETTING & PARAMETER TO TURN ON THE STRINGENT PASSWORD CONTROL

The screenshot shows the 'Set Various Parameters and Links' dialog box in the CAFAM application. The dialog contains a table with the following data:

Menu	Descr	Item	Value	Reference
TIME/JOB	Last Job Number used	LAST_JOBN	056226/0	
BILLING	Use only valid tasks in Time/Job entry	TSK_VALID	N	
BILLING	Open Job No as Quote first	W/O_QUOTE	N	
BILLING	Estimate Hrs reqd for Tasks?	EST_VALID	N	
BILLING	Work Order Task Number to start from	W/O_TASKN	01000	
BILLING	Call-Ups Task Number to start from	C/UP_TASKN	30001	
BILLING	Components Task Number to Start from	ROT_TASKN	50001	
BILLING	C/Up on Comp Task Number to Start from	RUP_TASKN	70001	
BILLING	Alternate Invoicing-Line-by-line for Exp	ALT_INVPRFY	ats_	
BILLING	Issue Parts at Cost Price for W/SHOP	W/SHOP_CSTY		
SYSTEM	System Clock Displayed on Menu Bar	CLOCK_ON	N	
SYSTEM	Period to Report on (0-01/01/1980)	PREPOR_ON	3	
SYSTEM	Always display startup Logo	YESLOGO	Y	
SYSTEM	C:\CAFAMDB\F\	CAFAMDBF	N	
SYSTEM	Print Bar Code on Stores Labels	PRNT_BARCN		
SYSTEM	GRN_PDF\	GRN_PDF	N	
SYSTEM	Force use of high secure Passwords ?	TITEPWD	Y	

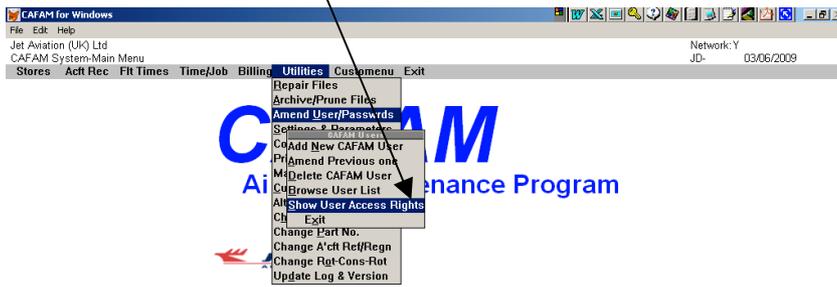
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**CAUTION: ENTRY OF MASTER PASSWORD WILL BE NOW CASE SENSITIVE – YOU WILL NEED TO ENTER IT UPPER CASE IN THE FIRST INSTANCE**

The screenshot shows the 'Amend / Set Passwords' dialog box in the CAFAM application. The dialog contains a text input field labeled 'Enter MASTER Password'.

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NEW MENU OPTION HERE



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