

BIM-ALERT/VSE BIM-ALERT/CICS Read Before Installing

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Thank you for choosing BIM-ALERT for your VSE and/or CICS security needs.

This document describes requirements for and enhancements to version 5.0A of BIM-ALERT/VSE and BIM-ALERT/CICS.

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Overview

Components of BIM-ALERT/VSE and BIM-ALERT/CICS Version 5.0A

The following table lists the BIM-ALERT products on the installation tape, their version numbers, release status (production or beta), and system version requirements.

Component	Version	Status	System Version Requirements
BIM-ALERT/VSE	5.0A	Production	VSE/SP version 3 or higher VSE/ESA version 1.2 or higher
BIM-ALERT/CICS	5.0A	Production	CICS version 1.7 or higher

About This Document

This document provides the following information about each component product on the BIM-ALERT/VSE and BIM-ALERT/CICS version 5.0 installation tape:

- Compatibility Issues
- Product enhancements

It is recommended that you review this document prior to installing or reinstalling BIM-ALERT/VSE or BIM-ALERT/CICS.

Install in a Test Environment

You should install and perform initial evaluation of the BIM-ALERT/VSE or BIM-ALERT/CICS products in a *test* environment. This practice ensures early detection of any possible conflicts with other vendor products.

For Detailed Installation Instructions

After you review this document, turn to the *BIM-ALERT Installation and Operations Guide* for detailed installation instructions.

If You Encounter Problems Installing BIM-ALERT

If you have any problems installing BIM-ALERT/VSE or BIM-ALERT/CICS, contact BIM Technical Support by calling (614) 854-6690 during normal business hours. For support at night or on weekends, call (612) 933-2885.

BIM-ALERT/VSE

Compatibility Issues for Current Users

Introduction

This section describes changes to BIM-ALERT/VSE for version 5.0 that you should be aware of if you are currently running BIM-ALERT/VSE.

Report Writer Default Date Format

The default date format in the BIM-ALERT report writer has been changed. As a part of year 2000 compliance, all dates will print in the mm/dd/yyyy format. This can be overridden by using the DATEFORM operand of the OPTION or REPORT command. For more information, refer to Chapter 2, “Commands” of the *BIM-ALERT Auditing and Report Writing Guide*.

Report Writer User Profile Information

If you are running version 4.7 or 4.8 of BIM-ALERT/VSE, reports dealing with user profile information contained in the BIM-ALERT/VSE database may no longer run correctly.

The BIM-ALERT/CICS and BIM-ALERT/VSE user profile panels were combined in release 4.9, and some field names used by earlier releases of the BIM-ALERT/VSE report writer are no longer valid.

To enable your reports to run, modify your report writer control cards to use the field names documented in Chapter 3, "ALRTVCSC Security File Report CICS" of the *BIM-ALERT Auditing and Report Writing Guide*.

Orphaned BIM-ALERT/VSE Profile Records

Starting with version 4.9, BIM-ALERT/VSE stores User Profile information in the S1SCTY file, which it shares with BIM-ALERT/CICS.

If you are upgrading from version 4.7 or 4.8 of BIM-ALERT/VSE, user profile information is copied to S1SCTY from your ALERTXP file. After this process is complete, old user profile records in your ALERTXP file are disabled. You can use program XPU004 to delete the disabled records from your ALERTXP file.

The conversion process is described in detail in the *BIM-ALERT Installation and Operations Guide*. Refer to Chapter 7, “Batch Maintenance of the Security File” in the *BIM-ALERT/VSE Security Administrator's Guide* for information about using program XPU004.

**Log File Report
Date Format**

The date format in the AXPL7 and AXPL11 Log Report programs has been changed. The SELECT DATE control statement now requires a 4-digit year. For more information, refer to Chapter 5, “BIM-ALERT/VSE Operation” of the *BIM-ALERT Installation and Operations Guide*.

Enhancements to BIM-ALERT/VSE

Introduction

This section briefly lists some of the enhancements to BIM-ALERT/VSE for version 5.0.

Year 2000 Compliance

BIM-ALERT/VSE has been enhanced to include year 2000 support. Date fields on all batch reports and online screens now include a 4-digit year. Prior releases had problems selecting and sorting on date fields. These problems have been corrected.

BIM-ALERT/CICS

Compatibility Issues for Current Users

Introduction

This section describes changes to BIM-ALERT/CICS for version 5.0 that you should be aware of if you are currently running BIM-ALERT/CICS.

Report Writer Default Date Format

The default date format in the BIM-ALERT report writer has been changed. As a part of year 2000 compliance, all dates will print in the mm/dd/yyyy format. This can be overridden by using the DATEFORM operand of the OPTION or REPORT command. For more information, refer to Chapter 2, “Commands” of the *BIM-ALERT Auditing and Report Writing Guide*.

Audit Trail Batch Report Date Format

The date format in the S1B100 Audit Trail Batch Report program has been changed. The START-DATE and END-DATE keywords now require a 4-digit year. For more information, refer to Chapter B, “Additional BIM-ALERT/CICS Reports” of the *BIM-ALERT Auditing and Report Writing Guide*.

Enhancements to BIM-ALERT/CICS

Introduction

This section briefly lists some of the enhancements to BIM-ALERT/CICS for version 5.0.

Year 2000 Compliance

BIM-ALERT/CICS has been enhanced to include year 2000 support. Date fields on all batch reports and online screens now include a 4-digit year. Prior releases had problems selecting and sorting on date fields. These problems have been corrected.