

#### **ChilliDB – Reporting Interface**

#### **Introduction to Reporting**

- **Polymorphic Solutions Reporting Views** Polymorphic Solutions provide a reporting layer to our database using Database. Views. Our reporting views are prefixed with "rpt\_". While there may be some deprecated (obsolete) reporting views present within the database, they will in time be removed. Those deprecated views are named with a "v\_" prefix. You should avoid using those, and migrate any reports you may have to use the "rpt\_" reporting views.
- **Creating your own Customised Views:** When the Polymorphic Solutions Reporting Views aren't sufficient for your needs, you may choose to create custom database views, tables, or stored procedures (collectively referred to as Database Objects) within your database. To ensure that updates to the system do not overwrite your customised database objects, Polymorphic Solutions recommends that you prefix your custom Database Objects with a prefix. We recommend using your organisation prefix. For example a view showing Contacts in Brisbane for a company called "ACME Inc" would use create a view named "acme\_Contacts\_In\_Brisbane". The "rpt" prefix is reserved and should not be used for your custom reporting views.
- Automatic View Generation Dynamic Data automatically generated Reporting Views for each "Section" of Dynamic Data. Custom "Address" and "Communication" types do not automatically generate Reporting Views. If you create custom "Address" and "Communication" types you need to use ChilliDB to refresh your reporting views by navigating to the ChilliDB "Reports" menu > "Reporting View Maintenance" > "Reporting Views" menu item.
- Report Branding Using information from the Crystal Report branding view to display your company details will allow you to easily
  share your reports with other ChilliDB users in the community. You can configure the information displayed in this view by selecting
  "Reports" -> "Report Branding" from the ChilliDB menu. From that screen you configure your display name, address details, privacy
  or confidentiality statement and even upload your Division logo image to be included in your reports.
- **Modifying or Copying Polymorphic Solutions Reports:** You are free to modify the Polymorphic Solutions reports and customise them to suit your needs. To avoid them being overwritten, you should make a copy and give them a different name.
- Filtering out Expired records: ChilliDB records a date in the "Expired" field of "Contacts" and "Organisations" reporting views as a datetime value, meaning if a datetime is present, that record is expired. If it is not expired, it be NULL. Example formulas for "Contacts" and "Organisations" would be: IsNull ({rpt\_Contact.Expired}) for Contacts, IsNull ({rpt\_Organisations.Expired}) for Organisations. Filtering out expired records can also be performed by utilising "Is Expired" field of "Contacts" and "Organisations" reporting views. The field is storing "Yes" or "No" value to indicate if the Contacts or Organisations have expired. Some other reporting views may present "Expired" and "Is Expired" fields if their records are allowed to be expired.
- Date Time Values are stored in Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) time: With 2.5.0, it was necessary for ChilliDB to switch the database date time data from storing date times values in localised time to storing them in Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). All our "rpt\_" reporting views automatically convert the GMT date time values to localised date time values for you. If you report off database directly, you should obtain a copy of the document called "Fact Sheet 2.5.0 Timezone Support and Reporting off of Tables instead of Views" for further instructions.

#### Using/Configuring Crystal Reports

- **Connection Details** When your ChilliDB installation is complete, Polymorphic Solutions send an "Installation Complete" email which contacts all the information needed to connect to your database server (i.e. Server name, Username, Password, Database name).
- Database Connections Creating: Crystal Reports should be written using OLE DB (ADO) to connect to your SQL Server. Do not use ODBC.
- If you have Crystal Reports Version 9: Crystal Reports 9 forces the parameters in your reports to be mandatory, so you cannot leave parameters blank. If you do not want your reports to always filter on criteria, you should modify your reports Record Selection to handle entering values like "-" or "-1" or "01 Jan 1900" to signify no value, and enter those values as criteria. Version XI or better do not place any such limitations on the parameters used in your reports.
- Crystal Reports Automatic Smart Linking: We recommend that you avoid using the "Auto Link" feature within the Crystal Reports Database Expert. What it will do is try to link tables/views based on their field name or data types, however it often this is not correct and can lead to missing data or incorrect data shown in your report. You can set this as your preference when writing all reports in Crystal by going to "File" menu > "Options" > "Database" tab of the popup which appears > set "Automatic Smart Linking" to off.
- Crystal Reports Save Data With Report: This feature will allow the report to cache data shown in the report from the database when writing the report. When ChilliDB runs the report, it shows the cached data, not live data. It is best if you disable this preference through the "File" menu > "Options" > "Reporting" tab of the popup which appears > set "Save Data With Report" to off. If you decide to use Saved Data while authoring your report, you can check the status or enable/disable this feature from the "File" menu > "Save Data with Report". If you receive a report from someone, you should check this option is off before uploading into ChilliDB.
- Crystal Reports No Printer: We recommend turning this option off to increase the speed of displaying reports in ChilliDB. You need to do this for each report you write (i.e. its not a configuration option). This option is found on the "File" menu
   "Page Setup" > "Printer Options" sections of the popup window which appears > set "No Printer (optimized for screen display)" to being checked.







### **Organisation Information**





## **Contact Information**





#### Note Information





# **Event Information**



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#### News



# Appointments



### **Distribution Lists**



#### **Quick Link**



View: rpt\_Quick\_Link



#### **Report Branding**



#### **System Information**



### **Survey Module**



#### **Asset Register Module**





#### **Timesheet Module**



## **Orders Module**



# **ATAPS Module**





# **Data Mining Module**

Data Mining module reporting views are automatically generated for every Data Mining Search and Data Mining Data Set item stored in the ChilliDB system.

#### For example:

If you have created a Data Mining Search or Data Set item called "Something", then a reporting view called "rpt\_Data\_Mining\_Something" will be created automatically in the system containing all the reporting field definitions defined for the Data Mining Search item.

#### Note:

In order to generate the reporting view, you must ensure that the Data Mining Search or Data Set item has at least a Column defined in the Display Columns section (for Data Mining Search screen) or in the Columns section (for Data Set screen).

#### **Membership Module**



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### **Document Register Module (Previously called Policy Module)**





#### **Client Administration Module**









# **MSOAP Module**





#### **Quality Improvement Module**





### **Case Management Module**

