

# Inventory Maintenance Miscellaneous Tab

Eagle System Inventory Enhancements are something we all look forward to since maintaining inventory is one of the most important tasks in running your business.

Questions which are continually being asked are: “How can I better define the item?”, “How can I get better control of how and when I sell the item?”, or “How can I more easily track the item sales?”, and “How can I get the information to my customer when necessary?”.

In this course, I’ll show you the updated Miscellaneous tab in Inventory Maintenance and give you a brief overview of the informational fields on that tab, as well as additional codes that will make maintaining your inventory file easier.

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## Informational Fields

Let’s open Inventory Maintenance and click the Misc tab to get started. This will be tab 8 if you have elected to use ‘Tab numbers’ on this terminal.

The first fields are informational fields only and fall into the area of better defining an item.

These new fields allow you to add the size information in inches to items.

You will be able to define the height, width, and depth. These fields can be manipulated with Inventory Update Tools.

The Weight field now resides on both the Stocking tab and on the Miscellaneous tab.

The most frequently used units of weight are already set up for you. You can add new units of weight or modify the existing units of weight in order to meet your business needs.

Both the Weight and the Weight unit of measure are available in the Inventory Viewer, Inventory Update Tools and Label Manager.

Finally, a new Cubes field has been added which allows you to define an item in feet or meters. This is also available in Inventory Update Tools.

Cubes are a unit used by businesses that sell Windows and Doors, to determine how much product will fit on a truck.

## Codes

The next thing we’ll look at is a group of seven new codes that fall into multiple areas of maintaining inventory.

The first code, which may or may not be visible on your system, is the WIC Code. This is a code that will be used by Grocery stores to track items eligible for the Special Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children – commonly known as WIC.

Inclusion of this field is password protected and will be available only if your business participates in the WIC program.

This field is store specific on Multi-store Eagle systems. It is available in both Inventory Update Tools and Label Manager.

Next is the EBT/FS Item code field for Grocery or Pharmacy stores to identify items eligible for food stamps. In the past, you used Options 1073 and 1074 to set this up. You'll now find it much easier to complete the item setup directly from Inventory Maintenance with this new Use code.

Set the new flag to Y to mark an item as an EBT food item. This flag is also available in both Inventory Update Tools and Label Manager.

Number 3 on the list, the FSA/HBC Item field, is also for Groceries or Pharmacies. This new field was added to identify items which are eligible to be purchased with a Health Benefit Card or for reimbursement through a Flexible Spending Account.

This new field does not replace Option 9135, but can be used instead of 9135 and, again, makes it easier to complete the item setup directly from Inventory Maintenance.

If the item is a Health Care item, set the flag to H.

Set the flag to R if the item is a prescription item. This field can be accessed through the Inventory Import Tool.

For stores that stock items with restricted selling hours, the Restricted Hours code assigned to an item will determine whether that item, such as alcohol, can or cannot be sold at Point of Sale during the specified hours.

The hyperlink for this code brings up a Maintenance Setup screen which you can use to define the code by setting the days and/or hours that the item cannot be sold at Point of Sale.

Keep in mind that this field is store specific if you are on a multi-store Eagle system.

Number 5 in this list of new codes is the Age/Selling Restricted code. Use this field to identify whether the item is a Type 1 restricted item such as tobacco or a Type 2 restricted item such as alcohol. You will be able to use this field instead of assigning Use codes through Options 9413, 9414, 9417, & 9418.

As with the previous codes we have looked at, this code allows you to complete the item setup in Inventory Maintenance, rather than having to go to Options Configuration.

You can alter this field with the RICU report or the Inventory Import Tool.

The Special Fee Code is a time-saving option for anyone who has had to set up multiple SKUs, one by one, using a 'Sells With SKU', through the Related SKU Maintenance Viewer on the IMU Miscellaneous Menu.

Some examples of "Sells With" items are the redemption value on a soft drink, the tint charge on paint, or an environmental fee.

This new field allows you to link the 'Sells With' SKU to a code. That code can then be assigned to items in Inventory Maintenance one at a time, or to multiple items using the Item Code Update Report or with the Inventory Import tool.

If you currently have 'Sells With' items set up in your system and have decided to start using the Special Fee Code, there is an important thing to remember. Both will be recognized at Point of Sale, so you will need to remove the current Sells With items before using the new Special Fee Code field on those items.

If you don't, both Sells With items will be posted in Point of Sale, resulting in overcharges for your customers.

The last new code field on the Miscellaneous tab is the Weighable? Code. This field is for Grocery stores.

It is used to identify items that are weighable at Point of Sale stations that use integrated scales.

The field can be used in place of options 122 & 123, once again allowing faster item setup by completing the process in Inventory Maintenance.

You can alter this field with the Inventory Import Tool.

As you can see, the Miscellaneous tab in Inventory Maintenance offers a place to hold more detailed information about an item, as well as a way to code items quickly and efficiently.

I'm sure as you begin to use these new fields, you'll find that you're spending less time to achieve more detailed item records.

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