

TECHMART ENHANCEMENTS

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GENERAL ENHANCEMENTS

Increased Consistency among Supplier Searches

There are over 25 locations in TechMart where administrators or users can search for and select suppliers. In 9.3 SciQuest has updated the supplier search in many of these locations so that they behave more similarly, efficiently, and intuitively.

1. Key points of Feature:

- All Supplier Searches will now allow for a “contains” name search. For example, if a supplier search is performed on “Grainger,” “WW Grainger, Inc.” will be returned in the results. This is an improvement over the “starts with” search on the first word of the supplier name that was in place previously.
- Because the supplier search is more robust, the “Supplier Information” search field has been removed and this information can now be entered in the supplier search field.

2. Summary of Supplier Search updates:

Search for Supplier – Found in Non-Catalog Forms


- The “Search for Supplier” field has been updated to “Enter Supplier” to allow for the addition of AutoComplete/Type_Ahead functionality.
- Supplier Results will be ordered by “Best Match” and displayed with the Supplier Preference Icons.
- The first 8 matches are listed with a link to display all matches based on the entered criteria.
- When the Supplier is selected, the preferred supplier site is indicated and is the default, but it can easily be changed via a new dropdown list that contains all available supplier sites.

Search for Supplier/Select Supplier – Found in Browse by Supplier, PO/Req History, and Quick Search

- Supplier Results will be ordered by “Best Match” then “Preference” with the ability to re-sort by “Name: A-Z” or “Name: Z-A.”

- Supplier Status will now default to Active in the search for supplier window. Searching on all and inactive remain as available options.

Product Search: Supplier Field in Advanced Product Search

- The “Supplier Name” field has been updated to include auto-complete/type-ahead functionality.
- The auto-complete dropdown list will update as the user enters text into the Supplier Name field. The dropdown will be ordered by “Best Match” and display Supplier Preference icons.
- Active Hosted, Punch-out and Non-Catalog suppliers will be included in the auto-complete dropdown list.
- Hosted Catalogs will be indicated by the Hosted Catalog icon. 
- The user may select a supplier from the list or simply search on the text entered into the field.
- If more matches are available than listed in the dropdown list the user can continue his/her search using the “click here to view more supplier results” link.
- Items from suppliers that match the Supplier Name search criteria will be returned in search results.
- No Changes have been made to the product search display or prioritization functionality.

Product Images Displayed from URL (Provided by Supplier)

1. Supplier will now have a choice to provide images in their catalogs by including either the image files themselves or the image URL. The item image will be displayed in the same way that images are displayed today within Product Search Results, Product Details, and Favorites.
2. If a hosted item image file is present, the hosted image has preference and will appear in search results instead of the image URL.
3. SciQuest will put monitors in place to ensure that non-functioning or incorrectly functioning URLs are excluded from the display. SciQuest will also continue to work with suppliers to increase the number of items that include images within their catalogs.

ORDER MANAGER ENHANCEMENTS

Functionality around emailed PO's has been improved to allow the supplier to more easily identify the Organization that has submitted the purchase order. We can now edit the subject line as well as select an option to include the PO# in the PO Email generated and sent to the supplier. We also have the ability to include a "From" value in front of the support@sciquest.com email address, which helps clarify which customer has emailed the PO.