

BarTender Configuration with Infor Factory Track

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About this Guide

This guide explains how to configure and use BarTender with Infor Factory Track. BarTender application used for designing and printing barcoded labels. The information provided in this guide is in addition to the documentation provided by the BarTender application manufacturer.

About Infor Factory Track

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An Infor Factory Track barcode label provides text and barcoded data on a durable label. The text is the descriptive information, while the barcode provides information in a format that can be read by a barcode scanner.

BarTender application is used for designing and printing barcode labels. BarTender includes a label-designing editor and a utility called Integration.

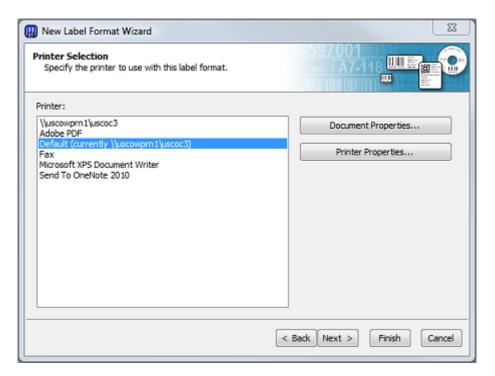
Creating a label format

A label format helps structure the layout of the printed barcode labels. The format organizes the label into a series of fields and specifies the size and position of each field. A field is a placeholder for a piece of information (such as item number or order number). Using BarTender you can design the format for the barcode labels.

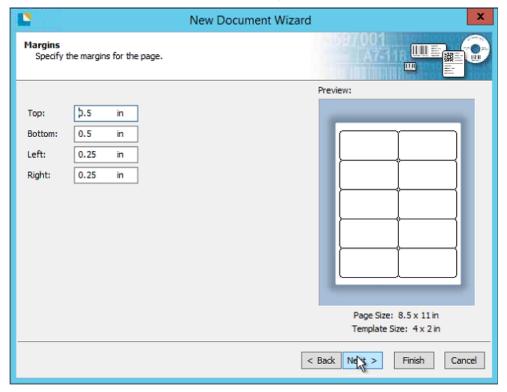
This section explains how to create a sample label format containing three data fields (Item, Unit of Measure, and Description) for Infor Factory Track. See the BarTender Online Help for more information.

To create a label format:

- 1 Launch the BarTender application.
- 2 Go to File > New. The New Label Format Wizard opens.
- 3 Select Blank Label Format, click Next. The Printer Selection page opens.

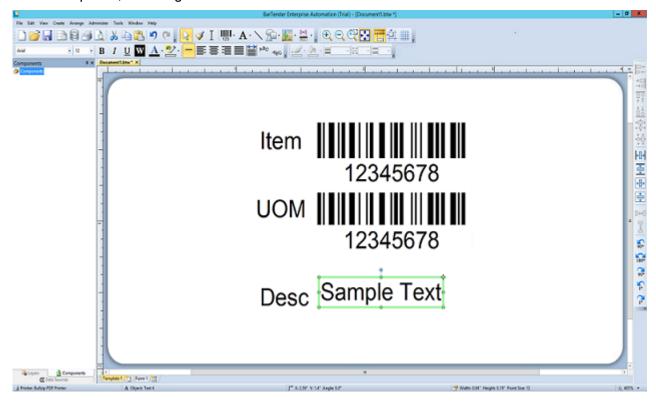


- 4 Select the network printer to print labels, and click Finish. The New Label Format Wizard closes.
- 5 Go to File > Page Setup. The Page Setup dialog opens.
- 6 Select the required page size on the Page tab.
- 7 Specify the label size in the Width and Height fields on the Layout tab.



- 8 Click OK.
- 9 To create label fields:
 - Click Barcode toolbar and click in the design area to place a barcode.
 - Click Text toolbar and click in the design area to place a text label Item next to the barcode.
 - Place a second barcode in the design area. Place a text label **UOM** adjacent to the barcode.
 - Place two more text labels Desc and Sample Text in the design area.

When completed, the design area looks similar to this.



Note: A text file 'Standard_Layout.txt' provided with the Factory Track installation, serves as a database. This text file specifies the order of values within the data file generated by Infor Factory Track.

- **10** Go to **File > Database Connection Setup**. Associate this text file with the appropriate label format. The Database Connection Setup Wizard opens.
- 11 Click Next. The Type page opens. Select Text File.
- **12** Click **Next**. The File page opens.
- 13 Click **Select File**, browse to select the text file. Click **Next**.
- **14** The FileFormat page opens. Specify this information:

Encoding Type

Select the encoding type

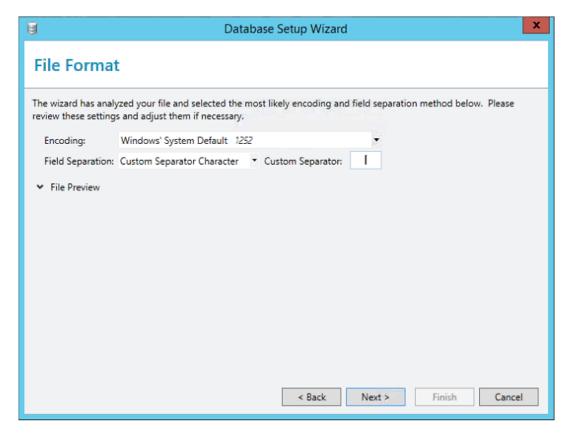
Field Separator

Set this field to custom separator character.

Customer Separator field

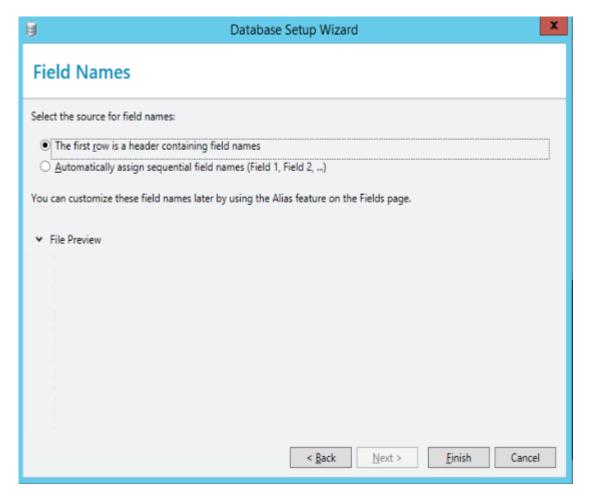
Specify | (Vertical bar character)

Note: This field is displayed only when Field Separator field is set to Customer separator character.



15 Click Next.

16 The Field Names page opens, select the first option.



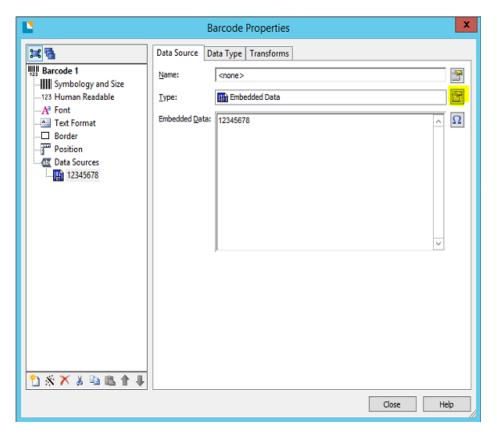
- 17 Select The First Row is a Header Containing Field Names.
- 18 The Database Setup dialog opens. Click OK.
- 19 Open the BarTender design area and double-click the Item barcode object to add database field.
- 20 The Barcode Properties page opens. Specify this information:

Name

Set the field to Field

Type

Set the Type to Database Field



21 Click Finish and click Close.

Repeat steps 20 and 21 to add database fields for the UOM barcode object and Desc text object (labeled Sample Text).

- 22 The Modify Selected Bar Code Object screen opens.
- 23 Go to File > Save to save the label format.

Note: For Bartender 2019 version, refer to the <u>KB article</u> to make additional adjustments to the label formats.

The BarTender Integration Builder utility is used as a print daemon, to send print jobs to label printers.

Infor Factory Track generates a file containing label-specific data, such as item number or order number. The data file also contains instructions for the Integration Builder, such as the name of the printer or quantity of labels to print. Integration Builder processes the file information and prints the job according to instructions specified in a task list.

To create a new task list:

- 1 Go to Apps Menu > Integration Builder. The BarTender IntegrationBuilder screen opens.
- 2 Click Create New Integration. Select File as integration method.
- 3 Click the Integration tab. Specify this information:

Name

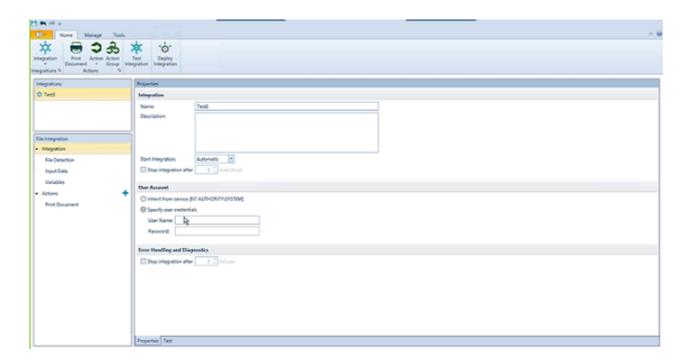
The name of the integration.

Description

The description of the integration.

User Account

The details for Domain user account.



4 Click on the File Detection section. Specify this information:

Folder to Scan

Specify the required information in this field.

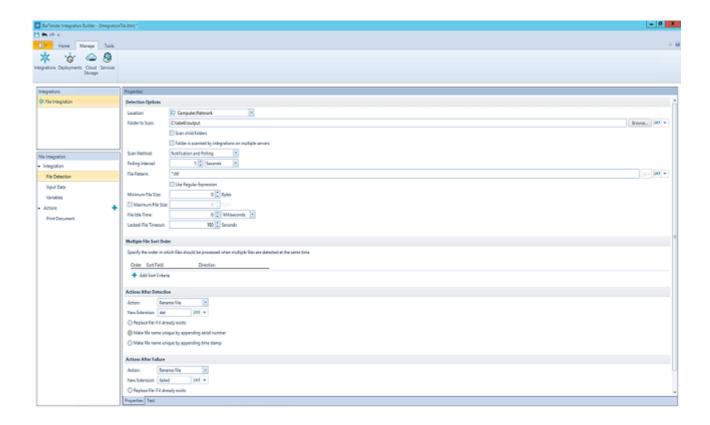
Note: Update the same information in the **File Path** field on the Label Interface screen (See Configuring Infor Factory Track section)

File Pattern

Set File Pattern to .dd

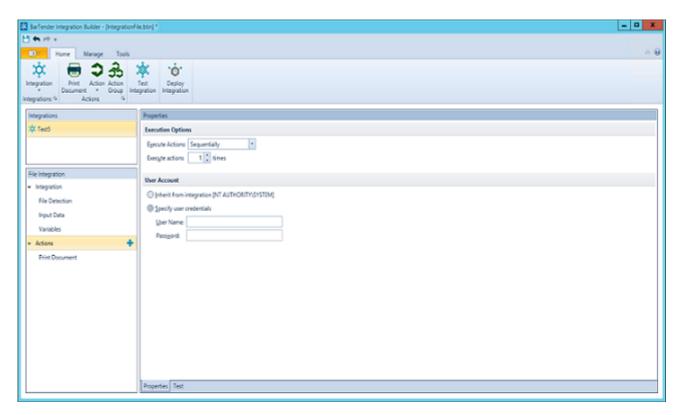
New Extension

Set New Extension to dat in the Actions After Detection section.



Note: The default values in the Input Data and Variables sections must not be modified.

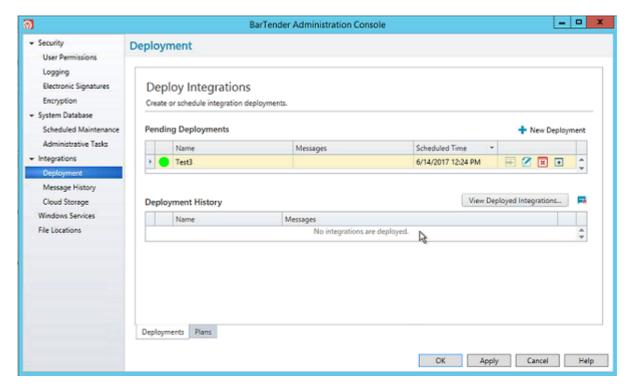
5 In the **Actions** tab on the left, modify the user account to specific user credentials and provide domain credentials.



- 6 Delete the **Print Document** tab by clicking **x** Click **+** to add **Print Command Script**.
- 7 In the Print Command Script, modify the user account section to Specific user credentials.
- 8 Specify the information in all the sections and save the integration file.
- **9** Click the **Test** tab to test the integration.
- **10** Click **Start** in the test section to check if the integration was completed successfully. Resolve errors (if any) and close the integration builder.

Note: You can re-open the builder to verify if the errors are resolved.

- **11** Click **Manage** button in the Integration Builder utility and click **Deployments**. The Bartender Administration Console screen opens.
- **12** Click **New Deployments** to add a **name**, **description** and **integration file location** to it. Click **OK**. You can view the integration details in the Deployment section of Bartender Administration Console



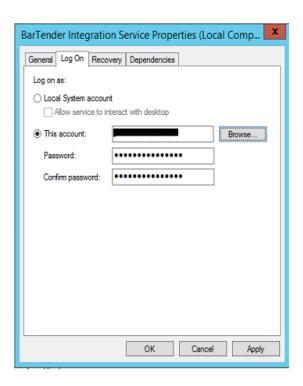
13 The integration service can now monitor the deployed integration to process the label printing.

Selecting a user account

The BarTender Integration service must be started with a user account that has access to all the network printers used for label printing. If the service is started with a user account that has insufficient printer access, BarTender cannot print labels.

To select another user account:

- 1 Open Windows Services dialog and search Bartender Integration Service.
- 2 Double-click Bartender Integration Service from the Services list. The Bartender Integration Service Properties dialog opens.



- 3 Specify the appropriate account and password on the Log On tab.
- 4 Click OK.

Troubleshooting Integration

- 1 Log file for integration errors is located at C:\ProgramData\Seagull\Services\Logging.

 Open Integration.Service.txt file to check if there are any errors recorded as a part of integration.
- 2 To test the integration functionality as a part of troubleshooting, you can test the integration in integration builder and check for errors.
- 3 Go to Manage > Deployment > Stopto stop the integration. The BarTender Administration Console is displayed. Click Integration on the left and stop the currently deployed integration. Return to the Integration Builder screen, click the Integration on the left and click Test tab to go to the File integration testing screen. Click Start to run the test and verify.

The Label Printing utility is only required when Factory Track is operating in a cloud environment. The utility must be installed on an on-premise server (with Bartender installed) and is used to extract label files generated by Factory Track from the FT database to the local server. The label files in the local server are processed and printed by Bartender.

This section provides information for installing and configuring Label Printing Utility in FT.

Configuration prerequisites

The configuration requirements for the Factory Track Label Printing utility are described in the *Label Printing Utility Install Guide*.

Refer to this KB article for the label printing utility installation file, install and configuration guide.

The other prerequisites include:

- Factory Track server access
- · Factory Track URL
- · Factory Track Configuration data
- · Factory Track Site
- Username
- Password

Accessing the Label Printing utility

To access the Label Printing utility:

- 1 Select Start Menu > Infor.
- 2 Click Label Printing Configuration application.

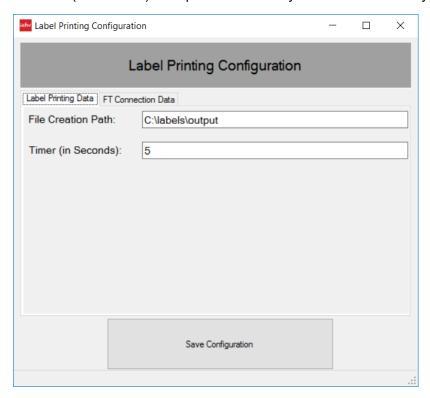
Label Printing utility

The Label Printing Configuration utility consists of two tabs to configure the Label Printing service.

Label Printing Data tab

Use the **Label Printing Data** tab to specify the configuration related data.

- File Creation Path: The path where labels are stored until processed by the Bartender software.
- Timer (in Seconds): The period for which you must wait before you check in the new labels.



Click Save Configuration to save the Label Printing configuration to the local machine.

FT Connection Data

Use the FT Connection Data tab to specify the information related to the Factory Track communication parameters:

• URL: The URL to link the label printing utility to the Factory Track server address. http://<Factory Track Server Name>/IDORequestService/RequestService.aspx

Note: If https is in use, adjust the URL to reflect this. Ensure the changes are made to the URL based on the site's setup in the cloud.

For example: https://<Factory Track Server Name>/IDORequestService/Request Service.aspx?ConfigGroup=<Configuration Group>.

Use Factory Track Sever Name and Configuration Group from the direct Factory Track URL provided by Cloud Team.

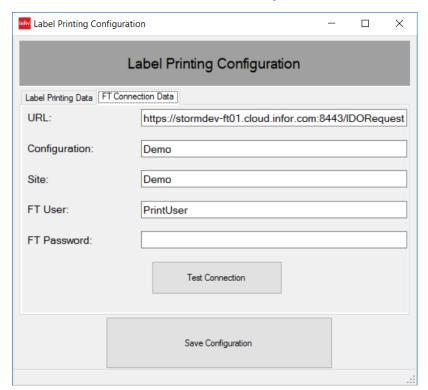
- Configuration: The Factory Track configuration which the label printing utility needs to be linked to.
- Site: Use the Site Parameters form to validate this field.
- FT User: A valid FT user.

Note: Recommended to use PrintUser.

· FT Password: The password of the FT user.

Note: If PrintUser is used, this is blank by default. The FT User must be assigned FactoryTrackAuto License or FactoryTrackCloud.

Note: To check the validation of the configuration data, click **Test Connection**.



Click **Save Configuration** to save the Configuration data.

Initiating the Label Printing utility service

To initiate the Label Printing utility service:

1 Select **Start Menu > Services Type** on the Windows Service Control Panel.

- 2 Select the Infor Factory Track Cloud Label Printing Service in the list.
- 3 Right Click Infor Factory Track Cloud Label Printing Service and select Start.
- 4 Ensure that the Infor Factory Track Cloud Label Printing Service status is set to Running.

Configuring Infor Factory Track

Infor Factory Track uses BarTender Commander to print barcode labels. For each label-printing transaction, an .xml file is used to configure the barcode label.

Note: All printers used for printing barcode labels must be configured on the Label Printer Configuration form in Infor Factory Track.

Setup Label Interface Form in FactoryTrack

To setup label interface form in Factory Track:

- 1 Open Label Interface form in FactoryTrack.
- **2** Specify the following information:

Interface Number

FT Defaults the Interface number.

Interface Type

Interface type is set to Database Only for cloud deployments and the interface type is set to File for On-prem deployments.

File Path

Specify the File Path.

File Separator

Specify the Field Separator as '|'.

Label Template Path

Specify the Label Template Path.

3 Provide the FilePath and Label Template Path in this form.



Defining label formats

All label formats you create in the BarTender application must be defined in Infor Factory Track.

To define label formats:

- 1 Log on to Infor Factory Track.
- 2 Open the Label Formats form.
- 3 Click **New** to define a new label format. To modify an existing label format, select it from the grid.
- 4 Specify this information:

Label Name

Specify a name for the label. This name must match the label format file name used in the BarTender application.

Description

Specify a description for the label.

Label Size

Specify the label size.

5 Click Save.

Adding a printer

To add a printer:

- 1 Log onto Infor Factory Track.
- 2 Open the Label Printer Configuration form.
- 3 Click New.
- **4** Specify the following information:

Printer Name

Specify a name for the printer.

Physical Location

Specify the physical location of the printer. For example, **Receiving Dock**.

Printer Path

Specify the network path for the printer.

Mobile Printer

Select this check box if the printer is mobile.

5 Click Save.

Specify label formats and printers for transactions

To enable label printing for transactions, you must specify which label format and printer to use for each transaction.

Note: You can also assign printers to specific user IDs using the User Extensions form.

- 1 Log onto Infor Factory Track.
- 2 Open the Transaction Warehouse Order Type Print Parameters form.
- 3 Select a transaction from the grid.
- 4 Specify this information:

Transaction Name

FT defaults the transaction name

Warehouse

Specify a warehouse to configure settings for the warehouse

Print Labels

Select this checkbox to print labels for this transaction, warehouse, and order type.

Label Name

Select a label name. This field is available only if the Print Labels check box is selected.

Number of Labels

Specify the number of labels to print. This field is only available if the **Print Labels** check box is selected.

Default Printer

Select a default printer from which to print. This field is available only if the **Print Labels** check box is selected.

5 Click Save.

Using the Label Print Summary Form

You can use the Label Print Summary form to view printed label records and re-print labels.

Note: You can also re-print labels using a mobile scanner device.

Viewing printed label records

To view printed label records:

- 1 Log onto Infor Factory Track.
- 2 Open the Label Print Summary form.
- **3** Specify this information to define label search criteria:

Transaction Name

Select the transaction for which the label is originally printed.

User ID

Specify the **user ID** of the person printing the label.

Request ID

A request ID is recorded for each label that is printed. Specify the first and the last request ID to search for a label by its request ID.

Create Date

To search for a label by the date it was created, specify a starting and ending date.

4 Click the Search button.

The label request IDs that match the search criteria specified above are listed in the grid.

5 R ight-click the request ID and select **Details** to view additional details for each label printed for a label request ID.

The Label Print Details form is displayed.

Re-printing labels

To re-print labels:

- 1 Log onto Infor Factory Track.
- 2 Open the Label Print Summary form.
- **3** To define label search criteria, specify this information:

Transaction Name

Select the transaction for which the label was originally printed.

liser ID

Specify the user ID of the person who prints the label.

Request ID

A request ID is recorded for each label that is printed. Specify the first and the last request ID to search for a label by its request ID.

Create Date

Specify a start date and an end date to search for a label.

- 4 Click the Search.
 - The label request IDs that match the search criteria specified above are listed in the grid.
- 5 Select the ID from the grid and click **Reprint** to re-print a label request ID. All labels associated with that label request ID are printed.
- 6 Right-click the request ID and select **Details** to print an individual label on a label request ID. The Label Print Details form is displayed. On this form, select a label and click **Print**. The label is printed.

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