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CURRENT/FUTURE RELEASES

The current version is 7.3.1. The IATS Help Desk requires ALL sites to be on version 7.3.1 no later than August 31, 2021.

Two reminders: upgrade to version 7.3.1 and two – begin preparations for the move to SQL Server with 8.0.

If you do not migrate to version 8.0 when it becomes available later this year, you will be required to obtain your own Sybase license to support version 7.3.0 or 7.3.1.

Travel Tech Messages can be found at the following:

URL - <https://www.asafm.army.mil/DFAS-Guidance/DFAS-Policy-Memorandums/>

IATS Help Desk

**Contact the following to obtain assistance
IATS-HELP-DESK**

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DTOD Clarification Regarding Version 7.3.1 and Earlier Versions of IATS

To properly compute all claims involving the reimbursement of transportation mileage sites currently on Version 7.3.1 and earlier must either use the ‘Activate DTOD Web Service’ functionality in Maintenance Configuration or have the most current copy of the DTOD software on their clients. If neither of these tools are in use certain claims (primarily those involving a cost comparison) likely will not be computed correctly.

IATS Version 7.4/8.0 will address this shortcoming for sites that do not either utilize the DTOD Web Service, nor have a copy of the DTOD software on their clients. But it should be noted that when this new version of IATS is installed it is very important that the ‘Allow DTOD Override’ option must be checked in version 7.4/8.0 for all claims involving vehicle mileage to be computed correctly for these sites.

IATS version 8.0 which runs on the MS SQL Server platform will be released towards the end of September. For sites that are unable to migrate to SQL Server or are still obtaining a SQL Server license, we will have version 7.4 available and released. Version 7.4 has all of the same updates/fixes/enhancements as 8.0 but will remain on the Sybase platform and would still be valid with your current ATO. It is recommended that you upgrade to 7.4 or 8.0 as soon as possible. If you have questions or need assistance upgrading to either 7.4 or 8.0, please contact the IATS help desk at dfas.indianapolis-in.ztd.other.iats-help-desk@mail.mil.

Please begin preparing for IATS version 8.0!

IATS 8.0 contains substantial changes and will be released later this year. The highlights of IATS 8.0 are:

- Requires the use of SQL Server instead of Sybase. DFAS-IT is looking at how this will impact sites with using Active Directory
- IATS will have full CAC authentication capabilities
- Prepares DFAS for moving to MilCloud

Given the significant changes, we would like to begin the conversations now regarding the use of active directory groups and what variation of SQL Server your site will need (Standard or Enterprise). We have also been made aware that sites that have a database size of less than 8GB may use SQL Express, which is a free version.

Please email us at dfas.indianapolis-in.ztd.other.iats-help-desk@mail.mil with the information in the Travel Tech Message (items 10A through M above).

Thank you for your cooperation as we move to IATS 8.0!