

Workshare Compare Server 9.5.6

Release Notes

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Introduction

Workshare Compare Server is a web service that performs server-side document comparison and exposes APIs (Application Programming Interfaces) to allow a range of client applications to exploit this functionality. The APIs enable software developers to write custom software that compares two Microsoft Word, RTF, PDF, TXT or HTML documents and produces a redline document that describes the differences between the two documents. Compare Server is installed on a server.

Compare Server exposes simple APIs that allow for integration into a range of client applications and server-based solutions. For example, it can be used by custom solutions that run on your internet site, intranet site, internal network or your email system. Clients can be developed in Java, C#, C++, VB.NET and other languages to integrate Compare Server into your desktop, DMS or document applications.

What's New in Compare Server 9.5.6

The 9.5.6 release includes **DVJS 1.2** and has the following new features:

***Note:** DVJS (DeltaView JavaScript) is a component of Compare Server that allows comparisons to be viewed and reviewed in the user's web browser. While it is simple to take a comparison document and view it in the browser, DVJS provides richer functionality such as change navigation, change categorization, accept/reject changes and potential for customization by the integrator.*

Improved table comparison

This release introduces an updated method of table comparison that creates more readable results in the vast majority of cases. The default rendering set has been updated so that this improved table comparison enabled by default.

If for any reason you want to revert to the old method, there is a new rendering parameter option that enables you to do so.

- **JSON option:** UseClassicTableComparison
- **Rendering parameter:** `Use classic table comparison`

Accept/reject functionality in REST APIs

The Compare Server REST APIs can now return an updated document with selected changes implemented. This means software developers can write custom software that:

- Compares two documents
- Produces a redline document that describes the differences between the two documents
- Enables users to select which changes to accept
- Generates a new version of the original document with the selected changes accepted

New change category – Currency

Changes are grouped into categories so users can focus on changes that are relevant and important to them. The latest category is “Currency” which includes changes made to numbers with a currency symbol.



System Requirements

Workshare Compare Server is designed to run on both entry level and enterprise scale servers. Recommended specifications are given below:

Hardware

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| CPU | 64-bit architecture-based computer with Intel or AMD processor with 4 cores |
| Memory | 4GB RAM – More memory may be needed if you intend multiple users to regularly compare long and complex documents. |
| Storage | 1GB free disk space for installation; additional space required for storage of DVJS comparisons and queued comparisons |

Supported operating systems

Microsoft Windows Server 2016 x64 Edition

Note: Compare Server can be installed on Microsoft Windows 10 for demonstration and evaluation purposes only.

Important Information

Uninstall

To upgrade from previous versions of Workshare Compare Server, you will need to uninstall the previous version. The installer of Compare Server 9.5.6 will detect earlier versions of Compare Server and stop the installation. It's necessary to manually uninstall previous versions of Compare Server before installing Compare Server 9.5.6.

You can uninstall previous versions from Add/Remove Programs or by re-running the original installer.

When uninstalling Compare Server, some files, such as log files and configuration files, may not be removed from the machine even after completely uninstalling the product. If you want these files removed, you must do so manually.

Licensing

The license file must be on a local drive of the server machine and not on a mapped network drive or UNC path. It is recommended to copy the LIC file to C:\Program Data\Workshare\Compare Service\bin.

Change Requests Fixed

The following are fixed change requests that have been validated for this release - for more information, please contact Customer Support.

| Ref | Description |
|--------|---|
| CS-480 | Two redline options are missing in Redline options summary report, when comparing documents by providing "Include Redline Options Summary=1" rendering option |
| CS-575 | Nonstandard fonts (e.g. Wingdings) can't be displayed in summary table |
| CS-580 | Character style changes are shown with unchanged text in Redline summary table with style format |

| Ref | Description |
|--------|---|
| CS-581 | Footnote/Endnote reference number changes are shown with unchanged text(having styling color format) in Redline summary table |
| CS-582 | Image changes are shown as blank in Redline summary table |

Known Issues

The following are known issues in the Workshare Compare Server 9.5.6 release - for more information, please contact Customer Support.

| Ref | Description |
|--------|--|
| CS-600 | An object is shown in place of the Bitcoin(฿) currency symbol in the DVJS UI. |
| CS-461 | Changes to a footnote reference number are shown in the change summary panel but not shown in the redline. |
| CS-296 | The redline may show overlapping text when showing changes to complex nested textboxes inserted through the 'Text Box' insertion option in Word. |

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