

DTE SOLUTIONS

The Down To Earth Software Information Newsletter

Helpful Hints

Mailing Labels & Holiday Greetings

Holiday greetings and well wishes to your customers and vendors is a great public relations gesture. Within Down To Earth v7, you can easily create mailing labels with varied label styles and selection options.

All labels are generated from within the Name/Address application, Reports/Inquiry menu column, "Labels" menu selection. There are two operator entry windows – 1) to choose the format and label specs and 2) to specify the names to be included.

The label format can be any of the nine choices with the most popular being laser label 8.5" x 11" sheet compatible with Avery 5160™ (3 across and 10 down, 6 lines each label).

You can sort the labels in order by ID, Sort name, Zip code, or City and specify the number of lines to print on the label.

After the Print Option is selected, the window displays and provides many options to narrow your label contents. For example, a range of IDs or names, for a single state, and vendors only or combined with customers, just to name a few.

In addition, you can utilize the Group codes and filters previously defined within the Groups Tab of any Name and Address master.

So make holiday cheer or any mailing simple when Down To Earth does the addressing for you.

Announcing...

SynergyDE v9.1.5b Release

For those customers wanting "Keep up with the Gates" technology, Windows 7 OS is generally getting good reviews. Frequent comments include reviewers saying Windows 7 is "what Vista should have been."

So if you didn't make the jump to Vista and are considering Windows 7 instead, there are a couple of things you should know with regard to Down To Earth.

- ◆ Any SynergyDE version less than v9.1.5**b** is not compatible with Windows 7. (Even v9.1.5 needs the "b" to work with Windows 7.)
- ◆ If you're covered with Annual License Maintenance (ALM), the upgrade is no charge. If you don't have an ALM agreement, the upgrade is still available. Please contact us for pricing.
- ◆ Even if you're moving to a 64-bit system, the upgrade is covered with ALM.
- ◆ If your current SynergyDE version is v7 or less, there may be some minor changes required for your Down To Earth programs. (Also no cost to our DTE supported customers.)
- ◆ The SynergyDE upgrade is available for download from our site – contact us for the direct link.
- ◆ Unix or VMS servers using Vista or Windows 7 clients and terminal emulation are not required to install SynergyDE v9 to be compatible.

If you're not completely sure if a SynergyDE upgrade is required, contact DTE Support for additional information. To find out what SynergyDE version you are currently using, please continue reading on page 2...

~ Holiday Calendar 2010 ~

Dec 25, 2009	Christmas Day	Closed	July 5	For Independence Day	Closed
Jan 1, 2010	New Year's Day	Closed	Sept 6	Labor Day	Closed
Jan 18	Martin Luther King Day	Open	Nov 11	Veterans Day	Closed
Feb 15	President's Day	Closed	Nov 25-26	Thanksgiving Holiday	Closed
May 31	Memorial Day	Closed	Dec 24	For Christmas Day	Closed
			Dec 31	For New Years Day	Closed

Frequently Used Geek Terms

Emotional Text



If you've ever chatted online or had a text conversation with a friend, the emotional aspect of typing a conversation is difficult at best.

In this impersonal but popular conversation style, "Emoticons" can help convey the missing feelings. Most of the time, the keyboard characters stay as typed but sometimes,

as with Facebook® chatting, they automatically turn into a real little Smiley Face.

Here are some emotional characters that might help you see the true meaning of a words only conversation.

Icon	Common Meaning
:-)	smiley
:-(sad smiley
:-D	laughing
(:-D	gossip smiley
:'-(crying sadly
8-)	smiley with glasses
;-)	winking smiley
~:~>	chicken
x-(angry smiley
8-l	neutral smiley
:-0	surprised
B-)	smiley with glasses
;0]	winking smiley
._.	shy, depressed or sad
(-_-)	bored face
(-.-)	annoyed at silly question
:-S	confusion
=0	surprised

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WHAT'S YOUR VERSION?

It's good to know what software versions you have installed in today's ever changing Techno-world. Not all software versions work on all operating systems.

Although you never "see" it, Down To Earth is created using the program language, DBL (SynergyDE). The SynergyDE version is key to processing in your Operating System environment.

You can easily find your SynergyDE version anytime ...

Windows Environment:

- Left-click on the **Start** button, select **Run**.
- Type **dbf** in the **Open** field prompt.
- A window displays the Synergy Runtime Version number in the colored bar at the top.

Unix environment:

- Login to your system but stay at the system prompt. (This login should set all required logicals.)
- With logicals set, type: **dbf <Ret> <Ret>**
- The DBL runtime version is displayed.

For a complete table of all SynergyDE versions and OS compatibility, visit the Synergex web-site at

www.synergex.com/solutions/synergy/currversplat.asp



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No IRS Form Changes for 2009

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