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# EXTRACTING AND RUNNING SQL FILES

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#### **Overview**

From time to time Chreos support may send you a small file with and extension of .SQL. This information sheet is about how to install and run them.

### How to Extract and Run SQL Files

- Determine the location of your Chreos data (i.e. the Chreos data directory). To determine this:
  - Select the menu option 'File | Manage Companies' within *ChreosClient*.
  - Select the company you use.
  - At the bottom of the screen beside the 'Data' field the directory will be listed.
  - If the whole path is not visible press the [Edit] button and scroll through the list. Press the [Cancel] button when you are finished.
- Extract the SQL file from your e-mail attachment into the 'SQLScripts' subdirectory of your Chreos data directory.
- Select the menu option 'Maintenance | Advanced | SQL Entry' in *ChreosClient*.
- In the 'Available commands' combo, select the SQL you were sent. It will have the same name as the file you were sent but no SQL extension.
- Press the [Run] button.
- If the SQL was designed to modify data a message will appear to inform you that the SQL is complete. The file will no longer be available. If the SQL is a data retrieval SQL the results will appear in the 'SQL Result Set' grid.

## What SQL Files Are For

There are four main reasons why you may need to run an SQL file.

- As part of an investigation of a problem you are experiencing.
- As part of the solution to a problem.
- As a simple report where you just want to view some aspect of your data, usually as a one off.
- As a export of a specific subset of the data.

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