

Lawson Enterprise Search – Lawson M3 now with “Google-like” user friendly search and full Lawson M3 compatibility

Knowledge is power but time can be your enemy. Remember the last time you spent hours simply trying to locate relevant data to solve a problem? You know the data exists somewhere in your system, but you don't always know where to find it.

Things like:

- Needing documents, policies, contracts, or purchasing records created by a former employee.
- Identifying duplicate records after a merger or acquisition.
- Only having partial/fuzzy data available and you need the details.
- Needing the item number of a product you want to re-order, but only having the package and not the item
- Having to understand all the places where an item is used when a quality issue occurs

You don't have hours, days, or weeks to navigate mountains of menus or forms, run reports, and conduct database queries. Your business environment is too fast paced — and competitive. When you need information, you need it now and you need it in the right context (e.g. when searching for part-number 4711 you don't need to see also vendors with that number etc.). If only you could search all of your system data to find what you need, like you do on the Internet.

Now you can. Lawson Enterprise Search (LES) for your Lawson M3 solution is a new, intuitive, simple to use, highly integrated, search application for Lawson and non Lawson data to help you search for and find more relevant information, more securely and in seconds.

Using a separate and dedicated search engine LES is the single solution to transform how you use your existing Lawson M3 applications without affecting performance.

With the solution in place, you don't have to know where the data you seek resides.

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LES operates with your existing Lawson Smart Office user interface. It generally works in a manner similar to popular Internet search engines, such as Google™ via a simple keyword search. But unlike Google™ it offers multiple ways to the search. In a **Top-Down** approach LES provides a search screen where you can enter your search and specify the context “Interest Centre” for the search. The **Bottom-Up** approach lets you start at a record/field level and search for all places this field value can be found. In the **Narrow Down** mode you can detail your Screen listings by searching/filtering in that list of an application (i.e. find all order positions with ‘yellow’ in the order positions descriptions).

You'll receive secure search results that include descriptions, form keys, and links so you can click to go directly to the related document or application. And since queries made with LES use their own appliance (virtual combination of application, operating system and data storage), you do not need to worry about high numbers of search requests or inefficient search queries affecting existing application-database performance.

The ‘Interest Centre’ Concept

Lawson Enterprise Search works intelligently due to the fact that it understands the context of the data it is finding. It does this through its ‘interest centre’ concept and the underlying understanding of data relationships in Lawson M3. The interest centre defines what data is to be searched, as well as what should be returned to you based on what data is found. Interest centre definitions tell LES what to include in the search result — making search results rapid and immediately “actionable.”

What once were very complex searches such as simultaneously searching in multiple tables and products can now be done with incredible ease providing a single point of interaction for your M3 and Lawson Business Intelligence.



LES even searches your own desktop including messages and comments within Microsoft Office applications, including data which is traditionally outside the scope and ability of database systems.

Importantly, the standard Lawson M3 security is applied to all records before they are returned to from LES which ensures that a user never sees or has knowledge of data that he or she does not have access to.

Plus it's easy to install being delivered as a "ready-to-go" virtual appliance - you could be up and running in a couple of days.

Lawson Enterprise Search M3 is a deeply integrated, intuitive, simple-to-use search application, it gets you to the data you need, securely and fast, leaving you with time to make a bigger difference to your business by focusing on more strategic and value-added tasks.

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