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Publishing Data to your Website

Do you need to upload your CatBase data to your web site? There are two ways to do this:

- Connect directly to a remote database, such as a MySql or SqlServer database, if you're using CatBase <u>Data Chameleon Edition</u>.
- Export the data to a text file and import that into your web database. You can export data as:
 - CSV
 - tab-delimited
 - XML
 - Excel

You could also set up an Event using the Event Scheduler to automatically export or upload the data according to a schedule you define (eg every night, once a week, etc.)

Updating a MySql/SqlServer database directly from CatBase

(Requires the Data Chameleon Edition).

There are just a couple of steps required to set CatBase up to publish data directly to your Sql database:

- 1. Set up a Database Connection
- 2. Set up a Publishing Stylesheet

Export the data from CatBase to a text file, and upload that file to your web database

This method requires a little extra work, but it will do the job!

The steps you need to take are:

- 1. Set up a <u>Publishing Stylesheet</u> to export the required data from catBase to your chosen text file format. This can be a delimited text file, XML, or Excel spreadsheet.
- 2. Publish the data using the Publishing Stylesheet you set up in Step 1.
- 3. Upload the resulting file to your web server.
- 4. Import the file into your web database.

Specifying which records to upload to the website

If you want to upload all the data to the website, you can ignore this :)

But maybe you only want to update certain records - just ones that have been added or modified within the past week, for example. In this case:

- 1. Create a Set to specify which records to publish. See the <u>Joy of Sets</u> tutorial for more info about Sets.
- 2. Select that set for the Publishing Stylesheet or the Publishing Project.
 - 1. Publishing Stylesheet: Go to the **Preferences** tab and select the checkbox: **Only publish records that are in the set:**, then choose the appropriate set.

 - 2. Publishing Project: Open the appropriate Publishing Step and choose the option Only publish records that are in the set: and select your Set.

Automating the job

You can automate the entire process:

- 1. Set up a Publishing Project.
- 2. Set up a Scheduled Event with the Event Scheduler.

