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Funding Information System (FIS) Release Guide

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Change to this document

Version	Date	Changes made
V1.0	05/02/2018	New FIS release guide produced to support users
V1.1	14/03/2018	New Component Set release
V1.2	12/04/2018	New Component Set release
V1.3	14/05/2018	New Component Set release

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1 Purpose

This document provides a guide to supplement each release of the Funding Information System (FIS). It describes the changes and other notable information about the FIS application Framework and component sets across all Funding Years for which FIS is active.

The framework of the FIS application is the 'shell' application into which component sets and resource data can be imported and selected to give it the functionality for a specific funding year.

This document does not provide user guidance for the whole application. Please see the relevant documentation on FIS on [GOV.UK](#) for further information (full URL shown in section 4 of this document).

2 User advice

Users should be aware that FIS and the latest component sets have only been tested using the standard setup, with default pre-requisite software (SQL Express 2012 and .NET 4.5). Any deviations from this setup have not been tested and as a result are un-supported. Please see section 5 below for instructions on how to report any associated issues

Please update FIS with the latest reference data sets and component sets before processing data.

3 FIS Framework

The changes described in the following table only affect the FIS Framework application, component set changes are covered in later sections of this document.

ID	Changes	Fixes	Release Date
1.6.49.23985			10/02/2017

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2017/18 Component Set

Component Set version	Changes	Release Date
017	Updated Functionality: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bug Fix – Apps Indicative Earnings Report – Standard Notional End Level missing• Integrate R10 Validation rulebase	14/05/2018
016	Updated Functionality: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bug Fix – Apps Indicative Earnings Report - PMR column for Previous year and Current year not populating for certain learners• Bug Fix – Apps Indicative Earnings Report – not populating certain learner’s learning support earned cash• Bug Fix – Amalgamation - LearnerContact rules causing Error where should be Warning• Integrate R09 rulebase, Validation rulebase	11/04/2018
015	Updated Functionality: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bug Fix – Main Occupancy Report - LDM Code 357 missing• Bug Fix – DateofBirth_43 – Rule not triggering when age is 0• Bug Fix – DateofBirth_44 – Rule not triggering when age is 0• Bug Fix – R101 – Rule should trigger if LearnDelFamTypeTo is NULL• Bug Fix – Duplication of learners on the Apps Indicative Report	13/03/2018

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bug Fix – Amalgamation – ZZ99 post code prior found in amalgamated ILR XML. Non ZZ99 postcode should take precedence over ZZ99 9ZZ • Bug Fix – 16-19 Funding Claim report (PDF) – Add sub-totals and Report changes • Rule Violation Summary Report – Remove references to SFA/EFA • Integrate new Validation rulebase for R08 	
014	<p>Updated Functionality:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bug Fix – 16-19 Funding Claim report (PDF) FIS report changes • Bug Fix – Duplication Occurring in Summary of FM35 Funding Report • Bug Fix – Valid_LLDDandHealthProblem table incorrect in FIS table • Integrate R07 Validation rulebase 	19/02/2018
013	<p>Updated Functionality:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bug Fix - Apprenticeships Indicative Earnings Report – Incorrect amount in Total training and assessment earned values • Bug Fix - ALLB Occupancy Report – Missing learners who had both ADL and ALB LearnDelFAM codes with a learning delivery postcode that doesn't have an Area Cost Factor • Bug Fix - DateofBirth_54 – Error not triggering correctly • Removal of Apps from Adult Funding Claim Report both CSV and Excel • Funding line type name changes to identify Non-Levy Contracts procured and non-procured from May 2017 to Dec 2017 and from January 2018 onwards • Integrated new Rulebase for R06 	22/01/2018

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The component set with the highest version number will always be the latest to be made available. Unless there is a relevant Known Issue, users are advised to select this version when processing ILR data to achieve the most up to date results from FIS.

Procedures currently available for 2017 to 2018:

- Amalgamate
- Import and Validate an ILR Submission
- Perform funding calculations
- Rule Violations Summary report as PDF
- Rule Violation report as CSV
- Export ILR data to an Access database
- Export ILR data to an Access database (Flattened)
- Export ILR data as CSV files
- Funding Summary Report as an Excel file
- Main Occupancy Report as CSV
- ALLB Occupancy report as CSV
- Trailblazer Apprenticeships Occupancy Report as CSV
- Trailblazer Apprenticeships Employer Incentives Report as CSV
- Adult Funding Claim Report as an Excel file
- Adult Funding Claim Report as CSV
- Summary of Funding Model 35 Funding Report as PDF
- Summary Of Funding Model 35 Funding Report as CSV
- Summary of Funding Model 35 Funding by Learner Report as CSV
- Maths and English Report as CSV
- High Needs Students Summary Report as PDF

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- High Needs Students Detail Report as CSV
- 16-19 Funding Claim Report as PDF
- 16-19 Summary of Funding by Student Report as CSV
- CL Summary of Learners by Non-Single Budget Category Report as PDF
- Apprenticeships Indicative Earnings Report as CSV

Changes to Component Sets in previous funding years

Funding Year	Component Set version	Changes	Release Date
16/17	023		24/08/2017
15/16	026		22/09/2016
14/15	019		29/09/2015
13/14	023		14/08/2014

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Please consult the FIS User Guidance and Installation Guidance documents for further advice. We also recommend that users consult the FIS Known Issues document for further information about defects and issues.

4 Known Issues

Users should be aware that this release still has outstanding issues that are detailed in the 'Active' section of the known issues document, which is available from the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/individualised-learner-record-ilr-check-that-data-is-accurate>

5 Feedback

If you have a question regarding FIS component sets and functionality or LARS data then please contact the following Service Desk:

Email: SDE.Servicedesk@education.gov.uk

Telephone: 0370 2670001

Before reporting issues, please ensure that you are using the latest available versions of the FIS components and data sets.