



Allocated Agency Orders Overview

Purpose of this document

Allocation journals may be used to efficiently allocate item quantities to specific agencies and build agency orders as a group. Once an item is allocated in the allocation journal, the quantity allocated for that item cannot be distributed to another agency. This document outlines the setup required and the allocation agency order process.

Ceres Object release 5.00.00 is required for the functionality described in this document.

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Overview

Allocated agency orders can be created in several ways.

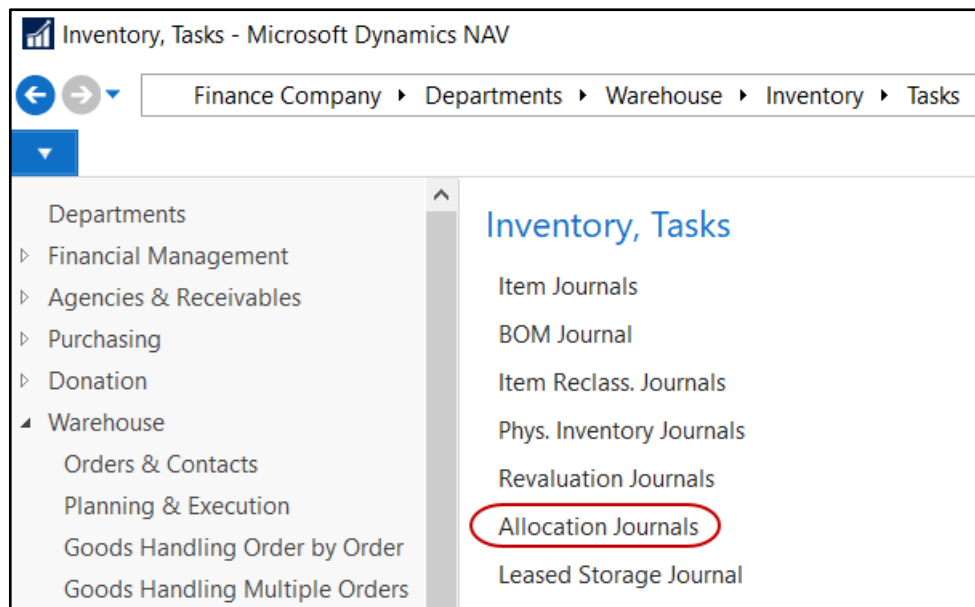
1. Manually
2. By setting percentages in the Item Allocation Group
3. Import from an Excel Allocation spreadsheet

This document explains how to create agency orders using the allocation journal entries. It also explains how to process and update allocated orders on Agency Express.

Ceres allows for the balance of Quantity to Allocate to remain in the allocation journal if its entirety is not allocated. The balance can be subsequently and repeatedly consumed as desired (full balance, partial balance) via the Get Allocations function on the agency order or the Create Orders function on the allocation journal.

Creating Allocation Journal Entries

1. The allocation journal can be accessed from the Departments → Warehouse → Inventory → Tasks → Allocation Journals.



2. If multiple allocation journal batches are setup, select a batch from the dropdown found in the Batch Name field.

- If a Document Batch Name is linked to a batch, it will be populated on the allocation journal line when a new line is created. This field will be used on agency orders to have the ability to link allocations to a specific agency order batch. In this manner, allocated orders can be sent to Agency Express as a batch instead of on an order by order basis.

Item Journal Batches

Name	Description	No. Series	Document Batch Name	Reason Code
MANUAL	Manual Allocations	I-JNLALL	SFW	ALLOC
RESID	Residual Allocation Journal	I-JNLALL		ALLOC
TEFAP	TEFAP Web Allocations	I-JNLALL	WEB ORDERS	ALLOC

- Click OK to select the batch.

Manually

- Once a batch has been selected move down to the lines.
- Enter or select the Item No. to allocate.
- Enter or select the Agency No. for which you are allocating the item.
- In the Location Code field, enter or select the location from which the product will be fulfilled. This will determine the Available Quantity for allocation.

Manual Allocations

Line No.	Item No.	Agency No.	Description	Location Code	Qty. Available to Allocate	Quantity	Unit of Measure Code	Qty. to Allocated	Qty. Allocated
10000	10019	B0310	Coffee	KAN	6,437	100	CASE	100	0
20000	10019	B0458	Coffee	KAN	6,337	150	CASE	150	0

- In the Quantity field, enter the quantity to allocate for this agency. The Quantity to Allocate field will update with this value.

6. If other items should be allocated to an agency, or if the same item should be allocated to other agencies, repeat the steps above to create the additional allocation journal entries. The Qty. Available to Allocate will update each time a quantity is entered to show the reduction in available quantity for a specific item.
7. The allocated items will remain in the journal, until deleted, so agency orders can be created from the journal.

Importing Allocations from Excel

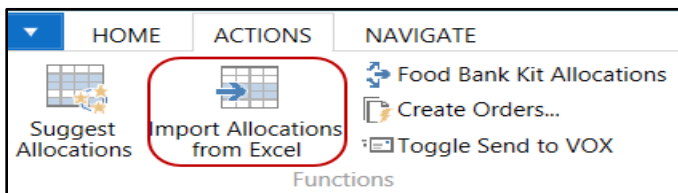
Using a simple Excel spreadsheet, you may create the allocation entries and then import those entries directly into the allocation journal. The design of the spreadsheet is very simple and includes 4 fields.

- a. **Agency No.:** Agency to which you are allocating to.
- b. **Item No:** Item which you are allocating
- c. **Qty to Allocate:** Quantity of the item that you are allocating to the agency.
- d. **Shipment Date:** Date the items that are allocated to the agency will be shipped

	A	B	C	D
	Agency No.	Item No.	Qty to Allocate	Shipment Date
1				
2	A1764	10019	10	4/20/2020
3	C1722	10019	15	4/20/2020
4	B0558	10019	20	4/20/2020
5				

Sheet1

1. To import the file, select Actions → Functions → Import Allocations from Excel .



2. An Import Allocations from Excel Request Page will display. Update the fields as needed

Edit - Import Allocations from Excel

ACTIONS Ceres 5.0 Testi...

Clear Filter Page

Batch Name: MANUAL

Location Code: KAN

Shipment Date: 4/27/2020

Import From

Workbook File Name: C:\ProgramData\Microsoft\Micro...

Worksheet Name: Sheet1

OK Cancel

Batch Name: Defaults based on the batch you selected in the allocation journal.

Location Code: Enter the location the items will be fulfilled from.

Shipment Date: Enter the shipment date if you want to override the shipment dates from the file.

Note: If a shipment date has been entered on the Request Page that is different than the shipment date in the file, a message will display indicating that the shipment date will be overwritten when the file is imported. Click Yes to proceed or No to cancel.

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Shipment Date 04/27/20 will overwrite the shipment date in the data file. Do you want to proceed?

Yes No

Workbook File Name: Click on the ellipsis button and browse to where the allocation spreadsheet was saved.

Worksheet Name: Click on the ellipsis button to select the sheet you want to import.

- Click Yes or OK to import the file. The entries will now display in the journal.

Batch Name: <input type="text" value="MANUAL"/>													
Line No.	Item No.	Agency No.	Description	Location Code	Qty. Available to Allocate	Quantity	Unit of Measure Code	Qty. to Alloca...	Qty. Allocated	Order Handling Group Code	Order Routing Group Code	Shipment Method Code	Shipment Date
10000	10019	B0310	Coffee	KAN	6,437	100	CASE	100	0	HARV WEB	HARV WEB	DELIVER	
20000	10019	B0458	Coffee	KAN	6,337	150	CASE	150	0	HARV WEB	HARV WEB	PICKUP	
30000	10019	A1764	Coffee	KAN	6,187	10	CASE	10	0	HARV WEB	HARV WEB	DELIVER	4/27/2020
40000	10019	C1722	Coffee	KAN	6,177	15	CASE	15	0	HARV WEB	HARV WEB	PICKUP	4/27/2020
50000	10019	B0558	Coffee	KAN	6,162	20	CASE	20	0	HARV WEB	HARV WEB	DELIVER	4/27/2020

Note: The imported entries will be appended to any entries that already existed in the batch.

- You can update the entries just like you would any other entries in the journal.
- The allocated entries will remain in the journal, until deleted, so agency orders can be created from the journal.

Using the Suggest Allocations Function

If the item quantities to be allocated to each agency are based on a fixed percentage of the total quantity available, you can automate the creation of the allocation journal entries without importing from Excel. This streamlines the allocation process when product is ready to distribute.

- Go to the Item FastTab of the Item Card for the item to be allocated. Confirm that an Allocation Group No. has been assigned to the item. This can be the Item No., or a generic allocation Group, such as TEFAP ALLOC that has been setup as an item specifically for this purpose.

6W273 · 100899 Cranberry Apple Juice

Item

No.: ...

Description:

Description 2:

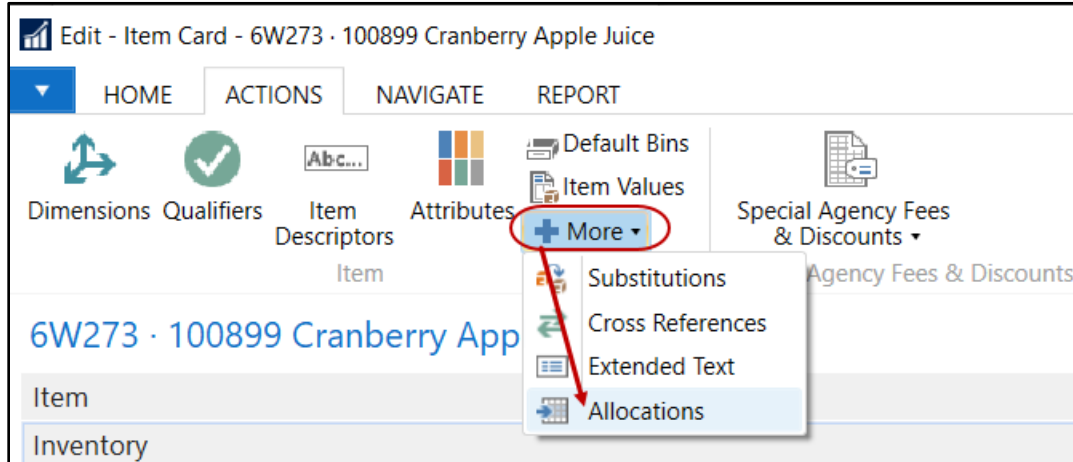
Pack Size:

Blocked: ☐

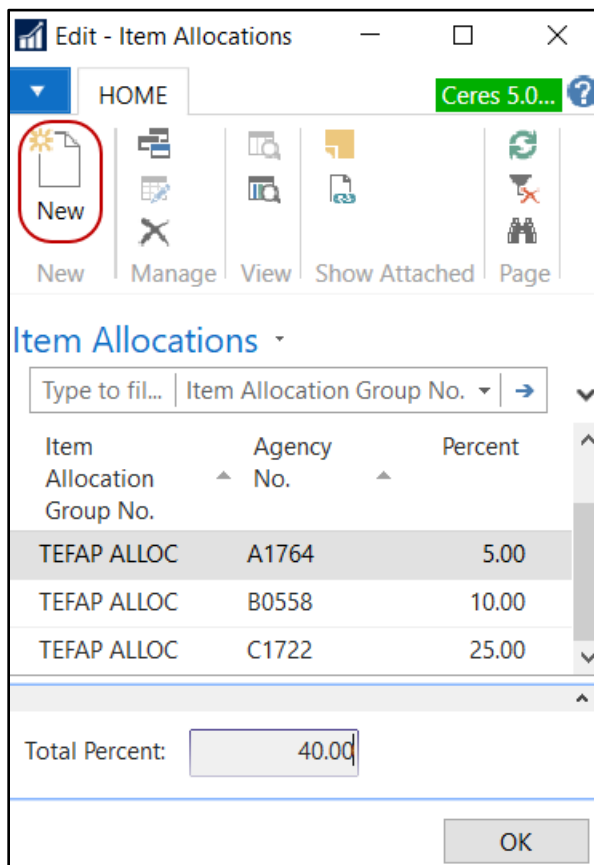
Allocation Group No. :

Feature Type:

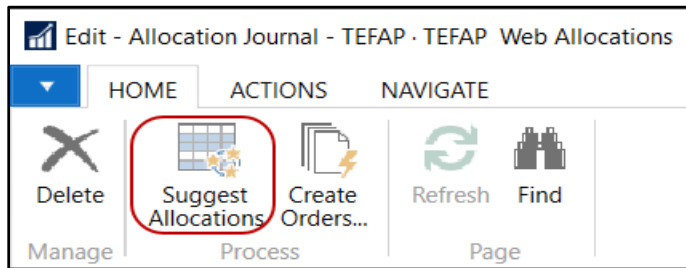
- From the Item Card, select Actions → Item → Allocations. The Item Allocations Page will display.



- In the Agency No. field, enter the agency. In the Percent field enter the percentage of the total quantity available that should be allocated to this agency. The percent allocated can never be more than 100%, but it can be less. To refresh the Total Percent calculation at the bottom of the Page, press F5.



4. When finished entering all agencies and percentages, click OK.
5. Once all the items and percentages per agency have been specified, the next time that allocations are ready to be distributed, the Suggest Allocations process can be run to streamline allocations.
6. When you are ready to create allocations, open the Allocation Journal. Then select Home → Process → Suggest Allocations.



7. A Suggest Allocations Page will display where filters can be entered to restrict the items/agencies that will be included in the journal.

8. On the Options FastTab you can select a Location Code to restrict the location the items will be allocated from. If you do not wish to allocate the full Qty. Available per item, you can check the Allocate by Qty. box to specify the quantity to allocate for each item. The Item Allocations by Qty window will display when you hit Preview or Print.
9. On the Item Allocations FastTab you can set filters to restrict the items or agencies included in the Journal. If no filters are entered, all items with quantities available to allocate that have been set up with agency percentages will be included, unless filters are set on the Item FastTab.
10. On the Item FastTab, you can select specific items, pallets, etc.
11. If Allocate by Qty. was checked on the Options FastTab, choosing Print or Preview will display on the Item Allocations by Qty Page. This allows users to adjust the quantity to allocate per item. The adjusted quantity to allocate will be the basis for the report to calculate the allocations.

Item Allocati...	Qty. Available to Allocate	Qty. to Allocate
6W273	108	100

Percent of Available: 92.59

OK

Note: The Percent of Available displayed at the bottom is based on the line your cursor is on. As you move to the next line, that value will change based on what you've allocated in relation to quantity available to allocate.

15. The allocated entries will remain in the journal, until deleted, so agency orders can be created from the journal.

Creating Agency Orders from the Allocation Journal Entries

1. There are two options for placing allocated product onto agency orders
 - a. Generate agency orders from the allocation journal entries by running Create Orders function.
 - b. Wait until an agency places an order and then add the allocated Items to that order, if so desired.
2. To receive a reminder that allocated quantities exist when creating manual agency orders, the field Allocations Exist must be checked on Agencies & Receivables Setup → General FastTab. This generates a reminder when the order is placed.

The screenshot shows the 'Agencies & Receivables Setup' window with the 'General' tab selected. The 'Allocations Exist' checkbox is checked and highlighted with a red circle. Other visible fields include 'Discount Posting' set to 'No Discounts', 'Credit Warnings' set to 'Credit Limit', 'Apply Grants to Credit Warning' checked, 'Calculate Agency Fees from' set to 'Item', and 'Reason Code Mandatory' checked.

Allocation Journal Create Orders Function

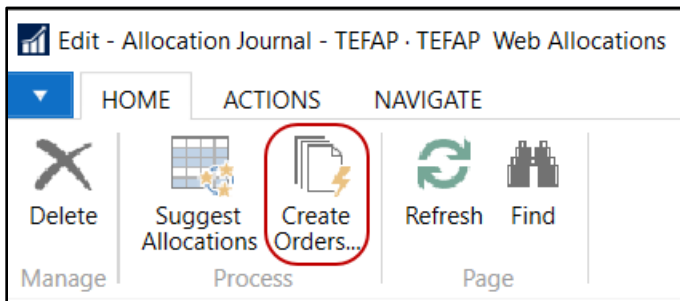
When creating orders from the Allocation Journal Create Orders function, you can use different fields in the allocation journal to filter and create orders for selected subsets of the allocations. Certain fields are editable (Document Batch Name), whereas other fields (Order Handling, Order Routing, Shipment Method Code) are not because they are flow-fields where the data flow from the agency setup to the journal. The non-editable fields can be modified from the Agency Card, and then updated in the allocation journal by reselect the Agency No.

Batch Name: TEFAP										
Item No.	Location Code	Qty. Available to Allocate	Quantity	Unit of Measure Code	Qty. to Allocate	Qty. Allocated	Document Batch Name	Order Handling Group Code	Order Routing Group Code	Shipment Method Code
6W273	KAN	240	12	CASE	12	0	WEB ORDERS	HARV WEB	HARV WEB	DELIVER
6W273	KAN	228	24	CASE	24	0	WEB ORDERS	HARV WEB	HARV WEB	DELIVER
6W273	KAN	204	60	CASE	60	0	WEB ORDERS	HARV WEB	HARV WEB	PICKUP

1. Set or update Shipment Date, Reason Code, Document Batch Name as desired. These can be used to filter records for the Create Orders Process.

Note: Voxware users will want to pay special attention to the Send to VOX field and set it accordingly before creating agency allocated orders. Please refer to the Voxware section of this document for more information.

2. Once the allocation journal is properly filtered for the desired records, select Home → Process → Create Orders.



3. From the Create Order Request Page, enter the Posting Date to be used for the orders to be created. If you wish to override the Shipment Date on the journal lines, select the date to use in the Overwrite Shipment Date field. If you are using Document Batches, then you may select the Agency Order Document Batch you wish the orders to be created in. The Document Batch Name can be used to override the existing Document Batch Name field on the Journal Lines if desired.

A screenshot of a dialog box titled 'Edit - Create Orders ...'. It has a 'Ceres 5...' button in the top right corner. On the left, there is a 'Clear Filter' button with a funnel icon. The main area contains three fields: 'Posting Date' with a dropdown menu showing '4/9/2020', 'Overwrite Shipment Date' with a blank dropdown menu, and 'Document Batch Name' with a dropdown menu showing 'TEFAP'. At the bottom are 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Note: A blank Document Batch Name is a valid value. The Posting Date will be filled in with the current work date if it is left blank. If the Overwrite Shipment Date is left blank it will use the existing Shipment Date on the allocation line.

Note: Since allocation lines can have different shipment dates, the Create Orders process will create allocation orders by shipment date (when the Overwrite Shipment Date on the Request Page is blank).

4. Click OK to create the orders.

5. The allocation journal will be updated to show the quantities allocated.

Batch Name: TEFAP									
Item No.	Agency No.	Description	Locati... Code	Qty. Available to Allocate	Quantity	Unit of Measure Code	Qty. to Allo...	Qty. Allocated	Document Batch Name
6W273	A1764	100899 Cranberry Apple Juice	KAN	240	0	CASE	0	12	TEFAP
6W273	B0558	100899 Cranberry Apple Juice	KAN	228	0	CASE	0	24	TEFAP
6W273	C1722	100899 Cranberry Apple Juice	KAN	204	0	CASE	0	60	TEFAP

6. Orders will be created based upon the number of agencies in the allocation journal. There will be one order per agency.
7. Orders created from this function can be found in the appropriate Document Batch and then by filtering Allocated Order = Yes, Shipment Date, etc. Below is an example of an order created from the Create Orders function.

Agency Orders ▾

Show results:

✕ Where

No. ▾ is

Enter a value.

✕ And

Allocated Order ▾ is

Yes

+ Add Filter

No. ▴	Posting Date	Shipment Date	Sell-to Agency No.	Sell-to Agency Name
AO-01326	4/9/2020	4/9/2020	A1764	Scarborough Childrens Home
AO-01327	4/9/2020	4/9/2020	B0558	Hope House, Inc.
AO-01328	4/9/2020	4/9/2020	C1722	The Salvation Army

Below is an example of an order created from the Create Orders function. Note that the Allocated Order field on the Deliver/Web FastTab is checked.

AO-01326 · Scarborough Childrens Home

General	4/9/2020	4/9/2020	4/9/2020	Open
Lines				
Invoice Details				
Shipping and Billing	Scarborough Childrens Home		4/9/2020	
Delivery/Web				

Delivery Info:

Delivery Zone:

Shopper:

Shopper Name:

Roadnet Location Type:

Web Order Info

Web Order: ☐

Shopper E-mail Address:

E-mail Shopper: ☐

Web Acceptance Status:

Rejected Reason Code:

Web Accept. User ID:

Web Accept. Date:

Web Accept. Time:

Allocated Order: ☒

Web Allocation Status:

- At this point the allocation journal can be cleared by deleting the lines. The lines can also be left intact and the quantity can be updated to show the Quantity to Allocate for the next time.

Agency Order Get Allocations

The Get Allocations function allows you to bring in the allocation journal entries into a new or existing agency order. If the Allocations Exists field is checked in the Agencies & Receivables Setup, a reminder message will display letting the user know allocations exists when an order is created for that agency.

New - Agency Order - AO-01330 · Safehome, Inc.

HOME ACTIONS NAVIGATE REPORT

View Edit New Delete Process E-mail Release Create Inventory Put-away/Pick... Reopen Email Confirmation... Print Confirmation... Statistics Ceres Picking List By Order

AO-01330 · Safehome, Inc.

General

No.: AO-01330

Agency No.: b0458

Sell-to

Agency Name: Safehome, Inc.

Address: 2000 Main St.

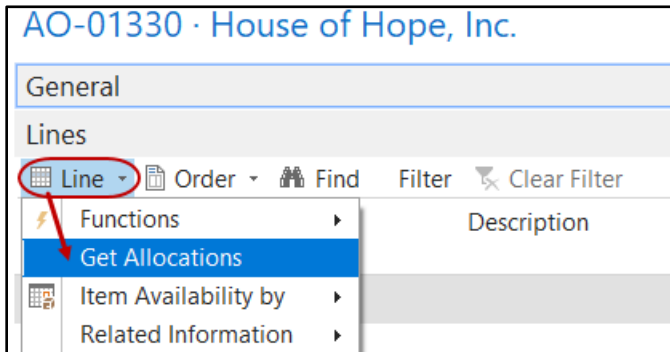
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Allocations exists for Agency No. B0458 that have not been distributed.

OK

Note: The allocation exist message is a reminder only in that clicking OK to the message does not bring in or add the allocation entries to the order. The process of bringing in the entries is handled by the Get Allocations function.

1. Create or update an agency order like you normally would from Agencies & Receivables → Order Processing → Agency Orders. When you are ready to bring in the allocation journal entries to the order, go to the Lines FastTab and then select Lines → Get Allocations.



2. An Allocation Jnl. Lines Page will display with the items and quantities that are available to be allocated, and the quantities that have been allocated.

Allocation Jnl. Lines

HOME

Ceres 5.0 Testing ?

View List

Edit List

Manage

Show as List

Show as Chart

View

Notes

Links

Show Attached

Refresh

Clear Filter

Find

Page

Allocation Jnl. Lines

Type to filter (F3)

Item No.

→

▼

Filter: Allocation • "B0458

Item No.	Description	Lot No.	Pallet No.	Quantity	Qty. to Allocate	Qty. Allocated
10019	Coffee			150	150	0

3. Click OK to proceed which will copy the lines from the allocation journal to the agency order.

Lines							
Line Order Find Filter Clear Filter							
Type	No.	Description	Location Code	Pallet No.	Zone Code	Lot No.	Available Quantity
Item	10019	Coffee	KAN				6,292
							150

- Once the lines have been copied to the agency order, the Qty to Allocate and Qty Allocated fields are updated. If you run the Get Allocations function again see that the fields have been updated. In the below example Qty to Allocation of 150 is now 0, and Qty Allocated is 150.

Allocation Jnl. Lines ▾

Type to filter (F3) | Item No. ▾ → ▾

Filter: Allocation • "J" B0458

Item No.	Description	Lot No.	Pallet No.	Quantity	Qty. to Allocate	Qty. Allocated
10019	Coffee			0	0	150

Note: Changing the quantity on the agency order after the line have been copied to the order, does not change the Qty to Allocated or Qty Allocated in the Allocation Jnl. Lines. For example, if the quantity on the order changed from the allocated quantity of 150 to 100, the Allocation Jnl. lines will still reflect that 150 has been allocated.

- Process the order like you normally would.
- At this point the allocation journal can be cleared by deleting the lines. The lines can also be left intact and the quantity can be updated to show the Quantity to Allocate for the next time.

Handling Remaining Quantity via Agency Express Setup

Once the order is submitted back to Ceres from Agency Express, the quantity difference between allocated and requested quantity or remaining amount can be handled in several ways. The Agency Express Import process takes this into consideration the allocation specific setup options on the General FastTab of the Inventory Setup.

Inventory Setup	
General	
Automatic Cost Posting:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Automatic Cost Adjustment:	Always ▾
Default Costing Method:	FIFO ▾
Copy Comments Item Jnl.:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
A2H Inventory Value:	1.59
Max. Pick Labels per Item :	2
Allocated Qty Remaining Action:	Update Alloc... ▾
Residual Alloc. Jnl. Template:	ALLOC ▾
Residual Alloc. Jnl. Batch:	RESID ▾
Qty. Available Calc. Method:	All Calculatio... ▾
Pallet No. Required Default:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Allow Non-Lot Tracked Items:	<input type="checkbox"/>

Allocated Qty. Remaining Action: Select one of the options

Blank - This is the default setting. No action is taken. The Remaining Amount is put back into regular inventory to be placed on another order. This is how all earlier versions are handling the remaining quantity.

Update Allocation Journal - Ceres locates the corresponding Journal Line and updates the Qty. to Allocate as the remainder between the allocated quantity and requested quantity. An Allocation No. from the No-Series, specified on the Numbering FastTab of the Inventory Setup, is created and populated on the line. If the line no longer exists in the journal, Ceres will create a new line for the remaining quantity.

Create New Allocation Journal - Ceres will create a new allocation journal line entry in the Allocation Journal Template and Batch as specified in the Residual Alloc. Jnl. Template and the Residual Alloc. Jnl. Batch fields specified on the General FastTab of the Inventory Setup Page.

Create New Allocated Order - Ceres will create a new allocated order with a single line for the remaining quantity.

Create New Allocated Order and Send to Web - Ceres will create a new allocated order, same as above, but will also automatically send this order back up to the web.

Note: For the Create New Allocated Order and Create New Allocated Order and Send to Web options, Ceres will create only one agency order which will contain all web order lines (per web Order) for which the quantity was reduced.

Residual Alloc. Jnl. Template and **Residual Alloc. Jnl. Batch:** These two fields determine which Template and Batch will be used when an allocation journal line needs to be updated but is missing or a new allocation journal is specified for the remaining amounts.

Allocation Nos: The Allocation Nos. series are used for creating a unique number as a link between an allocation order and the allocation journal line for update purposes. This setup value is on the Numbering FastTab of Inventory Setup.

When allocation journal lines are completely allocated, they can be removed from the journal by deleting the lines.

Appointment Consumption Setup

When allocated orders are created for agencies with standing appointments, Ceres can be configured to use those appointments for the created allocated order. There are two parameters on the General FastTab of the Agency & Receivable Setup Page called Appointment Consumption Method and Confirm App. Consumption. Based on the setting of these parameters Ceres may use standing appointments for the allocated the order.

Agencies & Receivables Setup	
Copy Comments Order to Invoice:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Copy Comments Order to Shpt.:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Copy Cmts Ret.Ord. to Cr. Memo:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Copy Cmts Ret.Ord. to Ret.Rcpt:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Allow Tax Difference:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Calc. Inv. Discount:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tax Bus. Posting Gr. (Fee):	<input type="text"/>
Exact Cost Reversing Mandatory:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Check Prepmt. when Posting:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Archive Quotes and Orders:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Require Shipment Method Code:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Default 501(c)(3) from Parent:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Appointment Consumption Method:	Both Order Types
Confirm App. Consumption:	Both Order Types
Delivery Consump. Lead (Hours):	4
Pickup Consump. Lead (Hours):	3
Exclude Item from CM:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allow Pallet No. Change CM/RTO:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Automatic Delivery Charge Calc:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allow Document Deletion Before:	<input type="text"/>

Appointment Consumption Method: Select one of the options.

Blank - This setting will not consume any appointments for created allocation orders.

Manual Orders Only - This setting will not consume any appointments for created allocation orders. It only affects manually created agency orders.

Allocation Orders Only - This setting will direct the system to search for a standing appointment and/or appointment time. If a viable appointment is found (as described below), the system will attempt to use that appointment based on the logic described below.

Both Order Types - This setting will direct the system to search for a standing appointment and/or appointment time. If a viable appointment is found (as described below), the system will attempt to use that appointment based on the logic described below.

If a standing appointment exists for the combination of agency, shipment template (based on shipment method), and shipment date, then the appointment time on the standing appointment will be selected for the order. If no appointment time exists for that shipment date, but there is a shipment date in the future available, the shipment date and appointment time from the standing appointment will be used.

If no standing appointment can be found or used, the system will then try to find an appointment line to use. Ceres uses the Preferred Delivery Time and Preferred Pickup Time field on the Shipping FastTab of the Agency Card to determine the agencies preferred time.

Using the appropriate time based on shipment method of the order. Ceres will search for an appointment line for the order's shipment template, shipment date, and preferred time (based on shipment method). If an appointment is found then that appointment time will be used. If no appointment line can be used for the shipment date, Ceres will look for the next available date at the agency's preferred time.

Confirm App. Consumption: Select one of the options

Blank - This setting will not prompt the user when an appointment will be consumed for the created allocation orders.

Manual Orders Only - This setting will not prompt the user when an appointment will be consumed for the created allocation orders.

Allocation Orders Only - This setting will prompt the user to confirm the usage of an appointment line before it is used. If the user does not confirm the appointment, then Ceres will not consume the appointment time and use it.

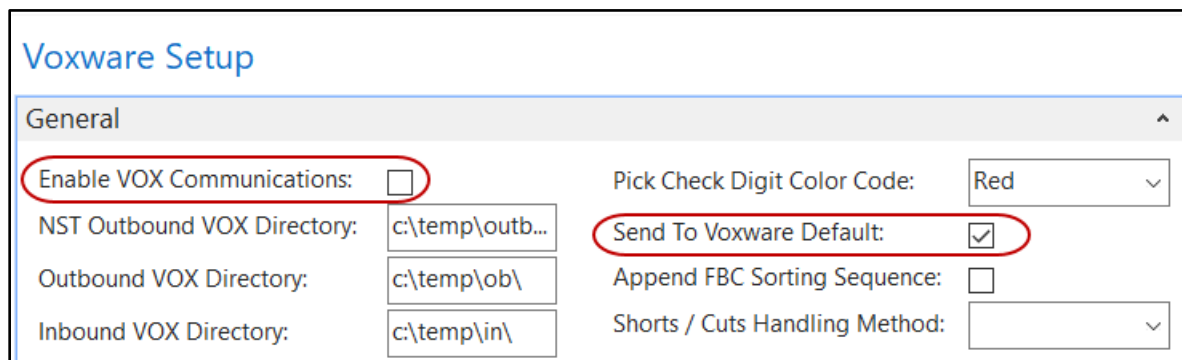
Both Order Types - This setting will prompt the user to confirm the usage of an appointment line before it is used for both manual orders and allocated orders. If the user does not confirm the appointment, Ceres will not consume the appointment time and use it.

Voxware

Voxware is used by some food banks to facilitate the order fulfillment process. If you are using Voxware, it is important to decide whether or not, orders created via the allocation process are to be sent to Voxware for picking.

When using both Suggest Allocations and Import from Excel automated functions to create allocation journal lines, the Send to VOX field on the allocation line is set by default based on two parameters. These parameters are on the Vox Setup Page shown below.

The two parameters are Enable VOX Communications and Send To Voxware Default. If both of these parameters are checked as shown below, then by default, the Suggest Allocations and Import from Excel functions will both set the Send to Vox field to Yes (checked). If either of these parameters or both are unchecked, then by default the Send to Vox field is set to No. It should be noted that even if the Send to Vox field is set to Yes and Vox is not installed at your food bank, then the field is simply ignored.

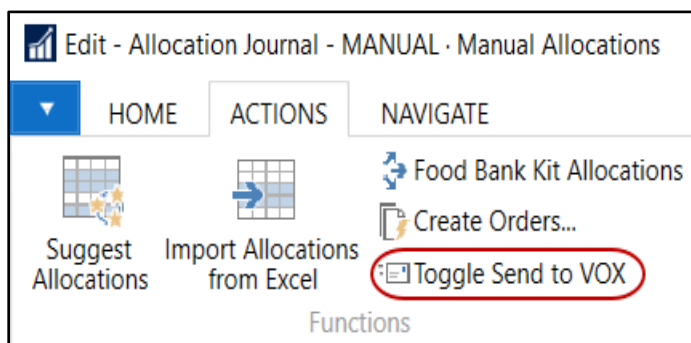


Voxware Setup

General

Enable VOX Communications:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pick Check Digit Color Code:	Red
NST Outbound VOX Directory:	c:\temp\outb...	Send To Voxware Default:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Outbound VOX Directory:	c:\temp\ob\	Append FBC Sorting Sequence:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Inbound VOX Directory:	c:\temp\in\	Shorts / Cuts Handling Method:	

1. Once the allocation lines have been created on the Allocation Journal, there is a function that allows you to toggle the Send to Vox field on all the allocation journal lines on and off.
2. To toggle the Send to VOX field, select Actions → Functions → Toggle Send to VOX. This will change the Send to VOX field to the opposite value, either On to Off or vice versa.



Allocated Orders and Agency Express

There are different processes the need to be performed and steps when handling orders on Agency Express which are outlined below.

Sending Allocated Orders to Agency Express

If your food bank has decided to allocate orders to agencies via the web, by checking Allow Allocation Orders Online on the Web Order FastTab of the Agencies & Receivables Setup, you can push orders to agencies regardless of whether that product is normally available to them via Agency Express.

All item information is transmitted to the web so that even items that are not permitted for web ordering will still display related information on Agency Express if included on an allocated order. As previously mentioned, if you are using batches, but do not have a customization to place allocated orders into a specific batch, then the allocated orders will be found in the blank batch.

1. If you are not using batches, simply locate your orders via Agencies & Receivables → Order Processing → Agency Orders.
2. It is also possible to create the order and then Get Allocations from the Agency Order Lines FastTab via Line → Get Allocations. If allocated orders are created this way, you may want to create them in the WEB batch in order to keep them with other web orders.

Lines				
Line	Order	Find	Filter	Clear Filter
⚡ Functions	▶	Description	Location Code	Available Quantity
Get Allocations		Coffee	KAN	2,321
Item Availability by	▶			
Related Information	▶			

- It is also possible to mark an existing order as an Allocated Order, by placing a checkmark in the Allocated Order field on the Delivery/Web FastTab. This field will automatically update from the Get Allocations or the Create Allocated Order functions.

Delivery/Web

Delivery Info:

Delivery Zone:

Shopper:

Shopper Name:

Roadnet Location Type:

Roadnet Exported: ☐

Pallet Counts

Frozen Pallet Count: 0

Ref Pallet Count: 0

Dry Pallet Count: 0

Web Order Info

Web Order: ☐

Shopper E-mail Address:

E-mail Shopper: ☐

Web Acceptance Status:

Rejected Reason Code:

Web Accept. User ID:

Web Accept. Date:

Web Accept. Time:

Allocated Order: ☒

Web Allocation Status:

Web Order Validated: ☐

Web Transmitted: ☐

- The orders can be pushed to the web, one at a time, by going to Actions → Functions → Send → Send Allocated Order to Web. They can also be sent in a batch via the Send Allocated Orders to Web job in Periodic Activities.

Edit - Agency Order - AO-01326 - Scarborough Childrens Home

ACTIONS

Release

Calculate Delivery Charge

Calculate Grants

Validate Web Order

Get Recurring Agency Order Lines...

Copy Document...

Archive Document

Send

Email Order to Shopper

Send Allocated Order to Web

Send Order Confirmation

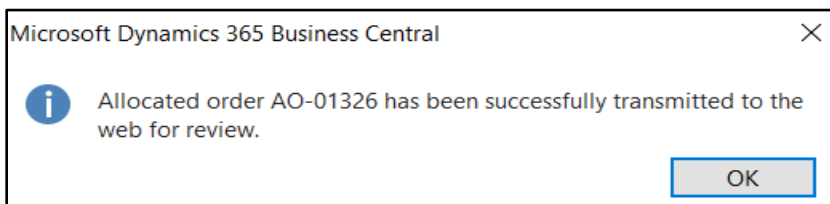
- The user will be prompted for confirmation: Select Yes to send the order.

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Do you wish to send this order to the web for review?

Yes No

- The user will receive a confirmation that the Order has been set to be transmitted (this does not indicate success of the actual file transmission).



- The Web Allocation Status for this order will change to Sent to Web on the Delivery/Web FastTab of the agency order.

A screenshot of the "Web Order Info" form in Microsoft Dynamics 365. The form contains several fields: "Web Order:" with a checkbox; "Shopper E-mail Address:" with a text input field; "E-mail Shopper:" with a checkbox; "Web Acceptance Status:" with a dropdown menu; "Rejected Reason Code:" with a dropdown menu; "Web Accept. User ID:" with a text input field; "Web Accept. Date:" with a date input field; "Web Accept. Time:" with a time input field; "Allocated Order:" with a checked checkbox; "Web Allocation Status:" with a dropdown menu showing "Sent to Web" (this field is circled in red); "Web Order Validated:" with a checkbox; and "Web Transmitted:" with a checkbox.




- Once the order has been Transmitted, the Web Transmitted field will be updated.

A screenshot of the "Web Transmitted:" field in the form. It consists of a label "Web Transmitted:" followed by a checkbox that is checked, indicated by a green checkmark icon.

Processing Allocated Orders on Agency Express

- Once an Allocated Order has been transmitted to the web, the shopper must do something with the order. The options are.
 - Accept the allocated order in full
 - Accept a portion of the allocated order
 - Reject the entire allocated order

2. On Agency Express, the Shopper will see an order that has an Agency Order number instead of a PO number and the status will be ALLOCATED:

Order Management					
	Reference Number	Status	Gross Weight	Total Price	Pickup/Delivery Date
  	AOR-0194	Allocated	10.00	\$11.00	01/18/2010

3. To edit the order, click the Pencil icon. The user will receive the following message,

4. At this point, the Shopper can,

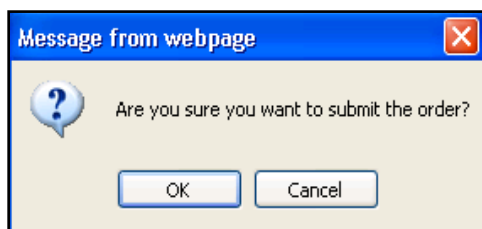


- a. Submit the order (as it is) by clicking the Submit Cart button.

- b. Reduce the quantity on any/all lines and click the Submit Cart button.

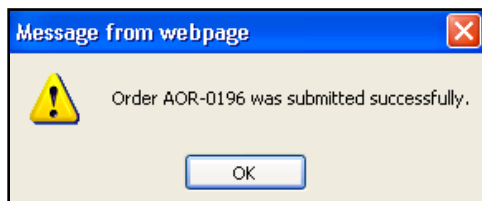
Note: A pickup/delivery date and time must be selected (if using backward compatibility, it must be filled in) before submitting the order.


5. The shopper will receive the following window to decide if they wish to submit or not.




6. Select OK to submit the order. If cancel is selected, the shopper will be returned to the order to make any adjustments, and reject or submit again.

7. If submitted, the shopper should receive the following confirmation.



8. The order should change status from Allocated Order to New Order and the editing  icon should no longer be available. The shopper can still decide to reject the order at this time. See instructions below on how to reject order



- To reject the order, instead of clicking the Pencil Icon, the shopper should click the  icon and choose a Cancel Reason Code from the drop-down list (below is an example which may be different than yours) and click Submit to send the rejection notice to the food bank.

Cancel Order Number:AOR-0194

Please choose a cancel reason code below and click submit.

Rejected Order for Other Reason

Rejected Order for Other Reason

Insufficient space at the Agency

Insufficient Credit or Funding

No Refrigerator available at Program to store the food.

No Freezer available at Program for proper food storage.

Submit **Cancel**

- Click Cancel to return to the Order Management Window without rejecting the order.

Note: The rejected reason codes above must match those that exist in Ceres exactly for the order to process in Ceres.

- If the order is submitted as Rejected, the status will now show as Cancelled in Order Management.

	AOR-0194	Cancelled	10.00	\$11.00
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Processing Submitted or Rejected/Cancelled Allocated Orders

- Once the allocated order has been submitted by the shopper, it should be handled like any other web order.
- If the order has met the validation/auto-accept criteria, then it will be marked as Accepted. Note that the order is now marked as a web order as well.

Web Order Info

Web Order: ☒


Shopper E-mail Address: davidc@esopro.com

E-mail Shopper: ☒

Web Acceptance Status: Accepted

Rejected Reason Code:

- The shopper will now see the status changed to Released once the acceptance status has been transmitted to the web.

	Reference Number	Status	Gross Weight	Total Price	Pickup/Delivery Date
	AOR-0196	Released	15.00	\$5.40	01/20/2010

- If the order has been rejected, it will display the Rejected Reason Code when viewed from the Agency Orders List:

Agency Orders ▾					
No.	Sell-to Agency No.	Sell-to Agency Name	Status	Location Code	Rejected Reason Code
AO-00427	A0442	Synergy Services-	Open	KAN	CREDIT
AO-00443	C1722	The Salvation Army	Open	KAN	CANCELED

- Until the order has been changed to Food Bank order processing status, the shopper will still be able to reduce the allocated order quantity or reject the order entirely.

Running the Update Web Allocation Batch Routine

- The Update Web Allocation Status Report (batch data update routine) can be accessed from Departments → Agencies & Receivables → Agency Express → Periodic Activities → Update Web Allocation Status.

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Departments

- Financial Management
- Agencies & Receivables
 - Agency Relations
 - Order Processing
 - Marketing
 - Inventory & Fees
 - Agency Express
 - CMobile Documents
 - Microsoft Dynamics C
- Purchasing
- Donation
- Warehouse
- Human Resources
- Roadnet
- Appian

Agency Express

Administration

- Agency Express Web Processing
- Web Synchronization Options

Setup

- Agency Groups
- AE3 Auto-Synch Options
- AE Process Monitor Setup

Periodic Activities

- Batch Release Agency Orders
- Delete Rejected Web Orders
- Process Web Orders
- Reject Allocated Web Orders
- Send Allocated Orders to Web
- Update Web Allocation Status

2. The Update Web Allocation Status Request Page will display where users can set filter criteria based on how they want to run the report. A description of the fields follows.

Edit - Update Web Allocation Status

ACTIONS

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Clear Filter Page

Options

New Web Allocation Status: New Order

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Show results:

Where Sell-to Agency No. is Enter a value.

And No. is Enter a value.

Print... Preview Cancel

Note: The Update Web Allocation Status process will filter agency orders for those marked as an Allocated Order and Web Transmitted. If moving an agency order to the Web Allocation Status of Accepted by Shopper, the process will mark the allocated order as a web order so that the Validate Web Order and Process functions will be applicable. Make sure to review and update your filters each time before running this batch update.

New Web Allocation Status: Select the Web Allocation Status you would like set on the selected allocated web orders. The options you can select from are the same options that are available on the Allocated Web Order Status Drop down list are Blank, New Order, Sent to Web, Accepted by Shopper.

Show Results Section: The batch update (report) is based on the agency order fields so any standard filtering field may be selected to refine the agency orders that you would like to include in the update, such as Agency Order No. (No.), Sell-To Agency No., or other filters as needed.

Limit Totals To Section: This option is not applicable as no numeric totaling is conducted.

Printing or Previewing the Batch Update Report

The batch update is completed using a Ceres Report for processing. The orders that will have their Allocation Status changed by the batch update can be printed or previewed for review. The results of the report display after the status is changed.

1. The report can be printed or previewed and saved by clicking the Print or Preview button. This will provide an historical record of the allocated orders that were updated in case any of the updates need to be reverted.
2. The Updated column in the report indicates whether or not the Web Allocation Status for the Allocated Order was successfully changed. The Updated column will normally report Yes except in the case where the New Web Allocation Status selected on the Request Page matches the Old (current) Web Allocation Status and no update was made.

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No.	Sell-to Agency No.	Name	Old Web Allocation Status	New Web Allocation Status	Updated
AO-00315	B0129	Safehome, Inc.	Sent to Web	Accepted by Shopper	YES
AO-00318	B0129	Safehome, Inc.	Sent to Web	Accepted by Shopper	YES

Related Topics

1. Agency Order Overview
2. Agency Express Managing Web Orders
3. Voxware Overview and Integration
4. AE3 Agencies, Shoppers & Items
5. Agency Scheduling.