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Overview

This Acumen 8.11 Cumulative Update 03 release includes all of the enhancements, software issues resolved, and known issues from Acumen 8.11 through Acumen 8.11 CU03.

Custom Programs Affected

Sometimes an update can cause custom programs and reports to stop working as expected. Before applying this update, consider whether you have any custom programs or reports in the application area affected by the update. If so, contact Deltek Customer Care at <http://support.deltek.com> before you install the update.

Note: For steps to install the cumulative update, see Appendix A: Download and Install the Cumulative Update.

Viewing the Online Help

The Deltek Acumen Help System provides help for all areas of the Acumen application. To access all documents available for Acumen 8.11 CU03, click <https://help.deltek.com/Product/Acumen/8.11/GA/index.html>.

Note: You can access the online help using Microsoft Edge, Chrome, or Firefox.

Software Requirements (Compatibility Matrix)

To see the list of the supported and compatible technologies, see “System Requirements” in the *Deltek Acumen 8.11 Installation Guide*.

For a complete list of the recommended minimum software requirements, see the *Deltek Product Support Compatibility Matrix* document, which you can download from the [Deltek Support Center](#) site.

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Enhancements

There are no enhancements in this release.

Software Issues Resolved

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S1 // Projects » Import

Defect 2641100

Description: When you import a P6 schedule from P6 Web or P6 XML file, Acumen did not read the option controlling which calendar to use for Lag values.

Customers Impacted: This defect affects Acumen users who use lags and import schedules from P6 Web or P6 XML.

Workaround Before Fix: Use XER files.

S3 // Risk » Risk Analysis

Defect 2641385

Description: Risk Schedule Quality Mentor did not work if the chosen Ribbon View in the S2 // Diagnostics tab did not group ribbons by Project.

Customers Impacted: This defect affects Acumen users who use Deltek Mentor when running Risk Schedule Quality.

Workaround Before Fix:

1. Go to S2 // Diagnostics.
2. Select the ribbon view you have selected in Deltek Acumen Options -> Mentor -> Risk Schedule Quality.
3. Click the Projects icon under the Ribbons ribbon group to put ribbons in project mode.
4. Re-run risk.

Security-Related Software Issues Resolved

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Known Issues

MSP Server

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Documentation Changes

There are no documentation changes in this release.

Acumen 8.11 Cumulative Update 02

Release: April 1, 2026

Enhancements

This section includes enhancements in this release.

PPM Risk-Related Changes

The Acumen 8.11 release introduced support for PPM Risk, Deltek's proactive planning, cloud-based solution. Following the renaming of PPM Risk to PPM NextGen, all related menu labels have been updated accordingly beginning in Acumen 8.11 Cumulative Update 02.

The following are the affected areas:

- Deltek Acumen Options dialog
 - Deltek Acumen Options - Risk
- S1 // Projects tab
 - Context menu
- S3 // Risk tab
 - Import/Publish menu group
 - Context menu

The Deltek PPM Risk Guide has been renamed to Deltek PPM NextGen Risk Guide. In addition, all relevant help pages have been updated.

Note: For more information on documentation changes, see the *Documentation Changes* section of this document.

Additional Note: PPM NextGen is a working name and may change in a future release. You will be notified if and when the name is updated.

Authentication Tool Option Added to Deltek Acumen Options Dialog

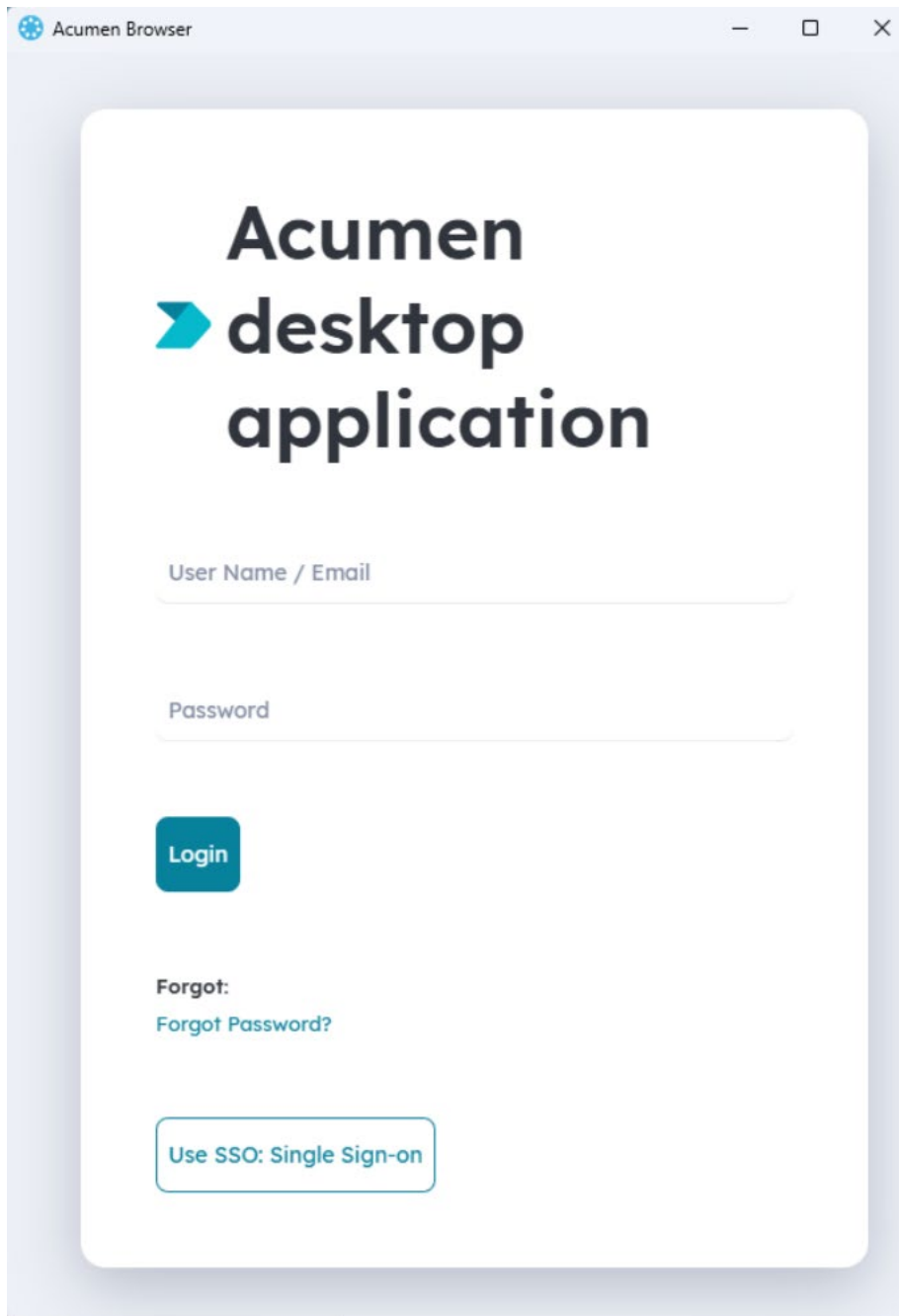
Acumen added the **Authentication Tool** field to the **PPM NextGen Authentication** group of the Risk tab in the Deltek Acumen Options dialog. This field displays two options, namely **Acumen Browser** and **Default Browser**. These options will determine which browser will open when you test your PPM Risk authentication.

The screenshot shows the 'Deltek Acumen Options' dialog box. On the left is a navigation menu with items: General, User Interface, Workbook, Platforms (General), Platforms (Deltek), Platforms (Oracle), Platforms (Microsoft), Platforms (IPMDAR), Platforms (Other), Templates, Mentor, Risk (highlighted), AI, Contact Us, and About Deltek Acumen. The main area is divided into two sections: 'General' and 'PPM NextGen Authentication'. The 'PPM NextGen Authentication' section is highlighted with a red border and contains the following fields and controls:

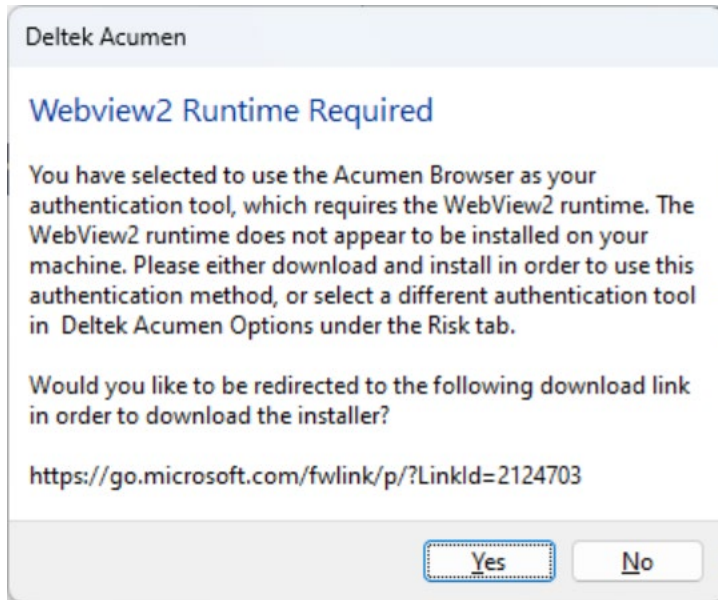
- Enable PPM NextGen Integration
- Authentication Endpoint URL:
- Authentication Tool: Acumen Browser, Default Browser
- Customer ID:
- PPM NextGen Endpoint URL:
- Test Connection:

At the bottom of the dialog are 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons.

When you select **Acumen Browser** and click **Test Connection**, a Microsoft Edge compatible browser (WebView2) dialog will display with the Acumen login process.



However, if you do not have WebView2 installed, a message which states "Webview2 Runtime Required" will display.



When you select **Default Browser** and click **Test Connection**, your operating system's default browser will open and display the Acumen login process. There is a five-minute timeout for this process.

Software Issues Resolved

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S1 // Projects » Publish » Export to Primavera P6 XER

Defect 2617566

Description: When you exported UDF values with tabs to an P6 XER file from Acumen, the tabs would not be formatted correctly, making the values difficult to read.

Customers Impacted: This defect affects Acumen users who export UDF values to P6 XER files from Acumen.

Workaround Before Fix: None.

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Documentation Changes

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Documentation/Help File	Description
Acumen 8.11 Online Help	<p>Updated the pages to reflect the changes in the "Enhancements" section:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Deltek Acumen Options (Risk) ▪ Import / Publish Group on the S3 // Risk Tab ▪ Import Risks from PPM NextGen ▪ Import Risks with Multiple Projects from PPM NextGen ▪ Create a Project to Import Risks from PPM NextGen ▪ Export Risks to PPM NextGen ▪ PPM NextGen Comparison Dialog ▪ Range Mapping Between Acumen and PPM NextGen ▪ Connect PPM NextGen Project Dialog
Acumen PPM NextGen Risk Guide	Updated to reflect the changes in the "Enhancements" section

Acumen 8.11 Cumulative Update 01

Release: February 20, 2026

Enhancements

This section includes enhancements in this release.

Ability to Use Your Company's Own LLM for AI Features in Acumen

You can now configure Acumen to use a private LLM using Ollama connection settings. We call this Bring Your Own Language Model (BYO LLM).

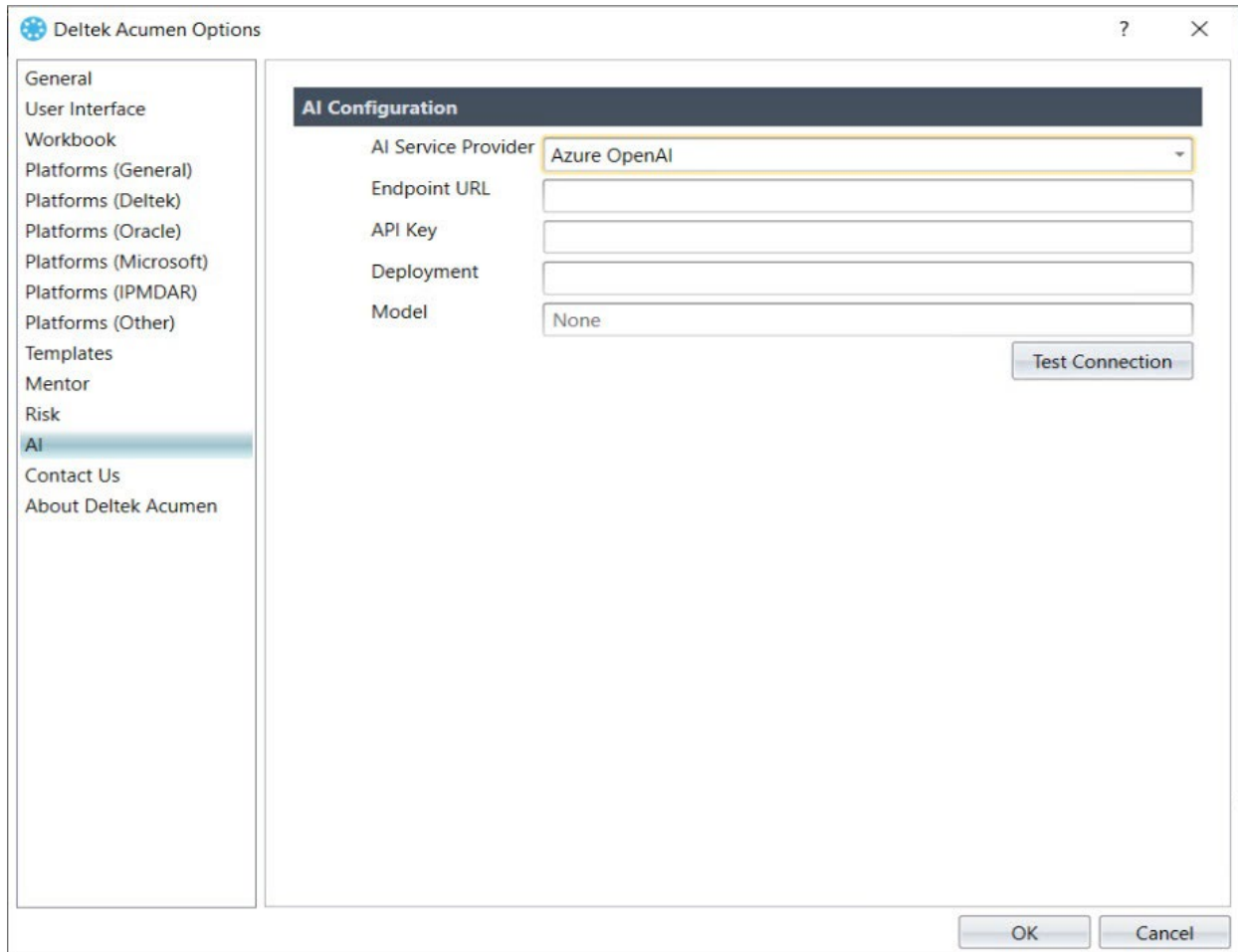
Ollama is a lightweight tool that lets you run AI language models directly on your own computer or server, keeping all your data in your environment.

You can choose from a variety of language models, including open-source options like Llama 3 and Mistral, proprietary models, or even custom-tuned models tailored to your specific business needs. This BYO LLM approach gives you the flexibility to select the AI model that works best for your organization while maintaining complete control over privacy, security, and customization.

AI Tab Updated in the Deltek Acumen Options Dialog

The AI Configuration tab in the Deltek Acumen Options dialog is now titled AI. The AI tab has been updated to include the following fields:

- **AI Service Provider:** This dropdown list specifies the AI Service Provider to be used. The options are None, Azure OpenAI or Ollama.
- **Endpoint URL:** This field defines the endpoint URL of the Azure OpenAI resource or Ollama resource. The value is case-sensitive and accepts up to 900 characters.
- **API Key:** This field specifies the API key used to authenticate requests to Azure OpenAI. The value is case-sensitive and accepts up to 900 characters.
- **Deployment:** This field indicates the name of the deployed AI model within Azure OpenAI. If this is enabled, you need to enter a value with 2-64 characters.
- **Model:** This field specifies the name of the model deployed on the Ollama service. If this is enabled, you need to enter a value with 2-64 characters.
- **Test Connection:** Click this button to run the validation and test the AI configuration.



The new **AI Service Provider** dropdown lets you select which AI service provider to use. Each option suits different needs and setups. The tab adapts automatically based on your **AI Service Provider** selection.

- **None** (no AI features)
 - When you select **None**, all fields are populated by "None," and the **Test Connection** button is disabled. In addition, the ability to generate risks and add mitigation steps with AI is disabled.
- **Azure OpenAI** (default choice)
 - When you select **Azure OpenAI**, all fields are enabled except **Model** which is disabled and populated with "None."
- **Ollama**

When you select **Ollama**, only the **Endpoint URL** and **Model** fields, and the **Test Connection** button are enabled. The **API Key** and **Deployment** fields are disabled and populated with "None."

Software Issues Resolved

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S1 // Projects

Defect 2552557

Description: When you load an .afw file created before Acumen 8.9 and this file contained multiple activities with the same unique ID (GUID), the conversion of the old format to the current format caused Acumen to crash.

Customers Impacted: This defect affects Acumen users with .afw files with multiple activities that used the same GUID and were created before Acumen 8.9.

Workaround Before Fix: None.

S1 // Projects » Get External Data From » Microsoft Project Import

Defect 2557761

Description: When you imported an MPP file with baseline work to Acumen, the following error message displayed if some resource assignments did not have baseline work: "Deltek Acumen has encountered a problem."

Customers Impacted: This defect affects Acumen users who import MPP data using the Active import.

Workaround Before Fix: Import the MPP file via Native.

Defect 2557107

Description: When you imported an MPP file to Acumen, the following error message displayed: "ToDouble: encountered value with length 26."

Customers Impacted: This defect affects Acumen users who rely on the direct import of MPP files.

Workaround Before Fix: None.

S1 // Projects » Get External Data From » Deltek Open Plan Import » Deltek Open Plan

Defect 2558718

Description: When you imported Open Plan projects using the **Deltek Open Plan from a local copy** option in Acumen 8.11, a timeout error might occur.

Customers Impacted: This defect affects Acumen users who import projects from Open Plan.

Workaround Before Fix: None.

Additional Notes: There is a new setting called **OpenPlanLoginTimeoutSeconds**. This is an application-level setting that appears in the **Fuse.exe.config** file. The default value is 10 (ten seconds). The timeout only applies to the Open Plan login, with subsequent operations having

no timeout. You change the value for slower environments or you can disable the timeout by setting the value to -1.

S3 // Risk » Analysis » Risk Analysis

Defect 2334978

Description: When you imported a schedule which already has fields for risk adjusted dates (for example, P50 Start and P50 Finish) and then ran risk analysis, the wrong P-value dates were displayed in the activity view. The dates displayed would be those that were imported with the schedule.

Customers Impacted: This defect affects Acumen users who use risk analysis on schedules that already have Acumen risk dates.

Workaround Before Fix:

1. Go to the Fields tab.
2. Delete the mappings for P-value dates.
3. Re-import the project.

Defect 2583334

Description: When running risk analysis on a cost model with the **Use Correlation to Overcome the Central Limit Theorem** option selected, there was no impact on the Cost Model results.

Customers Impacted: This defect affects Acumen users who use the **Use Correlation to Overcome the Central Limit Theorem** option on Cost Models.

Workaround Before Fix: None.

S3 // Risk » Risk Driver Comparison

Defect 2512827

Description: When you copied the Risk Driver Comparison chart to the clipboard using the **Screen Image** option and then pasted the image to MS Word or Excel, the color indicator for some activities would be missing from the legend.

Customers Impacted: This defect affects all Acumen users.

Workaround Before Fix: None.

S3 // Risk » Risk Register » Risk Event » Details Tab

Defect 2574070

Description: When you clicked the **Enable All Periods** and/or **Disable All Periods** button for a Calendar Event risk, the button did not function as expected.

Customers Impacted: This defect affects all Acumen users.

Workaround Before Fix: Manually select the projects you want to enable and/or disable.

System and Configuration

Defect 2409960

Description: When the local region and date/time format were set to Français (France) and/or Русский (Russia), the costs would not be imported for Open Plan BK3 files.

Customers Impacted: This defect affects Acumen users who set their local region and date/time format to Français (France) and/or Русский (Russia).

Workaround Before Fix: None.

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Appendix A: Download and Install the Cumulative Update

Upgrading from Earlier Versions of Acumen

You can use Deltek Software Manager (DSM) to download complete Deltek products, hot fixes, cumulative updates, and sub-releases. You can access DSM through the Deltek Support Center or use Deltek Software Manager Lite to download Deltek products.

When you are upgrading from an earlier version of Acumen, Deltek recommends that you install the new version of Acumen into a new folder rather than attempting to overwrite/upgrade an existing Acumen installation. Acumen supports concurrent installations with previous versions of Acumen, provided that:

- The two versions are installed to different folders.
- Only one version can be run at a time.

To upgrade Acumen, download the .exe file from DSM but select a different folder into which it is installed.

Accessing DSM from within the Deltek Support Center

To access DSM from within the Deltek Support Center, complete the following steps:

1. In your web browser, go to <https://deltek.custhelp.com>.
2. Enter your Deltek Support Center **Username** and **Password**, and click **Login**.
3. When the Deltek Support Center page displays, click **Product Downloads**.
4. On the Deltek Software Manager screen, click **Launch Deltek Software Manager**.
5. Click **Settings** at the top right of the dialog box to use the Settings dialog box to specify the folder where you want to download Deltek products, and click **OK**.

Note: When you log on for the first time, DSM asks you to select a default folder where Deltek products are placed after they are downloaded. You can change this folder anytime in the Settings dialog box.

6. In the left pane, locate the Acumen version that you want to install and expand the folder.
7. Select **Cumulative Updates**.
8. In the table, select the check box that you want to download.

The right pane displays a message stating that Acumen X.X has been added to the download queue.

Note: To view the items in the download queue, click **View Download Queue** at the bottom of the left pane.

9. Click **Download** at the bottom of the left pane to download Acumen to the folder that you selected.

Check for Updates

You can login to Deltek Software Manager (DSM) and manually check for updates or you can subscribe to DSM product updates so that you get email notifications whenever there is an update.

Subscribe to a Product Version in DSM

You can subscribe to a product in DSM so that you get an email every time an update is posted. You must subscribe to each version for which you want to receive email notifications. For example, you must subscribe separately to Acumen 8.4 and Acumen 8.5 if you want email notifications for both versions of the product.

To subscribe to a product in Deltek Software Manager (DSM):

1. Login to DSM.
2. Click **Settings** in the top right corner of the window.
3. Scroll down to the product and version for which you want notifications and select the **Email** option.
4. Click **OK**.

When an update is posted, you will receive an email with the product name and release details and a **Download** link that launches Deltek Software Manager with the release pre-selected.

Check the Current Version Number

In Acumen, you can view the current version number in the bottom right corner of the screen.

Appendix B: If You Need Assistance

If you need assistance installing, implementing, or using Acumen, Deltek makes a wealth of information and expertise readily available to you.

Custom Services

For over 30 years, Deltek has maintained close relationships with client firms, helping with their problems, listening to their needs, and getting to know their individual business environments. A full range of customer services has grown out of this close contact, including the following:

- Extensive self-support options through the Deltek Support Center
- Phone and email support from Customer Care analysis
- Technical services
- Custom programming
- Classroom, on-site, and web-based training

Note: Find out more about these and other services from the Deltek Support Center.

Deltek Support Center

The Deltek Support Center is a support web site for Deltek customers who purchase an Ongoing Support Plan (OSP).

The following are some of the many options that the Deltek Support Center provides:

- Search for product documentation, such as release notes, install guides, technical information, online help topics, and white papers
- Ask questions, exchange ideas, and share knowledge with other Deltek customers through the Deltek Support Center Community
- Access Cloud-specific documents and forums
- Download the latest version of your Deltek products
- Search Deltek's knowledge base
- Submit a support case and check on its progress
- Transfer requested files to a Customer Care analyst
- Subscribe to Deltek communications about your products and services
- Receive alerts of new Deltek releases and hot fixes
- Initiate a Chat to submit a question to a Customer Care analyst online

Attention: For more information regarding Deltek Support Center, refer to the online help available from the web site.

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1. Go to <https://deltek.custhelp.com>.
2. Enter your Deltek Support Center **Username** and **Password**.
3. Click **Login**.

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