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Overview

The Deltek Specpoint 2.2 Release Notes for A/E Professional Firm Users contain a summary of the following updates for each included release:

- New Features
- Enhancements
- Software Issues Resolved

The scope of these release notes covers release version 2.2.

Release 2.2

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New Features

This section includes summaries of the new features in this release.

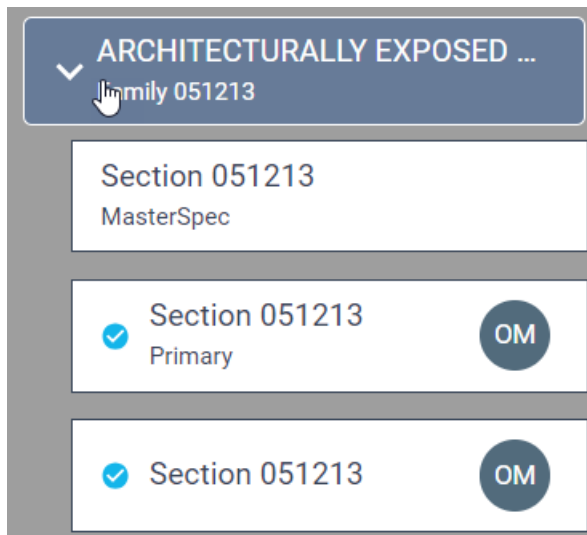
Office Master Manager

Use Specpoint's office master manager to integrate your organization's office master content as the baseline content for all your firm's projects. This release includes various new features and enhancements for the following main facets of office master manager:

- Office Master Versions
- Element Library
- Office Master Dashboard
- Office Master Import Page
- Office Master Workspace
- Family Version Selection in Projects

Office Master Versions

Specpoint's office master manager enables you to manage multiple office master versions for given family. Use multiple office master versions to cater to projects of different project groups, owners, and submission and regulatory requirements.



For a given family, the available versions consist of a combination of the following types:

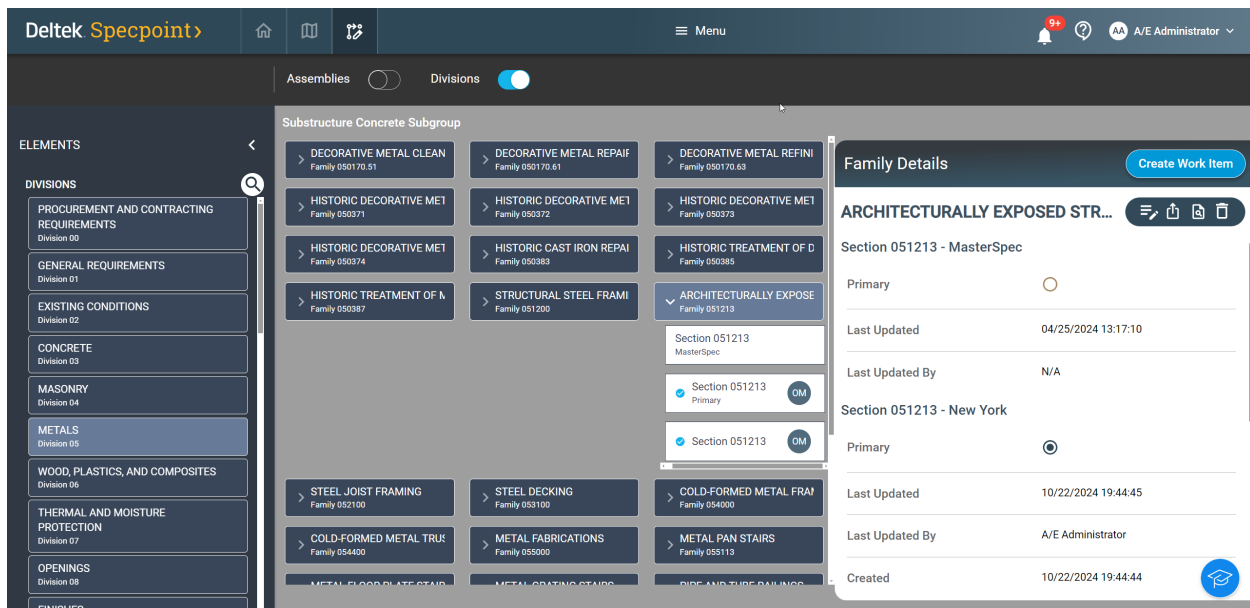
- Base MasterSpec® version
- Office master version that you imported
- Office master version that you cloned from the MasterSpec® version

Each family has one **primary version**, which is the family version that is currently used in all your projects as baseline content by default. For families without any published office master versions, the primary version is the MasterSpec version. By default for this release, all existing published office masters are primary versions for their respective families.



Use the various features of office master manager to manage your office master versions.

Element Library

The office master library enables you to view and manage the published office master versions for each family. In the element library, you can now click a family and view its available published versions, such as its MasterSpec version and its office master versions. Previously, clicking a family displays its available product types.



Each version under the family displays with the following items as applicable to its version type:

Item	Description
Title	This indicates the version's project element type, which is Family/Section, and code.
MasterSpec	This indicates that the version is the base MasterSpec family.
 Office Master	This indicates that the version is an office master version of the family.
Primary	This indicates that the version is the primary version.
 Work Item	This indicates that the version currently has a work item on the office master dashboard.

In addition, when you select a family, the Family Details pane displays.

Family Details Pane

In the element library, the Family Details pane is now available, replacing the Edit Option pane. This pane displays when you click a family. Use this pane to manage the published versions of your selected family.

Family Details

Create Work Item

ARCHITECTURALLY EXPOSED STRUCT...

Section 051213 - MasterSpec

Primary

Last Updated

04/25/2024 13:17:10

Last Updated By

N/A

Section 051213 - New York

Primary

Last Updated

10/22/2024 19:44:45

Last Updated By

A/E Administrator

Created

10/22/2024 19:44:44





Created By

A/E Administrator

Section 051213 - Client A

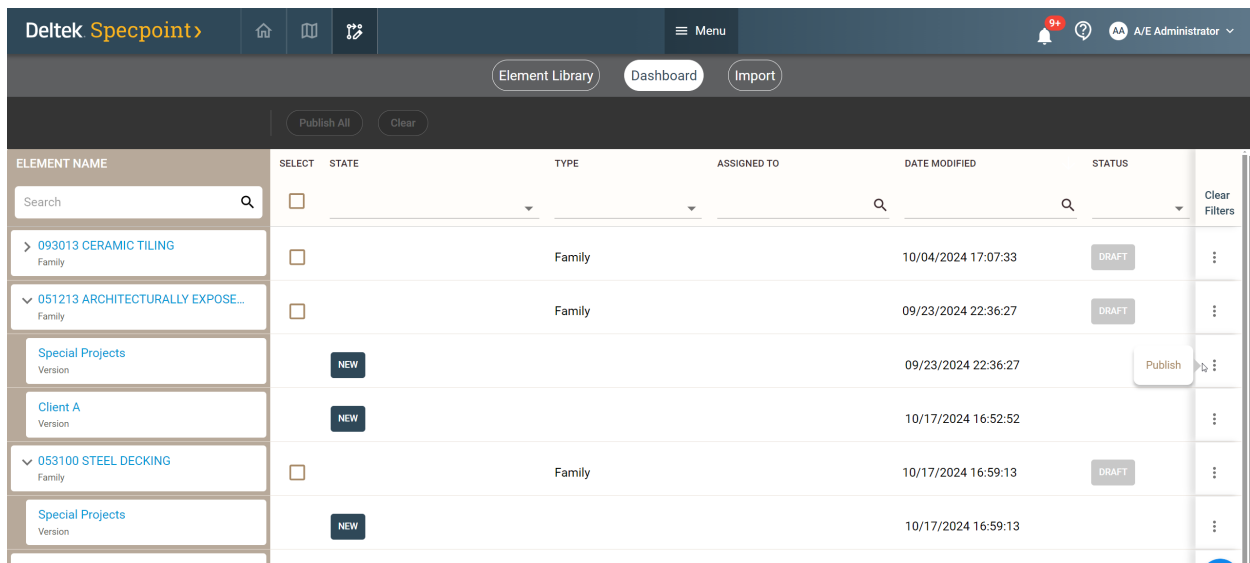
In the Family Details pane for your selected family, the following contents are available:

Item	Description
Create Work Item	<p>Click this option to open the Create Work Item dialog box and create a work item for one of the family's versions. This enables you to work on the office master family's contents in the office master workspace. For creating a work item, the following types are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clone a MasterSpec family to create a new office master version of the family with the same content, structure, and links as the MasterSpec version. This allows you to use MasterSpec content as a starting point for your custom firm-level content. Create a work item for a version of an office master family to modify content, such as articles and paragraphs, in the version.
Family	This displays the name of the family that you selected.

Item	Description
 Rename	Click this button to open the Rename Office Masters dialog box and rename an office master version of the family. This enables you label and distinguish each version.
 Export	Click this button to open the Export Office Master dialog box and export a version of the family as a DOCX file.
 Preview	Click this button to open the Preview Office Master dialog box and preview a version of the family in a traditional section view or similar to the view of a project output.
 Delete	Click this button to open the Delete Office Master dialog box and delete an office master of the family.
Version List	<p>This lists the available versions for the selected family and enables you to assign the primary version for the family.</p> <p>For each version in this list, the following details are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version Name Primary Last Updated Last Updated By Created Created By




Office Master Dashboard

The office master dashboard includes the enhancements that enable you to manage the work items for your office master families.



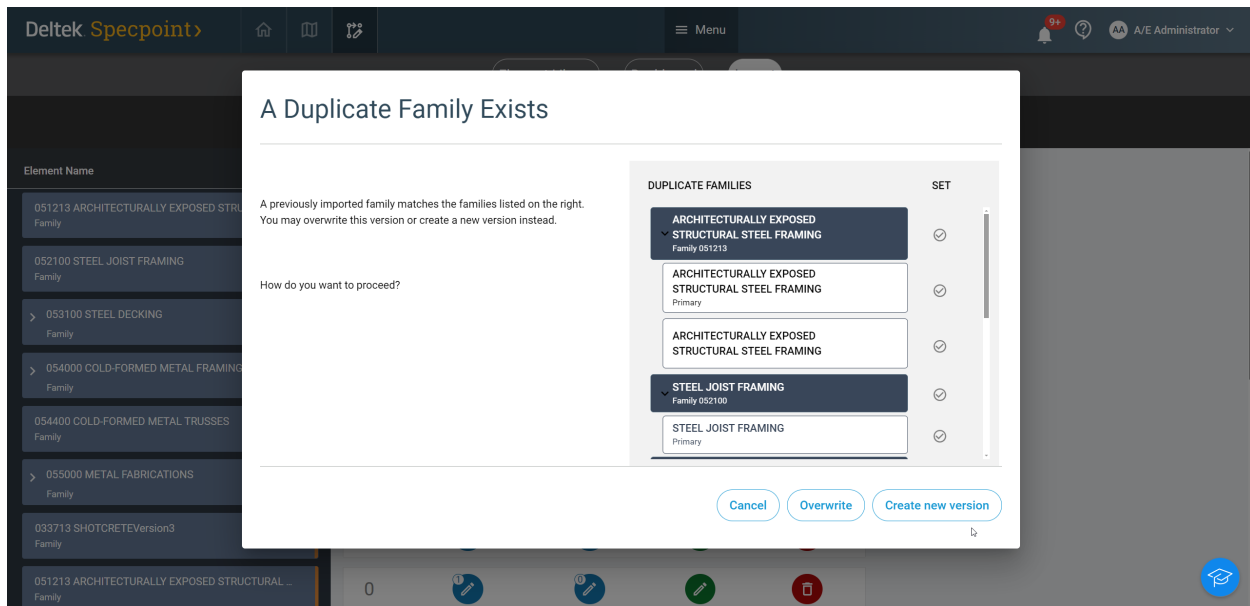
ELEMENT NAME	SELECT	STATE	TYPE	ASSIGNED TO	DATE MODIFIED	STATUS	
Search	<input type="checkbox"/>						Clear Filters
> 093013 CERAMIC TILING Family	<input type="checkbox"/>		Family		10/04/2024 17:07:33	DRAFT	⋮
▼ 051213 ARCHITECTURALLY EXPOSE... Family	<input type="checkbox"/>		Family		09/23/2024 22:36:27	DRAFT	⋮
Special Projects Version	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NEW			09/23/2024 22:36:27	Publish	⋮
Client A Version	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NEW			10/17/2024 16:52:52		⋮
▼ 053100 STEEL DECKING Family	<input type="checkbox"/>		Family		10/17/2024 16:59:13	DRAFT	⋮
Special Projects Version	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NEW			10/17/2024 16:59:13		⋮

On the dashboard, you can now perform the following actions:

- **View Office Master Versions for a Family:** Click  (right arrow) on a family to expand it and view its available office master versions with work items.
- **Open an Office Master Version on the Dashboard:** Click the name of the office master version under the family to open it in the office master workspace.
You can also click the name of the family to open the version with the latest work item.
- **Publish Individual Office Master Versions:** Click the family to show its versions and click  » **Publish** in the row of the version.
- **Publish All Office Master Versions under a Family:** Click  » **Publish** in the row of the family.

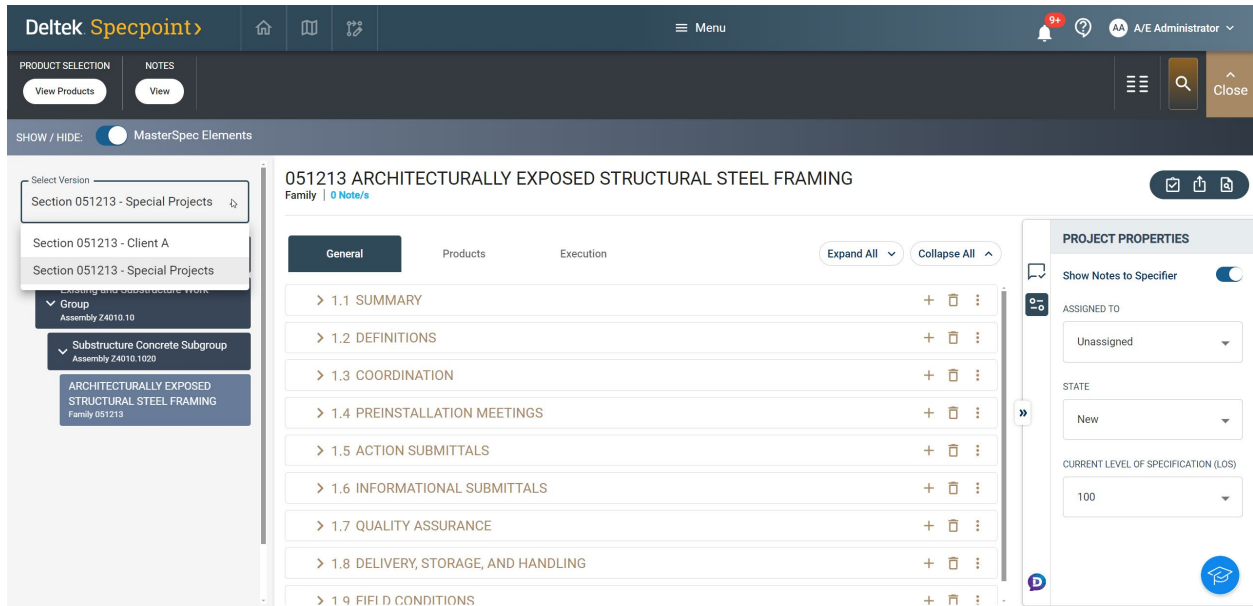
Office Master Import Page

The Office Master Import page includes enhancements that enable you to work with multiple versions of office master families. When you import an office master family for a family with an existing office master version, you must select in the A Duplicate Family Exists dialog box whether to overwrite the existing office master version with the imported family or create a new version.



Office Master Workspace


The office master workspace now enables you to modify the content items, such as articles, paragraphs, and product types, of an office master version of a given family. If you have multiple versions with work items for a family, you must open the office master workspace for the specific version that you want to modify.

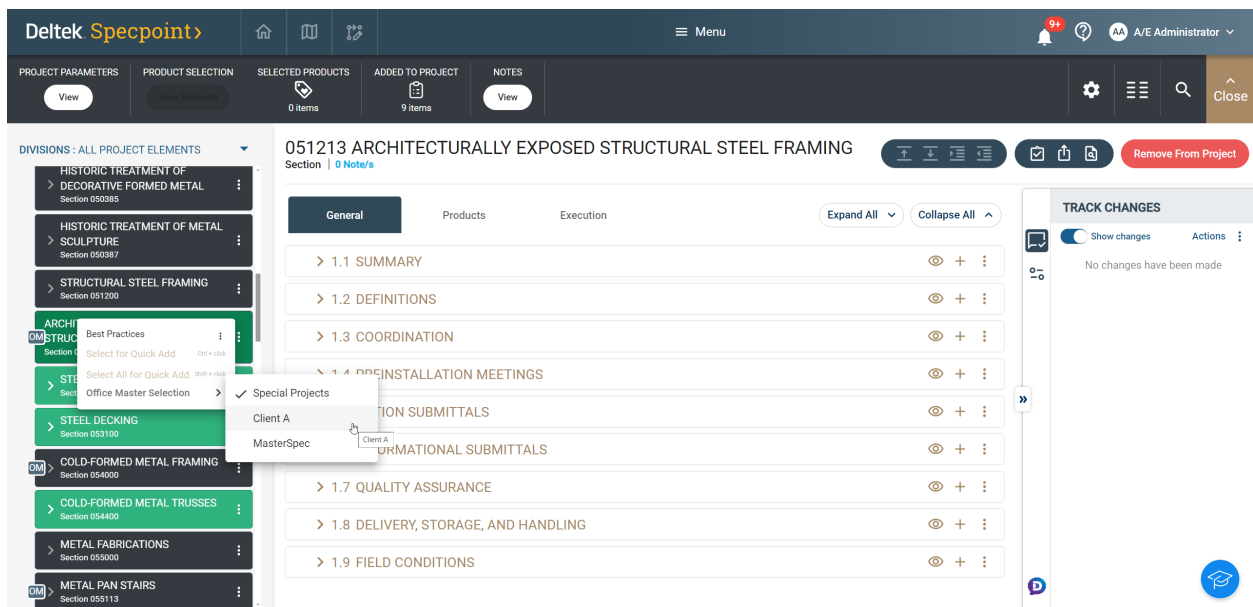


In addition, the MasterSpec Elements pane of the workspace includes the **Select Version** field. Use this field to switch between versions with work items. This enables you to quickly reference, compare, and modify the content items of multiple versions of a family.

Family Version Selection in the Project Workspace

If your firm has published office master families, new projects use the primary versions of families by default.

For projects with requirements that vary from the primary version, the project workspace enables you to select the version that fits best. In the Project Elements pane of the project workspace, you can use the  (menu icon) on a family/section to display the Office Master Selection menu and select from the family's MasterSpec version and published office master versions.



Note: When you load a new version into your project, the project workspace discards all modifications that you made to the previous version, if any.

Enhancements

This section includes summaries of the enhancements made to existing features in this release.

Ask Dela™ in Specpoint Utilizing OpenAI Models

Specpoint's generative AI assistant, which is powered by Deltek Dela™, now includes functionality utilizing OpenAI models providing better insights at a faster rate.

The screenshot shows the Deltek Specpoint software interface. The top navigation bar includes 'PROJECT PARAMETERS', 'PRODUCT SELECTION', 'SELECTED PRODUCTS', 'ADDED TO PROJECT', and 'NOTES'. The main workspace displays a project titled '030130 MAINTENANCE OF CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE'. On the right side, the 'Ask Dela' AI assistant panel is open, showing a comparison table of Wood and Concrete materials.

Material	Advantages	Disadvantages	Price
Wood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher thermal resistance than aluminum Aesthetic appeal Renewable resource 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential deterioration from moisture Requires regular maintenance if painted 	Varies by species and treatment
Concrete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High strength and durability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heavy and requires proper support Prone to cracking 	Generally high

This enhancement enables you to perform the following:

- Query live data from Specpoint's product library.
- Create comparisons between products.
- Visualize responses in a table format, including proper spacing and scrolling for multiple columns.

To access the AI assistant, click  in the workspace side panel.

Discontinued Families 2024 Q4

Due to earlier updates to the MasterSpec® library, the following families are no longer available in Specpoint:

- 099611 High-Performance Coatings (Proprietary Specification)
- 284800 Emergency Response Systems

You can no longer view and add these families into your project. Projects that have these families already added retain these families. The content in these discontinued families have been incorporated into various families.

For more information, see the MasterSpec® update notes.

Text-Only Manufacturer Properties

Manufacturers in Specpoint can now define manufacturer properties/options that include only a text description for their product listings. When you add product listings and include these manufacturer properties to your project, the platform adds the respective manufacturer property paragraphs to your project. These paragraphs include only a property key and in-line text.

Improved Submittals Report Logic and Formatting

The Submittals register now features improved reporting logic and data formatting. These improvements include updates to the scope of Submittals data in the Smart Report data entries, correctly specifying the grouping of paragraphs that populate the Data Title and Data Description fields. This update ensures a more accurate display of project requirements and avoids confusion when you generate submittals reports.

Software Issues Resolved

This section includes summaries of the resolved software issues in this release.

Project Workspace

This section includes the descriptions of resolved software issues encountered in the project workspace.

Unexpected Basis-of-Design (BOD) Product Paragraph Selection

Defect 2195108: When you added a product listing as a basis-of-design (BOD) product to your project and then previewed or exported the listings family and product type, the section preview and the exported files included the manufacturer of the added BOD product in the list of manufacturers in the associated BOD product paragraph. In the project workspace, the manufacturer was correctly not selected in the BOD product paragraph (unless manually selected by the user).

The screenshot displays the Deltek Specpoint software interface for the 'Acoustical Panels' product selection. The top navigation bar includes tabs for 'PROJECT PARAMETERS', 'PRODUCT SELECTION', 'SELECTED PRODUCTS', 'ADDED TO PROJECT', and 'NOTES'. The 'PRODUCT SELECTION' tab is active, showing a list of manufacturers under the 'Products' section. The list includes American Gypsum, C.M. Security Group Inc., Cardinal Acoustics, Inc., CertainTeed; SAINT-GOBAIN, H&C Decorative Concrete Products; a brand of Sherwin-Williams Co., Rockfon; ROCKWOOL International, and USG Corporation. The 'Cardinal Acoustics, Inc.' entry is highlighted. To the right, a preview of the product paragraph is shown, displaying the selected manufacturer and its details.

Error When Adding a Section to a New Project

Defect 2249266: When you attempted to add a section to a newly created project, the platform displayed an error, and you were unable to add the section. You experienced this issue intermittently.

Incorrect Numbering of BOD Paragraph in Project Workspace

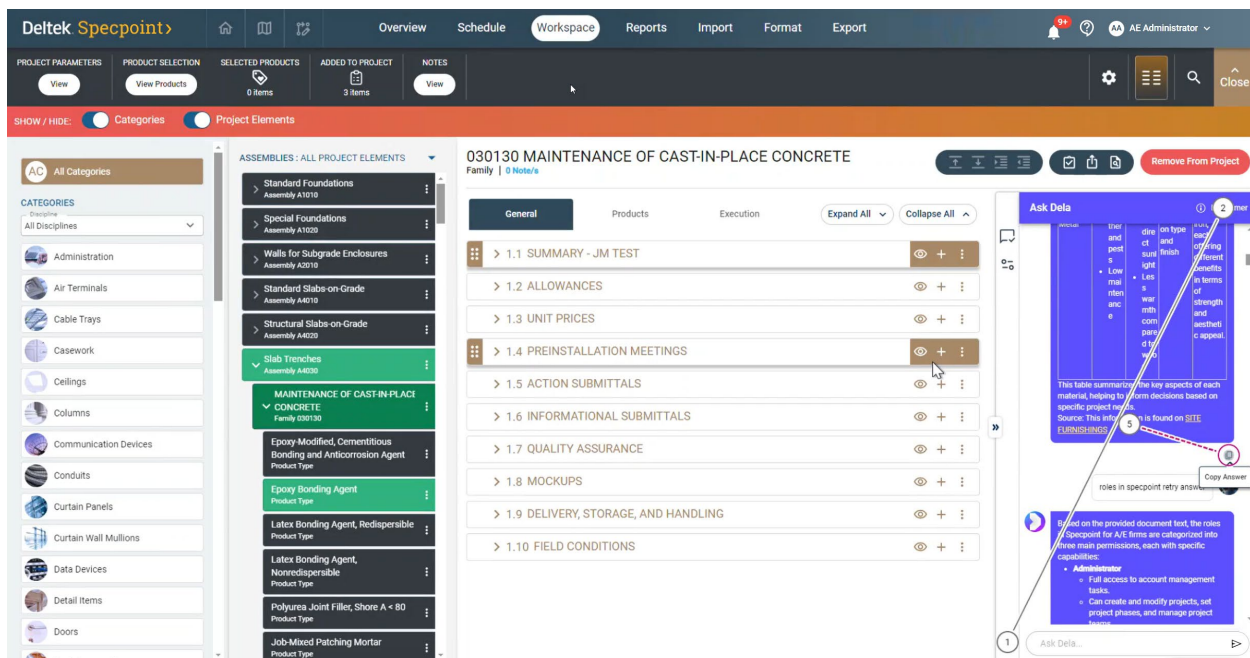
Defect 2226462: When you added a product listing as a basis-of-design (BOD) product for a product type, the numbering for the BOD product paragraph did not update and the product type content displayed in an incorrect order.

Number Sequence of Paragraphs not Updating in Project Workspace

Defect 2222497: When you inactivated paragraphs in the Project Elements pane of the project workspace, the numbering of the paragraphs did not update in the correct sequence. However, when you viewed the project contents in the Section Preview window and in the exported file, the numbering of the paragraphs was correct. This issue occurred on the General, Products, and Execution tabs of the element form.

Ask Dela Accessibility—Tab Stops

Defect 2256965: When you used tabs stop from your browser's accessibility tools on Ask Dela in the project workspace, you were unable to open links by pressing ENTER.



Preview and Export

This section includes the descriptions of resolved software issues with the section preview and the exported project sections.

Error When Exporting a Project

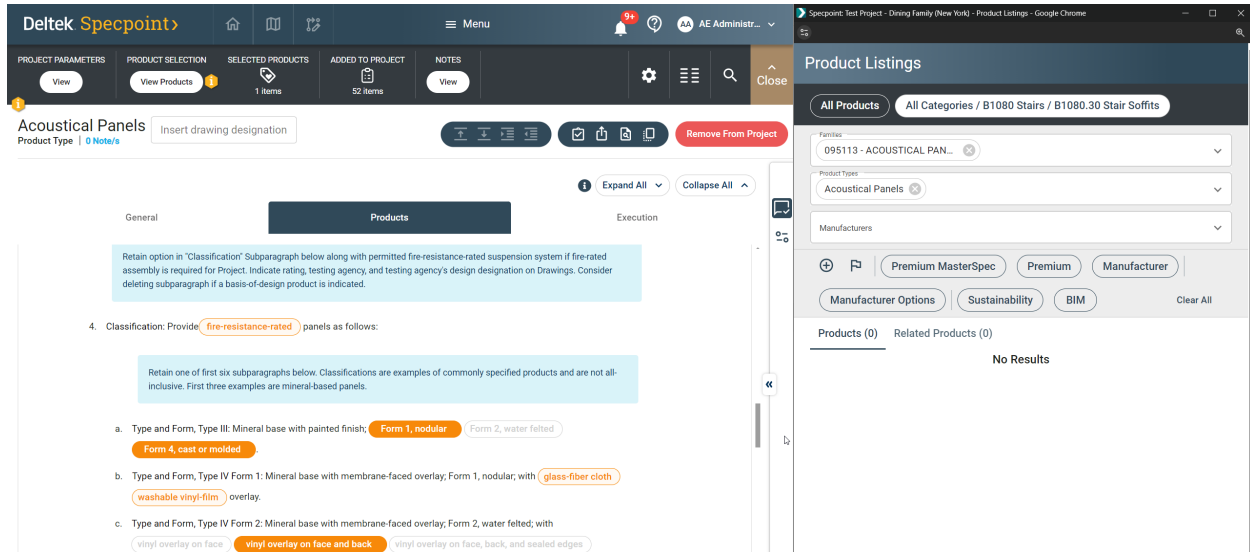
Defect 2250032: When you attempted to export a project, multiple errors occurred.

Product Selection

This section includes the descriptions of resolved software issues encountered in product selection.

Filtering by Product Type Properties

Defect 2200744: When you added a product type to your project, selected options in product type property paragraphs, and opened the Product Listings window, the product listings window displayed no results regardless of product listings being eligible for your selected product type properties.



Incorrect Manufacturer Name

Defect 1661781: In the Product Listings window, select product listings displayed with their respective manufacturers' account name instead of their display name. This affected both product listing cards and the Product Listing Details pane.

Basis-of-Design (BOD) Product Paragraph Automation

Defect 2246874: When you added a product listing as a basis of design (⊕) to a project, the Product Listings window displayed an error message. In addition, the platform did not make automated changes to the respective basis-of-design (BOD) product paragraph and product property paragraphs in the product type.

Product Listings Window Kept Loading After Adding a Product Listing

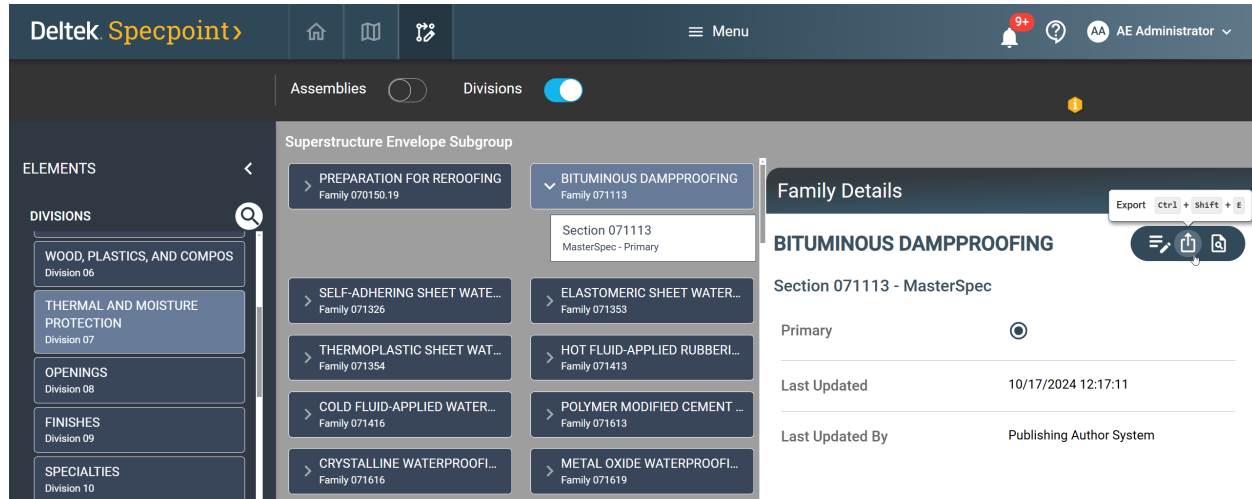
Defect 2225599: When you added a product listing to your project in the Product Listings window, the Product Listing window continued to load indefinitely even when the product listing was successfully added. The issue occurred after you used the Product Types filter in adding the product listing. As a workaround, you needed to reload the Product Listing window.

Office Master Content

This section includes the descriptions of resolved software issues encountered in office master content.

Unable to Export Sections from the Element Library

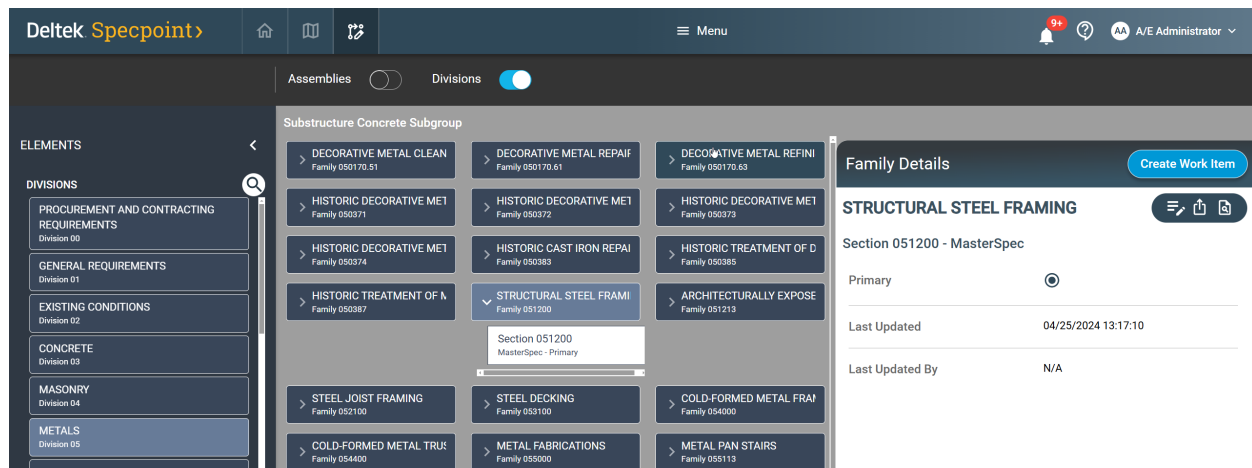
Defect 2261833: When you exported (📄) a section from the element library in Divisions view, the platform did not export the section and displayed a platform maintenance page.



This issue affected only select sections, such as **071113 Bituminous Dampproofing** under the **07 Thermal and Moisture Protection** division.

Create Work Item Availability

Defect 2258948: When you selected a family without a published office master in the element library, the Family Details pane included the **Create Work Item** button. This button should be available only for families with at least one published office master version.



Smart Reports—Submittal Register

This section includes the descriptions of resolved software issues encountered in generating the submittal register.

Incomplete Data Generated in Smart Reports

Defect 2252592: When you made changes to your project and then opened the Smart Reports page to generate a report, the report displayed incomplete data, where some families were not included.

Responsiveness and UI Issues in Smart Reports

Defect 2210994: On the Smart Reports page, some column labels and division titles were unexpectedly cut off when you:


- Resized columns
- Adjusted the browser window size
- Changed the screen scale.

In addition, tooltips remained visible, even after resizing the screen or columns. These fixes ensure a better view of the Smart Report contents.

Best Practices

This section includes the descriptions of resolved software issues with best practice tags and related content automation.


Project Parameter Best Practice Icon not Showing

Defect 2249241: When you attempted to tag a product listing card as a project parameter best practice in the Product Listings window, the project parameter best practice icon () for the given item did not display on both the project workspace and Product Listings window. You experienced this issue intermittently.

Help Resources

This section includes the descriptions of resolved software issues in the available Specpoint help resources.

Outdated MasterSpec® Sections and Supporting Documents

Defect 2246166: When you clicked  (Help) » **MasterSpec Updates** and then ran the downloaded DeltekMasterSpecUpdates.exe file, the extracted DOCX file contained Q2 2024 contents. For this release, the extracted file should contain the Q3 2024 version.

Appendix: For Additional Information

Specpoint Customer Assistance Program

To access Specpoint FAQ and training videos, register for the [Specpoint Customer Assistance Program](#).

Deltek Support Center

The Deltek Support Center is a support website 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 versions of your Deltek products
- Search Deltek's knowledge base
- Submit a support case and check on its progress
- Transfer requested files to a Deltek Customer Success 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 Deltek Customer Success analyst online

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

Access Deltek Support Center

To access the Deltek Support Center:

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

Note: If you forget your username or password, you can click the **Need Help?** button on the login screen for help.

Available Documentation for this Release

The following table lists the Deltek documentation available for this release. Except where noted, all the user guides and quick reference guides listed in this table are available for download from the Deltek Support Center.

Document Name	Description
Deltek Specpoint 2.1 Release Notes for A/E Users	These release notes contain a summary of the new features, enhancements, and resolved software issues in earlier releases.
Deltek Specpoint 1.0 Release Notes for A/E Users	These release notes contain a summary of the key features for the first release of Specpoint.
Deltek Specpoint Help for A/E Users	This guide contains descriptions of and procedural information about features included in Specpoint. You can access this guide from Specpoint's help menu.
Deltek Specpoint SaaS Administrator Guide	This guide contains descriptions of and procedural information about features that are available for administrators who are responsible for the initial activation and ongoing management of Specpoint.
Deltek Specpoint MasterSpec Styles and Template Guide	This guide enables you to learn how to set up MasterSpec styles for your project specification sections in DOCX format through Microsoft® Word, prior to Specpoint import.



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