# **Transit XV**

**Filters** 

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## 1 Welcome

## 1.1 Manuals

Transit/TermStar are very powerful tools in your translation process. A wide range of manuals are available which help you use Transit/TermStar optimally and provide you with the correct information on the task at hand.

You can start the most important manuals directly from the installation CD by starting the installation CD and clicking **Manuals**.

Transit/TermStar XV – Installation

Installation and upgrade installation of Transit and/or TermStar XV

- Transit XV User's Guide
   The basics for working in Transit
- TermStar XV User's Guide
   The basics for working in TermStar
- Transit/TermStar XV Reference Guide

Special functions for advanced users of Transit and TermStar

Transit XV – Alignment Tool

For creating reference material for Transit from existing translations

Transit XV – Filters

Detailed information and tips on file formats which you can import in Transit

TermStar XV – Importing/Exporting

Exporting dictionaries out of TermStar, merging dictionaries and importing data into TermStar dictionaries

#### Latest manuals on our website

The latest versions of these manuals and other documentation can be downloaded from our website in the **Support/Download | Download Center** area under www.star-solutions.net



#### Manuals on migration

Once you have installed Transit/TermStar, you can call up additional manuals on migration from Version 2.7/3.0 to Version XV via the Windows start menu (Windows menu Start | Programs | Transit XV | Transit 2.x Migration or Transit 3.0 Migration):





#### Special manuals for advanced users

Additional manuals are available for very advanced users which describe very specific tasks and areas (e.g. API parameters, file format definitons or connecting SQL databases). These manuals are available on request.

## 1.2 Symbols and conventions

We use special symbols and fonts for easy orientation in this manual. You will find the symbols and fonts used and their meanings in table 1-1.

Symbols and fonts	Explanation
	Warning
STOP	Warning of serious errors. Failure to observe this warning may result in data loss.
	Caution
	An important note to help you avoid errors which could affect your work.
	Information
1	A note or tip to make work easier.
	Instruction
	Numbered steps to follow when carry- ing out an instruction.
Click	Menu
Edit   Find.	Menu items, options and buttons are printed in <b>bold</b> . The vertical line () separates the menu and the submenu.
	The example given on the left has the following meaning: Click the <b>Edit</b> menu and then select the <b>Find</b> function.

#### Table 1-1: Symbols and conventions

Symbols and fonts	Explanation
Press CTRL+F4	Shortcut
	This instruction means that you must press the F4 key while <i>holding down</i> the CTRL key <i>at the same time</i> .
Press CTRL+Q, E	This instruction means the following:
	Press the keys CTRL and Q simulta- neously.
	Then release both keys and press the E key.
Enter the term valve.	User input
	You must enter characters shown in the <i>Courier Italic</i> font using the keyboard.
Enter the <search text="">.</search>	Variables
Select <file name="">.</file>	Any text in angular brackets is a place- holder which you must replace, along with the angular brackets, with a con- crete value.
The lddd.rbe file is located in the	File names
\config\global <b>folder</b> .	File and folder names are displayed in Courier font.

Table 1-1: Symbols and conventions (cont.)

## Calling up functions via menu, keyboard shortcuts or icons

This manual provides you with information on how to call up functions via menus. However, you can also call up many functions via shortcuts, icons or the context menu.



The Appendix in the Transit User's Guide provides you with an overview of the keyboard shortcuts and icons available to you.

# 2 Overview

Transit can import files originated in a lot of DTP and word processing programs. Table 2-1 provides an overview of the formats which Transit can import. You can find more details in the mentioned sections.

File format	Supported versions/ further information	File type option in Transit
AutoCAD	Data exchange via $dxf$ files	AutoCAD (DXF)
	Optional filter	
	<ul> <li>Supported versions: AutoCAD Release 13 – 14 AutoCAD 2000</li> </ul>	
	See Section 4.2 on page 33.	
Excel	Supported versions: Excel 97, 2000, XP	MS Excel 97/2000/XP
	See Section 3.2 on page 15.	
FrameMaker	Data exchange via MIF files	Adobe FrameMaker
	Optional filter	(MIF)
	Supported versions: FrameMaker 4.0- 7.1	
	See Section 4.3 on page 34.	
HTML	Supported versions:	■ HTML 4.x
	All versions up to 4.x	HTML 4.x Unicode
	See Section 3.3 on page 15.	
InDesign	Data exchange via InDesign Plug-ins	Adobe InDesign
	Optional filter	
	Supported versions: InDesign 1.5/2.0/CS/CS2	
	See Section 4.4 on page 41.	
Interleaf	Data exchange via ASCII format	Interleaf 4.x-7.x
	Optional filter	
	Supported versions: Interleaf 4.x – 7.x	
	See Section 4.5 on page 43.	

Tab. 2-1: File formats

File format	Supported versions/ further information	File type option in Transit
PageMaker	Optional filters	PageMaker 6.0
	Supported versions:	PageMaker 6.5
	PageMaker 6.0 – 7.0	PageMaker 7.0
	See Section 4.6 on page 45.	
PowerPoint	<ul> <li>Supported versions: PowerPoint 97, 2000, XP</li> </ul>	MS PowerPoint 97/2000/XP
	See Section 3.4 on page 17.	91/2000/Al
QuarkXPress	Data exchange via QuarkXPress texts	QuarkXPress
Quantita 1000	<ul> <li>Supported versions:</li> </ul>	(Windows)
	QuarkXPress 3.3.x – 4.1.x	QuarkXPress
	See Section 3.5 on page 19.	(Macintosh)
	Data exchange via XTension XGate 6	Quark XGate 5.0-
	Optional filter	6.5 (Windows)
	Supported versions:	<ul> <li>Quark XGate 5.0-</li> <li>6.5 (Macintosh)</li> </ul>
	European QuarkXPress versions 6.0 – 6.5 (Simple and Passport)	
	See Section 4.9 on page 54 and "XGate 6 Installation Instructions and User Guide".	
Resource files	See Section 3.6 on page 25.	Resource Files
RTF	■ Supported versions: RTF 1.4 – 1.5	RTF 1.x
RTF for Win- help	Supported versions: RTF 1.4 – 1.5	Help files RTF 1.x
SGML	See Section 3.7 on page 26.	SGML
SVG	Supported version: SVG 1.0	SVG
	See Section 3.8 on page 26.	

Tab. 2-1: File formats (cont.)

File format	Supported versions/ further information	File type option in Transit
Text files	ANSI coded text files	<ul><li>Text (ANSI)</li><li>1 new line</li></ul>
		<ul><li>Text (ANSI)</li><li>2 new lines</li></ul>
	ASCII coded text files	<ul> <li>Text (MS-DOS)</li> <li>1 new line</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Text (MS-DOS)</li> <li>2 new lines</li> </ul>
	Text files created on Macintosh	<ul> <li>Text (Macintosh)</li> <li>1 new line</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Text (Macintosh)</li> <li>2 new lines</li> </ul>
	Text files created under UNIX	<ul> <li>Text (UNIX/ISO- 8859-X)</li> <li>1 new line</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Text (UNIX/ISO- 8859-X)</li> <li>2 Newlines</li> </ul>
	Unicode coded text files	Text (Unicode) 1 new line
		<ul> <li>Text (Unicode)</li> <li>2 new lines</li> </ul>
		<ul><li>Text (UTF-8)</li><li>1 new line</li></ul>
		<ul><li>Text (UTF-8)</li><li>2 new lines</li></ul>
	See Section 3.9 "Text files" on page 27.	
Trados TTX	Segmented Trados TTX files See Section 4.7 on page 50	Trados TTX
Visio	Data exchange via XML drawings <ul> <li>Optional filter</li> <li>Supported version:</li> </ul>	Visio 2002/2003 XML
	Visio 2002/2003 See Section 4.8 on page 52.	

Tab. 2-1: File formats (cont.)

File format	Supported versions/ further information	File type option in Transit
Word	<ul> <li>Supported versions: Word 6, 95, 97, 2000, XP, 2003</li> <li>See Section 3.10 on page 29.</li> </ul>	MS Word f. Windows 95/97/2000/XP/2003
Word for helpfiles	<ul> <li>Supported versions: Word 95, 97, 2000, XP, 2003</li> <li>See Section 3.11 on page 30.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Helpfiles Word f.</li> <li>Windows 95/97/ 2000/XP/2003</li> </ul>
		Helpfiles Ver. 2, MS Word f. Win- dows 95/97/2000/ XP/2003
WordPerfect	<ul> <li>Supported versions:</li> <li>WordPerfect 5 – 10</li> </ul>	WordPerfect 5/6.x/7/8/9/10
XML	See Section 3.7 on page 26.	XML

Tab. 2-1: File formats (cont.)

# 3 Standard Filters

## 3.1 Overview

This section provides you with important information on all the filters which are supplied with Transit as standard. Section 4 "Optional Filters" on page 33 describes the filters which can be additionally purchased.

An overview of all the file formats which can be imported and the file types to be used is provided in Section 2 "Overview" on page 11.

## 3.2 Excel

## 3.2.1 Fast save

Files which have been saved using the **Fast save** option cannot be imported into Transit.

## You can, however, import these files as follows:

- 1 Open the file in the program in question (Word, Excel or PowerPoint).
- 2 Make sure that fast saving is *not* allowed. For this purpose, if necessary uncheck the **Allow fast saves** option in the **Tools | Options** menu, **Save** tab.
- 3 Save the file again.

Transit can now import the file as usual.

## 3.3 HTML

## 3.3.1 Character coding

The following versions of the HTML filter are available in Transit:

- HTML 4.x
- HTML 4.x Unicode

By selecting the filter, you specify how Transit should export the HTML file *when the translation is finished*. Special characters are encoded as ANSI characters or Unicode characters, depending on the filter.



## Confirm the character formatting with your client

If you receive HTML files from your client, it is sometimes not clear which type of character coding is used in the HTML files. For this reason, get your client to confirm which character coding you should deliver.

The character coding is not relevant when importing into Transit. Transit automatically converts all special characters to Unicode characters for the translation task in the editor.

## 3.3.2 Folder structure of HTML projects

Typically, HTML projects consist of a very large number of very small HTML files which are often saved to various subfolders and are cross-referenced to one another.

There are two functions in Transit which make working with such HTML projects far easier.

Import files in folders and subfolders

When you specify the files to be imported (**Project | Settings** menu, **Files** tab), you can select a folder and include all the subfolders (Fig. 3-1).

Select Project Files Directo	ory		? ×
File name: *.htm/*.html banner.htm index.htm lefthome.htm ritehome.htm welcome2.html welcome2.html	Eolders: c:\data\rabe-online C:\ C:\ C data Tabe-online fridge gallery newsletter		OK Cancel
List files of type: HTML 4.x (".htm,".html)	Dri⊻es: Г ⊂ с:	•	Net <u>w</u> ork

Fig. 3-1: Selecting folder with Include subfolders option

Transit then proceeds as follows:

- Transit imports all the HTML files in the folder selected and in its subfolders.

For this reason, you do not have to search through each individual folder or subfolder for HTML files to be imported.

 When exporting, Transit creates the same folder structure in the export folder and exports the HTML files to the appropriate folders.

This means that you do not have to sort each individual HTML file into the correct folder after exporting.

Load language pairs globally

Transit creates a language pair for each HTML file imported, with the result that you typically have a very large number of very small language pairs in a HTML project.

If you are opening several language pairs, you can open them globally (Fig. 3-2).

Open Language Pair for Project:	? ×
banner fridge\fr_cam1 fridge\fr_cam2 gallery\fotocali gallery\fotocali gallery\fotowelt gal	OK Cancel Browse
<ul> <li>Open in a separate window set</li> <li>Add to global window set</li> </ul>	

Fig. 3-2: Opening several language pairs with the option Add to global window set.

Transit then displays all the language pairs in one window. You can translate and edit the language pairs as if they were just *one* file. In this way, you can also use functions such as "Search and Replace" or "Spellcheck" for all the open language pairs in one fell swoop.

## 3.3.3 Customise file type definition for HTML

The HMTL file type definitions supplied by STAR are kept as general as possible so that the widest possible range of HTML documents can be processed. However, they cannot take individual requirements of your HTML files into account.

Therefore we recommend to adapt and optimise the file type definitions specially for the specific features of your HTML documents.

## 3.4 PowerPoint

## 3.4.1 Word Art elements

WordArt elements which have been inserted in PowerPoint or Word files are not displayed in Transit for translation.

## 3.4.2 Fast save

Files which have been saved using the **Fast save** option cannot be imported into Transit.

#### You can, however, import these files as follows:

- 1 Open the file in the program in question (Word, Excel or PowerPoint).
- 2 Make sure that fast saving is *not* allowed. For this purpose, if necessary uncheck the **Allow fast saves** option in the **Tools | Options** menu, **Save** tab.
- 3 Save the file again.

Transit can now import the file as usual.

## 3.4.3 Special file type settings for PowerPoint files

For PowerPoint files, there are two special options in the file type settings (Fig. 3-3):

Index entries position		Filter display options		
End of paragraph		Display hidden text		
C Do not move		Hide declarations		
Embedded Objects		PowerPoint		
Process objects		Fide Master Pages		
		✓ Hide Speaker Notes		
Delete special characters—				
Page breaks		Optional Hyphens		
🔲 Column breaks		Revision bars		
🔲 Line breaks		Letter spacing/kerning		
Index entries position:		lecide whether or not index entries are to be moved to		
Filter display options:	the end of the paragraph. Use the options to decide whether hidden text and/or declarations are			
nici dispidy options.	to be displayed.			
Delete special characters:	Use these options to remove non-translatable characters during the import process.			

Fig. 3-3: Special file type settings for PowerPoint files

#### Master pages

In PowerPoint, you can use master pages to specify text which is displayed on all slides (e.g. headers and footers). Generally, this text also has to be translated, but not always.

You can specify whether Transit should import master pages so that you can translate them:



- Select Hide Master Pages if you do not want Transit to import the master pages. Then you cannot translate them. During export, Transit then reinserts the master pages in the source language.
- Uncheck the **Hide Master Pages** option so that Transit imports the master pages and you can translate them.
- Speaker notes

In PowerPoint, you can make notes which do not form part of the slides (e.g. comments for the presentation). Generally, this text also has to be translated, but not always.

You can specify whether Transit should import the speaker notes so that you can translate them:

- Select Hide Speaker Notes if you do not want Transit to import the speaker notes. Then you cannot translate them. During export, Transit then reinserts the speaker notes in the source language.
- Uncheck the Hide Speaker Notes option so that Transit imports the speaker notes and you can translate them.

## 3.4.4 Adjusting the layout after translation

As PowerPoint works with set field and frame sizes, the layout generally has to be adjusted after translation.

## 3.5 QuarkXPress

## 3.5.1 Overview

If you want to translate QuarkXPress files in Transit, you must first export the text out of QuarkXPress. To do so, the following steps are necessary or recommended:

- Linking text frames (see Section 3.5.2 on page 21)
- Creating text files from QuarkXPress documents (see Section 3.5.3 on page 22).
- Converting from Macintosh to Windows (see Section 3.5.4 on page 23)

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The steps mentioned above are often very time-consuming. The easiest way to translate QuarkXPress files in Transit is by using the QuarkXPress XTension *XGate*. With this, you save QuarkXPress documents in a special file format for Transit.

XGate separates the text from the layout information, leaving just pure text with "*tags*" for the formatting information. If you use XGate, it does not matter whether the text frames are linked together or not.



Please refer to the "XGate 6 Installation Instructions and User Guide" for more information.

Table 3-1 shows the different options available for processing QuarkXPress documents and indicates the individual steps required for each option:

	XGate 6	Save format- ted text with XPress tags	Save unformatted text	Generate text manually
Processing text frames Exporting from QuarkX- Press	Not necessary Menu XGate 6	<ul> <li>Link manuall or</li> <li>Export each</li> <li>Save text with XPress tags</li> </ul>	y frame individuall <u>i</u> Save text	<ul> <li>Copy in QuarkX- Press</li> <li>Paste into</li> </ul>
Conversion from MAC to Windows (if necessary)	Automatically	By Transit		text editor
Importing in Tra	Insit			
File type in Transit	Quark XGate 5.0- 6	QuarkX- Press (Macin- tosh)	Text (Macint	cosh)
Translating in T	ransit, exporting	out of Transit		
Conversion from Win- dows to MAC (if necessary)	Automatically	By Transit	<ul><li>Load as text from Windows</li><li>or</li><li>By Transit</li></ul>	
Importing translation into QuarkX- Press	Menu <b>XGate 6</b>	Load text into the appropri- ate text frames (including style sheets)	<ul> <li>Load text into the appropriate text frames</li> <li>or</li> <li>Copy text in text editor</li> <li>Paste into the appropriate text frames in QuarkXPress</li> </ul>	

Table 3-1: Options available and steps to be taken when processing QuarkXPress documents

	XGate 6	Save format- ted text with XPress tags	Save unformatted text	Generate text manually
Assign para- graph and character for- matting	Automatically		Manually	Automatically

Table 3-1: Options available and steps to be taken when processing QuarkXPress documents (cont.)

## 3.5.2 Linking text frames

QuarkXPress works with "text frames" into which the text is entered. For this reason, a document usually consists of several individual text frames.

The text frames can be linked if the text is supposed to run from one text frame into the next. Linking the text frames manually takes a lot of time and effort. For this reason the text frames in a document are often not linked.

Depending on whether the text frames are linked or not, you must proceed differently when exporting out of QuarkXPress or importing into Transit:

Unlinked text frames

From several *unlinked* text frames, QuarkXPress generates a *single* text file for *each* text frame.

You import all the text files into Transit. After translating in Transit, you export the project and Transit generates all the target-language text files.

Then you copy the text from each individual translated text file into the appropriate text frame of the QuarkXPress file.

Linked text frames

QuarkXPress generates one common text file from several linked text frames.

You import the text file into Transit. After translating in Transit, you export the project and Transit generates a target-language text file.

Then you copy the text from the translated text file into the text frame of the QuarkXPress file.

## Tip: Use linked text frames

It is generally easier to work with linked text frames. For this reason, we recommend you link the text frames before generating text files in QuarkXPress.

## How do I link text frames in QuarkXPress?

1 Open the QuarkXPress file in QuarkXPress.





A small box with an X in it appears at the end of the text frame.

- 3 Click on the second text frame. Highlight the text and cut it out.
- 4 Click on the joining tool in the Tools Palette (Fig. 3-4) and then move the joining cursor to the first text frame.

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Fig. 3-4: Joining tool

The frame border is altered.

5 Click on the second text frame with the joining tool.

A checked arrow appears, pointing from the first text frame to the second. The two frames are now linked (Fig. 3-5).

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	-		
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Fig. 3-5: Linked text frames

- 6 Select the cursor again from the Tools Palette and click on the second text frame.
- 7 Paste the text from the clipboard into the second text frame.
- 8 Save your file.
- 9 Now repeat steps 2 to 7 for the second and third frame: Cut the text from the third frame, link the second and third frames and then paste the text into the third frame.
- 10 Repeat these steps until all the frames are linked together.

## 3.5.3 Creating text files from QuarkXPress documents

You must create text files in order to import text from QuarkXPress documents into Transit.

## Export the text, do not just rename it

It does *not* suffice to simply change the file extension from qxp to xtg or txt. If you import a Quark file into Transit without having previously exported the file out of QuarkXPress, the characters are not displayed correctly, regardless of whether the file is for Macintosh or Windows.



You have the following options for saving the text out of QuarkXPress:

Formatted text file

You can save the text out of QuarkXPress with "XPress tags". The XPress tags contain formatting information which means style sheets for paragraphs and characters are also saved. The text is already formatted when you reload the text in QuarkXPress after translation.

In this case, use one of the following filters in Transit:

- QuarkXPress (Macintosh)
- QuarkXPress (Windows) if the files have already been converted to ANSI

If you reload the translated text into QuarkXPress, select **Style sheets only**, so that QuarkXPress uses the formatting information in the XPress tags.

Unformatted text file

You can save the text out of QuarkXPress as an unformatted text file. In this way, all formatting information is lost. You must completely reformat the text once you reload it in QuarkXPress after translation.

In this case, use one of the following filters in Transit:

- Text (Macintosh)
- Text (Ansi) if the files have already been converted to ANSI
- Manually generated text file

You can "export" text from QuarkXPress without using the QuarkXPress export function: Copy the text in QuarkXPress and paste it into a Mac text editor.

In this case, use one of the following filters in Transit:

- QuarkXPress (Macintosh)
- QuarkXPress (Windows) if the files have already been converted to ANSI

After translating in Transit, copy the target-language text in the Mac text editor and paste it into the appropriate text frame.

## 3.5.4 Converting from Macintosh to Windows

QuarkXPress Macintosh files must be converted so that they can be edited in Transit. The conversion can be carried out either with a suitable conversion program on the Macintosh or automatically in Transit.

## **Recommendation: Convert in Transit**

We recommend that you perform the conversion in Transit.

Please ensure that the text is neither converted twice, nor not converted at all, during import and export. Choose one of following options:

Converting on the Macintosh

Convert the text with a conversion program on your Macintosh into ANSI format. In Transit, select the file format as QuarkXPress (Windows) or Text (ANSI).

Conversion using Transit

Save the file on your Macintosh to Macintosh format. In Transit, select the file format QuarkXPress (Macintosh) or Text (Macintosh).

Please ensure that the conversion is carried out on the same system for the sourcelanguage and target-language text – i.e. *either* on the Macintosh *or* in Transit. This applies to the conversion for the Transit import as well as the conversion of the completed translation for the QuarkXPress import.

## 3.6 **Resource files**

## 3.6.1 Special file type settings

If you have selected Resource Files as the file type, Transit displays special options in the file type settings (Fig. 3-6).

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Filter display options					
<ul> <li>Display <u>E</u>lement Co-ordina</li> <li>Display <u>C</u>omments</li> </ul>	ates				
Display Element IDs: Display Dialog Names:	Transit will import t Transit will import t				
Display Element Coordinates: Display Comments:	Transit will import t Transit will import t	he element coo	ordinates into the	e language file.	file.

Fig. 3-6: Special file type settings for resource files

#### Display element IDs

Select this option so that Transit imports the individual element IDs and displays them in the language file.

#### Display dialog names

Select this option so that Transit imports the dialog names and displays them in the language file.

#### Display element co-ordinates

Select this option so that Transit imports the individual element coordinates and displays them in the language file.

#### Display comments

Select this option so that Transit imports the individual element comments and displays them in the language file.

Please note that in Transit you can only translate the text which Transit displays in the language file.

If you deselect an option, Transit saves the hidden elements together with the other formatting information to the cod file and reinserts them in the source language during export.

## 3.7 SGML/XML

SGML and XML documents are structured on the basis of the "*DTD*" (Document Type Definition) which defines the structure, conventions, contents and meaning of SGML and XML elements. The DTD is usually adapted and optimised for projects, customers or documentation. In this way, the structure of SGML and XML documents vary depending on the project, customer or documentation.

The SGML and XML file type definitions supplied by STAR are kept as general as possible so that the widest possible range of SGML and XML documents can be processed. However, they cannot take individual customisations of your DTD into account. It may be helpful or necessary to adapt and optimise the file type definitions specially for the specific features of your DTD.

## 3.8 SVG

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## What is SVG?

SVG ("Scalable Vector Graphics") is a graphic format which defines the contents of graphics on the basis of XML.

SVG describes the entire graphic with normal ASCII text. As a result, SVG usually has a smaller file size compared to similar graphics in other formats – this is a great advantage particularly for vector graphics in the Internet.

However, the main advantage for translation lies in the fact that text elements of a graphic are also available as ASCII text. In this way, the translator can directly access the text in the graphic without having to work with the original graphic program. This is not possible for pure raster graphics since the bitmap format, for example, does not save text as text but rather as individual pixels.

The SVG format was specified by the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) with the assistance of numerous software and hardware manufacturers. It can thus be expected that SVG will be an open, licence-free graphic standard in the near future.

Numerous manufacturers of graphic programs are currently working on implementing SVG. Transit XV supports SVG even now so you are already prepared for SVG.

## Correct translations require correct SVG files

Some graphic programs can already export SVG files, but unfortunately not always correctly. Some programs do not export all the essential information of a graphic into the SVG file. This means that such SVG files are not complete: certain text properties, colour definitions, special characters etc. can be lost.



The translation result with Transit cannot be any better than the source-language original file. Transit cannot rectify errors of the graphic program and add missing data which the exporting graphic program lost. As a result, under certain circumstances, the SVG file may not always meet your expectations, regardless of the translation.

## 3.9 Text files

# 3.9.1 Displaying non-Western European characters in ANSI text files

If you translate an ANSI text file into a non-Western European language, a text editor normally does not display the translated text file correctly.

Example: Cyrillic ANSI characters are not displayed correctly on a Western European operating system. On the other hand, a text editor on a Russian operating system displays the file correctly.

Please proceed as follows if you would like to display the text file on your (Western European) operating system for checking purposes:

- Word 2000
  - Open the text file in Word 2000.

Word 2000 displays a window in which you can specify the character conversion.

- Select Cyrillic (Windows) as the font.

Word 2000 displays the Cyrillic characters correctly.

- Text editor with character set option
  - Open the text file in a text editor which allows you to specify the character set.
  - Select the entire text.
  - Select a Cyrillic font (e.g. Arial CYR).
  - The editor displays the text in Cyrillic font.

## 3.9.2 File formats - 1 or 2 new lines

There are two types of file formats for text files – 1 new line or 2 new lines. Transit segments differently, depending on the type in question (Table 3-2):

	Version 1 new line	Version 2 new lines
Transit interprets one new line character in the text as	end of paragraph	line break
Transit interprets <i>two</i> <i>consecutive</i> new line characters in the text as	two ends of paragraph (of which one paragraph is empty)	end of paragraph
Example 1: Text with <i>one</i> new line character respectively	This is the first pa And this is the seco	
Transit segments on a paragraph basis	at each new line charac- ter: This is the first paragraph.<69> And this the sec- ond.<70>	on two consecutive new line characters (in the example, no segment marker): This is the first paragraph. And this the second.<69>
Example 2: Text with <i>two</i> new line characters respectively	This is the first pa <- And this is the seco	
Transit segments on a paragraph basis	at every new line charac- ter (results in empty seg- ment): This is the first paragraph.<69><70> And this the sec- ond.<71>	at two successive new line characters: This is the first paragraph.<69> And this the sec- ond.<70>

Table 3-2: Difference between 1 new line and 2 new lines

Always use 2 new lines if *one* new line character can occur within a sentence and merely means a line break. Otherwise Transit would segment in the middle of the sentence.

## 3.10 Word

## 3.10.1 Word Art elements

WordArt elements which have been inserted in PowerPoint or Word files are not displayed in Transit for translation.

## 3.10.2 Fast save

Files which have been saved using the **Fast save** option cannot be imported into Transit.

## You can, however, import these files as follows:

- 1 Open the file in the program in question (Word, Excel or PowerPoint).
- 2 Make sure that fast saving is *not* allowed. For this purpose, if necessary uncheck the **Allow fast saves** option in the **Tools | Options** menu, **Save** tab.
- 3 Save the file again.

Transit can now import the file as usual.

## 3.10.3 Embedded objects

Objects (e.g. from PowerPoint or Excel) which are embedded in the Word file can be imported in Transit and translated.

Having exported the Word file, you must refresh the embedded object so that Word displays the translated object.

## 3.10.4 Tracking changes in Word

In Word you have the option of tracking changes. This highlights the changes between different revisions of a document so that these can be checked.

Transit cannot always correctly export documents comprising an unusually high number of very complex revision marks. Transit displays the following error message: [Filtering] Filter error: Internal error.

The revision marks are generally no longer relevant once the source-language Word document is finalised and ready for translation. For this reason, delete the revision bars in Word before you import the document into Transit (Word menu **Tools | Track Changes | Accept or Reject Changes**).

## 3.11 Word for helpfiles

Transit provides you with the following two filters for Word for helpfiles:

- Helpfiles Word f. Windows 95/97/2000/XP/2003
- Helpfiles Vers. 2, MS Word f. Windows 95/97/2000/XP/2003

The second filter (Vers. 2) is an improved version of the previous filter. For purposes of compatibility, you can choose between the previous and the improved filter.



## **Recommendation: Filter version 2 for new projects**

We recommend that you use the improved filter <code>Helpfiles Vers. 2</code>, <code>MS Word f. Windows 95/97/2000/XP/2003</code> for new projects. In doing so, you can easily use the reference material created with the previous filter.

Standard Filters

Standard Filters

# 4 **Optional Filters**

## 4.1 Overview

This section provides you with important information on all the filters which can be purchased in addition to the standard filters. Section 3 "Standard Filters" on page 15 describes the filters which are supplied with Transit as standard.

An overview of all the file formats which can be imported and the file types to be used is provided in Section 2 "Overview" on page 11.

## 4.2 AutoCAD

## 4.2.1 Overview

Data exchange between AutoCAD and Transit takes place by means of  ${\rm dxf}$  files.

In AutoCAD, you can save the document as  ${\rm dxf}$  file (see Section 4.2.2 on page 33) and import it into Transit.

Once the document is translated in Transit, export it out of Transit, open the dxf file in AutoCAD and save it as dwg file (see Section 4.2.3 on page 34).

## Optional filter - enabled by license number

Please note that the filter required to import these files is optional, it is *not* included in the standard delivery package. The license number is used to enable the filter. If the filter is not available in your Transit installation and you want to enable the filter, please contact our Sales team.



## Supported AutoCAD version

Transit supports AutoCAD version 14. Thus, please make sure you save the  ${\rm dxf}$  file in the corresponding version.

## 4.2.2 Saving an AutoCAD document for Transit as dxf file

To translate AutoCAD documents in Transit, save them in AutoCAD as  ${\rm dxf}$  files. You can import these files into Transit.



## How do I save an AutoCAD document as dxf file?

- Open the document in AutoCAD.
- 2 Select File | Save as.

AutoCAD displays the Save drawings window.

- Under File type, select AutoCAD R14/LT98/LT97 DXF (\*.dxf).
- Specify the folder and name of the  ${\tt dxf}$  file in which AutoCAD should save the document.
- Click Save to confirm your choice.

AutoCAD saves the document as  ${\rm dxf}$  file. You can import this file into Transit and translate it.

## 4.2.3 Saving a translated dxf file as dwg file

Once you receive a translated  ${\rm dxf}$  file from Transit, you can open the file in AutoCAD and save it as  ${\rm dwg}$  file.



#### How do I open a translated dxf file and save it as dwg file?

In AutoCAD, select File | Open.

AutoCAD displays the **Open file** window.

- Under File type, select AutoCAD R14/LT98/LT97 DXF (\*.dxf).
- Select the folder and name of the dxf file which you want to open.
- Click on **Open** to confirm your choice.

AutoCAD opens the file.

2 Select File | Save as.

AutoCAD displays the Save drawing as window.

- Under File type, select AutoCAD ... drawing (\*.dwg).
- Specify the folder and name of the  ${\tt dwg}$  file in which AutoCAD should save the document.
- Click on **Save** to confirm your choice.

AutoCAD saves the file as  ${\rm dwg}$  file. The translation is now available as  ${\rm dwg}$  file.

## 4.3 FrameMaker

## 4.3.1 Overview

Data exchange between FrameMaker and Transit takes place by means of MIF files.

## 4.3.2 Saving a FrameMaker document as MIF file

To translate FrameMaker documents in Transit, save them in FrameMaker as MIF files with the file extension .mif. You can import these files into Transit.

In FrameMaker, you can save the document as MIF file (see Section 4.3.2 on page 35)

Once the document is translated in Transit, export it out of Transit, open the MIF file in FrameMaker and save it as FrameMaker document (see Section 4.3.3 on page 35). Please refer to Section 4.3.4 on page 36 for hints and tips on how to translate Frame-

#### How do I save a FrameMaker document as MIF file?

- 1 Open the document in FrameMaker.
- 2 Select File | Save as.

and import it into Transit.

Maker documents.

FrameMaker displays the Save document window.

- As File type, select MIF (\*.mif).
- Specify the folder and name of the MIF file in which FrameMaker should save the document.
- Click Save to confirm your choice.

FrameMaker saves the document as MIF file. You can import this file into Transit and translate it.

#### Tip: Using conversion tools

If you have a considerable number of files it is worth using MIF conversion tools, such as *MIF Maker*, for example. In this way, you can save all the files in a FrameMaker book as MIF files in one command.

## 4.3.3 Saving a translated MIF file as FrameMaker document

Once you receive a translated MIF file from Transit, you can open the file in FrameMaker and save it as FrameMaker document with the file extension . fm.

#### How do I open a translated MIF file and save it as FrameMaker document?

1 In FrameMaker, select File | Open.

FrameMaker displays the **Open file** window.

- Under File type, select MIF (\*.mif).
- Select the folder and name of the MIF file which you want to open.





- Click on **Open** to confirm your choice.

FrameMaker opens the file.

2 Select File | Save As.

FrameMaker displays the Save document window.

- Under File type, select Document (\*.fm).
- Specify the folder and name of the file to which FrameMaker should save the document.
- Please make sure you enter the file extension . *fm* (including period) after the file name in the **File name** field.

It is necessary to enter the file extension as FrameMaker does not add this automatically and therefore would possibly not save the file correctly.

- Click on Save to confirm your choice.

FrameMaker saves the MIF file as FrameMaker document. The translation is now available as FrameMaker document.

## 4.3.4 Special file type settings for FrameMaker

Besides the "real" continuous text, FrameMaker documents may contain additional text components.

If you have selected Adobe FrameMaker (MIF) as file type, Transit displays additional options in the file type settings:

type settings: Adobe Fran	neMaker (MIF)		? >
ter			
Index entries position		Filter display options	
End of paragraph		Display hidden text	
C Do not move		Hide declarations	
FrameMaker		L	
Show only active condi	tions	Hide Master Pages	
		✓ Hide Reference Pages	
Delete special characters —			
Page breaks		🔲 Optional Hyphens	
🔲 Column breaks		Revision bars	
Line breaks		Letter spacing/kerning	
Index entries position: Filter display options:	the end of the para	ecide whether or not index entries are to be mov graph. lecide whether hidden text and/or declarations	
Delete special characters:		o remove non-translatable characters during the	:
		OK Cancel	Apply

Fig. 4-1: Special file type settings for FrameMaker

The options enable you to define, which types of text Transit should display in the editor and, consequently, which texts should be translated (Table 4-1). Texts that Transit

does not display in the editor are left unchanged and reinserted in the target language files during the export.

Type of text	Explanation	File type setting
Text on master pages	Permanent element of the page layout, e.g. title of the documentation ( <i>Benut-</i> <i>zerhandbuch</i> ) in footer	Hide Master Pages
Text on reference pages	Advanced definitions (e.g. for export to HTML or Index creation)	Hide Reference Pages
	Only in special cases should these texts be translated, unnecessary translation may lead to program errors in Frame- Maker.	
Texts in declara- tions (paragraph formats, cross- reference formats, content of varia- bles, etc.)	Text components (in the broader sense) that are reused within the document(s)	Hide declarations
	Examples:	
	Cross-reference formats: Abschnitt auf Seite	
	Paragraph formats: Abbildung or Schritt	
	Texts in variables, e.g. product names: Kuckucksuhr "Schwarzwald"	
Conditional texts	In FrameMaker, conditions can be assigned to texts in order to control whether the text is displayed or hidden.	Show only active conditions

Table 4-1: FrameMaker text types and the corresponding file type settings in Transit

## 4.3.5 Which texts to translate?

The decision on which texts should be translated mainly depends on the structure of the respective FrameMaker documents. The following recommendations can therefore not be considered hard and fast rules. They have proved useful, however, in our daily work with well-structured documents and thoroughly-defined formats.

Texts on master pages

Whether or not these texts must be translated, depends on the layout and content of the master pages.

Recommendation:

If the master pages do not contain text to be translated, check the Hide Master Pages option.

- If the master pages contain texts to be translated, you may apply the same procedures as described later for the translation of declarations: You can reduce the translation effort needed for the master pages if you assign one master page to all FrameMaker files of a book. To do so, proceed as described in Section 4.3.6 "Translating texts in declarations" on page 39, but use the **Hide Master Pages** option.
- Texts on reference pages

Only in special cases should these texts be translated, unnecessary translation may lead to program errors in FrameMaker. Changing reference pages is only useful for advanced FrameMaker users.

Recommendation:

- Do not import reference pages.
- Therefore: Uncheck Hide Reference Pages, if necessary.
- Hidden conditional texts

Whether or not these texts must be translated, depends on their use:

- If the texts contain only internal comments of the FrameMaker user, there is usually no need to translate them.
- If conditional texts are used to create different variants of documentation, they usually need to be translated.

In this case, you should keep in mind that text variants, created by conditional texts at sentence or even word level, can be quite confusing for the translator and thus may lead to misunderstanding and increase translation effort.

We would generally advise you to delete conditions *in FrameMaker* and *before* you import the files into Transit.

We therefore recommend the following procedure:

Delete conditions for texts in FrameMaker (i.e. delete conditional texts or convert them to unconditional ("normal") text.

If you are working with conditional texts to create different documentation variants, create a separate FrameMaker file for each variant and translate these files one after the other. Once you have translated the first file, Transit will automatically pretranslate identical texts in the other files, so you only have to attend to those text sections that are different.

 If you proceed this way, the files imported into Transit do not contain any conditional text. In this case, the Show only active conditions option in Transit is not important anymore.

Please refer to Section 4.3.7 "Displaying conditional texts" on page 40 for information on how the Transit editor displays imported conditional texts.

Texts in declarations

Normally, these texts need to be translated because they appear as "normal" texts in the FrameMaker document.

Examples from table 4-1 on page 37:

- Benutzerhandbuch -> User's Guide
- Abschnitt ... auf Seite ... -> section ... on page ...

- Abbildung ... or Schritt ... -> Figure ... or Step ...
- Kuckucksuhr "Schwarzwald" -> Coocoo Clock "Black Forest"

A FrameMaker book typically consists of several FrameMaker files, all of which contain the same declarations. In this case, there is a way to reduce the translation effort and avoid translating the identical declarations again for *each* of the files (see Section 4.3.6 on page 39).

## 4.3.6 Translating texts in declarations

If all FrameMaker files within a book contain the same declarations, translation effort can be reduced.

#### To do so, proceed as follows:

- 1 Import, translate and export *one* FrameMaker file *with* the declarations (and the **Hide declarations** option *unchecked*). The exported FrameMaker file then contains the declarations in the target language.
- 2 Import, translate and export the other FrameMaker files *without* the declarations (and the **Hide declarations** option *checked*). In the exported FrameMaker files, the declarations are still in the source language at this stage.
- 3 In FrameMaker, now import the formats of the first file (the one that already contains the declarations in the target language) into the other FrameMaker files (**File | Import | Formats** menu).

During the format import, FrameMaker replaces the source language declarations of the other files with the translated declarations of the first file. You may use these declaration texts for future translations, too, provided that the source language texts have not been changed.

This procedure has its advantages and disadvantages:

- Advantages:
  - Consistent formats, variable contents and master pages, no inconsistencies caused by differing translations
  - Reduced amount of translation (as declarations need to be translated only once)
- Disadvantages:
  - The procedure is too expensive and time-consuming for FrameMaker documents/books with inconsistent format definitions.
  - If the formats are not created consistently (same format names but different design settings), deliberate differences in formatting are erased.
  - If the remaining FrameMaker files (i.e. those imported without declarations) contain additional declarations, these declarations are not replaced by the target language declarations and thus still remain untranslated.

The disadvantages mentioned normally only occur if the FrameMaker books and documents are structured inconsistently and the possibilities FrameMaker offers are not used to full capacity. We therefore recommend the following procedure:

If the FrameMaker documents are well-structured:

Proceed as described from step 1 on page 39 onwards.

If you can not ensure that the documents are well-structured:

Import, translate and export all FrameMaker files with the declarations (and the **Hide declarations** option *unchecked*). Although that means that you need to translate all declarations in all files, Transit will help you a lot by providing fuzzy matches.



#### Reducing the translation effort for master pages

For texts on master pages, generally the same recommendations apply as given for declarations. That means, you can reduce the translation effort needed for the master pages if you assign one master page to all FrameMaker files of a book. To do so, proceed as described in this section, but use the **Hide Master Pages** option.

## 4.3.7 Displaying conditional texts

If translating FrameMaker files with conditional text, we recommend you select the **Display full tags** option in Transit by means of **View | Display/Hide Attributes**. Then Transit displays conditional text as follows:

```
<cond id="1" cond1="Condition name">Conditional text
<CondEnd id="3">
```

You can define whether hidden conditional text is also imported (see 4.3.4 "Special file type settings for FrameMaker" on page 36).

### 4.3.8 Displaying cross-references

Cross-references from FrameMaker files are displayed in the editor as in the following example:

Please refer to <XRef id="56" result="4.3 "FrameMaker" on page 34"/> for more detailed information.

The cross-reference is protected and cannot be changed during translation. The contents of the cross-reference (4.3 "FrameMaker" on page 34 in the example) *cannot and needs not* be translated. It is updated later in FrameMaker.

### 4.3.9 Long index markers

FrameMaker does not allow index entries to be longer than 255 characters. When exporting, Transit truncates longer index entries after 255 characters and displays the following warning:

**360124** 

[Filtering] Filter error: Text field is too long. Will be shortened.

Shorten the index entries in question appropriately so that Transit can export the file.

# 4.4 InDesign

## 4.4.1 Overview

Data exchange between InDesign and Transit takes place by means of the  ${\tt STAR}$  Transit Text-and-Code format.

If the InDesign plug-ins are enabled, you can export the document from InDesign (see Section 4.4.2 on page 42) and import it into Transit.

Once the document is translated in Transit, export it out of Transit, open the file in InDesign and save it as an InDesign document (see Section 4.4.3 on page 42).

### **Optional filter – enabled by license number**

Please note that the filter required to import these files is optional, it is *not* included in the standard delivery package. The license number is used to enable the filter. If the filter is not available in your Transit installation and you want to enable the filter, please contact our Sales team.

### Plug-ins for InDesign

We provide the plug-ins for *InDesign 1.5/2.0* at no charge on your side. You will find them on the Transit installation CD under accessories. The installation manual provides you with information on the plug-in installation.

Please note that the plug-ins for *InDesign CS* and *InDesign CS2* by default are not included in the delivery but only available on request. For further information, please contact our sales team.

### Supported versions of InDesign

InDesign 1.5/2.0 or InDesign CS or InDesign CS2 are required for the plug-ins for the data exchange between InDesign and Transit. The plug-ins are not suitable for other program versions of InDesign.



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## 4.4.2 Exporting an InDesign document for Transit

To translate InDesign documents in Transit, export them out of InDesign to the STAR Transit Text-and-Code format with the file extension ttc.

You can import these files into Transit.



#### How do I export an InDesign document to the STAR Transit Textand-Code format?

- 1 Open the document in InDesign.
- 2 Select Export | file.

InDesign displays the **Export** window.

- Under File type, select STAR Transit Text-and-Code.
- Specify the folder and name of the ttc file to which InDesign should export the document.
- Click Save to confirm your choice.

InDesign exports the document to a file with the file extension ttc. You can import this file into Transit and translate it.

## 4.4.3 Saving a translated file as InDesign document

Once you receive a translated file in the STAR Transit Text-and-Code format from Transit, you can open the file in InDesign and save it as an InDesign document.



### Use same InDesign version for exporting and opening files

Please open the target-language  $\tt ttc$  files with the same InDesign version you have used to export the source-language documents.

Example: You can not use InDesign 1.5/2.0 to open ttc files you have exported from InDesign CS or InDesign CS2.

If you try to do so, InDesign displays the Cannot Open File window.



### How do I open a translated file and save it as an InDesign document?

In InDesign, select **Open | file**.

InDesign displays the **Open | File** window.

- Under File type, select STAR Transit Text-and-Code.
- Select the folder and name of the file which you want to open.
- Click on **Open** to confirm your choice.

InDesign opens the file.

2 Select **Save | file as**.

InDesign displays the Save file window.

- Under File type, select InDesign Document.
- Specify the folder and name of the file to which InDesign should save the document.
- Click on **Save** to confirm your choice.

InDesign saves the file as InDesign document. The translation is now available as an InDesign document.

## 4.5 Interleaf

## 4.5.1 Overview

Interleaf saves documents in binary format as standard. Data exchange between Interleaf and Transit takes place by means of documents in ASCII format.

In Interleaf, you can save the document in ASCII format (see Section 4.5.2 on page 43) and import it into Transit.

Once the document is translated in Transit, export it out of Transit, open the file in ASCII format in Interleaf and save it in binary format (see Section 4.5.3 on page 44).

Please refer to Section 4.5.4 on page 45 for hints and tips on how to translate Interleaf documents.

#### Optional filter - enabled by license number

Please note that the filter required to import these files is optional, it is *not* included in the standard delivery package. The license number is used to enable the filter. If the filter is not available in your Transit installation and you want to enable the filter, please contact our Sales team.



## 4.5.2 Saving an Interleaf document for Transit in ASCII format

To translate Interleaf documents in Transit, save them in Interleaf in ASCII format. You can import these files into Transit.

#### How do I save an Interleaf document in ASCII format?

- 1 Open the document in Interleaf.
- 2 Select File | save as.

Interleaf displays the **Save as** window.

- As File type, select ASCII (\*.ildoc;\*.doc).



- Specify the folder and name of the file in which Interleaf should save the document in ASCII format.
- Click Save to confirm your choice.

Interleaf saves the document in ASCII format. You can import this file into Transit and translate it.



# How can I check whether an Interleaf file is saved in binary or ASCII format?

- 1 Open the Interleaf file *in a text editor*.
- 2 Check the entry at the start of the file:
  - OPS The Interleaf file is saved in binary format
  - <! OPS> The Interleaf file is saved in ASCII format



### Other files generated by Interleaf

If you open an Interleaf file, Interleaf generates other files which have the extension ildoc, 9 or ildoc@, for example.

These files are of no significance for Transit. Transit only requires the files in ASCII format with the file extension doc.

## 4.5.3 Saving a translated ASCII file in binary format

Once you receive a translated file in ASCII format from Transit, you can open the file in Interleaf and save it in binary format.



#### How do I open a translated ASCII file and save it in binary format?

In Interleaf, select File | Open.

Interleaf displays the **Open file** window.

- Select the folder and name of the file in ASCII format which you want to open.

In the **Open file** window, Interleaf displays binary documents as well as documents in ASCII format. Please make sure that you select the document in ASCII format you have received from Transit.

- Click on **Open** to confirm your choice.

Interleaf opens the file.

2 Select File | Save as.

Interleaf displays the **Save document** window.

- Under File type, select Binary (\*.ildoc;\*.doc).
- Specify the folder and name of the file in which Interleaf should save the document in binary format.

- Click on **Save** to confirm your choice.

Interleaf saves the file in binary format. The translation is now available as binary Interleaf document.

# 4.5.4 Translating an Interleaf project with several subfolders (books)

An Interleaf project often consists of files which are split into several subfolders (books). There is a function in Transit which makes working with such projects far easier.

When you specify the files to be imported (**Project | Settings** menu, **File** tab), you can select a folder and include all the subfolders. To do so, in the Select Folder window, select the **Include subfolders** option.

Transit then proceeds as follows:

Transit imports all the Interleaf ASCII files in the folder selected and in its subfolders.

For this reason, you do not have to search through each individual folder or subfolder for Interleaf ASCII files to be imported.

When exporting, Transit creates the same folder structure in the export folder and exports the Interleaf ASCII files to the appropriate folders.

This means that you do not have to "sort" each individual Interleaf ASCII file into the correct folder after exporting.

## 4.6 PageMaker

#### Optional filter - enabled by license number

Please note that the filter required to import these files is optional, it is *not* included in the standard delivery package. The license number is used to enable the filter. If the filter is not available in your Transit installation and you want to enable the filter, please contact our Sales team.



## 4.6.1 Translating hidden layers

In Adobe PageMaker, layers can be created. The user can display or hide layers, i.e. define whether or not their content is displayed.

By default, Transit imports the texts of *all* layers – without regarding whether they are displayed or hidden in the document.

A parameter in the pm.ini file, however, allows you to make Transit import only the texts of active layers for translation. In this case, Transit reinserts the texts of hidden layers in the source language during export. You will find the file in the config\sys folder of your Transit installation folder.

Enter the following line in the file:

- TextFromInvisibleLayers=<value>
- Possible values:

0 – Transit does *not* import *any* texts from hidden layers. These texts can *not* be translated. During export, Transit reinserts the texts in the source language.

1 (Default) – Transit imports all texts from all layers and displays them in the editor. That means, texts from hidden layers can also be translated.

Example:

TextFromInvisibleLayers=0

Transit does not import texts from hidden layers.



#### Checking translated PageMaker documents

If you want to check your translated document and have translated texts from hidden layers, too, make PageMaker display *all* layers for the moment. If not, PageMaker does not display the hidden layers and you can not check their texts.



#### Additional parameters for PageMaker

Section 5.2 "Parameters of the pm.ini file" on page 56 describes additional parameters for PageMaker, which you will also find in the pm.ini file.

## 4.6.2 Installing PageMaker

Transit automatically opens the PageMaker program when importing and exporting PageMaker files (Fig. 4-2). For this reason, PageMaker must be installed on the same computer as Transit.



Fig. 4-2: Opening PageMaker when importing into Transit

#### Transit cannot find PageMaker

Transit displays the following message if it cannot find the PageMaker program (e.g. because PageMaker is installed several times in different folders): Error: PM: Cannot run PM: Win Exec Failed



In this case, you can use the star.ini file to explicitly state the path in which Page-Maker and the PageMaker table editor is installed. The file is located in the Windows folder (for example, the \winnt folder for Windows NT).

Specify the path and the file name of the programs as follows:

```
[PageMaker]
Exe60=<Path><PageMaker 6.0 program file>
Exe65=<Path><PageMaker 6.5 program file>
Exe70=<Path><PageMaker 7.0 program file>
Table30=<Path><PageMaker table editor program file>
Example:
```

```
[PageMaker]
Exe65=C:\programs\Adobe\PageMaker6.5\PM65.EXE
Table30=C:\programs\Adobe\PageMaker6.5\TABLE30\Table30.EXE
```

## 4.6.3 Export message if PageMaker version is different

The PageMaker filter can check whether the PageMaker version used corresponds to the version which is displayed in the file extension of the processed files.

Transit displays the following message if the versions are different: File format isn't corresponded with filter.

The message merely means that the PageMaker file was not created in the version of PageMaker which is called up for the export. Example: PageMaker 6.5 is called up when exporting a PageMaker 6.0 file. However, the export generally runs smoothly.

You can specify whether you want Transit to compare the versions during export and display a message, if necessary. Please refer to Section 5.2 "Parameters of the pm.ini file", parameter "WarningCorrespondedVersion" on page 58 for more detailed information.

## 4.6.4 Improving PageMaker imports

Should you have problems importing or exporting PageMaker files, you can make some improvements by modifying the parameters in the pm.ini file. Please note that these changes can have an impact on the duration of the import or export.

The parameters are set by default to allow a faster import. This can, however, lead to instabilities, depending on the system environment. Please refer to Section 5.2 "Parameters of the pm.ini file" on page 56 for more detailed information on the parameters.

If you do not achieve the desired results with the default values, we can recommend the following changes as an alternative (Table 4-2):

Parameter	Previous value	Modified value
RestartCount	5000	500
UseTaggetText	1	0
BrakeCount	0	10
BrakeTime	0	1000
WaitAfterStart	10000	30000

Table 4-2: Alternative values for the parameters in the pm.ini file

## 4.6.5 "Tagged Text" in the exported document

Should the exported PageMaker document contain undesired tags, you can make some improvements by making changes to the pm.ini file.

To do so, set the value of the parameter <code>UseTaggetText=0</code>. Please refer to Section 5.2 "Parameters of the <code>pm.ini</code> file", parameter "<code>UseTaggetText</code>" on page 57 for more detailed information.

## 4.6.6 DDE connection

Transit communicates with PageMaker for the import and export by means of a "DDE connection". Under certain system conditions, the DDE connection may fail or be lost. You can increase the stability of the DDE connection by changing the parameters in the pm.ini file. Transit displays one of the following messages if there are problems with the DDE connection:

DDE Connection failed

If this error occurs, reduce the value of the RestartCount parameter and increase the value of the BrakeTime parameter. Please refer to Section 5.2 "Parameters of the pm.ini file", parameters "RestartCount" on page 56 and "BrakeTime" on page 57 for more detailed information.

DDE connection lost

If this error occurs, set the value of the BrakeCount parameter to 1000 and the value of the BrakeTime parameter to 1. Please refer to Section 5.2 "Parameters of the pm.ini file", parameters "BrakeCount" on page 57 and "BrakeTime" on page 57 for more detailed information.

## 4.6.7 Tricks in PageMaker to improve import into Transit

In general, importing and exporting PageMaker documents depends a lot on the configuration of the particular computer on which the export/import is running: If Page-Maker files can be imported and exported successfully on one computer, this does not necessarily mean that the import/export will run successfully on another computer.

Apart from changing the parameters in the  ${\tt pm.ini}$  file, you can also try the following tricks:

Save under a new name

In PageMaker, save the file under a new name and import the newly saved file into Transit.

Under certain circumstances, it may help to save the new file again under a new name and then import it.

Check printer and fonts

If a file is opened in PageMaker for import or export, there may be issues if the file uses non-existing fonts or a non-existing printer. For this reason, check whether the printer or fonts used are valid and correct the settings if necessary.

## 4.6.8 PageMaker for Macintosh files

Even if you receive PageMaker for Macintosh files from your client, Transit automatically opens the files in your PageMaker (PageMaker for Windows) during the import.

Depending on the version of PageMaker for Macintosh and PageMaker for Windows, PageMaker has problems opening the Macintosh files correctly which can cause

PageMaker to crash. For this reason, Transit is obviously also not able to make Page-Maker open the files automatically.

Should you have difficulties with a PageMaker for Macintosh file, then you can prepare the file as follows.



#### How do I prepare a PageMaker for Macintosh file?

- 1 Open the file in your installation of PageMaker for Windows.
- 2 Confirm any PageMaker messages until PageMaker has opened the file.
- 3 Save the file under a new name (see Section 4.6.7 on page 49 also).

Then you can import the file in Transit.

## 4.7 Trados TTX



#### Optional filter - enabled by license number

Please note that the filter required to import these files is optional, it is *not* included in the standard delivery package. The license number is used to enable the filter. If the filter is not available in your Transit installation and you want to enable the filter, please contact our Sales team.

## 4.7.1 Segmenting of ttx files



#### Transit requires segmented ttx files

To guarantee consistent segmenting, Transit does not segment ttx files. Therefore, the ttx files must have been segmented *before* they are imported into Transit.

To do so, select the option **Segment unknown sentences** in the Trados window **Translate files** when you export the ttx files from Trados.

Since Transit does not segment ttx files, the project settings for segmenting (**Project** | **Settings** menu, **Segmentation** tab) are of no significance for projects with ttx files.

## 4.7.2 Special file type setting for Trados TTX

 $\tt ttx$  files are bilingual, i.e. as well as the source language text, they can also contain target language text that has been pretranslated by Trados.

You can specify whether Transit copies or discards the pretranslations from the  ${\tt ttx}$  file.

If you have selected Trados TTX as the file type, Transit offers special options in the file type settings:

File type settings: Trados TTX	? ×
Filter	
Trados TTX  Use pretranslated segments from TTX files and skip Transit pretranslation  Use Transit pretranslation and discard pretranslations from TTX files	
OK Cancel	Apply

Fig. 4-3: Special file type settings for ttx files

These allow you to specify how Transit handles the pretranslations in the ttx file:

#### Use pretranslated segments from ttx files and skip Transit pretranslation

With this option, Transit copies the pretranslations from the ttx files to the target language files during the import process. Transit *does not* perform its own pretranslation process and thus does not refer to any reference material that you have assigned to the project either. In this case, the project settings for pretranslation (**Project | Settings** menu, tabs **Pretranslation (1/2)** and **Pretranslation** (**2/2**)) are of no significance.

However, you are presented with suggested translations from the Transit reference material when you use the editor to translate the untranslated segments.

This option is only useful if the ttx file contains pretranslations.

If you use this option, please also take note of Section 4.7.3 "Re-importing ttx files and recreating target language files only" on page 52.

#### Use Transit pretranslation and discard pretranslations from ttx files

With this option, Transit performs a pretranslation during the import process by referring to the reference material that you have assigned to the project. Transit *does not* copy the pretranslations from the ttx files to the target language files.

This option is useful if the ttx file does not contain any pretranslations, or if the quality of the pretranslations is inadequate.

# 4.7.3 Re-importing ttx files and recreating target language files only

With all file formats you can re-import a previously imported project and specify that Transit recreates only the target language files.

To do so, you select the option **Recreate target language files for selected language(s)** and deselect the option **Recreate source language files** in the expanded **Import project** window.

You would normally use this function if you have changed the selection of reference materials after the initial import and therefore wish to perform a new pretranslation process.

If you re-import a project containing ttx files in this way, the following special condition applies: you *always* use the Transit pretranslation and discard any existing pretranslations in the ttx files. That applies even if you have specified the opposite in the file type settings (i.e. if you have selected the option **Use pretranslated segments from TTX files and skip Transit pretranslation**, see Section 4.7.2 on page 50).

There are two reasons for this:

- You normally use this function to perform a new pretranslation using different reference material (see above). Therefore, it would not make sense to skip the Transit pretranslation and use the pretranslated segments in the ttx files instead.
- Under certain circumstances you may have changed your original ttx files since they were first imported and replaced them with new versions. If Transit were to use the pretranslations from the (new) ttx files, there would be no guarantee that the pretranslation would match up with the (old) source language files.

For detailed information about importing and the options in the **Import project** window, refer to the Transit XV User Guide.

# 4.8 Visio

Data exchange between Visio and Transit takes place by means of XML drawings.

In Visio, you can save the document as XML drawing (see Section 4.8.1 on page 53) and import it into Transit.

Once the document is translated in Transit, export it out of Transit, open the XML drawing in Visio and save it as Visio document (see Section 4.8.2 on page 53).



#### Optional filter - installation with password

Please note that the filter required to import these files is optional, it is *not* included in the standard delivery package. You have to install the filter separately and a password is required for installation. For more information, please contact our Sales team.

Please refer to the "Transit XV – Installation" manual for information on how to install the filter.

## 4.8.1 Saving a Visio document for Transit as XML drawing

To translate Visio documents in Transit, save them in Visio as XML drawings. You can import these files into Transit.

#### How do I save a Visio document as XML drawing?

- 1 Open the document in Visio.
- 2 Select File | Save as.

Visio displays the Save drawings window.

- Under File type, select XML drawing.
- Specify the folder and name of the file in which Visio should save the document as XML drawing.
- Click Save to confirm your choice.

Visio saves the document as XML drawing. You can import this file into Transit and translate it.

## 4.8.2 Saving a translated XML drawing as Visio document

Once you receive a translated XML drawing from Transit, you can open the file in Visio and save it as Visio document.

#### So do I open a translated XML drawing and save it as Visio document?

1 In Visio, select **File | Open**.

Visio displays the **Open file** window.

- Select the folder and name of the XML drawing which you want to open.

In the **Open file** window, Visio displays Visio documents (vsd files) as well as XML drawings (vsx files). Please make sure that you select the XML drawing (vsx file) you have received from Transit.

- Click on **Open** to confirm your choice.

Visio opens the file.

2 Select File | Save as.

Visio displays the **Save** window.

- Under File type, select Drawing.
- Specify the folder and name of the file to which Visio should save the document.
- Click on **Save** to confirm your choice.





Visio saves the file as Visio document with the file extension  ${\tt vsd}.$  The translation is now available as Visio document .

# 4.9 XGate 6

The easiest way to translate QuarkXPress files in Transit is by using the QuarkXPress XTension *XGate.* With this, you save QuarkXPress documents in a special file format for Transit.

XGate separates the text from the layout information, leaving just pure text with "*tags*" for the formatting information. If you use XGate, it does not matter whether the text frames are linked together or not.

You can import the text in Transit and translate it. Once exported out of Transit, the translated text is reimported into QuarkXPress by means of XGate and is formatted automatically like the source-language document.

Please refer to the "XGate 6 Installation Instructions and User Guide" for more information.

# 5 Appendix

# 5.1 File elements

Depending on the file format, Transit can import almost all the elements found in your files. Table 5-1 lists special features of certain file elements.

Element	Special features
Markers (index, glossary, hypertext, etc.)	If a marker in the source file contains multiple entries, Transit divides it into several markers, with one entry per marker.
Variables	In the editor, Transit displays the value of the variable instead of the variable name.
Formulae and equations	Transit does not import text in equations and formulae which were generated in a special editor (e.g. Frame- Maker formula editor).
Cross-reference defini- tions	In the editor, Transit displays the contents of the cross-reference instead of the cross-reference defini-tion.
Graphics text	Transit can import text in graphics or in graphic frames which was created in the program in question.
	Transit cannot import text which is an actual part of a graphic (e.g. from PhotoShop).
Special characters	Special characters (such as spaces with a fixed width or hyphens) remain intact.
Quotation marks	Transit does not change quotation marks.
Language information	During export, Transit automatically changes the lan- guage information (e.g. language for hyphenation) to the target language.
	Text that you had not assigned to a language remains without language information.
Objects	Transit can import the contents of imported OLE objects.
	Transit automatically recognises the file type of OLE objects. However, Transit can only import objects if the import filter for their file format is installed.

Table 5-1: Elements which Transit imports and possible special features

# 5.2 Parameters of the pm.ini file

Parameters for the import and export of PageMaker files are specified in the pm.ini file. The file is located in the  $config\sys$  subfolder of the Transit installation folder.

There are no general default values which apply across the board to all PageMaker files and all computers. For this reason, it may be necessary to test various settings in order to optimise the import and export. Please refer to Section 4.6 "PageMaker" on page 45 for more information.



#### Save and close the pm.ini file after making changes

If you have made changes to the pm.ini file, save the file and close it. Then re-import your PageMaker documents. Transit will then use the modified values.

Parameter	Meaning
TextFromInvisible- Layers	Translating hidden layers (see Section 4.6.1 on page 45)
RestartPM	You can specify that PageMaker should be restarted if a certain number of PageMaker call-ups have occurred during filtering.
	Possible values:
	0 – PageMaker is <i>not</i> restarted 1 (recommended) – PageMaker is restarted
	Use RestartCount to specify the number of call- ups.
RestartCount	Number of call-ups for a restart. See RestartPM also.
	Value:
	Number of call-ups
	Recommended value: 15000

The pm.ini file contains the following parameters (Table 5-2).

Table 5-2: Parameters of the pm.inifile

Parameter	Meaning
UseTaggetText	You can specify whether the filter should use " <i>Tagged Text</i> " when exporting text out of/ importing text into PageMaker.
	Data transfer is faster with "Tagged Text". However, there may be issues when processing font attributes as they may go missing or may not be defined cor- rectly.
	Possible values:
	0 – "Tagged Text" is <i>not</i> used 1 – "Tagged Text" is used
BrakeCount	You can specify that there should be an break if a cer- tain number of PageMaker call-ups have occurred.
	Value:
	Number of call-ups
	Recommended value: 0
	Use BrakeTime to specify the duration of the interval.
BrakeTime	Duration of the interval. See BrakeCount also
	Value:
	Duration of interval in milliseconds
	Recommended value: 0
WaitAfterStart	You can specify that Transit should "wait" for a certain period after starting PageMaker before it starts com- municating with PageMaker.
	Value:
	Duration of interval in milliseconds
	Recommended value: 10000
Win98DDEConnection Count	The DDE connection to PageMaker can be unstable under Windows 98.
	You can specify after how many requests the DDE connection should be re-initialised.
	Value:
	Number of requests
	Recommended value: 100

Table 5-2: Parameters of the pm.inifile (cont.)

Parameter	Meaning
MinimWindowPM	You can specify whether the PageMaker window should be minimised during filtering.
	Under certain circumstances, the DDE connection may fail if the PageMaker filter is minimised.
	The DDE connection is more stable if the window is <i>not</i> minimised but filtering is slower.
	Possible values:
	0 – Window is <i>not</i> minimised 1 (recommended) – Window is minimised
WarningCorrespond- edVersion	Export message if PageMaker version is different (see Section 4.6.3 on page 47).
	Possible values:
	<ul><li>0 – Version not compared</li><li>1 – Version compared, warning message if necessary</li></ul>

Table 5-2: Parameters of the pm.inifile (cont.)