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## Newsletter Prevas GCM October 2016

Prevas continually sends out newsletters via e-mail to Prevas GCM users.

We would like to inform you about upcoming releases of Prevas GCM, optional additional functions that can be ordered or other information that might be interesting.

Newsletters are also archived here:

[http://www.prevas.com/faq\\_gs1\\_major\\_release\\_en.html](http://www.prevas.com/faq_gs1_major_release_en.html)

If you have comments or suggestions regarding Prevas GCM contact Prevas GCM support phone number 054-14 74 40 or via mail [support.gcm@prevas.se](mailto:support.gcm@prevas.se)

## Current information

### Changes in Prevas GCM after Major Release

Major Release (deployed in May 2016) is primarily a change in how article information technically is structured and stored in database as well as format of the XML files with Trade Item information sent between Prevas GCM and receivers via Validoo Item.

These changes still make a major impact on functions and trade item information, and users may need to spend some time to orient themselves in the new version of the system.

Prevas will continue to develop Prevas GCM, so the system become more user-friendly. We have received some comments and suggestions from users and would appreciate more through contact with the support. With each new release, we look through suggestions and try to implement some of them.

### Validation of trade item information in Prevas GCM

After introducing the major release, the validation of trade item information has been changed. There are both Swedish and GDSN (international) validation rules.

In Prevas GCM, the Swedish validation rules and the most common GDSN rules have been implemented. Remaining international rules will be implemented successively by needs.

Associated with the release of major release, various problems occurred with the validations in Prevas GCM and several of the rules were turned off. Prevas have worked hard in order to solve these problems and have now released a new Prevas GCM release where the validations are corrected and turned on again.

In GS1 website you can provide documents where further information about the [Swedish rules](#) and the [GDSN rules](#).

Prevas have also produced a document with hints on how you solve the most common validation errors in Swedish: [Vanliga felmeddelanden från Validoo Item](#).

### Planned releases in autumn 2016

Prevas has released an update release in October 2016 with correction of validation rules and is planning for new releases, first a release with adaption for the new GS1-release.

### New GS1-release 7 November 2016

GS1 plan to introduce a new release of trade item information (version 3.1.2) the 7<sup>th</sup> of November where fields for pet food, supplements, alcoholic beverages, products through e-commerce and components are introduced. Further information could be found on the GS1 webpage below:

<http://www.gs1.se/en/our-standards/Technical-documentation/trade-item-information/>

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Prevas works with adaptations in Prevas GCM before this release. Further information will be published.

### **It is possible to send trade item information to Systembolaget by Prevas GCM**

Prevas GCM will be adapted to the new GS1 release that deploys in November 2016, where new fields for alcoholic beverages will be introduced. Systembolaget intends to receive trade item information from Validoo Item, and wishes for their suppliers to have their information available there. Prevas GCM adapts with the new release by GS1, in order to provide the ability to register trade item information of alcoholic beverages.

Prevas GCM offers the ability to create publications with receivers included in GS1's list:  
<http://www.validoo.se/en/support/validoo-item/addresses-for-suppliers-and-recipients>

Please contact Prevas GCM support if receivers is missing in the system.

### **Help of registration in Prevas GCM**

Customer in need for help with registration of trade item information via Prevas GCM is now offered to log on to Prevas GCM. The customer could then register the trade item information via a webpage. This webpage contains a limited number of fields compared to if you use the common login in Prevas GCM.

When the trade item information is registered, you contact Prevas GCM support. The support will then send the trade item information to the available receivers.

The benefits of using this webpage includes that you can log in and see previous registered trade item information.

Previously customers have used Excel to collect their trade item information and sent to Prevas GCM Support. The support has then helped the customer to share their item trade information to receivers by using Validoo Item.

Are you in need for help of registration in Prevas GCM contact Prevas GCM support to receive your login information. If there is a need for registration assistance or if you have a Prevas GCM agreement for the web service but need help with registration, please contact our support and we will help you.

### **The code NA(Sodium) reinstatements in GS1's T4073 Nutrient list of codes**

Associated with the reinstatement of Major release 3.1.1 GS1 Sweden decided to remove the nutrient of Sodium (NA) from the T4073 list of codes. Completed entries in this field migrated to code values SALTEQ (salt) by formula  $SALTEQ = NA * 2.5$ . However, Sodium is now reintroduced in the T4073 Nutrient code list.

For more information about how the migration of salt and sodium has developed, see document (in Swedish);

<http://validoo.se/om-oss/nyheter/koden-na-natrium-ater-i-gs1s-kodlista/koden-na-natrium-laggs-ater-till-gs1s-kodlista>

For more information about migration see this document:  
[Information about migration for Prevas GCM.](#)

### **Development of new functions in Prevas GCM**

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Prevas have great interest in helping their customers of Prevas GCM to simplify the work with trade item information. We have previous experience of close customer collaborations, integration with surrounding systems and developing new customized functions in cooperation with the customer according to their needs and requirements. Please contact Prevas GCM support to discuss our needs.

## Prevas GCM

### Export of trade item information to Excel

The major release means that the computer model for trade item information has changed and become more complex, especially considering that there are repeatable sub models. Consequently, we are now investigating how to introduce the trade item information in the best way in Excel.

As a first step, Prevas is planning to develop an “basic-excel-report” where GTIN, trade item information, brand, title of article, readings and similar fields will be included. Food and nutritional information will not be included. This function is planned to be deployed in the next couple of months.

Prevas offers to develop a customized Excel report for an individual customer’s needs. This is done by a mix of coding, database script and copy paste. The cost of this depends upon the customer trade item information and what kind of information that should be included in the Excel report. It could be implemented for the customer in a way that makes it available via Prevas GCM’s interface if you want to run it several times. Contact Prevas GCM support if you have a need for this function.

### Additional functions in Prevas GCM

- Send trade item information to other countries/markets such as Denmark and Finland**

Prevas is currently working with a development project in order to adept Prevas GCM’s user interface making it possible to send trade item information to Denmark and Finland. This function will be released in the near future. Prevas plans to introduce this as additional to already existing Prevas GCM agreements with a joining fee and a monthly fee. To help our customers until the function is in place, Prevas offers to send trade item information as follows;

The customer updates the language handled article fields in Prevas GCM, the information is then sent to Validoo test receivers which creates XML files and Prevas then updates and send the XML files with the trade item information to receivers in Denmark and Finland. Please contact Prevas GCM support if this sound interesting to you and your company.
- Export trade item information to Dabas**

The function is available to export validated trade item information to Dabas. For customers connected to the service, Dabas could be chosen as receiver for trade item information in the creation of publications.

It is possible make a one-off export of trade item information that needs to be available in Dabas. This creates identical trade item information in both systems and makes it possible to only update trade item information in Prevas GCM. The system will then send all trade item information to both Validoo and to the receivers. Then you only export the chosen trade item information you want to have available in to Dabas. Please contact Prevas GCM support if this sound interesting to you and your company.

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- **Select GLN at publication**

At publication you can choose a function that selects user GLN from a list. This GLN will then be sent with the trade item information. Please contact Prevas GCM support if this sounds interesting to you and your company.

- **Import of trade item information to Prevas GCM**

Prevas has developed various customizations to import trade item information from business systems or other systems via XML, text or Excel format. Please contact Prevas GCM support if this sounds interesting to you and your company.