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Opcenter Quality Control

With the release of Opcenter Quality version 12.1, a new entry in the price book is available: Opcenter Quality Control.

This new product ID provides you with the functions and modules needed to ensure quality in incoming goods, production and outgoing goods. You can choose whether to carry out the inspection data acquisition web-based or acquire this data with the classic client-server-based acquisition modules. Please note that changing from classical Opcenter Quality licenses to Opcenter Quality Control can only be done holistically. Old licenses for the involved modules are no longer valid in case quality inspection exists.

Benefits
- Simplifies licensing model for Opcenter Quality Control
- Integrates additional information and customer-specific data
- Enhances graphical support during the acquisition to guide the user faster to the appropriate inspection spot
- FMEA CS: Improves the MSRFMEA support to exchange FMEA data with suppliers or customers
- Calvin CS: Gages can be assigned to persons based upon a qualification matrix
- IPM CS: Enhances the management of large inspection plans: easier editing and changes

Summary
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What’s new in Opcenter Quality version 12.1

Features
- Forwards complaints generated by IGC/SPC/OGC Web automatically to problem solving
- Downloads a BOM/BOP from Teamcenter Manufacturing to Opcenter Quality
- Makes extensibility available in Opcenter Quality Control (IGC/SPC/OGC Web)
- APQP CS: Considers linked checklists when action closed
- FMEA CS: FMEA import/export in MSRFMEA 2.2.1 format
- Calvin CS: Assigns person-related gages with qualification matrix

Teamwork between Teamcenter and Opcenter Quality Control
Automatically forward complaints generated by incoming goods control (IGC)/statistical process control (SPC)/outgoing goods control (OGC) Web to problem solving.

If a deviation is detected during a web-based recording of an inspection order, a complaint can be generated automatically. The system can be configured to automatically forward complaints to Teamcenter® software and create a complaint.

Complaint creation based upon a deviation.

Issue created in Teamcenter caused by a deviation during acquisition.
Transfer inspection plans with part reference
Downloading an inspection plan from Teamcenter to Opcenter Quality can be initiated with a Teamcenter workflow. One example is shown here:

Workflow is initiated.

Submitting the workflow.

Workflow CPIP release to OPQL.

A task appears in the Teamcenter inbox.

Example of an inspection plan download
Based on this workflow technology it is possible to transfer inspection plans from Teamcenter to Opcenter Quality.

Inspection plan in Teamcenter.

Downloaded inspection plan in Opcenter Quality.
Releasing an inspection plan in Opcenter Quality
Configuration in Teamcenter provides the option to automatically release the inspection plan in Opcenter Quality.

Example inspection plan in Teamcenter.

Configuration to release an inspection plan.

Download a BOM/BOP from Teamcenter Manufacturing to Opcenter Quality
You can now download a bill-of-materials (BOM) and a bill-of-process (BOP) from Teamcenter Manufacturing to Opcenter Quality.

Opcenter Quality Control
Extensibility is available in Opcenter Quality Control. We support extensibility in the Opcenter Quality Control module (formerly known as IGC/SPC/OGC Web).

The extensibility provides the following options:
- Ability to add new customer-specific fields in the layout
- Configure properties like color, bold and italic
- Customer-specific selection lists include the selection of data from customer-specific tables

- Add customer-specific columns in a table
- Gage selection dialogues are configurable

As an example, we can add a selection list of operators in the Action/Cause dialogue in the SPC acquisition that pops up after a process violation is recorded.

Field operators with selection option added via extensibility.

User list appears after clicking on the three dots in the additional field operators.
Calvin CS: Person-related assignment of gages with qualification matrix

A Gage Links tab is added to the personnel master data. At this point, the person-related assignment of gages with qualification matrix is done.

IPM CS: Insert inspection step at specific position

Users of our inspection planning module can insert a test step directly between other test steps. You do not have to move it from the end of the test step list to the correct position.

BCT web component is supported in Opcenter Quality Control

Integrating the graphical capture into our web module supports the inspector, who can quickly and precisely identify the location and measurement to be inspected.

If the connection between the inspection step in the inspection plan and the measurement on the component is difficult to see, the inspector can zoom in to obtain precise information about the characteristic to be measured.

Opcenter Quality: Features for the client server modules

APQP CS: Consider linked checklists when action closed

It is now possible to tell Opcenter Quality that actions cannot be closed if there are open actions in a linked (predecessor) checklist. To achieve this additional value for the system profiler switch APQP.VERIFY_PREDECESSORS_ON_ACTION_CLOSE is provided.

FMEA CS: FMEA import/export in MSRFMEA 2.2.1 format

The standard format MSRFMEA 2.2.1 is now supported. Previous versions 2.1.2 and 2.2.0 were supported. This means more details are exported and imported.

In addition to the already supported data, the following data is also exchanged in the MSRFMEA 2.2.1 format:

- Team master data for each system element. Team unique check: Team name, plant and ordered set of members. A new team is created if there is not a target system match
- Local members for system element
  Responsible person for system element
  Creator, modified by persons, for system element
  System element flags (checkboxes: Group, System structure, Closed, Confidential)
- Creator, modified by person, for action group
  Creator, modified by person, for action
  CaqUser flag exported for person
  Flag is transferred in case user is new on target system (before new users were imported as non-CaqUsers)

- On import there is a message warning that some plants contained in XML file are not available on target database. It allows the user to cancel import and create plants manually

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