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SOLUS 3.12

Guide to Upgrading SOLUS to v3.12

Introduction

This document has been designed to help customers through the process of upgrading SOLUS 3.6-10 to 3.12.

SOLUS 3.12 has been provided to enhance the functionality of the SOLUS platform and provide a smoother SIMS, FMS, and Discover upgrade experience.

It is strongly recommended that customers upgrade to SOLUS 3.12 before upgrading SIMS, FMS and Discover. **Please note: If you are running SOLUS 3.6 you must upgrade to 3.8 then 3.11 and then 3.11 to 3.12. You cannot upgrade from 3.6 direct to 3.12.**

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Version	Date	Change	Updated By
1.2	Autumn 15	Reference to v3.8/3.9	Barry Wright
1.3	Spring 16	Altered reference from 3.9 to 3.10, Added My Account link	Barry Wright
1.4	Summer 16	Added reference to 3.10.88.4	Barry Wright
1.5	Spring 2017	Updated for SOLUS 3.11. Updated footer	Neal Revell
1.6	Autumn 2017	Updated for Solus 3.12	Dan Fisher
1.7	Summer 2018	Minor adjustments to footer	Geoff Kemp

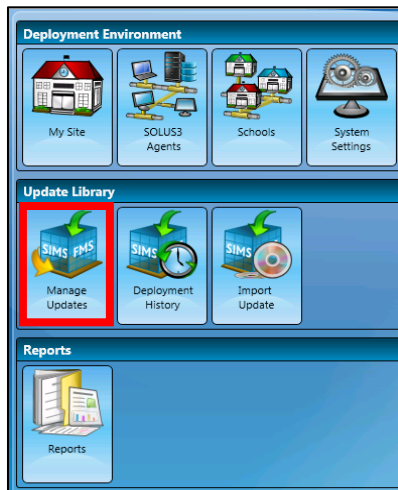
Upgrading SOLUS 3.6 to 3.8

Step One - Launching SOLUS 3.6

1. On the server or the computer hosting your SOLUS 3 database, double-click the **SOLUS 3 Deployment Server UI** icon on the desktop. Or launch via the menu route **Start | All Programs | SOLUS 3 | SOLUS 3 Deployment Server UI**.



2. When the SOLUS 3 UI loads click on the **Manage Updates** button.

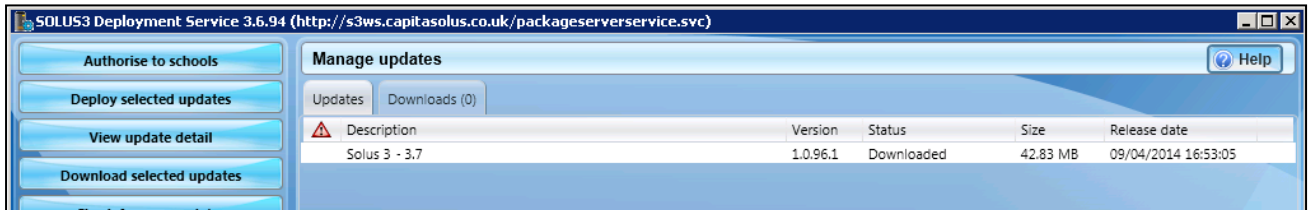


Step Two - Find update and download it:

1. Click on the **Check for new updates** button.



2. A pop-up message will display if SOLUS 3 has detected any new updates. If however the SOLUS 3 auto-download functionality is enabled, the updates may already have been downloaded.



3. **Please Note:** If SOLUS 3 finds new updates, they will need to be downloaded before proceeding. You can check progress by clicking on the **Download** tab.

Step Three - Deploy Upgrade

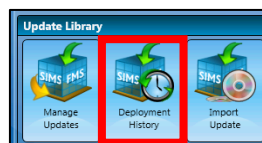
1. Within the manage updates screen you should see an update listed named **SOLUS 3 - 3.8.53.0**.
2. Please highlight the row and click on **Deploy selected updates**.



3. A new page will now open giving you the option to deploy now or schedule for a later time.
4. Once the upgrade has been deployed close the **Manage Updates** screen to return to the home screen.

Step Four - Monitoring Progress

1. From the home screen click on the **Deployment History** button. The deployment process is an automatic process and will require no further user interaction.



2. The status of the deployment will initially show as **In Progress**. As each element of the upgrade is undertaken, a pop-up will display with a two minute countdown and a **Deploy Now** button.
3. Once the deployment is completed the status will change to **Successful** or **Partially Successful**.
4. **Please Note:** A status of **Partially Successful** means that that the upgrade was unsuccessful on one or more of the targets (workstations). SOLUS 3 will then upgrade the machine when it is next switched on. Once you have completed the upgrade to 3.8 please follow the steps below to upgrade to 3.12

Upgrading SOLUS 3.8/9/10 to 3.11 then 3.11 to 3.12

Step One - Launching SOLUS 3

1. On the server or the computer hosting your SOLUS 3 database, double-click the **SOLUS 3 Deployment Server UI** icon on the desktop. Or launch via the menu route **Start | All Programs | SOLUS 3 | SOLUS 3 Deployment Server UI**.



2. When SOLUS 3 UI loads it will default to the **Upgrade Library** screen.

The screenshot shows the SOLUS3 Deployment Service 3.12.1.2 web interface. The browser address bar shows the URL: http://s3ws.capitasolus.co.uk/packageserverservice.svc. The interface has a dark header with 'SOLUS3 Environment Upgrades Settings' and a 'SOLUS On' toggle. Below the header are two tabs: 'Update Library' (active) and 'Deployment History'. The main content area is titled 'MANAGE UPDATES (Import Update)' and contains a table of updates.

Release date	Product	Description	Version	Status	Size	Type
13/07/2017	Deployment Service	Solus 3 - 3.12.1	1.0.145.1	Downloaded	101.66 MB	Release

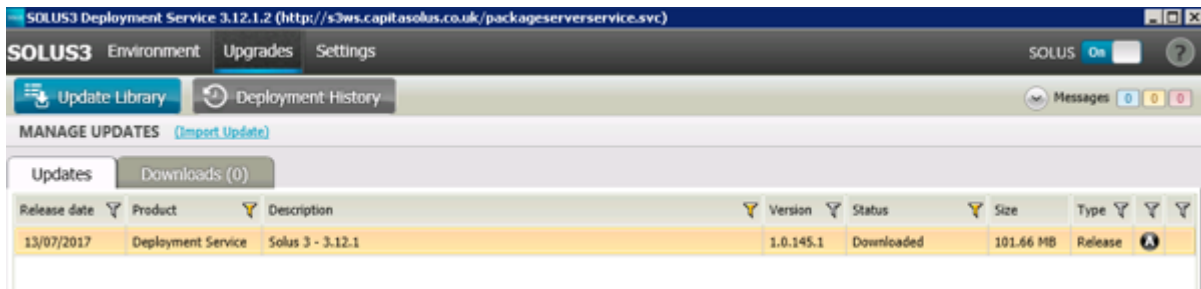
At the bottom of the interface, there are several green buttons: 'Check for updates', 'Authorisations', 'View', 'Extract', 'Download', and 'Deploy'.

Step Two - Find update and download it:

1. Click on **Check for updates**.



2. A pop-up message will display if SOLUS 3 has detected any new updates. If however the SOLUS 3 auto download functionality is enabled, the updates may already have been downloaded.



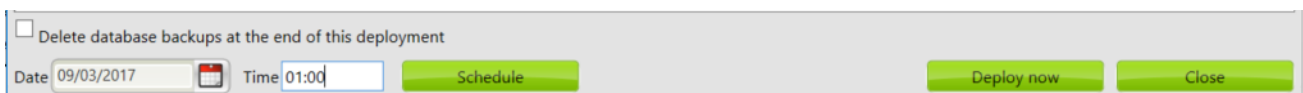
Please Note: - If SOLUS 3 finds new updates, they will need to be downloaded before proceeding. To do this please select the appropriate release and click the **Download** button. You are able to check progress of this by clicking on the **Downloads** tab.

Step Three - Deploy Upgrade

1. Within the manage updates screen you should see an update listed named **SOLUS 3 - 3.12.1**.
2. Highlight the latest upgrade and click on **Deploy**.

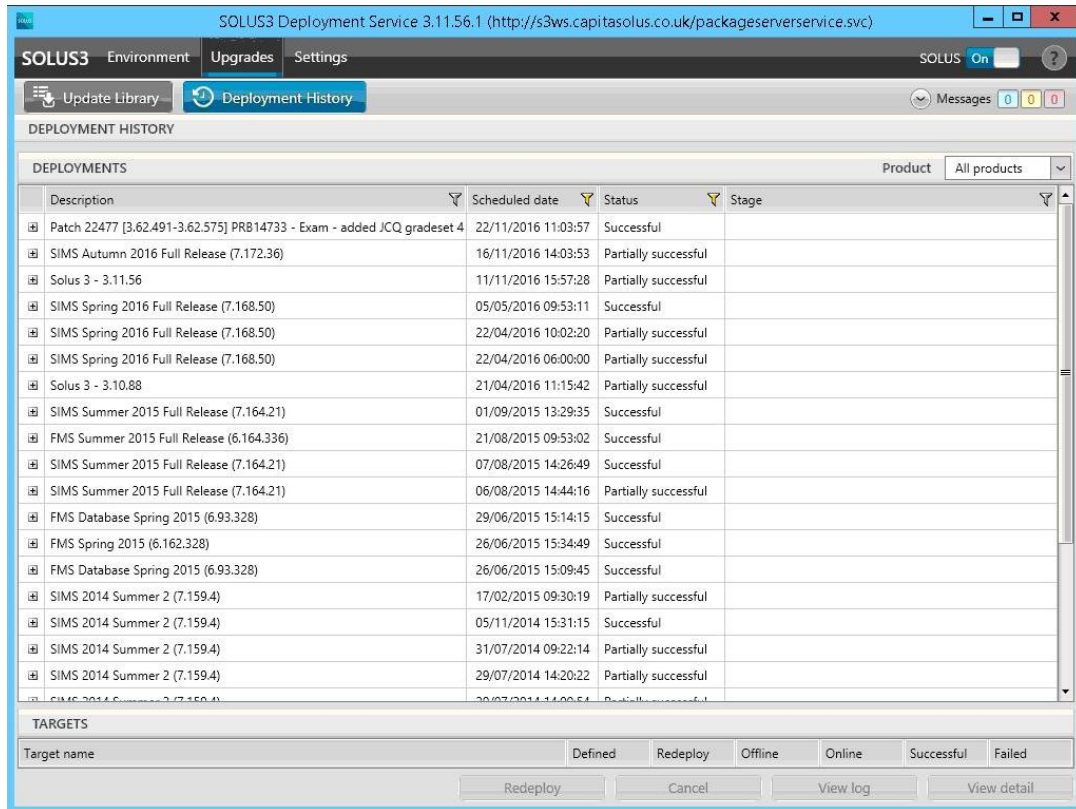


3. A new page will now open giving you the option to deploy now or schedule for a later time.



Step Four - Monitoring Progress

1. Once the upgrade has been deployed you are able to monitor its progress. Please click **Upgrades** and then **Deployment History** to see a list of current and previous deployments.



The screenshot shows the SOLUS3 Deployment Service interface. The main window title is "SOLUS3 Deployment Service 3.11.56.1 (http://s3ws.capitasolus.co.uk/packageserverservice.svc)". The interface includes a navigation bar with "Environment", "Upgrades", and "Settings" tabs. Below this, there are buttons for "Update Library" and "Deployment History". The "Deployment History" section is active, displaying a table of deployments. The table has columns for "Description", "Scheduled date", "Status", and "Stage". Below the table, there is a "TARGETS" section with a table of target names and their status (Defined, Redeploy, Offline, Online, Successful, Failed). At the bottom, there are buttons for "Redeploy", "Cancel", "View log", and "View detail".

Description	Scheduled date	Status	Stage
Patch 22477 [3.62.491-3.62.575] PRB14733 - Exam - added JCQ gradeset 4	22/11/2016 11:03:57	Successful	
SIMS Autumn 2016 Full Release (7.172.36)	16/11/2016 14:03:53	Partially successful	
Solus 3 - 3.11.56	11/11/2016 15:57:28	Partially successful	
SIMS Spring 2016 Full Release (7.168.50)	05/05/2016 09:53:11	Successful	
SIMS Spring 2016 Full Release (7.168.50)	22/04/2016 10:02:20	Partially successful	
SIMS Spring 2016 Full Release (7.168.50)	22/04/2016 06:00:00	Partially successful	
Solus 3 - 3.10.88	21/04/2016 11:15:42	Partially successful	
SIMS Summer 2015 Full Release (7.164.21)	01/09/2015 13:29:35	Successful	
FMS Summer 2015 Full Release (6.164.336)	21/08/2015 09:53:02	Successful	
SIMS Summer 2015 Full Release (7.164.21)	07/08/2015 14:26:49	Successful	
SIMS Summer 2015 Full Release (7.164.21)	06/08/2015 14:44:16	Partially successful	
FMS Database Spring 2015 (6.93.328)	29/06/2015 15:14:15	Successful	
FMS Spring 2015 (6.162.328)	26/06/2015 15:34:49	Successful	
FMS Database Spring 2015 (6.93.328)	26/06/2015 15:09:45	Successful	
SIMS 2014 Summer 2 (7.159.4)	17/02/2015 09:30:19	Partially successful	
SIMS 2014 Summer 2 (7.159.4)	05/11/2014 15:31:15	Successful	
SIMS 2014 Summer 2 (7.159.4)	31/07/2014 09:22:14	Partially successful	
SIMS 2014 Summer 2 (7.159.4)	29/07/2014 14:20:22	Partially successful	
SIMS 2014 Summer 2 (7.159.4)	26/07/2014 14:00:54	Partially successful	

The deployment process is an automatic process and will require no further user interaction. Once the deployment is completed the status will change to **Successful** or **Partially Successful**.

Please Note: A status of **Partially Successful** means that the upgrade was unsuccessful on one or more of the targets (workstations). An example of this would be if a machine is turned off. SOLUS 3 will then upgrade the machine when it is next switched on.

The document **Deploying a SIMS, FMS and Discover Upgrade using SOLUS 3** will be available to support the use of SOLUS 3.12 for the forthcoming SIMS Autumn 2017 release.

Appendix - Software Links

Links to all the latest Capita SIMS software, including SIMS/FMS upgrade ISO files can be located on the following web page:

<https://myaccount.capita-cs.co.uk/Notifications/SIMS-Release-Download-Links/>