

How To Detect And Repair Database Corruptions

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How do we repair the PSD Logistics database if we suspect it has experienced a corruption?

PSD Logistics database tables can only be corrupted if the database (i.e. the server) is shut down incorrectly (e.g. on a power failure) or if another application attempts to use the files while PSD Logistics is running (e.g. Antivirus software)

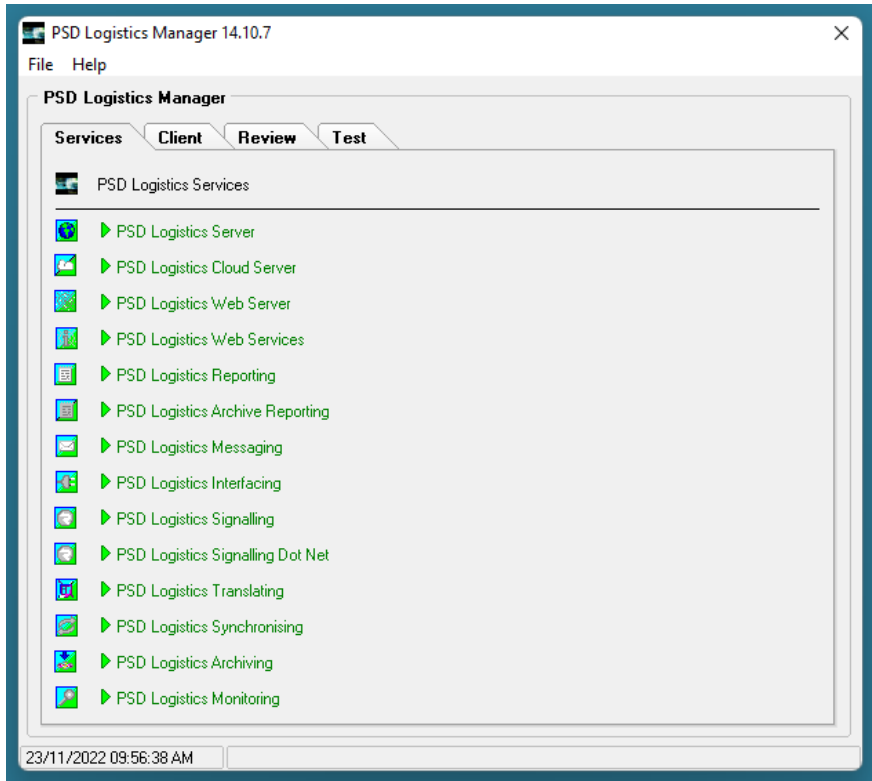
Table corruptions can usually be noticed if the application generates DBISAM errors in any of the PSD Logistics service review files, if data appears incorrectly or not at all, or if PSD Logistics otherwise performs unexpectedly.

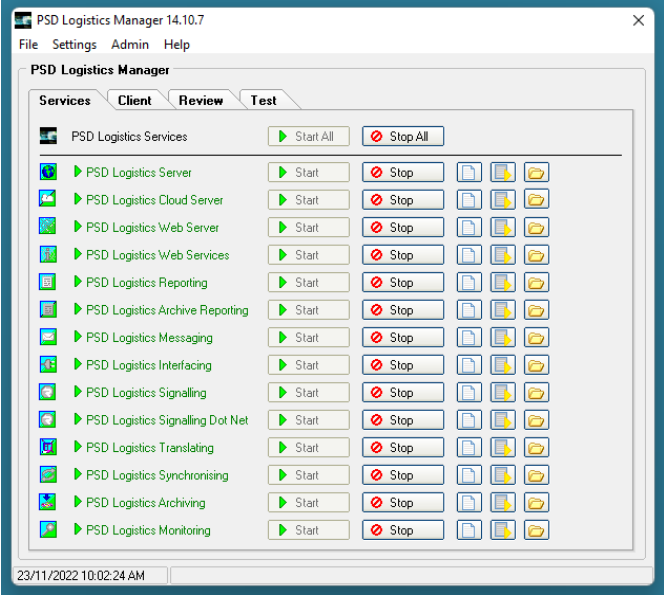
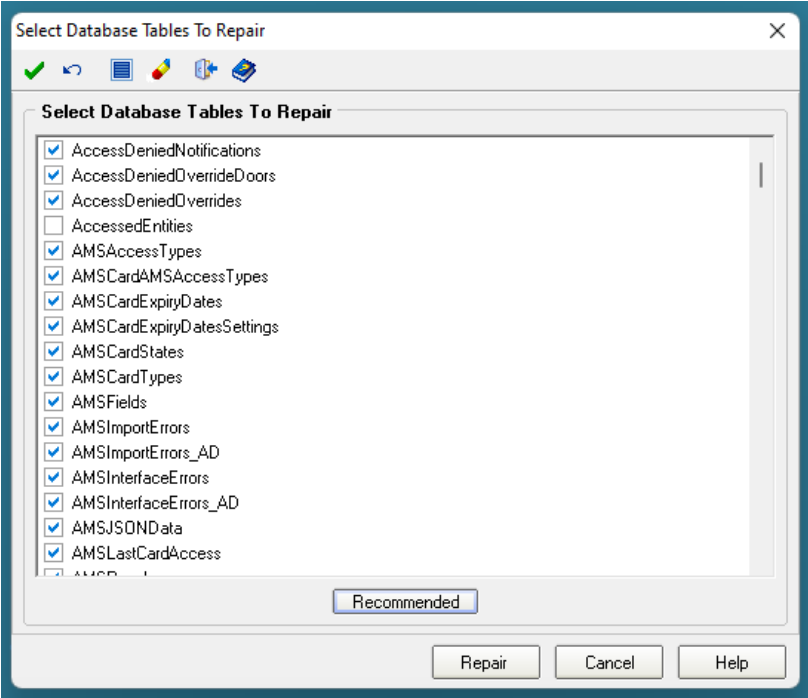
Repairing the database will require a PSD Logistics outage until the process is complete.

Solution 1

Repairing every database table.

Step 1 : Repair all database tables.

Step	Action
1	<p>Log into MS Windows on the server hosting the PSD Logistics Server services. Run PSDLogisticsManager.exe using "Run As Administrator". The default folder for this application is C:\Program Files (x86)\PSDLogistics\Manager\.</p> 

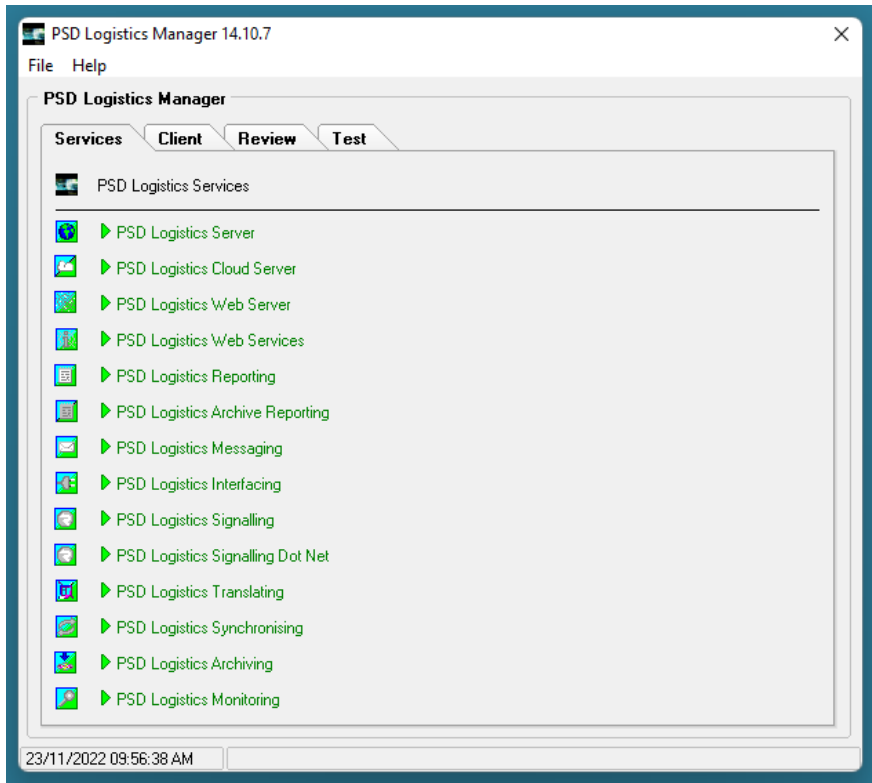
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2	<p>Select “File” -> “Login” and log into the PSD Logistics Manager using the admin account. The default password is “admin”. A number of menu items and features will be displayed.</p>  <p>The screenshot shows the PSD Logistics Manager application window. The title bar reads "PSD Logistics Manager 14.10.7". The menu bar includes "File", "Settings", "Admin", and "Help". The main window has tabs for "Services", "Client", "Review", and "Test". Under the "Services" tab, there are "Start All" and "Stop All" buttons. A list of services is displayed, each with a "Start" button, a "Stop" button, and several icons. The services listed include PSD Logistics Server, PSD Logistics Cloud Server, PSD Logistics Web Server, PSD Logistics Web Services, PSD Logistics Reporting, PSD Logistics Archive Reporting, PSD Logistics Messaging, PSD Logistics Interfacing, PSD Logistics Signalling, PSD Logistics Signalling Dot Net, PSD Logistics Translating, PSD Logistics Synchronising, PSD Logistics Archiving, and PSD Logistics Monitoring. The status bar at the bottom shows the date and time: "23/11/2022 10:02:24 AM".</p>
3	<p>Select “Admin” -> “Database” -> “Repair Database Tables”. Select the particular tables to repair, or use the blue square tool button to select all tables. Note: selecting all tables may take a long time to complete. This time is dependent on the number of modules that are licenced and the size of the tables. In the event of any corruption, it is highly recommended to repair every table.</p>  <p>The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Select Database Tables To Repair". It contains a list of database tables with checkboxes next to them. The tables listed are: AccessDeniedNotifications, AccessDeniedOverrideDoors, AccessDeniedOverrides, AccessedEntities, AMSAccessTypes, AMSCardAMSAccessTypes, AMSCardExpiryDates, AMSCardExpiryDatesSettings, AMSCardStates, AMSCardTypes, AMSFields, AMSImportErrors, AMSImportErrors_AD, AMSInterfaceErrors, AMSInterfaceErrors_AD, AMSJSONData, and AMSLastCardAccess. There is a "Recommended" button at the bottom of the list. At the bottom of the dialog box, there are "Repair", "Cancel", and "Help" buttons.</p>
4	<p>Select “File” -> “Exit”.</p>

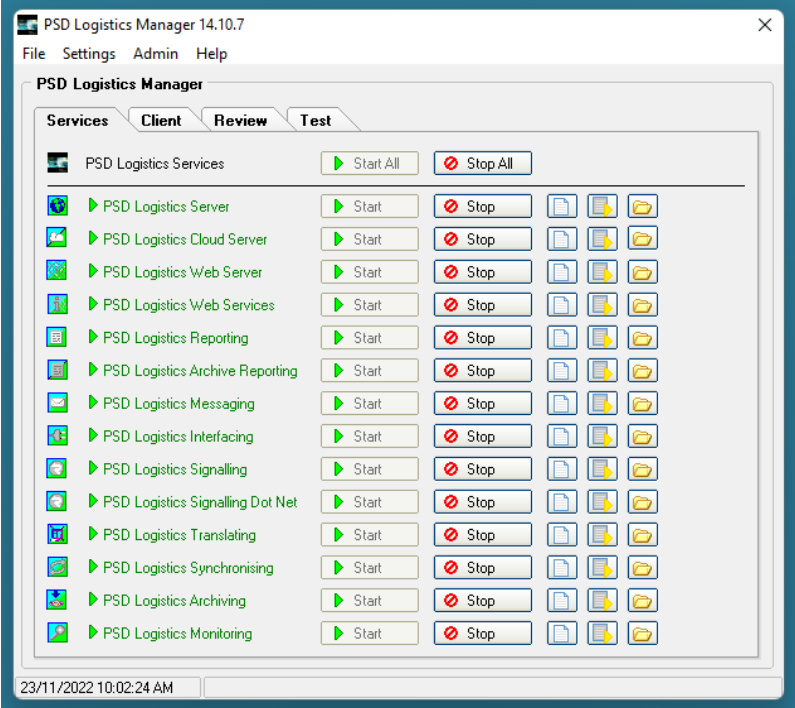
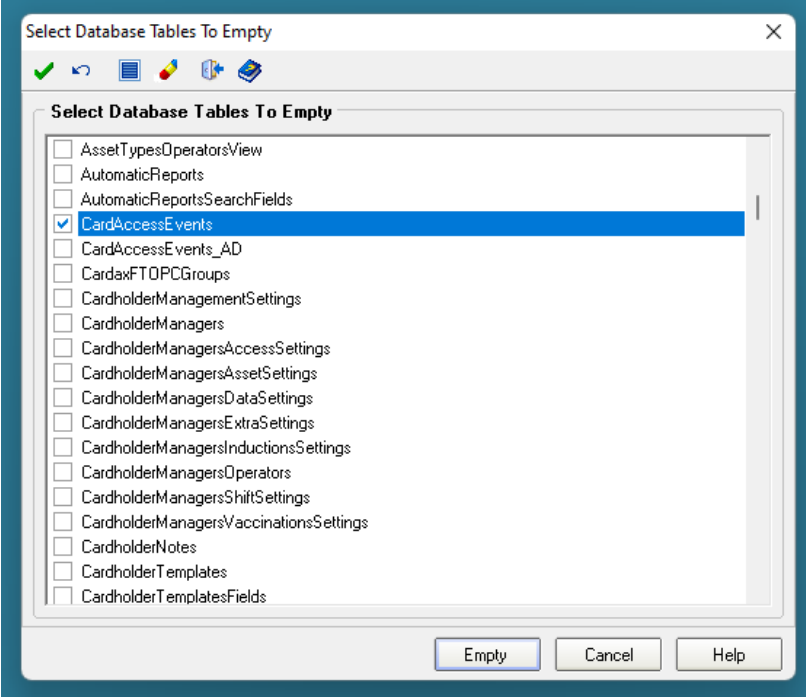
Solution 2

If the recovery time is critical, the best option could be to select all tables apart from CardAccessEvents and TimeSheetsData. These tables can be emptied, and then re-queried from the access control system. This option however will lose all historic company and department information associated with the card access events, and will only query non archived data stored in the access control system.

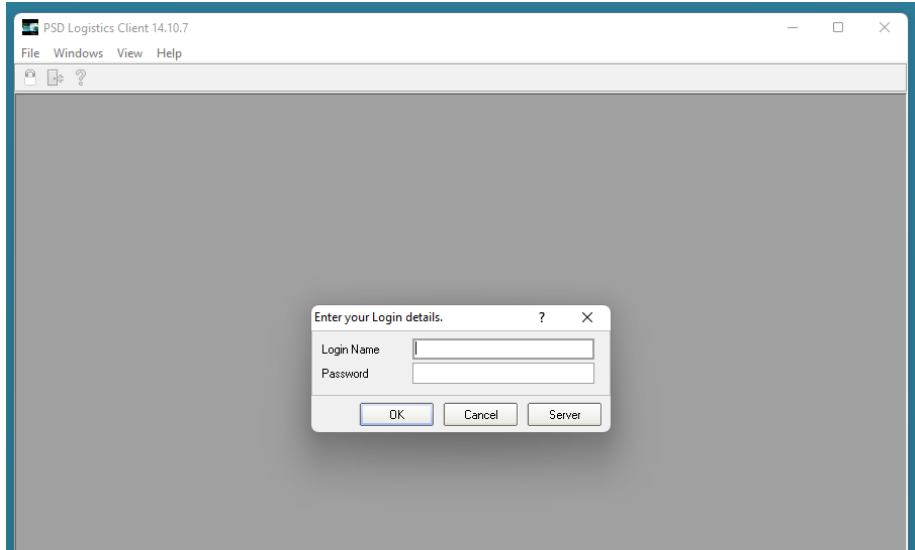
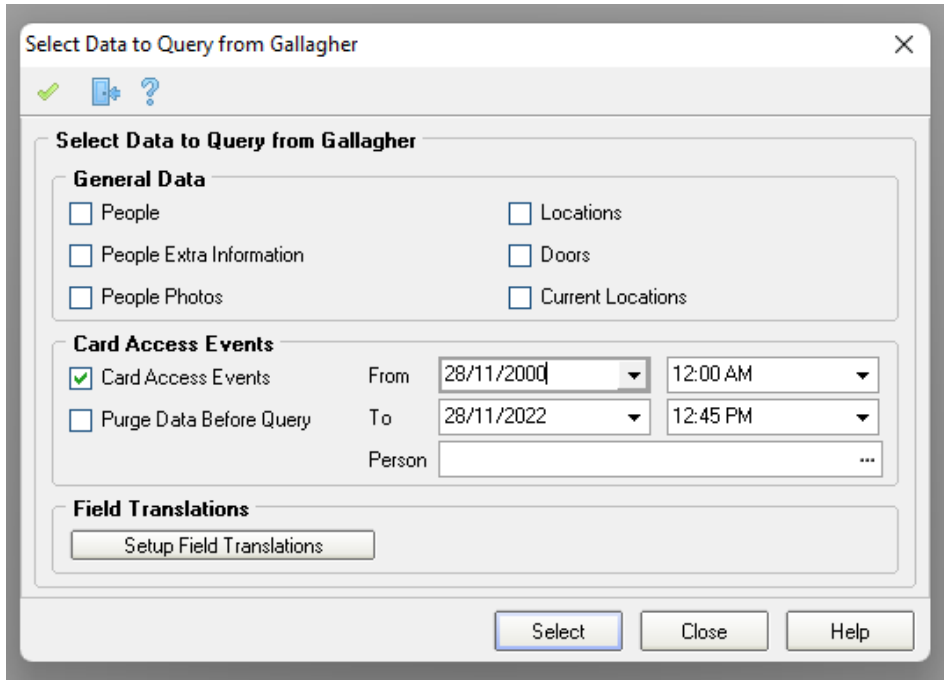
To empty these tables, perform the following steps.

Step 1 : Empty the Card Access Events and Time Sheets Data tables.

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1	<p>Log into MS Windows on the server hosting the PSD Logistics Server services. Run PSDLogisticsManager.exe using "Run As Administrator". The default folder for this application is C:\Program Files (x86)\PSDLogistics\Manager\.</p> 

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2	<p>Select “File” -> “Login” and log into the PSD Logistics Manager using the admin account. The default password is “admin”. A number of menu items and features will be displayed.</p>  <p>The screenshot shows the PSD Logistics Manager 14.10.7 application window. The 'Services' tab is active, displaying a list of services with 'Start' and 'Stop' buttons for each. The services listed include PSD Logistics Server, Cloud Server, Web Server, Web Services, Reporting, Archive Reporting, Messaging, Interfacing, Signalling, Signalling Dot Net, Translating, Synchronising, Archiving, and Monitoring. The status of each service is shown as 'Start'.</p>
3	<p>Select “Admin” -> “Database” -> “Empty Database Tables”. Select CardAccessEvents and TimeSheetsData, then proceed with the operation.</p>  <p>The screenshot shows the 'Select Database Tables To Empty' dialog box. It contains a list of database tables with checkboxes next to them. The 'CardAccessEvents' table is selected, indicated by a blue highlight and a checked checkbox. Other tables listed include AssetTypesOperatorsView, AutomaticReports, AutomaticReportsSearchFields, CardAccessEvents_AD, CardaxFTOPCGroups, CardholderManagementSettings, CardholderManagers, CardholderManagersAccessSettings, CardholderManagersAssetSettings, CardholderManagersDataSettings, CardholderManagersExtraSettings, CardholderManagersInductionsSettings, CardholderManagersOperators, CardholderManagersShiftSettings, CardholderManagersVaccinationsSettings, CardholderNotes, CardholderTemplates, and CardholderTemplatesFields. The 'Empty' button is highlighted at the bottom.</p>
4	<p>Select “File” -> “Exit”.</p>

Step 2 : Re-query the Card Access Events.

Step	Action
1	<p>Log into a PSD Logistics Client using “Run As Administrator”. The default folder for this application is C:\Program Files (x86)\PSDLogisticsClient\.</p> 
2	<p>Click the hammer icon to log in as the administrator. If you cannot see the hammer icon, you do not have administrative access on this account. A number of menu items and features will be displayed.</p>
3	<p>Select “Admin” -> “Database” -> “Query Access Management Software”. Select “Card Access Events” and select the data range to query the data from. Note : If the card events data has been archived in the access control system, it will be unavailable to PSD Logistics.</p> 
4	<p>Select “Select”</p>