11.8 Favorites

Favorites are read queries that use specified criteria, which have been saved. Favorites can be reused, which allows the user to quickly perform frequently needed queries without having to define the parameters each time. Favorites are specific to each user.

11.8.1 Creating a New Favorite

- Select Home on the Shortcut bar to access its icons.
- Click on the Read shortcut.
- 3. Enter the desired query parameters in the Browse/Edit area (e.g., data range, location, radius, servers).
- 4. Click the **Go** button to run the guery.
- 5. When the query results window appears, click the Save Query button.
- A dialog box will appear, prompting for a name. Enter a descriptive name for the new favorite.
- 7. Select the Use Relative Date Range option if desired.

Use Relative Date Range Option — If this option is selected when saving a query, and when the resulting favorite query is run in the future, it will use a From and To date and time range relative to the From and To date and time entered for the original query. It will not use the actual range entered in the original query. Also, it is important to remember that the time span between the From and To date and the time range used is relative to the date and time when the original query was run.

Consider a query that is saved as a favorite and originally defined on 8/9/20xx to search reads between 8/02/20xx and 8/8/20xx (the prior week). If the Relative Date Range option is selected, the query is saved to always run against the prior week rather than those actual dates. If the Favorite option is invoked on 12/3/20xx, it will return results from 11/26/20xx through 12/2/20xx. It is important to note that the results will be relative to the actual time of the original query and when it is rerun. Suppose you run a query at 5 pm today to search for reads occurring between 9 am and 5 pm and save it as a favorite. When you run the query again tomorrow, it will search for reads that occurred eight hours **before** the current time, which may not necessarily fall between 9 am and 5 pm.

8. Click **OK** to complete. The query definition is now saved as a favorite and can be accessed at any time.

11.8.2 Activating a Favorite

- 1. Select the **Home** category in the Shortcut bar (if not already selected).
- 2. Click the **Favorites** shortcut.
- 3. A listing of all favorites is displayed in the Browse/Edit area.
- 4. Click the desired favorite. (The selected favorite will be highlighted in yellow.)
- 5. Click the **Go** button in the bottom area of the Browse/Edit area.
- 6. The guery results will appear in the Browse/Edit area.

11.8.3 Deleting a Favorite

- 1. Select the **Home** category in the Shortcut bar (if not already selected).
- 2. Click the Favorites shortcut.
- 3. A listing of all favorites is displayed in the Browse/Edit area.
- 4. Click the desired favorite. The selected favorite will be highlighted in yellow.
- 5. Click the **Delete** button in the bottom area of the Browse/Edit area.
- 6. Press Yes to confirm deletion.

12 Reports

Several reports are included, automatically, with a new BOSS installation. These reports are available for use as soon as a BOSS Administrator assigns role permissions to the reports.

12.1 Running a System Report

- 1. Select the **Home** category on the Shortcut bar.
- 2. Click the Reports shortcut.
- 3. The Browse/Edit area will display a list of available reports. (Reports to which the user does not have permissions are not displayed.)
- 4. Click the desired report. The selected report is highlighted in yellow. Parameters for the report appear in the bottom of the Browse/Edit area.
- 5. Select Date Range. All reports call for From and To dates to define the time range for the report data. By default, the values in these fields define a report for the most recent two weeks. You can change these dates by typing different information into these fields, using the Up/Down arrow keys to the right of the field or by clicking the Select button to the right of the field and selecting a date on the calendar and then clicking the Save button.
- 6. Some reports also permit you to filter report results by user(s). For example, the pictures report, which reports pictures taken in LPCS, allows you to define one or more users to report on.
- Once desired parameters are selected for the report, click the Go button. The report screen immediately displays, indicating that the server is generating the report until results are displayed.

12.2 Viewing and Printing Reports

The Report screen displays the date and time the report was generated and the title of the report in the heading area. When you place your mouse above a shortcut on the Report Shortcut bar, a label appears indicating what the shortcut button does. Note that some of the buttons on the Shortcut bar are not relevant to BOSS reports and are therefore disabled.

The Report Results Shortcut bar icons are as follows:



First Page – Return to the first page of the report.

Previous Page – Go to the previous page of the report.

Page Input - In this text box, type in a particular page number to bring up on screen.

Next Page - Go to the next page of the report.

Last Page – Go to the last page of the report.

Stop Rendering – This button can be used to cancel the report processing. This can be helpful if a large report was initiated, but is no longer desired.

Refresh - Refresh the report using the most current BOSS data.

Print – Print the report.

Print Layout - Toggle between available print layouts.

12.2 Viewing and Printing Reports (continued)

Page Setup - Choose among the options for standard page setup, such as page orientation, and paper size.

Save As — Excel/PDF/Word — Save the current results to a Microsoft Excel (.xls), an Adobe Portable Document Format (.pdf) or a Microsoft Word (.doc) document.

Width Zoom Setting - This drop-down list allows you to select a zoom view for the report results on the screen.

12.2.1 Viewing the Login Statistics Report

- 1. Select the Admin category on the Shortcut bar.
- 2. Click the Devices shortcut.
- 3. Click the Logs button at the bottom of the screen.



4. Click **Go** to view the Login Statistics Report.

Begin Date – Select the start date for the report.

End Date – Select the end date for the report.

Selected Users – Select the users to include in the report. Click the Select button. Click the checkbox of the desired user. Click on the Save button.

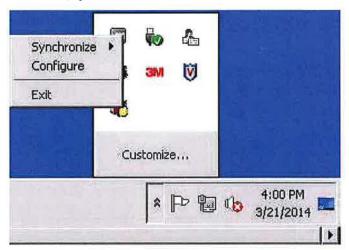
13 Client Tools

The Client Tools utility is used to transfer any necessary files needed for a shift from BOSS to an LPCS system that is being run in the Disk Sync mode. After the completion of a shift, Client Tools can then be used to transfer read data files captured during a shift into BOSS. The utility is configurable and processes files stored on a local, network, or USB flash drive. Like Smart Client, the Client Tools utility does not have to be run on the BOSS server; it can be configured to access the server via an IP Address.

Client Tools does not have a customary interface. Once the utility is started, the Client Tools icon will appear in the Windows System Tray.

Before use, Client Tools must be configured, which is described in Appendix 17. Once the Client Tools has been configured, it can now be used to synchronize information between BOSS and LPCS:

1. To start, right-click on the Client Tools icon.



- Select Synchronize. The next menu displayed is divided into three sections.
 - a. The first section allows the user to select either Create Begin Shift Files or Synchronize End Shift Files. When either option is selected, the next menu is displayed. It is divided into two sections; it is the bottom two sections of the previous menu and functions the same way.
 - b. The second section displays the path defined during configuration. This is a shortcut to perform Begin Shift and End Shift at the same
 - time, storing the Begin Shift files in the defined location and processing the End Shift files at the defined location. If there are no End Shift files to process, this feature will be complete after the Begin Shift file is created. No error message will be displayed if the End Shift files are not found.
 - c. The last section lists the drive letters currently on the workstation. If one is selected, Client Tools will perform a Begin Shift first and store the files at the root of the drive selected. Then Client Tools will check to see if there are End Shift files at that location. If found, the files will be processed. If not found, the synchronization process is complete. No error message will be displayed. This is an additional option if the configured drive is not currently available.

Beginshift CIL **Endshift** CIL A:\ CIL A:\ D:\ C:\ E:\ D:\ F:\ E:\ F:\ Synchronize Configure Exit

Note that once End Shift files have been processed, they are deleted.

14 Archiving Data

It is possible to archive reads that have accumulated in the BOSS database. Based on settings that are configurable in System Parameters, reads that meet the specified criteria are transferred from the main BOSS database to an archived BOSS database. (See Section 15.3.2, List of BOSS System Parameters, for additional information on configuring this feature.)

Once enabled, this process is handled by the BOSS server. There should be no noticeable difference to a user logged into a BOSS Smart Client when reviewing or reporting on stored reads. The only indication in the BOSS Smart Client that reads have been archived will be on the BOSS Home screen. The user will be able to see a calculable difference between the reads and hits counts compared to the total reads and total hits counts. The difference between the values will be the number of reads and hits stored in the archived database.

15 System Settings

15.1 Sessions

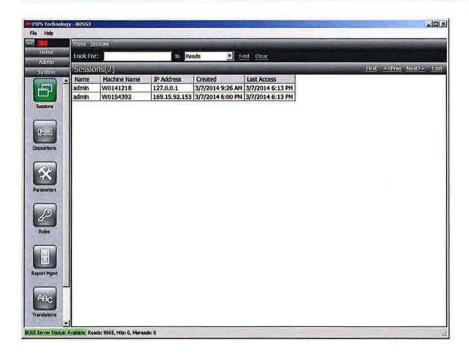
The Sessions screen allows for viewing the current list of logged-on BOSS users. Each login on each computer utilizes a concurrent license of the software. Since BOSS is licensed per concurrent active session, a BOSS Administrator may need to have a session disconnected in order to release a session license. A BOSS Administrator can force a session disconnect in the Sessions screen.

Note: BOSS allows a single "admin" login to access BOSS even if the number of concurrent sessions has been exhausted. *Please see Section 2.1, BOSS Administrator Login, for more information about the "admin" username.*

15.1.1 Viewing and Disconnecting Sessions

- Select the System category on the Shortcut bar.
- 2. Click the **Sessions** shortcut. A list of current user sessions appears in the Browse/Edit area.
- 3. The heading in the Browse/Edit area indicates the total number of current sessions.
- 4. Click on a session to see details in the bottom half in the Browse/Edit area.
- To disconnect, click the Disconnect button that appears in the detail area, and click OK.

Note: You cannot disconnect your own session in this manner. To disconnect your own session, simply log off the BOSS application.



15.1.2 Workstation Power Management and Sessions

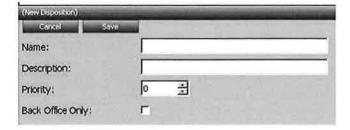
Using Windows Power Management to hibernate or suspend a workstation running the BOSS Smart Client will cause the session in BOSS to be terminated after five minutes. When the workstation is resumed from hibernation or a suspended state, the user will have to log in to BOSS again.

15.2 Dispositions

Dispositions are pre-defined classifications that can be assigned to hits. "Arrest Made," "Vehicle Recovered," "Surveillance Established" are examples of dispositions. A BOSS Administrator is able to define any number of dispositions for her system. Users can then use those dispositions to specify the action taken or the status of the hit. A new BOSS system will have a Default Disposition category that includes one disposition of "No Action." Additional categories can be defined as needed.

15.2.1 Defining a New Disposition

- Select the System category on the Shortcut bar.
- 2. Click the **Dispositions** shortcut. A list of all current dispositions appears in the top of the Browse/Edit area.
- 3. Click the **New** button in the bottom of the Browse/Edit area.
- 4. Enter a name for the disposition. If adding it to the default category, simply enter the name of the disposition. If adding it to a new category, the format of the name should be [Category: Disposition Name], i.e., **Auto: Vehicle Recovered.**
- 5. Enter a **Description** for the new disposition.
- 6. Specify a **Priority** for the disposition. (A lower number means a higher priority.)
- Select the Back Office Only option if the disposition should not be available only in the Correct Reads screen in BOSS, and not exposed in LPCS.



15.2.2 Deleting a Disposition

- 1. Select the **System** category in the Shortcut bar (if not already selected).
- 2. Click the Dispositions shortcut.
- 3. A list of all dispositions is displayed in the Browse/Edit area.
- 4. Click the desired Disposition. The selected disposition will be highlighted in yellow.
- 5. Click the **Delete** button in the bottom area of the Browse/Edit area.
- 6. Press Yes to confirm deletion.

15.3 System Parameters

System Parameters allow for configuration parameters for a BOSS system. System parameters only need to be configured during initial system configuration and normally do not need to be modified again after that.

15.3.1 Editing System Parameters

- Select System from the left Shortcut bar.
- 2. Click on the Parameters button in the Shortcut bar.
- Click on the desired parameter in the right Browse/Edit window. The bottom pane of the Browse/Edit window will display the entry field for the selected parameter.
- 4. Modify the parameter value as desired and click the **Save** button.

15.3.2 List of BOSS System Parameters

arc_ActiveRetentionDays — This setting dictates how long reads will be maintained in the BOSS database. After reads have been stored for this time, they will be moved to the archived database, creating space for additional reads in the main database. The default setting is 730 days but can be varied based on the size and needs of the system.

arc_ArchiveDBRetentionDays — This setting dictates how many days to retain an archived database. After an archived database has been stored for this time it will be removed, creating space for additional archived databases. The default setting is 0 days, which indicates that the archived databases will never be removed, but the number of days can be modified based on the size and needs of the system.

arc_DatabaseLocation — This setting allows the user to specify where the archived databases should be saved. A blank entry will save them in the SQL default location.

arc_Enabled – To allow the BOSS server to archive aged reads and free up space, enable archiving by setting this to 1. When archiving is not desired, this setting should be 0.

arc_EndOfMonthCutOff — This setting forces a restriction on the size of the archived databases, so that nothing will be added after the end of each month. The default setting is disabled (0). To enable the setting, change the value to 1.

arc_MaxSize – This setting allows the Administrator to determine the number of reads that can be stored in the archived database.
The default value is 1 million and can be varied based on the size and needs of the system. Once an archived database has reached this maximum number of records, a new archived reads database will be created.

audit_Justification_FileNumberRequired — When this setting is enabled (1), users performing read queries are required to enter a file number. This information will also be listed in the audit report. The default setting is disabled (0).

audit_Justification_NotesRequired — When this setting is enabled (1), users performing read queries are required to enter a justification note. This information will also be listed in the audit report. The default setting is disabled (0).

audit_JustificationEnabled — When this setting is enabled (1), users performing read queries are required to select a pre-defined justification. This information will also be listed in the audit report. The default setting is disabled (0).

data_CaptureUsageStatistics — When this setting is enabled (1), information sent from a LPCS device that has been modified due to Privacy settings will still be utilized to generate usage statistic reports. The default setting is disabled (0).

hls_HotListDeltas — When this setting is enabled (1), updated hotlists will be deployed in full. Changing the setting to disabled (0) will cause only the changes made in the updated hotlists to be deployed.

15.3.2 List of BOSS System Parameters (continued)

Proxy_uri/proxy_username /proxy_password/proxy_domain — These settings are only necessary if there is a proxy server involved that requires authentication for connection. Enter a valid Uniform Resource Identifier (URI), username, password, and domain in the associated fields to allow communication through the proxy server. Consult the network Administrator for proxy authentication information

purge_Minutes – This setting is the time, in minutes, between each session of purging or archiving. The default value is 15 minutes and is configurable to any value of 1 minute or greater.

purge_ReadCount — This setting is the number of records to be processed by the purging or archiving process per session. It can be any value, but setting it according to system limitations is recommended because the process can be resource intensive if set too high.

readQuery_fromDate — This setting allows the user to adjust the default From date on the Reads Query screen. Any value can be entered and it is used to decrement from today. Example — a value of 7 would result in a From date seven days earlier than today.

readQuery_toDate – This setting allows the user to adjust the default To date on the Reads Query screen. Any value can be entered and it is used to incremented from today. Example – a value of 7 would result in a To date seven days later than today.

rq_ReaperHours — This setting manages how long to retain a temporary database table created when running certain read queries. This allows the user to continue to review the results of those queries for a longer time. The default is a minimum of 48 hours, and there is no maximum value.

smtp_SenderName – In order for the BOSS server to send alerts to email addresses, the SMTP settings must be configured correctly. The SMTP sender field should contain the username that will appear in the From field on an email generated by the BOSS system.

smtp_Server – The name or IP address of the SMTP server should be entered here. The name or address used here must be one by which the SMTP server can be reached from the BOSS server. This field must be populated correctly in order for the BOSS system to send any alerts to email addresses.

smtp_UserName/smtp_password — The SMTP username and password fields should contain a valid SMTP username and associated password for sending alerts through the SMTP (email) server. Normally, a BOSS Administrator coordinates with his SMTP Administrator to create a special SMTP user that will be used exclusively for BOSS alerts.

smtp_SSL – If Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) is used on your SMTP server, the value of this field should be set to 1. If you do not use SSL, this field should be set to 0.

smtp_SubjectTemplate /smtp_AlertTemplate — These fields allow a BOSS Administrator to customize the verbiage in an alert email subject line and message body using any combination of static text and field variables from the hit that generated the alert. Each field (from the hit) is enclosed in brackets.

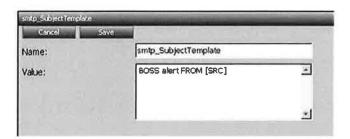
smtp_SubjectTemplate — This field sets the subject line of alert emails generated by BOSS.

smtp_AlertTemplate – This field determines the text in the body of the alert email.

For example, the following entry in the smtp_SubjectTemplate field incorporates both static text and a BOSS field variable as well: **BOSS** alert FROM [SRC]

The static text "BOSS alert FROM" will always be constant in each SMTP alert. However, the value of [SRC] will vary depending upon the source device where the hit originated. If the hit originated from a source device named "Camera2," for instance, the complete subject would read: "BOSS alert FROM Camera2".

The following tokens can be used in the templates, and for each individual alert they will be replaced with the actual value from the hit record:



TOKEN	DESCRIPTION
[LPN]	license plate
[STE]	site
[SRC]	device
[LOC]	location
[LAT]	latitude
[LON]	longitude
[HOT]	hotlist name
[FD1]	field1
[FD2]	field2
[FD3]	field3
[FD4]	field4
[FD5]	field5
[PNC]	PNCID/DL
[INF]	information
^	new line

15.3.3 Branding

BOSS allows the BOSS Administrator to upload a logo image and a welcome message that is displayed to BOSS users on the Home screen. To define the image and message:

- 1. Select **System** from the left Shortcut bar.
- 2. Click on the Parameters button in the Shortcut bar.
- 3. Click on Branding.
- 4. If needed, click **Default** to remove current custom settings.
- 5. Pick the desired logo image using the **Browse...** button.
- 6. Type in a message in the Welcome Message box.



Browse – Select an image file (JPEG, GIF, BMP) to be displayed on the home screen. The largest recommended image size is 120 by 380 pixels.

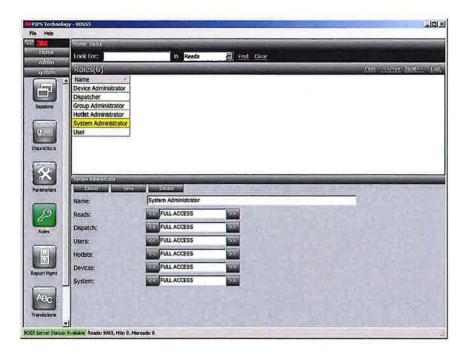
Default – Remove the custom logos and texts.

Welcome Message - A custom welcome message can be typed in here.

7. Click **OK** to save changes, or Cancel to discard changes.

15.4 Roles

In addition to the default roles that are automatically created by BOSS, the Administrator can create and configure custom roles as needed. See Section 4.2, Permissions, for more information.



15.4.1 Adding New Roles

- 1. Select the **System** category on the Shortcut bar.
- 2. Click the Roles shortcut. The Browse/Edit area will display a list of existing roles.
- 3. Click on the New button. The New Role entry window will be displayed in the bottom of the window.
- 4. Enter the name of the new role and assign the desired permissions.
- 5. Click the Save button.

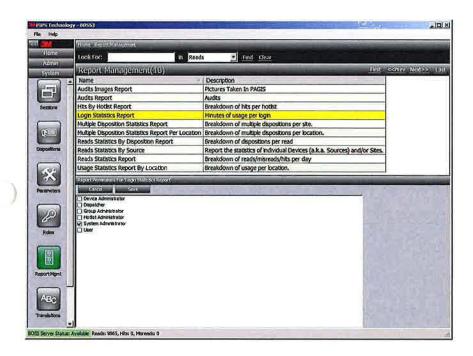
15.4.2 Deleting Roles

- 1. Select the System category on the Shortcut bar.
- 2. Click the Roles shortcut. The Browse/Edit area will display a list of existing roles.
- 3. Click on an existing role and the edit window will be displayed in the bottom of the window.
- 4. Click the **Delete** button. Click **Yes** when prompted to complete the operation.

15.5 Report Management

15.5.1 Assigning Permissions to Access Reports

- 1. Select the System category on the shortcut bar.
- 2. Click the Reports Mgmt shortcut. The Browse/Edit area will display a list of available reports.
- 3. Select a report by clicking the name in the list. The selected report will be highlighted in yellow.
- 4. Current report permissions for the type of report chosen display in the bottom of the Browse/Edit area. Each BOSS role is listed along with a checkbox. Click a role in the list to select. Click a second time to change an unchecked box to a checked box.
- 5. After selecting the desired permissions for the report, click the **Save** button.

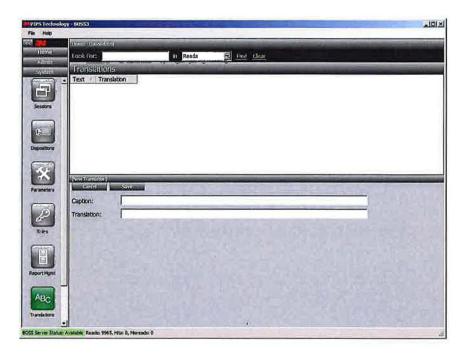


15.6 Translations

Across various organizations and agencies, terminology related to BOSS can differ significantly. For this reason, a new function added in the BOSS version 3 series gives customers flexibility in naming conventions used in the application. The Translations function provides for changing wording on BOSS screens, which allows a customer to tailor screen labeling to correspond to their own vernacular. Text items in the translations editor correspond to labels on BOSS screens. Authorized users can change these text items as necessary.

Note: This feature is not intended as a replacement for language-specific versions of BOSS. For international versions of BOSS, please contact 3M Technical Support.

15.6.1 Entering a New Translation



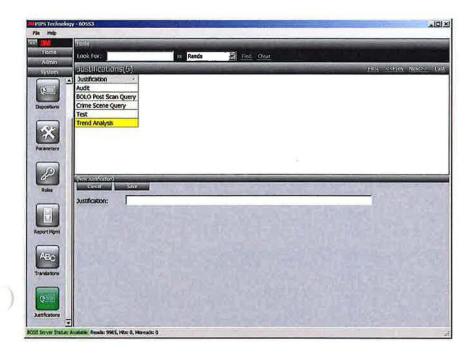
- 1. Select the System category on the Shortcut bar.
- 2. Click the **Translations** shortcut. A list of all current translations appears in the top of the Browse/Edit area.
- 3. Click the **New** button and the new Translations Entry screen appears in the bottom area.
- 4. Enter an existing label from the BOSS application in the Caption field, using the exact case and spelling that normally appears on the screen.
- 5. Enter the desired replacement text in the Translation field.
- 6. Click the **Save** button to complete the operation.

Note: The user must log off and on again for translation to take effect in the current session.

For Example: A customer preferring to see a label of "Plate" where the software normally uses the term "LPN" would use the translations feature to create the replacement for their installation. The translation Entry Caption field would contain "LPN," while the Translation field would contain the replacement term "Plate."

15.7 Justifications

To ensure that sensitive information is being kept secure, systems can be configured to require that users who are performing queries on reads have a valid reason for doing so. Enabling the audit_JustificationEnabled parameter requires users to justify their reason for querying reads. There are five justifications created by default: Audit, BOLO Post Scan Query, Crime Scene Query, Test and Trend Analysis. These queries will also be documented in audit reports.



15.7.1 Entering a New Justification

- 1. Select the System category on the Shortcut bar.
- 2. Click the Justifications shortcut. A list of all existing justifications appears in the top of the Browse/Edit area.
- 3. Click on the New button. The Justifications Entry screen appears in the bottom area.
- 4. Enter a justification. There is no validation on the entry for this field.
- 5. Click the **Save** button to complete the operation.

15.7.2 Deleting Justifications

- 1. Select the **System** category on the Shortcut bar.
- 2. Click the Justifications shortcut. A list of all existing justifications appears in the top of the Browse/Edit area.
- 3. Click on the justification to be deleted. The Justifications Edit screen appears in the bottom area.
- 4. Click the **Delete** button. Click on **Yes** when prompted to complete the operation.

16 Appendix: System Requirements

16.1 *Minimum* System Requirements

Please note that the minimum requirements are the *least* resources needed to run the software. We fully expect 3M Back Office System Software to run in these environments. However, the user may experience periods of slowness. There may also be other environmental factors that could impact the application's performance such as networks, the utilization of resources by other processes, etc.

16.1.1 Smart Client Minimum System Requirements

If the Smart Client is installed on a workstation, the minimum system resources needed for installing and running the 3M BOSS 3.2 or above Smart Client are:

- Pentium-compatible PC at 1.0 GHz
- Windows Vista, Windows 7, or Windows 8
- 1 GB of RAM
- 32-bit SVGA display at 1024 x 768 pixels
- . 1 GB of hard drive space
- · Keyboard and mouse

16.1.2 BOSS Server Minimum System Requirements

If 3M BOSS 3.2 or above is being run on a dedicated system, the minimum system resources needed for installing and running the BOSS Server are:

- Intel Xeon Quad Core CPU at 2.0 GHz
- Windows Vista, Windows 7, or Windows 8, 64-bit mode
- 8 GB of RAM
- 1 GB of hard drive space
- Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express Edition, on a separate machine

If 3M BOSS 3.2 or above is being run on the same system as the SQL Server, the minimum system resources needed for installing and running both are:

- Intel Xeon Quad Core CPU at 2.0 GHz
- Windows Vista, Windows 7, or Windows 8, 64-bit mode
- 16 GB of RAM
- 1 GB/20,000 reads of hard drive space
- Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express Edition, with memory usage constrained

16.1.3 SQL Server Minimum System Requirements

If SQL Server is being run on a dedicated system, the minimum system resources needed for installing and running the SQL Server are:

- Intel Xeon Quad Core CPU at 2.0 GHz
- · Windows Vista, Windows 7, or Windows 8, 64-bit mode
- 16 GB of RAM
- 1 GB/20,000 reads of hard drive space
- Microsoft SQL Server 2008 Express Edition

16.1.4 Client Tools Minimum System Requirements

The minimum system resources needed for installing and running the 3M BOSS 3.2 series Client Tools are:

- · Pentium-compatible PC at 1.0 GHz
- · Windows Vista, Windows 7, or Windows 8
- 1 GB of RAM
- 32-bit SVGA display at 1024 x 768 pixels
- 1 GB of hard drive space
- · Keyboard and mouse

16.2 Recommended System Requirements

16.2.1 Smart Client Recommended System Requirements

The recommended system requirements for installing and running the 3M BOSS 3.2 series Smart Client are:

- · Pentium-compatible PC at 1.0 GHz
- Windows Vista, Windows 7, or Windows 8
- 2 GB of RAM
- 32-bit SVGA display at 1024 x 768 pixels
- 1 GB of hard drive space
- · Keyboard and mouse

16.2.2 BOSS Server Recommended System Requirements

If the 3M BOSS 3.2 or above service is running in a dedicated environment, the recommended system requirements for installing and running the 3M BOSS Server are:

- Intel Xeon quad-core CPU at 2.0 GHz or faster
- Windows Server 2008 Standard Edition in 64-bit mode
- 16 GB of RAM
- SCSI or SAS hard drives at 10,000 RPM

- . 1 GB of hard drive space
- Microsoft SQL Server 2008 R2 Standard Edition, on a separate system

If the 3M BOSS 3.2 or above is being run on the same system as the SQL Server, the recommended system requirements for installing and running both are:

- Intel Xeon quad-core CPU at 2.0 GHz or faster
- · Windows Server 2008 Standard Edition in 64-bit mode
- 32 GB of RAM
- · SCSI or SAS hard drives at 10,000 RPM
- 1 GB/20,000 reads of hard drive space
- Microsoft SQL Server 2008 R2 Standard Edition, with SQL memory usage constrained

16.2.3 SQL Server Recommended System Requirements

If the SQL Server is running on a dedicated system, the recommended system requirements for installing and running it are:

- Intel Xeon quad-core CPU at 2.0 GHz or faster
- Windows Server 2008 Standard Edition in 64-bit mode
- 32 GB of RAM
- · SCSI or SAS hard drives at 10,000 RPM
- 1 GB/20,000 reads of hard drive space
- Microsoft SQL Server 2008 R2 Standard Edition

16.2.4 Client Tools Recommended System Requirements

The minimum recommended system requirements for installing and running the 3M BOSS series Client Tools are:

- Pentium-compatible PC at 1.0 GHz
- · Windows Vista, Windows 7, or Windows 8
- 2 GB of RAM
- 32-bit SVGA display at 1024 x 768 pixels
- 1 GB of hard drive space
- · Keyboard and mouse

17 Appendix: Installation and Configuration

This section is intended for authorized personnel in installation and configuration of a BOSS system. The information in this guide is organized sequentially, in the order that steps would be performed when initially setting up a new BOSS system, with the first section describing the software installation process, and the subsequent sections describing configuration options for a BOSS system.

Upon initial installation of a new BOSS system, the BOSS server application must be configured using the BOSS Controller application. BOSS Administrators may also find the need to modify configuration settings after the system has already been in use. Therefore, the configuration section can be used as an ongoing reference for authorized personnel responsible for maintaining the system.

IMPORTANT NOTE: It is critical that **only an IT Administrator or other knowledgeable personnel** attempt configuration modifications to a BOSS system. Incorrect configuration settings can cause serious issues with operation and/or adversely affect data integrity. When in doubt, you should consult 3M Technical Support before making system configuration changes.

17.1 Installing the BOSS Server Application Files

17.1.1 Running the Installer

This guide assumes that the Microsoft SQL Server 2008 instance for BOSS has already been installed and is available. If the SQL Server is not available, *stop now and continue installation after the SQL Server has been installed*. To install the Microsoft SQL Server, please follow the instructions provided by Microsoft.

Note: 1. It is not recommended that the installation be performed over a remote desktop connection.

2. It is recommended that antivirus utilities be disabled during the install.

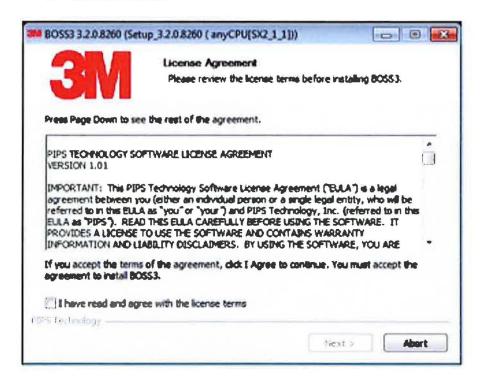
To commence the installation:

- 1. Select the link supplied by 3M to the BOSS 3.2 installation application.
- 2. Run the BOSS 3.2 Setup executable.

Note: Right-click on the installer icon and select Run As Administrator.

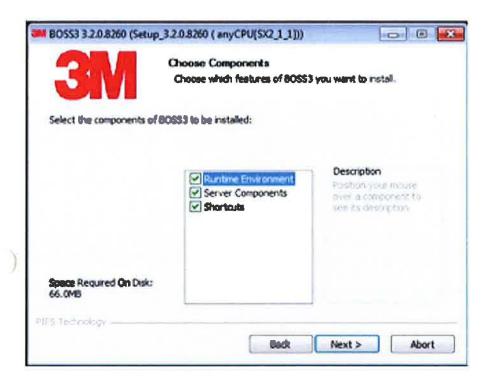
17.1.2 3M License Agreement

- 1. Click the license agreement checkbox to acknowledge agreement with the license terms.
- 2. Click Next to continue.



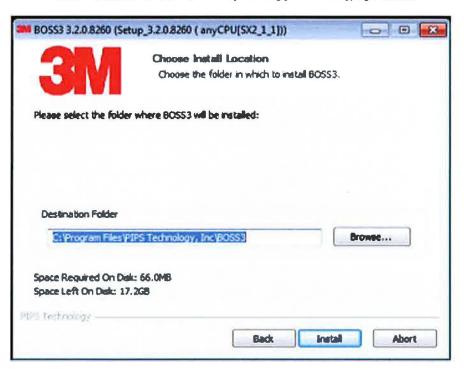
17.1.3 Selecting the Installed Components

- 1. Check the box for each component you wish to install for BOSS 3.2.
 - Runtime Environment (required)
 - Server Components (required)
 - · Shortcuts (optional)
- 2. Click Next to continue.

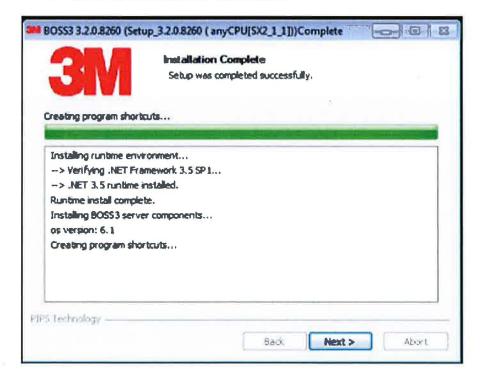


17.1.4 Selecting the Installation Folder

1. Select the location to install BOSS 3.2 by browsing your drive or typing a location.

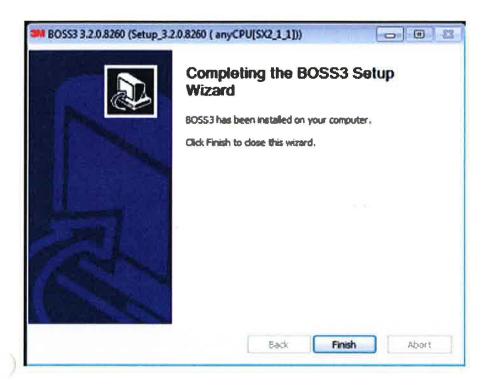


2. Click Install. The installation will then commence.



17.1.4 Selecting the Installation Folder (continued)

3. When the Installation Complete message is displayed, click **Finish** to proceed to the Licensing Wizard.

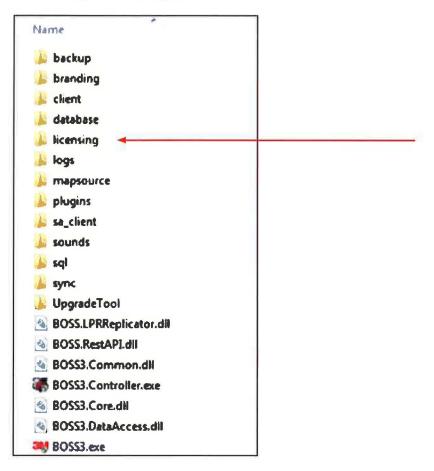


17.2 BOSS Version 3.2 and Above License Key Management

17.2.1 Activating the License Key

Following a new installation, a valid BOSS 3.2 license key must be entered. There are three options available discussed in the sections below that can be used to activate the license.

1. Navigate to the licensing folder in the BOSS 3.2 installation folder.



- 2. Start Microsoft License Manager (Microsoft.Licensing.LicAdmin.exe). This must be run as an Administrator.
- In the License Manager User interface, select File → Activation Wizard to install the new license.
- 4. When the Activation Wizard dialog opens select one of the following:
 - a. I want to activate the software over the Internet. See Section 17.2.1.1.

or

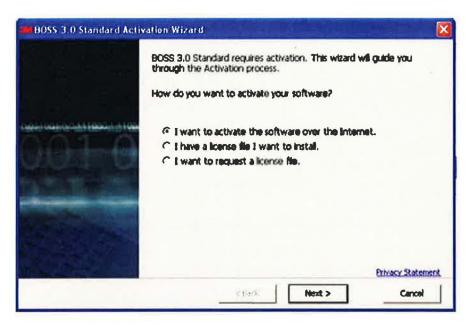
D. I have a license file I want to install. See Section 17.2.1.2.

or

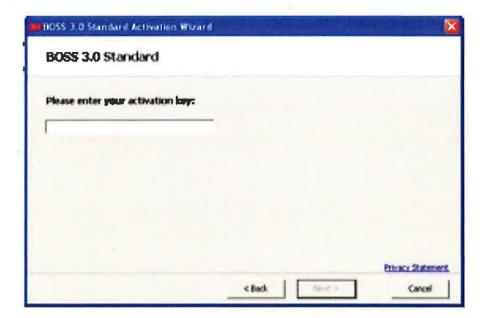
c. I want to request a license file. See Section 17.2.1.3.

17.2.1.1 Activating the License Key over the Internet

- 1. Check I want to activate the software over the Internet.
- Click Next to continue.



3. Enter the activation key provided by 3M and click Next.



4. The license key will be activated over the Internet. The following screen will display. Click Finish to continue.



17.2.1.2 Activating the Software with a License File

- 1. Check I have a license file I want to install.
- 2. Click Next to continue.
- 3. Navigate to the location of the license file and select it.
- Click Next to continue.
- 5. When the activation is completed click Finish.

17.2.1.3 Request a License File to Activate the License

- 1. Click I want to request a license file. Press Next.
- 2. Enter the license key you received previously. Press Next.
- 3. In the screen that displays, copy the text block highlighted (starts with "—BEGIN Request") to the clipboard and paste it into an email. Send the email to 3M Technical Support (alprsupportus@mmm.com).
- 4. Close the Activation Wizard by clicking the Finish button.
- 5. You will be sent an activation file via email. Extract the license file (*.bin) and copy it to a folder on the computer where BOSS is installed. *Return to Section 17.2.2 and follow the steps to activate the license.*

17.2.2 Updating a License Key

If the BOSS license key becomes invalid, or if the license is upgraded, follow these steps to reactivate a BOSS license key:

- 1. Start Windows Explorer on the BOSS server.
- 2. Navigate to the folder where the BOSS server application is installed (by default C:\Program Files\PIPS Technology, Inc\BOSS3).
- 3. Locate the licensing folder as described in Section 17.2.1.
- 4. Open the folder and right click on the application Microsoft.Licensing.LicAdmin.exe. Select to run as the Administrator. You will see the following screen:



5. Select the license key. Right-click, and from the context menu, select Reactivate.



- 6. Click Next.
- 7. When the Installation Complete message is displayed, click Finish.

17.3 Map Display Options with BOSS

BOSS version 3.2 and above can display collected plate read information plotted on a map. There are two different mechanisms for displaying maps within the BOSS Smart Client application.

17.3.1 U.S. Census Bureau TIGER Maps

BOSS supports downloading U.S. Census Bureau Topologically Integrated Geographic Encoding and Referencing (TIGER) maps data into BOSS. This data is available free of charge within BOSS. TIGER maps will work without an Internet connection once the data has been downloaded.

TIGER maps cover the United States and its territories. Because these are very large data files, geographical coverage of a download should be limited to a few counties. Also, because of the limited nature of Census information, address search with TIGER maps is approximate (per census block). If more coverage or more accuracy is required, other mapping options should be considered. Satellite imagery is not available with TIGER maps.

17.3.2 Advanced Mapping with Microsoft Bing Maps

3M provides an option to purchase an "Advanced Mapping" feature with BOSS. This option enables integration of Microsoft Bing® Maps, an Internet-based service that BOSS can use to display maps in the Smart Client application.

Note: In order to use Advanced Mapping, the BOSS server and each Smart Client workstation will need an unimpeded Internet connection to Microsoft.com (no proxy servers). Bing Maps supports accurate address search and satellite imagery.

For more information about Bing Maps, please go to: http://www.bing.com/maps

17.4 Configuring the BOSS Server Application

After the BOSS version 3.2 or above installation is completed, the application must be configured using the BOSS Controller program. The following sections explain how to use this program as well as the configuration settings that are available.

17.4.1 The BOSS Controller Application

17.4.1.1 Starting the Boss Controller

BOSS Controller (BOSS3.Controller.exe) is the application used to configure and control the BOSS service. The BOSS Controller is installed on the server computer along with the server application. After the installation is complete the Controller program will start automatically. If this is a new installation the license will need to be activated first. Choose to configure BOSS at a later time by clicking on **Cancel.**

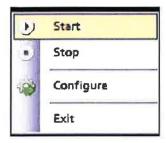
The shortcut to the BOSS Controller program can be found on the desktop or in the All Programs → PIPS Technology → BOSS3 menu. Right-click on the Controller icon and select **Run As Administrator**. When the BOSS Controller program is started an icon for the application will appear in the Windows System Tray at the lower right corner of the desktop.

17.4.1.2 Status Colors

The icon for the Controller program includes a "traffic light" that uses a color indicator to show the status of the BOSS service application. When the BOSS service application is running, the indicator is green. When the BOSS service application is not running, the indicator is red. Yellow color indicates that the application is changing state (starting or stopping).

17.4.1.3 Right-Click Menu

When you right-click the BOSS Controller System Tray icon, a pop-up menu will appear:



Start	Start the BOSS service.	
Stop	Stop the BOSS service.	
Configure	Present the BOSS Configuration Wizard.	
Exit	Close the BOSS Controller application. (Note: This closes the BOSS Controller program, but does not stop the BOSS Service.)	

17.4.1.4 Starting the BOSS Service

When the Start action is selected, and the service starts successfully, a Success message will be displayed:



The traffic light in the BOSS Controller icon will turn green to indicate the status.

17.4.1.5 Stopping the BOSS Service

When the **Stop** action is selected, and the service stops successfully, another Success message will be displayed, and the traffic light changes to red:



17.4.2 BOSS Configuration

17.4.2.1 Activating the Configuration Wizard

If this is a new installation of the BOSS application, the Configuration Wizard will automatically display after the installation of the files is complete.

If the BOSS Configuration Wizard is displayed, go to Section 19.4.2.2, BOSS Configuration Wizard. If the Configuration Wizard is not displayed:

- 1. Right-click the Controller System Tray icon.
- 2. Select the **Configure** option. The Configuration Wizard options are explained in the following sections.

17.4.2.2 BOSS Configuration Wizard



Step through all configuration screens in the BOSS Configuration Wizard by simply clicking the **Next** button on this first screen. Click **Next** on each subsequent screen after entering in the desired settings. **Note:** This step-by-step process is recommended when you are configuring the system for the first time.

OR

Click the Step menu option to access the configuration menu and proceed to the step choice.

For each configuration step (described in Sections 17.4.2.3 – 17.4.2.9), clicking **Next** will take you to the next configuration screen, clicking **Previous** will take you to the previous one, and clicking **Cancel** will clear any changes you have made on the current screen.

17.4.2.3 SQL Server Configuration

SQL Server configuration is required for a new BOSS system, in order to specify the location and necessary authentication information for the SQL database.



SQL Server – Select the SQL Server 2008 instance for BOSS. Press **List** to choose from a list of available SQL Servers. The SQL Server Browser service must be running at this point. You may also type in the server IP address or host name. Enter a dot "." to use a local SQL Server that is running on the same machine as the BOSS service.

Use Windows Integrated Security - If checked, BOSS will use Windows Integrated Security to access the SQL Server database.

SQL Server Login and SQL Server Password – If Windows Integrated Security is not selected, enter the SQL Server username and password provided for BOSS to use to access the database.

Test – The **Test** button can be used to test the SQL Server settings currently in place. The **Test** button initiates a connection. A message box will appear to indicate whether the test connection fails or succeeds.

BOSS requires approximately 1 GB of hard drive space per 20,000 reads. In order to improve performance, the BOSS database can be divided among multiple locations as follows:

Primary Database Folder - The drive and folder where the BOSS primary database will reside

Images Database Folder – The drive and folder where the BOSS will store images

Reads Index Folder - The drive and folder where BOSS will store database indices for stored plate reads

Transaction Log Folder – The drive and folder where BOSS will store the database transaction log file

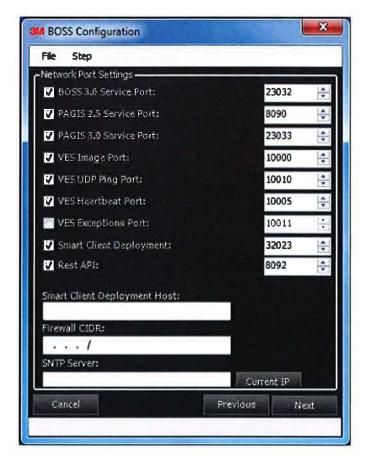
17.4.2.4 Resetting the Administrator Password

If you have forgotten the BOSS administrator (admin) password, you can press the **Reset 'admin' password** button to reset the password to "admin1."



Pressing Yes will immediately reset the password.

17.4.2.5 Network Port Settings



BOSS uses a number of TCP/IP and UDP network ports for communication between server and client applications and server and license plate reading devices.

17.4.2.5 Network Port Settings (continued)

FIELD	DESCRIPTION	DEFAULT PORT
BOSS 3.0 Service Port	TCP/IP port used to provide access for BOSS Smart Clients	23032
PAGIS 2.5 Service Port	TCP/IP port used to provide access for LPCS (formerly PAGIS) for older mobile client versions	8090
PAGIS 3.0 Service Port	TCP/IP port used to provide access to various mobile client versions	23033
VES Image Port	TCP/IP port used to receive reads from 3M fixed cameras	10000
VES UDP Ping Port	UDP port used to receive keep alive ping messages from 3M fixed cameras	10010
VES Heartbeat Port	TCP/IP port used to receive heartbeat status messages from 3M fixed cameras	10005
VES Exceptions Port	TCP/IP port used to receive exceptions messages from 3M fixed cameras	10011
Smart Client Deployment	TCP/IP port used for BOSS client installations via BOSS server	32023
REST API Port	HTML port used for the communication between the BOSS service and newer versions of LPCS	8092

If the checkbox in front of the port name is left unchecked, the corresponding connection will be disabled.

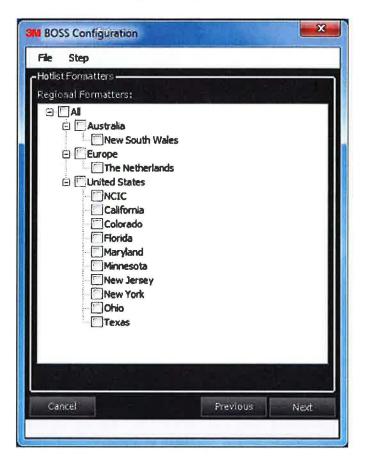
Smart Client Deployment Host — If this information is entered, BOSS Smart Clients will use the given hostname to distribute the smart client application. This can be left blank to use the local host name.

Firewall CIDR — BOSS provides a built-in firewall for incoming fixed camera connections. If a value is entered, only cameras with an IP address matching the CIDR will be allowed to connect. CIDR (Classless Inter-Domain Routing) is a standard industry method for specifying a range of included IP addresses. The format of the CIDR entry is A.B.C.D/N, in which the dotted decimal portion before the "/" is interpreted, like an IPv4 address, as a 32-bit binary number that has been broken into four octets. The value of N indicates the number of shared initial bits, counting from the left-hand side of the address.

For Example: For an entry of 10.200.200.255/24, the CIDR value 24 leaves 8 bits that can be changed. Therefore, addresses 10.200.200.x are permitted addresses.

SNTP Server – BOSS has a built-in time service. The 3M fixed ANPR/ALPR cameras do not support automatic daylight savings time (DST) adjustment. The BOSS time service provides a customized SNTP service for these cameras in order to support DST. To use the built-in time service, Windows Time Service has to be disabled in the Services Control panel, and the BOSS time server IP address entered in this field.

17.4.2.6 Regional Hotlist Formatters

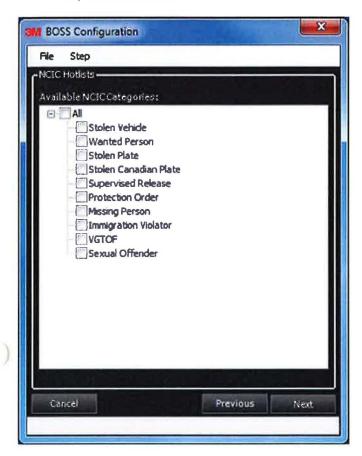


The BOSS 3.2 series allows the selection of predefined hotlist formatters. These formatters define the input format (structure) of hotlist data files. Custom formatters can be defined via the BOSS Smart Client application (see Section 13 of this manual for more information). Also, when installing BOSS in the United States, National Crime Information Center (NCIC) data formatters can be selected for specific states (see section following).

To select or unselect formatters, click on the formatter title to add or remove a check mark. Additional formatters can be added to a system as needed. These will be provided by 3M Technical Support upon request.

17.4.2.7 NCIC Hotlist Formatters

BOSS 3.2 and above supports hotlist import in the United States National Crime Information Center data format. This option is available only in the United States.



To configure formatters for the desired categories, check those categories.

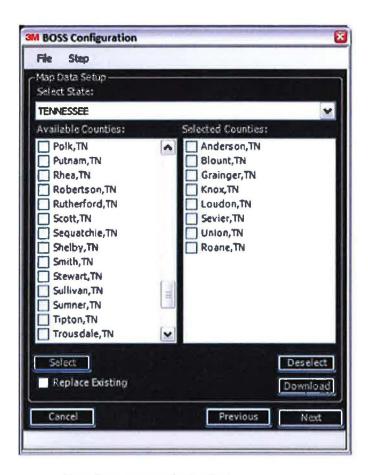
Once the desired categories have been selected, press Next to proceed.

17.4.2.8 TIGER Maps Configuration

BOSS 3.2 and above provides reporting on a map display by three alternative means. See Section 17.3, Map Display Options with BOSS. This option is available only in the United States.

Note: This section of configuration needs only be completed if U.S. Census Bureau TIGER maps are used.

BOSS provides for automated download of map data from the U.S. Census Bureau website. The U.S. Census Bureau offers yearly updated geographical information free of charge. In order to use TIGER maps, the BOSS server will need an established connection to the Internet during the map download. After the maps have been downloaded, the Internet connection is no longer needed.



To configure new maps for download:

- 1. Select the desired state from the drop-down menu. A list of counties for the selected state will appear.
- 2. Check the desired counties and click Select. Counties from multiple states can be selected

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3. Check undesired counties and click Deselect.

Once the desired counties have been selected:

4. Click **Download** to start the download process, BOSS will connect the U.S. Census Bureau website and extract the desired county data sets.

17.4.2.8 TIGER Maps Configuration (continued)

To replace existing maps:

BOSS maintains a copy of downloaded counties. To start anew and download a fresh set of data, check **Replace Existing** before clicking the **Download** button.



The status bar will indicate the download and extraction progress.

Note: The U.S. Census Bureau geospatial database has certain omissions and deficiencies. For more information, please consult the TIGER maps website: https://www.census.gov/geo/maps-data/data/tiger-line.html

17.4.2.9 Finishing Configuration



Click Finish to complete configuration. BOSS will save the chosen configuration.

If U.S. Census Bureau TIGER maps were downloaded, BOSS will prepare the map package to download to the Smart Clients. This may take several minutes. Progress will be displayed in the status bar.



Once the configuration process is complete, the Configuration Wizard will close automatically. In order to put the changed configuration in effect, the BOSS service will need to be restarted.

17.5 Installing the BOSS Smart Client Application

17.5.1 Installation over the Web

To initiate a web installation on a workstation, start up Microsoft Internet Explorer and navigate to this web address: http://{boss_server_IP_address} is the address of the server running the BOSS server application.

For Example: To install the Smart Client on the BOSS server itself, navigate to http://127.0.0.1:32023/publish.htm. The installation webpage will be presented. The advantage of installing the Smart Client over a web browser is that the application will automatically check for updated versions every time it is started.

17.5.2 Stand-Alone Installation

The BOSS Smart Client is a zero-administration desktop application meant for administration of the BOSS server application and querying data collected in the BOSS database as described in this manual. The BOSS Smart Client is installed as a single executable program. This program can be copied to any Windows workstation, or to a shared network drive.

To install the stand-alone application:

- 5. Start Windows Explorer on the BOSS server.
- Navigate to the folder where the BOSS server application is installed (by default C:\Program Files\PIPS Technology, Inc\BOSS3)
- Locate folder sa_client.
- 8. Copy file BOSS.UI.exe to the workstation or shared network folder of choice.

17.6 Configuring Client Tools

Client Tools is used to transfer any files needed during an LPCS shift from BOSS to an LPCS system that is being run in the Disk Sync mode. See Section 13, Client Tools, and the License Plate Capture Software User's Manual.

Client Tools does not have a customary interface. Once the utility is started, the Client Tools icon will appear in the Windows System Tray.

Before use, Client Tools must be configured and can be quickly completed with the simple configuration wizard provided:

- 1. To start the wizard, right-click the icon and select **Configure**. The initial screen provides information about the tool.
- 2. Click **Next** to continue the configuration, or **Cancel** to exit the wizard.
- 3. Enter a path so that Client Tools knows where to store the files it creates and where to look for files to process. This path can be a local, network, or external drive. Enter the path or click on the ... button and browse to the location.
- If the Begin Shift files that Client Tools creates need to be encrypted, click Encrypt Output. Click Previous to return to the previous screen, or click Next to continue.
- 5. The data used to create the Begin Shift files is created and managed in BOSS. Client Tools needs to know where the BOSS Server is located. Enter the server IP and the port to use to connect to it. Click **Previous** to return to the previous screen, or click **Next** to continue.
- 6. The final screen provides additional information on how to use the wizard. Click **Previous** to return to the previous screen, or click **Finish** to save the changes and exit.

17.7 The BOSS Upgrade Tool

If the BOSS application is upgraded to a newer version, the Upgrade Tool must be run before starting the BOSS Server. This tool is used to perform any database changes that may be necessary.

- 1. Navigate to the Upgrade tool. By default it is installed at C:\Program Files (x86)\PIPS Technology, Inc\BOSS3\UpgradeTool.
- 2. Right click on BOSS3.UpgradeTool.exe and select Run as Administrator.
- 3. When all processing is completed, click **Enter** to close the window.

18 Appendix: Troubleshooting

When troubleshooting an issue, always start by looking for error messages in the Server log file, usually found at ...\PIPS Technology, Inc\
BOSS3\logs\BOSSServerLog.txt. Proceed based on the following information, recognizing that escalation may be necessary. If so, obtain a copy of the complete error message and include it with all escalated documentation.

ISSUE REPORTED	EXPLANATION	STEPS TO CORRECT	
Just after an installation/upgrade, the UI won't start.	It takes several moments for the BOSS Server to be completely started and ready for information to be accessed.	After starting the BOSS server, wait for several moments before attempting to start the UI. If this is an upgrade this could be several minutes while the database is being updated.	
I start the BOSS Controller, but it stops a moment later. The following error message may display "Error: Error in BOSS3 Controller. Please check the log files." (New installation scenario)	The license was not activated. When checking the BOSS Server Log, there will be two error messages: - 'Licensed for 0 concurrent clients' and - 'Failed to set registry parameter [_tmpbalikeda63] to value System.Byte[].'	Return to the licensing activation and updating checklist. (See Section 17.2, BOSS Version 3.2 and Above License Key Management.)	
I start the BOSS Controller, but it stops a moment later. The following error message may display "Error: Error in BOSS3 Controller. Please check the log files." (Upgrade scenario)	The Upgrade Tool must be run before starting the Controller.	Run the Upgrade Tool. (See Section 17.7 The BOSS Upgrade Tool.)	
I start the BOSS Controller, but it stops a moment later. The following error message may display "Error: Error in BOSS3 Controller. Please check the log files." (Other scenario)	If the Upgrade Tool has been run, there may be a problem with the database.	Look for error messages in the BOSS Server Log. Provide this information to Technical Support.	
A fixed camera won't connect.	The firewall could be blocking the communications.	Ensure that the firewall is allowing communications through the VES ports, found in the BOSS Configuration Controller on the Ports screen.	
LPCS won't connect.	The firewall could be blocking the communications.	- Ensure that the firewall is allowing communications through the REST API (for LPCS 2.7.x) and PAGIS 3.0 Service (for versions of LPCS) ports, found in the BOSS Configuration Controller on the Ports screen. - Ensure that the device has been enabled in	
		the BOSS UI Devices screen.	
Hotlist will not update.	There is typically a problem with the source file.	 If it is a network hotlist, ensure that the site can be reached by entering the address in a browser. 	
		If a local hotlist, ensure that the file is on the system and can be opened.	

ISSUE REPORTED	EXPLANATION	STEPS TO CORRECT	
The NCIC Hotlist formatter that I need is not available. (New installation scenario)	The NCIC formatters were not added during the initial installation.	Stop the BOSS Service. Go to the Configure option on the BOSS Controller. Step to the NCIC screen. Select the desired NCIC formatters. Click Save and exit. Restart the BOSS Service. The formatters will now be available.	
I am unable to see reads/hits in the Dispatch screen.	The time on the read/hit coming in must be relatively close, within a couple of minutes, to the BOSS server time.	For a mobile ALPR system, correct the time on the laptop or ALPR processor. A fixed camera can be configured to use a time server. If issue persists, the server that BOSS is running on could also be configured to sync with a time server.	
An error message, "Compressed method not supported," was found in the BOSS Server Log.	There is a problem with a source file for one of the hotlist.	Ensure that the source file can be opened. If not, update it with one that can be opened.	
An error message, "Transaction has aborted," was found in the BOSS Server Log.	There are various reasons that this message can occur.	Obtain a copy of the complete error message. Provide this information to Technical Support.	
An error message. "Error #nn appeared in the db for Stored Procedure xxxx on line nn." was found in the BOSS Server Log.	An error occurred when running the stored procedure listed in the message.	Obtain a copy of the complete error message. Provide this information to Technical Support.	
An error message, "Timeout expired. The timeout period elapsed prior to completion of the operation or the server is not responding," was found in the BOSS Server Log.	A SQL timeout error has occurred.	Obtain a copy of the complete error message. Provide this information to Technical Support.	
An error message, "SNTP server not started, could not bind to InterNetwork 0.0.0.0:123," was found in the BOSS Server Log.	This is an expected error message that occurs when BOSS has not been configured to access a time server.	If no time server has been configured, this message can be ignored. If one has been configured, this needs to be escalated for further assistance.	
After a new installation, the BOSS server stops running with an error message, "Failed in working with the database. Ensure connectivity is properly defined. Try running the BOSS Controller again and checking settings," was found in the BOSS Server Log.	When BOSS was started, there was a connection issue between it and the SQL Server.	Start by checking the information in the Controller. If that is all correct, then check to ensure that the SQL Server is running. If no issues are found there contact Technical Support Obtain a copy of the complete error message.	
After a new installation, the BOSS Server stops with no error message in the BOSS Server Log.	The server needs to be run with Administrator privileges.	The server should be restarted in the Console as an Administrator. If running BOSS as a service then the BOSS Controller must be run as Administrator.	
Error message in BOSS Server Log says that the file "httpconfig.exe" cannot be found.	This is an error that can occur when the system has not been updated in some time. It has been seen for other uncertain reasons as well.	Obtain a copy of the complete error message. Provide this information to Technical Support.	

ISSUE REPORTED	EXPLANATION	STEPS TO CORRECT
After a new installation, the BOSS Server starts but stops moments later. The BOSS Server Log contains the error message. "The system cannot find the file specified Additional Exception Message: Unhandled exception from 'Name:BOSS3.exe. There are no context policies." However, no file is listed in the message.	This typically occurs on older systems, especially Windows Server 2003, or systems that have not been updated for a while.	The file httpcfg.exe needs to be copied into the c:\Windows\System32 directory.
The BOSS Server won't start, and there is an error message, "Transport Manager failed to listen on the supplied UIR using the NetTcpPortSharing service: failed to start the service because it is disabled," in the BOSS Server Log.	The NetTcpPortSharing Service is not running.	Obtain a copy of the complete error message. Provide this information to Technical Support.
The BOSS server stops running, and there is an error message, "Cannot open database " <database name="">," in the BOSS Server Log.</database>	There is an issue with the connection between the BOSS server and the SQL Server.	Start by checking the information in the Controller. If correct, then check to ensure that the SQL Server is running. If no issues are found contact Technical Support. Obtain a copy of the complete error message.
The BOSS Server won't start and there is an error message "A file activation error occurred. The physical file name ' <filename>' may be incorrect." in the BOSS Server Log.</filename>	There could be multiple reasons, but it is probably due to a database connection issue.	Obtain a copy of the complete error message. Provide this information to Technical Support.
When running the upgrade tool, an error message is displayed. A message is included in the BOSS Server Log: "Current upgrade state: One of the upgrade scripts failed to run as expected. Please contact support for direction."	This most likely occurred due to upgrading from an old version of BOSS.	Obtain a copy of the complete error message. Provide this information to Technical Support.
An unexpected response or behavior occurs in BOSS, and there is an error message, "Object reference not set to an instance of an object," in the BOSS Server Log.	This is a generic error message that can occur for various reasons.	Unless the issue has an obvious cause contact Technical Support. Obtain a copy of the complete error message.
The following error message, "Discarding tmp buffer because it's corrupted," has been found in the BOSS Server Log.	This message is associated with a database issue.	Obtain a copy of the complete error message. Provide the information to Technical Support.
The following error message, "SMTP server is not defined, email alerts disabled," has been found in the BOSS Server Log.	This message is informational indicating, as it states, that an email server has not been configured.	If attempts have been made to configure an email server and this error message occurs, recheck the settings and the server. If the error remains contact Technical Support.
The BOSS Service stops running, and the BOSS UI indicates that the server is not available. The following error message, "Cannot access a disposed object," is found in the BOSS UI Log.	This is an informational message provided by the UI confirming that it is no longer able to communicate with the BOSS server.	Restart the BOSS server and the BOSS UI will reconnect. If this does not correct the issue contact Technical Support.

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The following error message, "The socket connection was aborted," is found in the BOSS UI Log.	This is an informational message provided by the UI confirming that it is no longer able to communicate with the BOSS server.	Restart the BOSS server, and the BOSS UI will reconnect. If this does not correct the issue contact Technical Support.	
A problem occurs while adding a hotlist and the following error message "Invalid object name ' <hotlist here="" name="">'," has been found in the BOSS Server Log.</hotlist>	This indicates that there is an issue with the hotlist formatter being used.	Confirm that the correct formatter is being used. If so, confirm the source file is formatted correctly. If so, contact Technical Support. Provide a copy of the full error message.	
While installing BOSS, an error message displays: "Error opening file for writing: <file name="">."</file>	This indicates that the application listed in the error message is still running.	Check the Windows System Tray for any BOSS applications still running on the system. Close the application(s) and continue the installation.	
The BOSS applications are installed under one user, but are not found when another user logs in.	The application was not installed using administrative privileges.	The application will need to be uninstalled and reinstalled using administrative privileges.	
While using Client Tools to create Begin Shift files, an error message displays: "Client has not been activated on the server."	Mobile devices must be enabled on BOSS to synchronize data to it. This message is displayed the first time that Client Tools is used to create Begin Shift files because it has not been enabled yet.	Configure Client Tools on BOSS (see Section 17.6) so that BOSS adds Client Tools as a device.	
When using Client Tools to synchronize End Shift files to BOSS, the following error message displays: "Error: Could not find <file and="" name="" path="">."</file>	Client Tools was unable to find the End Shift files to be processed at the defined path.	Check that the location assigned for the End Shift file matches the location chosen when Client Tools was configured. If it does not, move the file to the configured location.	

19 Appendix: Plug-Ins

BOSS allows the use of third-party code via a plug-in that serves the needs of BOSS customers with specific data requirements. Once a plug-in is created and compiled, a copy of the DLL and any other necessary files can be copied to the plug-ins directory under BOSS. BOSS will automatically detect the existence of the plug-in at that point and permit reads to be passed to the ReceiveData method of your plug-in.

The functions of the currently available BOSS plug-ins are described in Sections 19.1 and 19.2. For more information and guidance on installing a plug-in, contact 3M Technical Support for guidance.

19.1 The BOSS Truck Drayage Utility

Regulation of diesel-fueled heavy-duty trucks and a Drayage Truck Registry (DTR) were implemented by the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to help reduce both emissions from these vehicles and public exposure to contaminants in those emissions. Drayage trucks subject to regulation (Class 7 and Class 8) are registered and information about them is maintained on an ARB web service.

The Truck Drayage Utility is BOSS plug-in that provides access to the ARB web service. The utility is designed to contact the web service, retrieve data, and add it to a comma-separated values file. In BOSS, the Hotlist Administrator will then create a whitelist that uses this CSV file as the source file.

The connection to the ARB web service (managed by the Windows Task Scheduler) can be made once daily for a full download of the data, with subsequent connections allowed no more frequently then every 30 minutes for updates. This whitelist can then be deployed to a mobile or fixed camera in the monitored area. If a plate is read that is not included on the whitelist, a notification will be displayed in BOSS. Appropriate action can be taken at that time.

If the ARB web service is unavailable and downloads cannot be completed, the BOSS whitelist will not be updated. There will also be warning messages in the BOSS log such as "Could not connect to <web service address>. TCP error code nnnnn: <Error description>." If this occurs, the utility will try again in 30 minutes. If the errors persist, it may be necessary to seek assistance.

19.2 The BOSS LPRD Plug-in

The BOSS LPRD plug-in relays the reads the BOSS server receives on to the national database at the Automated Regional Justice Information System (ARJIS), a joint powers agency that facilitates information-sharing among more than 70 law enforcement agencies—local, state, and federal—in the two California counties (San Diego and Imperial) that border Mexico. ARJIS operates a secure intranet (ARJISnet) with more than 11,000 users in San Diego County alone.

19.3 The BOSS DEA Plug-in

The BOSS DEA plug-in writes LPR messages to the file system as reads are received by the BOSS server. Those files will then be available for the Drug Enforcement Agency, DEA, File Transporter to act upon.

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Glossary

Term	Definition
ALPR	Automatic license plate recognition (also called automatic number plate recognition, or ANPR)
Annotation	A note or comment that can be made about and added to a read.
Deployment	The distribution or making available of a hotlist to a device
Device	A source of ALPR data; an LPCS unit or a fixed or mobile camera
Disposition	The classification of a hit; e.g., a recovered stolen vehicle
Fixed Camera	An ALPR camera permanently mounted above a roadway
Group	A group of BOSS users that belong together administratively
Hit	A match on a plate read against a hotlist
Hotlist	A list or database of license plates of interest, e.g., the NCIC database
Justification	A purpose for running a query on the captured data. There are several justifications included in the system by default. The BOSS Administrator can also create custom justifications to be used.
LPN	License plate number; also known as the Vehicle Plate Number
LPCS	3M™ License Plate Capture Software, the ALPR Mobile application
Local Server	A server running on a local system, in relation to the SQL server or the BOSS UI
Misread	A read that was marked as a misread by a user
Mobile Unit	An ALPR system with cameras, a mobile processor, and software, such as 3M License Plate Capture Software, installed in a vehicle
Notification	Propagation or delivery of an alert resulting from a hit
Overview	A color image of the vehicle to which the license plate is attached
Patch	A small image of the license plate
Permission	Authorization to access specified functionality in BOSS
Read	A license plate detection event that results in the plate text optical recognition and pictures being taken
Remote Server	A BOSS server that is running in another location
Role	A position, such as Administrator, with the authorization to access specified functionality in BOSS
Site	A group of related devices
Translation	The interpretation from a word in English to a word in a selected language
User	An authorized BOSS user (with a username and password)
Whitelist	In BOSS a whitelist hit is the opposite of a hotlist hit. When a license plate read does not exist in an enabled whitelist database, the same Hits (Alert) screen will be displayed.

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