Overview

This document provides general usage information about common features that are available within SAS web applications. Some of the features discussed in this document might not be available for your product. In addition, your product might have other features that are not listed here. Refer to your product’s documentation for any additional features that you might want to use.

The document includes information about the following common features:

- Search
- Notifications
- Settings
- Landmarks

Search

There are two types of search fields. One search field that filters a visible list of items and another search field that returns a list of results based on information that you enter. Depending on your product, you might have one or both of these types of searches available to you. The following information is for the search field that returns a list of results and is available in the application bar.

Click to open the Search Results window. To find an item, enter text in the search field.

Note: In a small screen layout, the search button overflows into the application options menu.

The following operators are supported:

- plus (+) sign. Place the + operator before a term to designate it as required in the search results. For example, entering 2017 +2018 returns any item that contains 2018 and might also contain 2017. Items that contain both 2017 and 2018 are returned in the search results and are ranked higher than items without 2017.

- minus (-) sign. Place the - operator before a term to exclude it from the search results. For example, entering +2017 -2018 returns any item that contains 2017 except for those items that also contain 2018.
asterisk (*) as a wildcard.

quotation marks. To see search results that include only the search terms exactly as you entered them, add quotation marks around the terms.

Here are some considerations for searching:

- You can use any character in a term.
- Search terms are not case sensitive.
- If you include an operator as part of the search term, it must be indicated as such by prefixing it with a backslash (\) character. The backslash prefix prevents these characters from being interpreted as operators. If you try to use the backslash prefix with a character that is not one of the operators listed above, this action is considered an error.
- By default, search results are sorted by relevance. You can change the sort order so that results are sorted by title or date instead.
- You can also filter search results by type, by who last modified the item, or by date modified.
- Search results are not ranked by the number of matches in an item.

Notifications

Notifications enable you to get messages from events. What triggers a notification, the content that is displayed in the notification, and how often the system looks for new notifications varies by product.

Click the notifications button in the application bar to see notifications sent by the system. The icon is displayed when there are no unread messages. Otherwise, the number of unread messages is displayed in the application bar (for example, 3).

Note: In a small screen layout, the notifications button overflows into the application options menu.

Note: Notifications can be deleted. However, they cannot be turned off or customized.

Settings

Use the Settings window to edit user preferences or customize accessibility settings for all SAS web applications. Some of the settings discussed in this topic might not be available for your product. In addition, your product might have other settings that are not listed here. Refer to your product’s documentation for any additional settings that you might need to set. Changing these settings does not impact other users.

To access these settings, click the user button in the application bar, and select Settings.

General

The General section includes settings that enable users to change the appearance of the web applications and enable warning and information messages to be displayed. Here are the settings:

- You can change the appearance of the web applications by using the Theme setting. The default theme is set by an administrator. The theme specifies the collection of colors, graphics, and fonts that appear in the application. You can also apply other themes, including both SAS themes and custom themes, if they are supported.
Select **Choose a theme**, and then select another theme from the drop-down list to change the look of the applications. The theme change takes effect after you close the **Settings** window.

**SAS themes:**

**High Contrast**
- Presents a dark background with high-contrast foreground elements to meet the needs of some users with low vision.

**Ignite**
- Presents an all-dark color palette, dark-blue background, and white text.

**Illuminate**
- Presents a clean and uncomplicated color palette that is easy to use.

**Inspire**
- Presents vibrant and cohesive colors that shift the emphasis from the application to the content.

- If you want messages to display that you previously asked not to display, click **Reset Messages**. By default, all warning and information messages are displayed.

**Region and Language**

The **Region and Language** section includes a setting to set the user locale for SAS web applications.

By default, the user locale is set to match your browser locale. The user locale specifies the geographic region whose language and conventions are used in the applications. If you do not want your user locale and browser locale to be the same, change the value of **User locale**. Changes take effect after you sign out and sign back in.

**Accessibility**

Several settings in the **Accessibility** section can assist people who rely on assistive technologies.

- Select **Enable sounds** to hear audio indicators for events that occur within the user interface.

- Select **Enable visual effects** to show visual effects that indicate state changes. For example, when this setting is selected, you will see a subtle movement in the user interface if you delete an item.

- Select **Adjust the display duration for pop-up notifications** to specify how long temporary pop-up notification messages are displayed. Increasing the amount of time that notifications are displayed can help users discover and read messages that disappear automatically.

- Selecting **Invert application colors** can make the user interface easier to see for users with sensitivity to certain bright colors (for example, a black-on-white display). You can also use the Ctrl+` (Ctrl+back quote) keyboard shortcut to toggle the application colors.

- Select **Display tooltips when using the keyboard to navigate** to enable keyboard users to access tooltips. When this option is selected, putting keyboard focus on a control also displays the tooltip on the screen. You can also select the location in the browser window to display the tooltip. By default, the tooltip is displayed in the bottom right corner of the browser window.

- The focus indicator is an outline that indicates which user interface component is active. You can make the focus indicator easier to see by selecting **Customize the focus indicator settings** and adjusting the color, thickness, and opacity.
Landmarks

Landmarks are references to the primary areas of an application's user interface. They provide a quick and easy way for keyboard users to navigate to these areas of the application. You can access a list of landmarks by using one of the following keyboard shortcuts:

- For Microsoft Windows, press Ctrl+F6.
- For Mac, press Command+F6.

Use the arrow keys to select a landmark, and then press Enter to navigate to that area of the application.