Configure Vendors in Catalogue

Overview

There are many levels of configuration that can be maintained in autoecat for your application vendors. This document will try to outline the very basic down to the more detailed options you have to tailor your catalogue suppliers.

autoecat utilizes the same vendor codes as your **Counterpoint** inventory system, so the only work you need to do in autoecat is activate the vendors and tailor the product types to display as you wish. No need to assign category or line codes.

Maintaining Your Catalogue Display

In order to modify any catalogue vendors and the catalogue display, you need to log into autoecat with your sponsor login provided by AMS. You use these credentials under the dealer login option

Once in the catalogue, navigate to **Utilities > Catalogue Preferences**

If this option isn't available, check with AMS to confirm the catalogue preferences have been enabled for your account.

Adding a new vendor

Before any work can be done to further tailor a product line, the product line must be initially turned on. To do this, select an application where you would find product for the vendor in question

Catalog Setup Utility

Instructions: To review your current setup or add/change what Manufacturer's data you wish to see, please click on the text of the **application** name below.

Accessories
Braking Systems
Cooling System
Drive Train/Chassis
Electrical/Lighting
Engine Management
Exhaust
Fuel Systems
Steering/Suspension
Tune-up

select: Braking Systems

You will then be presented with a full listing of all suppliers who can be found under that application heading.

Manufacturers Selection

Application: Braking Systems
Manufacturers: Multiple

Instructions: Please select one of the manufacturers whose data you wish to see displayed in the catalog followed by the "Submit" button. The text highlighted in Red shows which manufacturers have not been activated. To activate, check the box beside the manufacturer's name in Red and click on the "Submit" button. The manufacturer's name will change to Green indicating this manufacturer has been activated and vice-versa.

Note: Clicking on the 📋 icon to the left of the manufacturer's name allows you to select the sub-applications available for that manufacturer. Clicking on the ⊘ icon to the left of the manufacturer's name allows you to setup prefix and/or suffix exclusions for part numbers for that manufacturer.

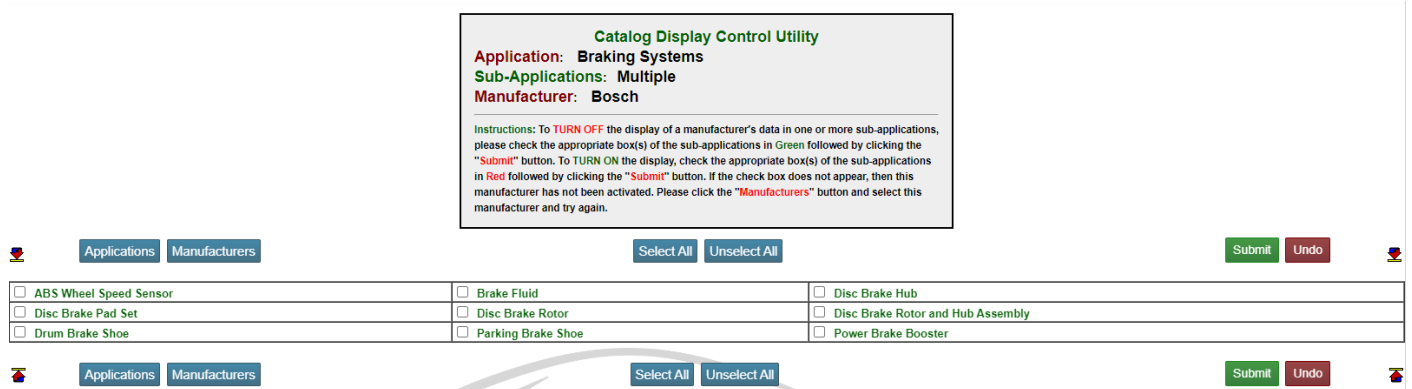[Applications] [Manufacturers Rankings] [Manufacturers Report]   [Submit] [Undo]

31 Incorporated	AGS	AMS Automotive
APR	ARC	ARIES OFF ROAD
ARK Performance	ATE	Abex Friction Products
Absco	Addictive Desert Designs's	Advan-Tech
Advics Brakes	Airtex - Vehicle Electronics	Aisin
Akebono	Alco Brakes	All Sales Mfg
Alliant Power	Alloy USA	Altrom
American Car Craft	Armature DNS Inc.	Atsco Remanufacturing Inc.
AutoXtra - Bearings	AutoXtra - Brakes	Autoline
BBB Industries	BBK Performance	BCA Bearing by NTN
BD Diesel	BSE Inc. - Brand	Baer Brake Systems
Baer Sport	Baldwin Filters	Beck Arnley World Parts
Bendix	Bendix - Global	Bendix - Stop
Best Buy Warehouse	Better Brake Parts	Black Rhino
Body Armor 4x4	Bolk Locks	Borg Warner
Bosch	Bower Bearing by NTN	Brembo
Bulldog Winch	CBK International Inc.	CRS Automotive Parts
Calmini	Cardone Industries	Carlson Brake
Carriage Works	Centric Brakes	Classic Tube

To activate a vendor, select one of the manufacturers whose data you wish to see displayed in the catalog followed by the "Submit" button. The text highlighted in Red shows which manufacturers have not been activated. To activate, check the box beside the manufacturer's name in Red and click on the "Submit" button. The manufacturer's name will change to Green indicating this manufacturer has been activated and vice-versa.

Activating / Deactivating Products by Product Type

In many cases, you may not stock all product made by a certain vendor. To turn off specific product types, you will need to click the

📋 icon next to the vendor's name. This will present you with a listing of the available product types under the heading you originally selected.
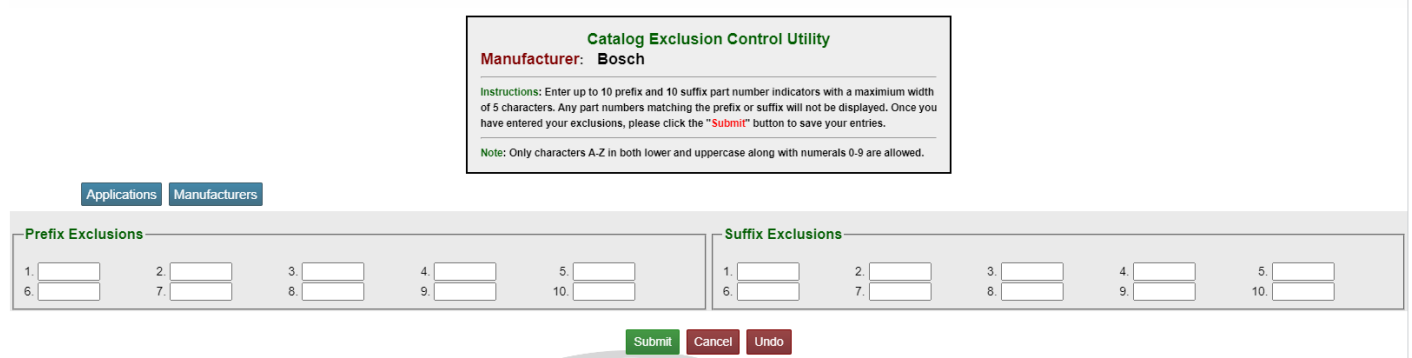

To TURN OFF the display of a manufacturer's data in one or more sub-applications, please check the appropriate box(s) of the sub-applications in Green followed by clicking the "Submit" button. To TURN ON the display, check the appropriate box(s) of the sub-applications in Red followed by clicking the "Submit" button. If the check box does not appear, then this manufacturer has not been activated. Please click the "Manufacturers" button and select this manufacturer and try again.

Deactivating Product by Prefix / Suffix

Optionally, you can further tailor what products show by deactivating products by their prefix or suffix. To do this, click the 🚫 icon next to the active line you wish to work with

Enter up to 10 prefix and 10 suffix part number indicators with a maximum width of 5 characters. Any part numbers matching the prefix or suffix will not be displayed. Once you have entered your exclusions, please click the "Submit" button to save your entries.
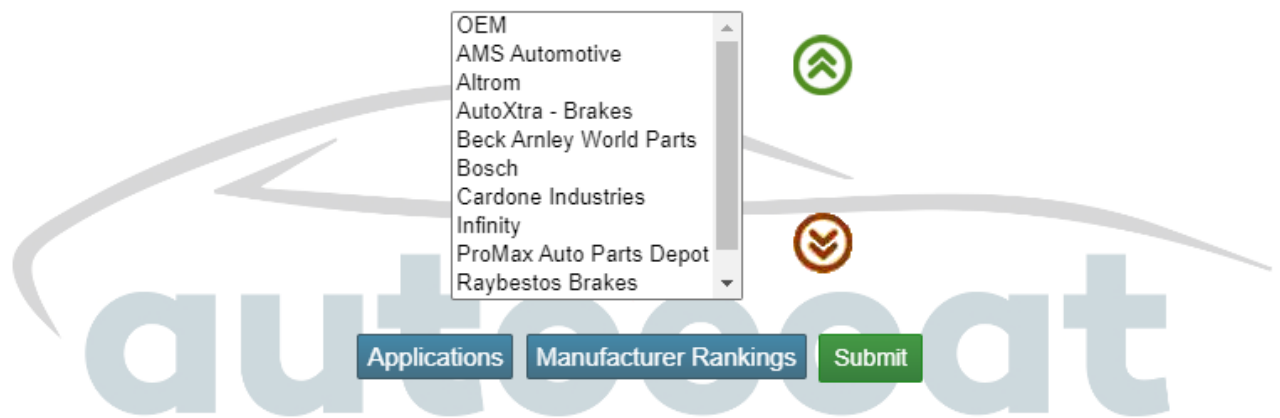
Ranking Manufacturers

The catalogue defaults to sorting products by vendor name and, depending on customer settings, position.

Additionally, you can rank the order in which the manufacturers show. This enables you to make sure your priority lines show to your customers first.

In the manufacturers selection screen is a button labeled **Manufacturers Rankings**. Manufacturers can be ranked by the product subsystem, so clicking this will bring you to a screen to select the subsystem you wish to rank.

Once you select a system, you are presented with the manufacturer ranking screen

To rank the manufacturers, select the manufacturers in the order you wish the data to be displayed within the catalog followed by the "Submit" button. The list box shows the manufacturers available for the application and sub-application. Use the "up"or "down" arrows to move a highlighted selected manufacturer into the desired ranking position.

If a manufacturer fails to show up on the selection list, then that manufacturer has not not been activated

If you subscribe to the MOTOR OEM database, the OEM vendor will always show at the top in the ranking screen

Additional Considerations

- For manufacturers whose products span many product headings (i.e. braking systems, steering, tuneup), you will need to review the vendor under each of those headings and disable any of the product types you do not stock.
  - For example, if you activate Bosch under braking systems, the vendor becomes active under Fuel Systems as well. if you do not stock the Bosch fuel line, you will need to go into the fuel systems section, click the icon and disable any of the fuel products you do not wish to show.
- In order for pricing to properly show, you will need to ensure that the **Catalogue Vendor** is set on the categories in your **Counterpoint** system
- Depending on the vendor their product may show up under the standard automotive, heavy duty, powersport or performance catalogues.
- If a vendor is not listed, please contact your autoecat support team and we will do everything we can to procure the data on your behalf

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