

LORENZ Changes Its Release Naming

Starting in April 2018, LORENZ Life Sciences Group will be switching all of its products to a unified release naming system based on the calendar year. The company's continuous cycle of two major software releases each year - one in April and the other in October, each followed by minor releases and specific releases if necessary - will remain unchanged.

The year-based nomenclature makes sense as LORENZ products become more and more integrated - acting as interlocking components in a single Regulatory Information Management suite. The new naming convention also follows best practice in the industry, and will help increase clarity on which version of each product is the most current - especially for customers who are using two or more LORENZ solutions in integrated environments.

LORENZ encourages all customers to update their software regularly. We typically support our major releases for at least two years, providing minor and specific releases for each throughout the entire period.

To stay informed about both major and minor releases, please subscribe to Product & Service Update Announcements in your [LORENZ ID](#).

April 2018

October 2018

April 2019

18.1

Major

18.1.1

Minor

18.1.1.01

Specific

18.2

Major

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19.1

Major

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Major Releases

Starting in April 2018, the major release of all LORENZ products will be labeled version 18.1. The second major release of all products in October will be version 18.2.

These two annual major releases will continue to take place on a regular schedule. They include major changes or completely new components to the software, and are communicated via [LORENZ ID](#).

Minor Releases

For the first minor release based on the April release, a third number will be added: 18.1.1. A minor release typically includes changes such as support of new specification or validation criteria, and will also be communicated via [LORENZ ID](#).

Specific Releases

Specific releases based on the April release will add a fourth (two-digit) number: 18.1.1.01. A specific release might include the delivery of language packs or a fix for a specific issue. Typically these will not be communicated by [LORENZ ID](#).