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Quick Exit From VanS

If you are at a menu screen, and want to quickly exit VanS, type the letter B (for bye) and press [Enter]. This will log you out of VanS. Please note this will only work from a menu, not a program.

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Field Skipping

Are you aware of the feature to control user access to certain fields in Order Entry? From the Van Line Processing Menu, select Order Entry Setup, then Order Entry Field Skipping.

The Order Entry Field Skipping program is used to define which fields on the main Order Entry screen should be skipped and/or prevented from initial access. Field skipping can be defined by individual user if desired, thus enhancing the security of Order Entry.

The program first prompts you for a program name (i.e., OE010) followed by an optional user name. Enter a user name to define skipping for that particular user, or leave the user name blank to define default field skipping for all users who aren't specifically set up.

The program allows you to define which Order Entry fields will be skipped entirely (X); skipped initially in the A-Add and S-Same modes, but allow the user to backup to the field (Y); always entered (skip flag = N, the default); or required and cannot be left blank (R).

The four fields that you can 'find' an order by can be skipped. The fields: reference#, order#, shipper name and customer ref# each have a field next to them labeled Find:. If a 'Y' is entered in one of these fields, then this field will be skipped when doing a find.

On Line Help

In VanS 5.0 much of the user documentation has been converted to on-line help permitting you to easily view information about a field, program, or topic without having to refer to the printed manuals.

Based upon where the cursor is positioned on the screen, the help key **CTRL-F1** (hold down **Ctrl** and press the **F1** key) will display detailed help for that particular topic if available. Within that help text you can easily move to related topics, other fields on the screen and in some cases general or procedural information. Moving within the screen is accomplished by the arrow and tab keys. A function prompt permits you to easily back up to a previous screen, view an index of related topics and a number of other options.

Sub-topics (those with related help) are highlighted. If you position the cursor to a sub-topic and press the **Enter** key, help for that topic will be display

Backup Message

Please make sure someone is monitoring the backup status everyday. If something looks suspicious or out of the ordinary, please look into it. Being consistent with this daily process can help prevent a disaster.