



**Promotion Manager**  
**C3\_POS.ini Definitions**

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# 1 C3\_POS.ini: Personalizing Promotion Manager

The C3\_POS.ini file resides on each Promotion Manager workstation. Its settings are read by Promotion Manager when the application launches.

In some cases, Promotion Manager stores settings in this file. In other cases, settings are edited in this file to customize software options for a company, a department, or an individual user.

"Database" and "VPP\_Login" settings define a drop-down menu of different database choices that can be selected on the login window, which is useful when databases are frequently changed, such as from a production database to a test or backup database.

These settings are altered by modifying the C3\_POS.ini file with a simple text editor such as Notepad.

## 2 Contents of the File

Settings are grouped into sections. Section names are enclosed in brackets. "Choices" indicate predefined selections. Where the setting accepts unrestricted text, an example is shown in the "Description" column.

Setting Name	Choices	Description
<b>[INI_DIR]</b>		
Path		Path and file name of the Connect3 database. <Drive or Server>\<Folder>\INIS\prod01_srv_prod \\Server\Connect3\INIS\prod01_srv_prod F:\Connect3\INIS\prod01_srv_prod
<b>[DATABASE1]</b>		
CREATOR		Database creator name. <b>C3</b>
CASE_SENSITIVE	YES / NO	"YES" specifies a case-sensitive database. These databases must run additional logic to force both sides of a comparison to upper case.
CONNECTION32		ODBC Connection string, including quotes. "DSN=C3AMP;Database=prod01_srv_prod"
Manufacture	DB2 / SQLSERVE R / ORACLE	The database brand name token used to execute database-specific code in Connect3 software.
CLIENT_CURSOR	ON / OFF	If set to "ON," improves database response time. However, if "Cursor In Use" or similar errors are seen, set to "OFF" and report the errors to Connect3 Support (562.741.0380).
USER_NAME		A name that appears in the login window in place of the actual database filename; can be used so the name is more readable or understandable. "Acme Live 1 DB"
<b>[VPP_Login1]</b>		
uid		User login name used to connect to the database.
pwd		Encrypted password, provided by Connect3 Support.
key		Encrypted key, provided by Connect3 Support.

Setting Name	Choices	Description
[DATABASE2]		<p>When logging on to Promotion Manager, the dialog for User ID and Password also includes a Database choice, using a drop-down menu. This streamlines switching databases, if necessary to use a backup, or if frequently alternating between test and production environments. Each drop-down menu choice is configured by consecutively numbered pairs of "Database" and "VPP_Login" settings, and more pairs can be added as desired. There is no practical limit to the number of menu entries.</p> <p>A 1/1 pair of settings is required. Pairs must be numbered sequentially and contiguously, i.e., 1/1, 2/2, 3/3, 4/4. If the numbers used are in the sequence 1/1, 2/2, 4/4, the last pair (4/4) would be ignored because of the break in the sequence. Therefore, if a pair is deleted, the numbering may need to be revised.</p>
CREATOR		
CASE_SENSITIVE		
CONNECTION32		
Manufacture		
CLIENT_CURSOR		
USER_NAME		
[VPP_Login2]		
uid		
pwd		
key		

Setting Name	Choices	Description
<b>[DESKTOP]</b>		
LASTADID		The name of the Event last chosen before the software was exited.
LASTCAMPAIGN		The name of the Campaign last chosen before the software was exited.
<b>[EVENT_FILTER]</b>		
EventStatusID	##,##	Comma-separated numeric values representing checkboxes within the Set Event Filter dialog's Event Status column.
EventTypeID	##,##	Comma-separated numeric values representing checkboxes within the Set Event Filter dialog's Event Type column.
From_Date		The beginning date used in the Filter by Date Range option. MM/DD/YYYY
To_Date		The ending date used in the Filter by Date Range option. MM/DD/YYYY
<b>[OFFER]</b>		
REASONID		The last Offer Reason ID to be used within the system. 107
<b>[OFFERFILTERDEFAULT]</b>		
OFFERREASONID	0 / Valid ID	Set this value to a valid "DealReasonID" from the "DealReason" table to default the Offer filter by the associated reason.
OFFERSTATUSID	0 / Valid ID	Set this value to a valid "DealStatusID" from the "DealStatus" table to default the Offer filter by the associated Status.
OFFERTYPEID	0 / Valid ID	Set this value to a valid "DealTypeID" from the "DealType" table to default the Offer filter by the associated Offer type.
<b>[SEARCH_FILTER]</b>		
Set_Filter	YES / NO	"YES" activates the "Search Filter" settings in the "Users" workspace in Setup / Admin. The filters can limit a user's access to only specified types of Products, Copy Cards or Categories, for example.
<b>[sourceini_dir]</b>		
Path		This setting only applies to sites using the older Classic version of Promotion Manager. Contact Connect3 Consulting for details. path=j:\inis\westlake
<b>[OUTPUT]</b>		
WINDOWS_OS_OUTPUT_DIRECTORY		If this setting exists, the path overrides the same setting in the Control Panel. c:\tmp
MAC_OS_OUTPUT_VOLUME		If this setting exists, the path overrides the same setting in the Control Panel. mac:vol
<b>[LAST DATABASE]</b>		
NAME		Setting is created and maintained by the application. Saves the last database name selected in the logon prompt and displays it at the next logon.