
VERSION 3.25 RELEASE NOTES – July 21, 2026

Version 3.25 is released to support FrameMaker 2026 (FM18).

VERSION 3.24 RELEASE NOTES – October 10, 2024

Version 3.24 is released to support FrameMaker 2022 (v17) update 5 and also to resolve compatibility issues with earlier FrameMaker 2022 updates. See the Installation Guide.

VERSION 3.23 RELEASE NOTES – July 11, 2024

Version 3.23 is released to support FrameMaker 2022 (v17), including update 4.

VERSION 3.21 RELEASE NOTES – January 22, 2021

Version 3.21 is released to support 64-bit FrameMaker 2020.

VERSION 3.20 RELEASE NOTES – January 24, 2019

Version 3.20 is released to support 64-bit FrameMaker 2019.

VERSION 3.10 RELEASE NOTES - November 30, 2015

Version 3.10 is a modest release that adds:

- Official FrameMaker 2015 support.
- A new `ColorInsets` API call to perform inset coloring on a book or document.
- Customizable defaults for the “disable screen updates” and “do source module tracking” options in the inset update dialog box, found in the local settings file.
- A new local setting (`UNLOCK_NATIVE_INSETS_BEFORE_UPDATES`) that allows the plugin to update insets within locked native insets.

VERSION 3.05 PATCH NOTES – December 12, 2014

This patch provides the following minor fixes and enhancements:

- Official FM12 support.
- A fix to bug that prevented an element from being referenced if it was empty.

VERSION 3.03 PATCH NOTES – August 24, 2013

This patch provides the following minor fixes and enhancements:

- New “Update All Insets In Branch” command in the right click menu, which updates insets for the selected element and any descendant reference elements only.
- New API calls to retrieve the plugin version numbers.
- Bug fixes related to nested insets.

VERSION 3.0 RELEASE NOTES - October 24, 2012

Version 3.0 brings a number of changes and updates. If you are a 2.x user, please review these highlights carefully.

- **OFFICIAL FRAMEMAKER 11 SUPPORT** – Previous versions may work to some degree with FM11, but not always in an optimal manner.
- **DEPRECATION OF “CLASSIC” MODE** - The previous “conref mode” is now the entire functional model of the plugin. Additionally, the migration tool (classic to conref) has been removed. Please contact West Street if you need help with conversion.
- **TEXT-BASED SETTINGS FILE** – All plugin settings are now found in a simple text file, similar to the maker.ini file model of FrameMaker. Additionally, most GUI features related to settings have been removed. This methodology for storing settings allows a much quicker turnaround for new features and also allows more documentation to be stored with the settings themselves.
- **SOURCE MODULE COLLECTION** – InsetPlus now includes a utility for collecting all source module files, similar to an archival tool. When run, it steps through an entire document or book, identifies all files that

are referenced by inset elements, copies them to a specified folder, and optionally redirects all insets to the new copies. See the *User Guide* for more information.

- **TRANSLATABLE INTERFACE** – The InsetPlus interface is now fully translatable to different languages. This includes the ability to customize the English interface as desired. No additional languages are provided, only the ability to translate.

- **ATTRIBUTE TRANSFER DURING UPDATES** – Optionally, InsetPlus can transfer attribute values from source elements to reference elements during updates. This feature is controlled by several new settings in the local settings file and is disabled by default.

- **SOURCE TRACKING DATA UPDATES ON FILE OPEN/CLOSE** – For users of the source module tracking feature, InsetPlus can now update tracking data when files are opened and/or closed. For example, when you open a file with reference insets, the plugin can now parse those insets and write tracking data for them as a batch. Previously, the only time that InsetPlus wrote tracking data was during updates, which tended to slow down the update process. Naturally, writing data during file opening or closing tends to slow down those respective processes, but the delay is considerably less. See the local settings file for important settings related to this enhancement.

- **FASTER REPORTING** – The reporting engine has undergone a major cleanup and now operates much more efficiently than before.

- **CONREFS TO THE SAME FILE** – For references to sources within the same file, the conref string now excludes the filename, consistent with DITA conref behavior. Previously, InsetPlus included the non-qualified filename.

- **NEW MENU COMMAND TO TOGGLE THE “ALLOW EDITING” SETTING** – For convenience, you can now toggle the “allow editing within reference insets” setting with a new menu command.

VERSION 2.13 PATCH NOTES

This patch provides several minor enhancements:

- **INSTALLATION** - The InsetPlus.dll and support files can now be installed anywhere on the local hard drive, provided that the path in maker.ini is correct. Support files (such as InsetPlus_Settings.fm) must be in the same folder as the DLL file. Existing installation instructions are still valid and have not changed.

- **SETTINGS STORAGE** - By default, the plugin now makes a copy of all support files in the installation area and places them in the Windows "Documents and Settings" area, where it uses them from that point on. There is a new INI file in the installation package that has a setting to override this behavior and revert to the previous method of using the installation area directly. If the INI file is not present, the default is the new behavior.

- **REFRESHING EDD FORMATTING - SINGLE UPDATES** - In the General Preferences, there is a new option to refresh EDD formatting for affected elements after a single reference element update. "Affected elements" means the reference element and any descendants that were brought in by the update. This feature does not involve refreshing (reimporting) the EDD at the document level.

- REFRESHING EDD FORMATTING - BOOK/DOC UPDATES - In the launch dialog box for a whole book or document update, there is a new update to refresh EDD formatting. The refresh action is identical to a full reimport of the document EDD with the option to remove all format overrides.
- UNCOLORING INSETS - The Inset Management menu now has an "Uncolor Insets" command, next to the Color Insets command. This command will perform an EDD refresh/reimport on the active document or book, which will remove any coloring applied by InsetPlus as well as any other formatting overrides in the document(s).

Note that the User Guide has not been updated for this functionality yet.

VERSION 2.12 PATCH NOTES

This patch fixes a bug that prevented table rows and whole table elements to serve as reference and source elements. Table elements, table row elements, and table cell elements should all work now. Table heading, body, and footing elements do not work and there is no current plan to implement support for them.

Version 2.12 has also passed preliminary tests for use with FM9.

While the core features of the plugin appear to function well with FM9, note that there are some anomalies with the appearance of dialog boxes and reports that did not occur in previous versions. We believe that there are bugs in version 9 of the FDK which prevent us from fixing them at this time. We will monitor the evolution of FrameMaker 9 and update our software as appropriate.

VERSION 2.11 PATCH NOTES

This patch fixes a bug that sometimes caused the wrong reference element to be selected in a document, following an update through the inset editor.
This could occur if there were multiple references to the same module in the same document.

VERSION 2.1 RELEASE NOTES

The following important usability enhancements have been added:

- An option to disallow editing within reference insets, similar in concept to native FrameMaker text insets. It currently is not a complete restriction on editing, but it is very convenient for allowing you to know when your insertion point is in an inset element. There is a new preference setting which controls this option... see the User Guide for more information.
- A new option in the general preferences that allows you to assign an action to occur when a reference inset is double-clicked, such as launching the editor or updating it.

- In the inset editor, the Jump To Reference button has been removed and the Jump To Source button now closes the editor.

----- **VERSION 2.0 RELEASE NOTES** -----

The following is a brief summary of new items in the 2.0 release.

----- **NOTE !**

If you are an existing user, please read the section in the User Guide about conref mode! It's very important!

Also, when you install this, you will have to reset any custom preferences you set before. We apologize for this inconvenience.

----- **PRIMARY NEW FEATURES:**

- Conref mode. The functional behavior of the plugin is basically the same, except it uses the XML/DITA content reference model to link the source and reference elements, via a single attribute. Please see your User Guide and the tutorial for more information. NOTE: Only conref mode will be supported going forward! More about this in the User Guide.

- A tool for converting to conref mode from classic mode. - Source module tracking. You can now report on where your source modules are being referenced.

- External call support through the API or a scripting tool.

BUG FIXES / USABILITY ENHANCEMENTS:

- In the InsetPlus preferences, there is a new option for the default path type to use in the inset element editor. This applies to the first new inset element only... after editing any inset, the editor will remember whatever path type was used last. (Classic mode only)

- In the InsetPlus preferences, there is a new option to control automatic updating of reference insets, following an edit in the inset editor (ie, when you click OK). You can have insets update automatically (no prompt), after prompting, or not at all. This is global behavior.

- The inset editor now remembers the last source file you were working in. All new inset elements still default to "source" types, but as soon as you switch one to a reference element, you should see the last file you were working on pop in there.

- In the inset editor, if you forget to specify an inset name, it will attempt to use one selected in the previews area. Naturally, this will fail if previews are not shown, or no preview is selected. In the inset editor, if you have a different preview selected than is specified for the "Inset name," you will be prompted to confirm which you want to use.
- For previews in the inset element editor, the default is now to automatically show previews if the source file is found to be open. If the source file is a book, it will show all source names from any chapter files that are currently open and ignore any closed files. If the specified source file is not open, the previews will default to "off," with the standard behavior of prompting you to open the files when you check the previews checkbox.
- The inset editor now has two lines for displaying the source file - one for the full path, and one for the file name only. If the full path is too long, it will be truncated from the beginning until it fits.
- Single reference element updates now select and scroll to the inset element following the update
- If an update fails after clicking OK in the inset editor, you will now be returned to the editor.
- The editor now warns if a relative path cannot be generated, if the relative path option is selected.