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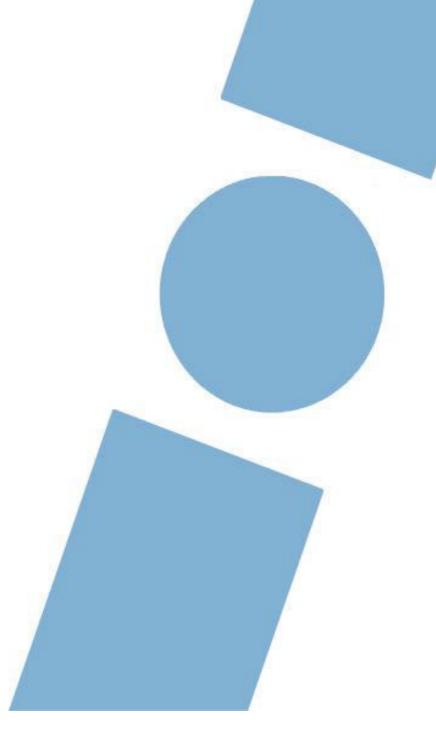
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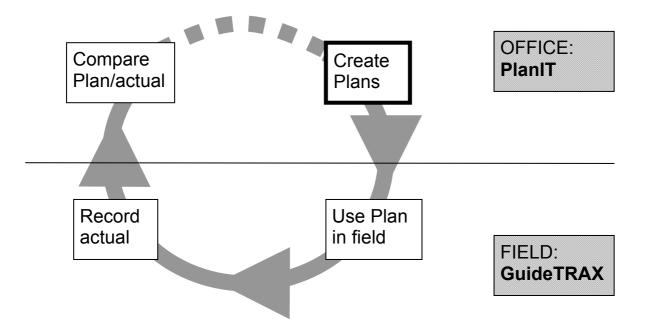






1.1 Concept Of PlanIT

PlanIT is an integral part of the GuideTRAX system for increasing agricultural productivity. PlanIT completes the link between pre-planning in the office, doing the application in the field, and reviewing and learning from the field data collected.



PlanIT software is based on the principle that an overall plan for a season consists of several individual plans for different purposes (e.g. seeding, spraying, fertilising). Different plans are created at the beginning of the season to cover all the operations that it is envisaged may be required during the season. It is then possible to view the projected costs for the whole season for budgeting purposes. Plans would be reviewed a day or so before they are carried out and rates may be adjusted, fields or chemicals added or removed from the plan. New plans can be added to address unexpected problems (e.g. spraying for an unexpected pest or disease) and some plans may not be carried out at all, depending on how the season progresses.

PlanIT enables tracking of costs – operating costs and costs of products used – from the planning stage. Costs can then be reviewed after the work is done. While PlanIT allows for entry of cost data, this is not compulsory and the user can make operation plans without cost data if preferred.



The PlanIT 3.1 software package for the office PC consists of four interlinked modules:

- Planning
- Mapping
- History
- Transfer

1.2 Mapping – Visualize The Plan

Farm maps produced by Mapping module form the basis for plans produced by the Planning process, and both maps and plans are imported in to GuideTRAX. The maps produced by the Mapping module are also used by the field recognition feature in GuideTRAX.

However, it is not necessary to have maps before producing plans from PlanIT. Plans are based on fields, which can be selected either from a list or from maps.

A plan is created for each specific operation and includes the products and the rates at which the products are to be applied. Plans can include information about what pest, disease or weed is being targeted, mix order for cocktails, withholding periods and additional instructions can be provided in the form of notes. Plans can be printed and given to the driver, or exported from PlanIT via a USB thumb-drive or compact flash card, and then imported into GuideTRAX.

In GuideTRAX imported plans can be viewed and amended. Plan information is also used by GuideTRAX to specify the quantity of each product required to fill a tank or bin to apply the rate specified in the plan for each field, and the order in which chemicals are to be added to the tank. If maps have been created then GuideTRAX can use the maps to determine whether the vehicle is in the field specified in the selected plan and will display warnings if not.



1.3 After The Field Work – Using History

Recorded treatment data can be exported from a GuideTRAX system and imported to be viewed in a structured tabled format in History, which allows easy analysis of work completed.

This module also allows the user to setup filters and view treatment data in a customised format. Treatments can also be viewed in map mode, exactly as they appeared in the field when originally recorded with GuideTRAX.

This review facilitates accounting for the work done, and improves the accuracy of planning for the next season.

1.4 This User Manual

This manual is designed to enable use of PlanIT version 3.1 office software.

There are three main sections:

 Introduction, concepts, installation and how to start Sections 1-2

Using PlanIT

Sections 3-6

Reference

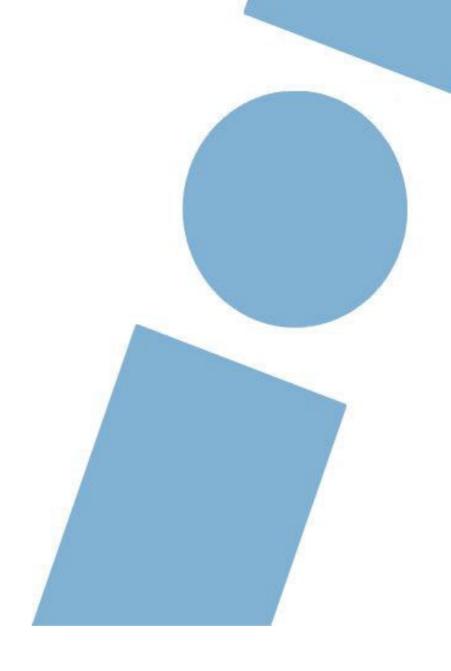
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Please read Sections 1-2 before using the software, this will explain how to install the software and how to begin. Sections 3-6 explain how to use the four PlanIT modules – Planning, Mapping, History and Transfer – and explain how to carry out normal operations with each module.

If you need further information, you will find more details in the reference sections.



Getting Started

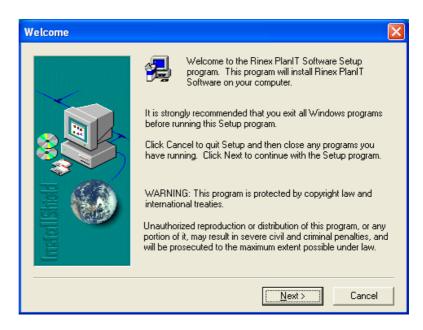




2.1 Installing PlanIT

PlanIT software is supplied on a CD and you should follow these steps to install the software package on a PC running the Windows operating system:

- 1. Close all other software
- 2. Insert the RINEX PlanIT CD into the CD drive of the PC
- 3. The software now begins to automatically install.
 The Welcome screen (shown right) will appear, click on **Next**.
 When installation is complete, a similar screen will appear where you click on **Finish**.



4. When the PlanIT software is installed, it will report a Computer ID and will remind you that the software must be registered for full usage. Report this Computer ID to RINEX to obtain a registration code:



You can continue to use PlanIT while waiting for the registration code – click **Remind me later** when you see the reminder screen.

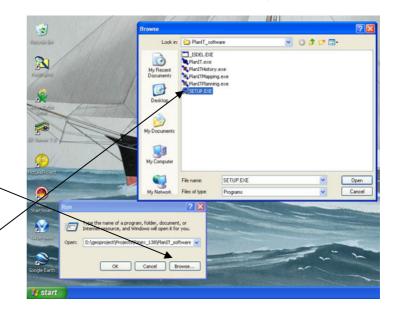
When you receive the Registration code, click "Register Now" on the above reminder window and you will be able to enter your code.



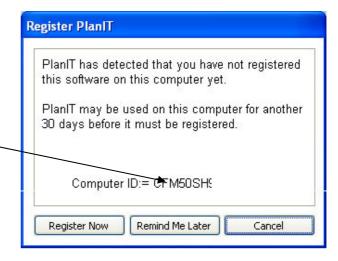
2.1.1 Manual Installation (Option)

If for any reason the Automatic installation does not start, or if you do not want to use this feature, you can also install PlanIT manually

- Close all other software
- 2. Click on the
 Windows Start
 menu, select Run,
 then Browse
 and locate the file
 "setup.exe" in the
 Rinex package.
 Double-click to load
 this file name then
 click OK to start
 installation.



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2.1.2 Back-Up Your Data

Keep a note of the registration code in case you have to re-install the software on this PC.

Once you begin using PlanIT, you are accumulating valuable data related to the farm, treatments applied, crops, and costs, so you should periodically backup your data. To do this, use Windows Explorer or another suitable utility to locate the folder

C:\Rinex\Data

and copy this complete folder (including any sub-folders) to a CD or other safe location.

If you need to re-install PlanIT, to this or another PC, please refer to Appendix 1.



2.2 What To Do First?

To use PlanIT, the software needs at least minimum data about the client, farm(s) and field(s) for which you wish to plan.

There are two initial ways to load this basic data, depending whether you have already been using GuideTRAX:

- Start from scratch and enter initial data (this would include users who have installed the field system but used it only to drive the perimeter of fields to map them), OR
- Have already used GuideTRAX in the field and have data from that to use

New user



Start at section 2.3 Entering Initial Data Through Planning,

Then section 3.1 Starting Planning

Previous GuideTRAX user, have field data



Start at section 6.1.2 Importing Data From Vehicle To PlanIT

Then, to review field work: 5.1 History Concept OR to plan a new season: 3.1.1 Naming A New Plan



2.3 Entering Initial Data Through Planning

Farm maps created in Mapping module can be used in Planning as an easy way to see what crops are planted in which fields, and which fields are to be included in spread or spray plans. Farm maps make it easy to select fields to be included in a plan.

However, if maps have not yet been created, fields can still be included in a plan by choosing them from a list. Inputting a list is discussed in section 3.2.1.

2.3.1 Selecting Client And Farm

To start **Planning**, double-click on the PlanIT icon on

the Windows desktop:

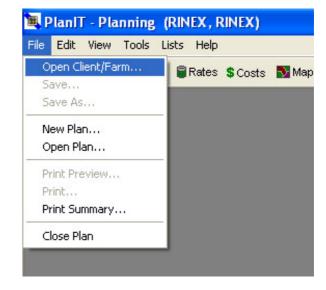
The PlanIT main screen appears:

Note: When you finish with, or **Close**, any of the PlanIT modules, you will be returned to this screen.



To enter initial data, click **Planning** after which PlanIT will change to the Planning screen.

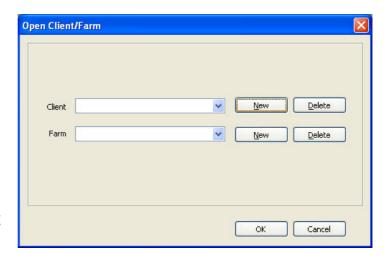
To enter initial data, in the top left menu click on **File > Open client/farm**



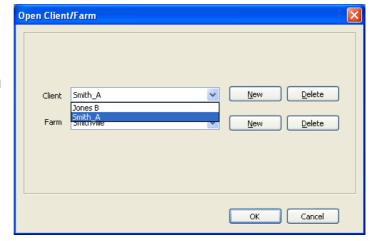


PlanIT now displays a data entry box.

To enter the Client name click **New** and type in your details then click **OK**. If you carry out contracts for multiple Clients, repeat this process to enter more Client names.



Next, enter a Farm name.
Make sure that the correct
client is selected in the
upper drop-down menu, then
click **New** opposite **Farm**,
type in details then press **OK.** Repeat this process to
enter additional Farm
names.

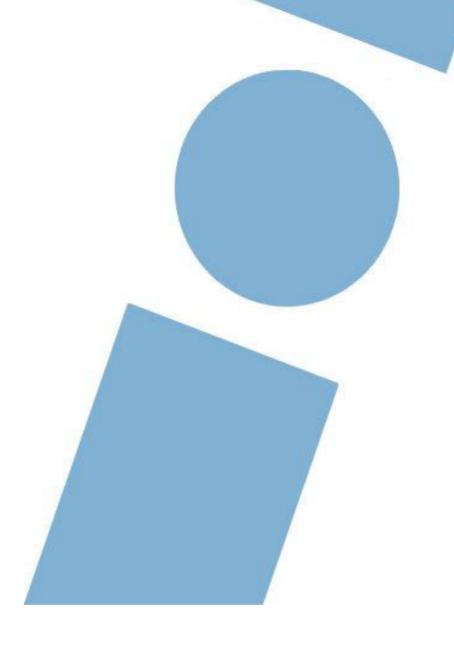


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To plan for multiple farms, repeat the entry of farm name, making sure in each case that the correct Client name is selected.

After entry of all clients and farms, click **OK**.

Using - Planning





3.1 Starting Planning

The PlanIT system is based on the principle that an overall plan for a season consists of several individual plans for different purposes (e.g. seeding, spraying, and fertilising).

Farm maps created in the Mapping module can be used in Planning as an easy way to see what crops are planted in which fields, and which fields are to be included in spread or spray plans. Farm maps make it easy to select fields to be included in a plan.

However, if maps have not yet been created, fields can still be included in a plan by choosing them from a list.

3.1.1 Naming A New Plan

To start Planning, double-click on the PlanIT icon on the Windows desktop:

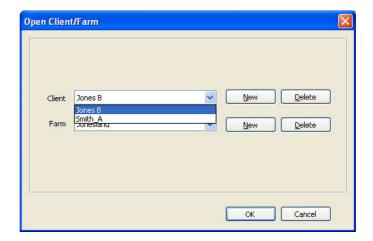
When the introductory screen appears, select **Planning** and the Planning module will open – appearance of the table page may vary depending on what plans have previously been worked on.

Check if the intended Client and Farm name are displayed at top left of screen



If so, go to section 3.1.1.1 below.

If not, click on
File > Open Client/Farm
and select from the
dropdown lists.

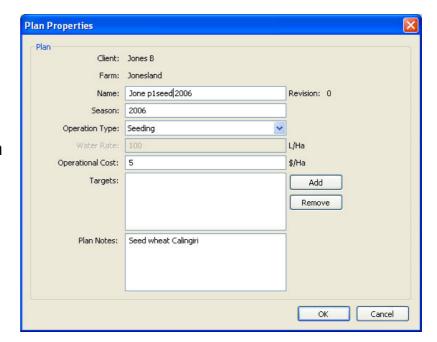




3.1.1.1 Selecting Farm, Season And Operation

Click on **File > New Plan** The Plan Properties window will open.

- Check that Client and Farm are as intended.
- In the Name box, type a name for your plan.
- Select the Season, or type in a new season.
- Select the Operation Type from the dropdown list
- If spraying, enter the desired water rate
- Enter your
 Operational Cost in \$/Ha i.e. cost of operating the equipment, excluding cost of product used.



- To enter a target, click on Add
- Any notes re this plan can be typed into the **Notes** box.
- Click on OK.

Note: PlanIT allows more than one season in a year – to use this facility, name the season "2006A" etc.

You now need to add data regarding products to be used, fields, etc, so that the Plan can be developed.



3.2 Creating Data Base Information

Information relating to the products (seeds, chemicals and fertilisers) which will be used during the season needs to be entered for planning. Information relating to pests, weeds and diseases to be targeted can also be entered. All of this information which is used in planning can also be exported with the plans to GuideTRAX. Later, in PlanIT, you can still access this information, together with data collected during field work.

All of this information is common to all of the GuideTRAX office and vehicle software modules.

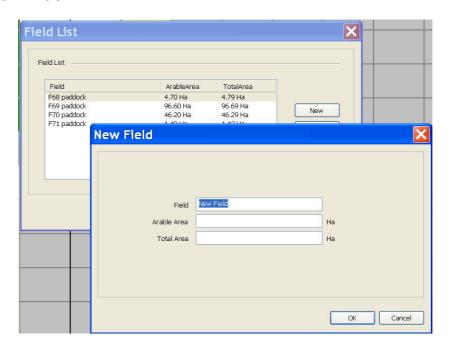
If maps are not yet used then fields must also be entered into the data base - see section 3.2.1.



3.2.1 Adding Fields (If Maps Not Yet Used)

If maps have not yet been used then the first step is to create a list of all your fields.

- 1. Click on **Lists** > **Fields**; this will open the Field List window.
- 2. To add a new field, click the **New** button, which will open a New Field window.

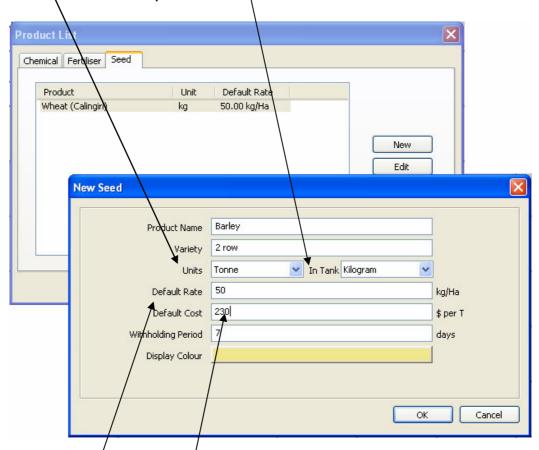


- 3. Type in the name of the field, arable area and total area and click OK. This will close the New Field window and the field will be added to the list in the Field List window.
- 4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 until you have entered all your fields, then click on OK to close the Field List dialogue box.



3.2.2 Adding Seeds

- 1. Click on **Lists** > **Products** so that a Product List box appears
- 2. Select the **Seeds** tab
- 3. If the seed you intend to sow is not shown, click New
- 4. If the seed is shown but you wish to verify or alter details, select the relevant seed and click **Edit**. A new panel appears.
- 5. Enter details of the seed as shown.
- 6. Choose the unit in which you would normally purchase or handle the seed, (e.g. Tonne) from the dropdown **Units** list.
- 7. Choose the unit in which you prefer to describe application rates from the **In Tank** dropdown list.



8. Enter the rate at which you would normally sow the seed in the **Default Rate** box. This rate is linked to the In Tank box above, so make sure that In Tank is set to an appropriate value.

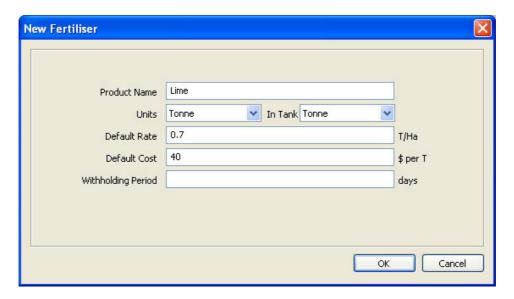


- 9. Enter the **Default Cost** based on the Units selected in step 6 above. In this example 2-row Barley has a usual (default) sowing rate of 50 kg/Ha and costs \$230 per tonne.
- 10. Optionally, type a number of days into the Withholding Period box.
- 11. To select a colour to represent this seed click on the colour bar next to **Display Colour** and click a colour from the palette now shown then click OK this will be displayed in the plan and on the map, to show which fields will have this seed planted.
- 12. Click on **OK**.
- 13. Repeat this process until all required seed types have been entered then click on **Close** to close the Seed List dialogue box.



3.2.3 Adding Fertilisers

- 1. Click on Lists > Products
- The Product List window appears click the Fertiliser tab, then if the fertiliser you want is not shown, click New and a New Fertiliser window will open:

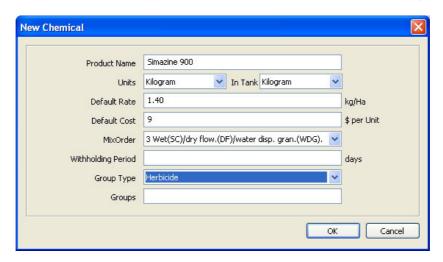


- 3. Type in details in the same manner as for Seeds. The withholding period is optional.
- 4. Note that in this example you could alternately select Kilogram as the units. In that case the default rate should be entered as 700 kg/Ha and the Default Cost as 4 cents (\$0.04) per kg.
- 5. Click **OK** when all details of one fertiliser are entered.
- 6. Repeat this process until all fertilisers have been entered, then click **Close** to close the Product List box.



3.2.4 Adding Chemicals

- Click on Lists > Products The Product List window appears click the Chemicals tab then click New and a New Chemical window will open:
- 2. Type in details in the same manner as for Seeds and Fertilisers.
- In Mix Order, select the category of chemical the code which is shown in brackets should be available on the chemical container's label. This information is used in GuideTRAX when filling the tank.

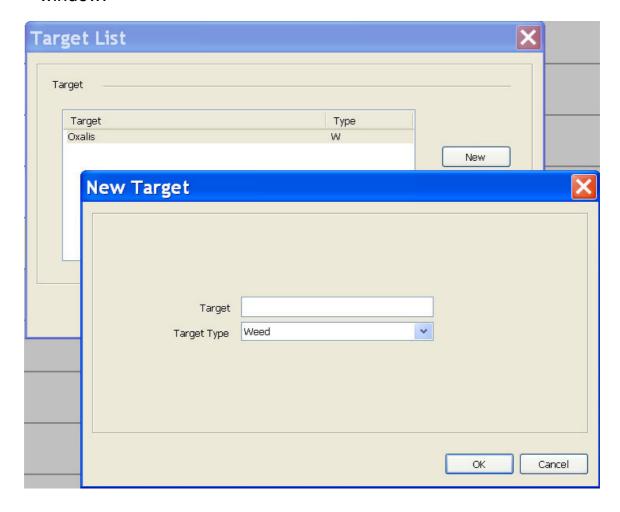


- 4. Note that the Mix Order is intended as a guide only.
- 5. In the **Witholding Period** box, you can enter a period as a reminder to yourself or operator.
- 6. Select Group Type from the dropdown list.
- 7. Click OK.
- 8. Repeat the process until all chemicals have been entered, then click **Close** to close the Chemical List dialogue box.



3.2.5 Adding Targets

- 1. Click on **Lists > Targets** to open the Target List window.
- 2. To add a new target, click **New**, which will open the **New Target** window:



- 3. In the **Target** box, type in the name of the target
- 4. Select the **Target Type** from the drop down list.
- 5. Click OK.
- 6. Repeat steps 2-5 until all targets have been entered, then click **Close** to close the Target List dialogue box.



3.3 Creating Plans

When the Planning module was first opened (see section 3.1), a seeding plan was created when that operation was selected and a name was entered, however because there was no product information in the data base the plan could not progress.

A seeding plan should be created first, as fertiliser and spraying plans can then be linked to the fields according to their crop types. However, a field which is not going to be seeded can also be included in spray and fertiliser plans.

Once the Seeding plan has been created for the season, fertiliser and spray plans can be created in any order.

3.3.1 Seeding Plan

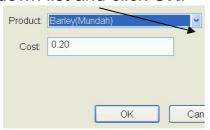
Click on the Plan Information box to open the Plan Properties window.

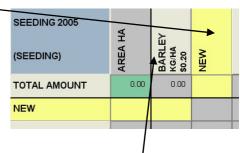


2. If you have not already done so, enter the operational cost per hectare of running the seeding equipment (not including cost of seed, fertiliser and other products).



- 3. Click on the **New** column at the top of the plan to add a seed type to the plan.
- 4. Select the first product from the drop down list and click **OK**.





5. The selected seed is now displayed

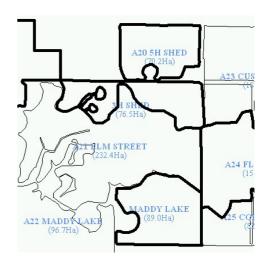


3.3.1.1 Adding Fields To The Plan

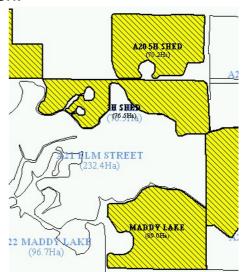
There are 2 ways to add a field to a plan. If maps are not yet being used then use Method 2.

Method 1

- 1. Click on View > Map
- Click on all the fields that you want to be planted with this seed. The field boundaries of each field will be highlighted with a thick black line to show that it has been selected. A field can be de-selected by clicking on it again.



- 3. Right-mouse click anywhere on the screen.
- A message asking if you want to add the field to the plan will be displayed – click Yes.
- 5. Each field which was selected will now be overlaid with diagonal black lines, to show that it has been added to the plan, and in-filled with the colour chosen for that seed type when creating the seed in the data base (Section 3.2.2).



- 6. Click View > Plan
- 7. You will now see the selected fields listed on the left side of the screen, highlighted in the same seed colour.

The default sowing rate for that seed has also been added.

	SEED05 (SEEDING)	AREA HA	BARLEY KG/HA \$0.20	NEW
	TOTAL AMOUNT	627.56	31377.99	
	A24 FLOODWAY	151.27	50.00	
•	A20 5H SHED	70.19	50.00	
	A18 FX ROADS	240.62	50.00	
	3H SHED	76.52	→ 50.00	
	MADDY LAKE	88.96	50.00	
	NEW			

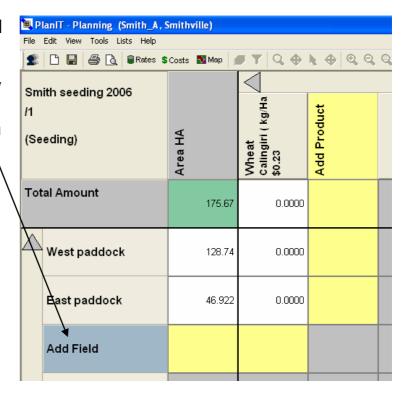


- 8. Click **View** > **Map** again to add the rest of the fields to be seeded with this seed type.
- 9. Click once on each field on the map to be seeded with this seed type each paddock should then be highlighted with the thick black line (as shown in step 2) as it's selected.
- 10. When all the fields to be seeded with this seed type have been selected, right-mouse click.
- 11. Click **Yes** to add them all to the seeding plan.
- 12. Click View > Plan.

Note that the default rate for that seed is listed for each field in the plan.

Method 2

- Click on the Add Field row
- 2. The **Field List** window will open. Select the name of the field (from the drop down list) to be added to the plan.
- 3. Click **OK** to close the window and save the extra field in the Plan.





3.3.1.2 Adding More Seeds And Fields To Plan

- 1. Add a new seed to the plan, by repeating steps in section 3.3.1 Seeding Plan.
- 2. Now add another field to the plan, by repeating steps in Methods 1 or 2 above.
- 3. The field will be added, but it will show as being for the previous seed.
- 4. Click on the rate cell for the new field and the previous seed.
- 5. A dialogue box will pop up with the default rate of the previous seed in it.
- 6. Change it to 0 and click OK.
- 7. Click on the rate box for the new seed.
- 8. A dialogue box will pop up with the default rate of the new seed in it.
- 9. Click OK.
- 10. The default rate for the new seed will be displayed and the field will display the new seed colour. —
- 11. Continue adding all the fields to be sown with the second seed type, as described in Section 3.3.1.1 (Methods 1 or 2) above.
- 12. Repeat the above processes to complete the seeding plan for the current season.



	SEEDING 2005 (SEEDING)	AREA HA	BARLEY KG/HA \$0.20	WH - ARRINO KG/HA \$0.23	NEW
	TOTAL AMOUNT	551.99	22454.00	5145.50	
\	A21 ELM STREET	232.35	50.00	0.00	
	3H SHED	76.52	50.00	0.00	
	B5 GILGIE	140:21	50.00	0.00	
→	B13 HILL	102.91	0.00	50.00	
	NEW		4		



3.3.2 Fertiliser Plans

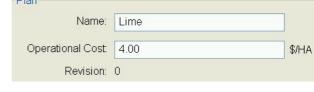
- 1. Click the New Plan icon:
- 2. Select Spread from the New Operation drop down list and click OK
- 3. Click on the Plan Information box at the top of the plan -



4. Type in the plan name and operational cost of running

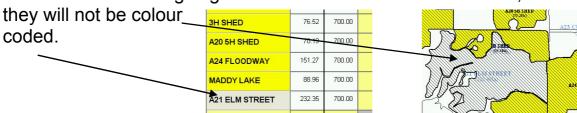
your spreading machinery (not including the cost of fertiliser).

5. Click OK.



6. Use the same processes described in Section 3.3.1 above to select fertilisers and fields to be included in the plan.

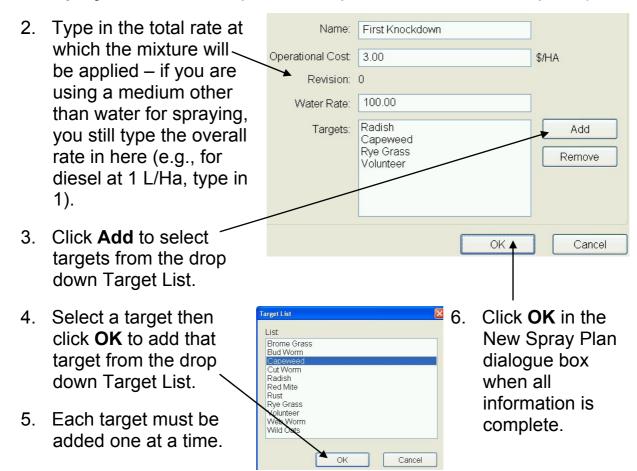
Fields which are not going to be fertilised can also be included, but





3.3.3 Spray Plans

1. Follow the steps in 3.3.2 above to create spray plans (but choose **Spray** from the New Operation drop down list, instead of Spread).



6. Use the same processes described in Section 3.3.1 above to select chemicals and fields to be included in the plan.

3.3.4 Adding Notes

Notes can be added to any plan at any time after it has been created. Click on the Plan Information box (top left of Plan) to open the Plan Properties window and type the relevant information into the Notes box. Notes will be included in printed plans and can be viewed with plan information when imported into GuideTRAX.



3.4 Displaying Information

3.4.1 Cost or Amount Information

PlanIT updates and displays costs and quantities as you plan:

You can switch between viewing:

- Costs of operations and products used, OR
- Total areas treated and quantities of products needed.

Weed_control_autum

West paddock

East paddock

Add Field

(Spraying)

100 L/HA

Cost \$

Clicking the AMOUNT/COST cell below the Plan information box will toggle between

Amount and Cost information.

In **COST** mode, the total cost of the whole plan is displayed in the COST \$/ COST \$ cell.

The cost for each field (operation cost + products used

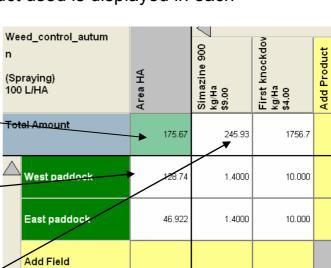
in that field) in the plan is displayed in each cost/field cell.

The purchase cost for each product used is displayed in each cost/product cell.

In **TOTAL AMOUNT** mode, the total area being treated in the plan is displayed in the AREA HA column.

The area for each field in the plan is displayed in each area/field cell.

The total amount (volume or weight) of each product used in the plan is displayed in each amount/product cell.



knockdo

2213.39

1.4000

1.4000

First | kg/Ha \$4.00

\$7026.62

10.000

10.000

Add Product

900

\$10996.66

\$8059.3

337.30



3.4.2 Scrolling Through A Large Plan

If the plan is so large that it does not all fit on the screen at once, then information which is not visible can be displayed by using the scroll bars at the left and the top of screen – click the mouse on a scroll bar and hold the left mouse button depressed while moving the scroll bar.

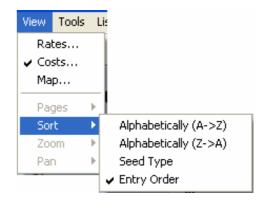
If the yellow row "Add field" and/or column "Add product" are visible on the screen then you know you have

reached the end of all the information available in this plan.

3.4.3 Changing Field Display Order

The order in which fields are displayed in the plan can be sorted by clicking **View** > **Sort**

The fields can be sorted in ascending alphabetical order (A-Z), descending alphabetical order (Z-A), the order in which they were added to the plan (Entry Order) or by Seed Type.

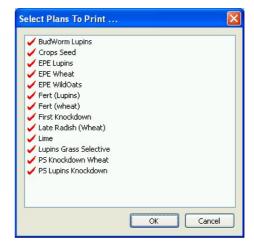




3.4.4 Plan Summary

Summary information relating to product amounts for all or selected plans can be displayed and then printed.

- 1. Click on File > Print Summary.
- 2. Select the plans to be viewed/printed by default they are all selected, as shown. Click on a plan to select/de-select it.
- 3. Click OK.
- 4. If a number of plans have been selected, as shown in the example it will take several seconds to display the information.





5. The **Plan Summary** is now displayed in Print Preview.

The farm name and season are displayed in the top left-hand corner, along with the time and date the Plan Summary was selected from the File menu.

Farm: Smithville Season: 2006 09/05/2006 14:08 Plan Summary Product Area(Ha) Amoun Simazine 900 175.7 245.9 k 175.7 Weed_control_autumn 245.9 k 175.7 1756.7 k Weed control autumn 175.7 1756.7 k Wheat (Calingiri) 175.7 8783.3 k Smith seeding 2006/1 175.7 8783.3 k nox Tochnology: 19 Lyall St., South Porth, WA. (08) 9474 4771 - www.PBNEX.com.au Page 1 or

Each product used is listed, with the plan in which it is used, the area covered, and the amount of that product used.

6. To print the Plan Summary, click on the Print button at the top of the Print Preview screen



3.5 Printing Plans

Each plan can be printed in either Rates View, Costs View or Map View.

In Rates view or Costs view

1. Click on File > Print preview

The information printed from Plan View is the same as that displayed on the screen in Plan View, except that additional information such as the farm and client names, season, targets and Notes are also included.

If the preview shows what you intended, click the Print...
button.

PLAN: Weed_ REVISION: 2 DATE: 8/5/200 CLIENT: Smith FARM: Smith SEASON: 200 FLOW RATE: TARGETS: Ox	06, 11:51 h_A ille 6 100.0L/H			NOTES:		
Weed_control_autur n (Spraying) 100 L/HA	Coat \$	Simazine 900 spra \$500	First knockdo spra 8469			
Cost 1	\$10000.00	\$22 (3.36	\$000.60			
West paddock	\$1000.36	1,4000	10.000			
East paddock	\$2907.00	1.4000	10.000			
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Map View

 Click on View > Map then File > Print Preview

Each page of the plan displays each page of the map (as divided up in Mapping – see Mapping Section 4.5).

Product and rate information for each field included in the plan is also displayed.

The information printed from Map View also shows

West paddock (128.7HA)
Simazine 900 1.400 kg/Ha

East paddock (46.9HA)
Simazine 900 1.400 kg/Ha
First knockdown 10.000 kg/Ha

First knockdown 10.000 kg/Ha

CLIENT: Smith_A
FARM: Smithville
FARM

PLAN: Weed_control_autumn (Rev 2) - Date: 8/5/2006, 11:51

information such as the farm and client names, season, targets and Notes.

When the view is as intended, press Print...



3.6 Exporting Plans To GuideTRAX

When a Plan is ready to use in the vehicle, see section 6.1.1 Exporting Data From PlanIT To Vehicle



4 Using Mapping



4.1 Mapping Concept

The PlanIT system is based on the principle that an overall plan for a season consists of several individual plans for different purposes (e.g. seeding, spraying, and fertilising).

Farm maps produced by Mapping form the basis for plans produced by the Planning software, with fields defined and information added to record boundaries, arable and nonarable areas, salt affectation, etc.

Both maps and plans may be imported into GuideTRAX in the operating vehicle. In GuideTRAX, imported plans can be viewed and amended. If maps have been created then GuideTRAX can use the maps to determine whether the vehicle is in the field specified for the selected plan and will display warnings if not.

Maps are an integral part of farm planning, and the Mapping module allows the user to create maps which are a powerful tool for:

- Visualisation
- Explanation to crews and others
- Control of the vehicle in field
- Recording work done



4.2 Creating Maps

A farm may consist of a single farm, or several farms or blocks. If individual farms or blocks are not too physically distant from each other (e.g. 20 km) it may be practical to include them all in the one farm map. If they are physically distant from one another (e.g. 100 km), then it may be impractical to put them all in the one farm map as they would be managed differently.

4.2.1 Create Clients/Farms

Start the Mapping module by clicking on the Mapping button on the PlanIT main screen.

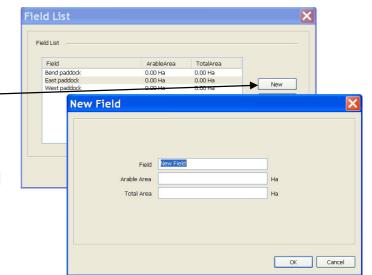
- If the intended client and farm names are NOT shown at the top of screen, click File > Open client/farm to choose or add the appropriate names (as shown in section 2.3.1)
- 2. Click **OK** to return to the main window.



4.2.2 Create Field Names

You need to create the names of all your fields (paddocks) before drawing or importing the fields themselves. If you have not already named fields, you can do this now from within the Mapping module:

- In the menu at the top of the screen, click on List > Fields.
- 2. In the Field List window, click on **New**.
- 3. In the New Field window which now appears, type in the first Field name and click on **OK**. (There is no need to enter anything in the Arable and Total Area fields).



4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 until you have entered in all your field names, then click **OK** again.



4.2.3 Create Field Boundaries

The field boundaries define the boundaries of the farm - there is no need to create a boundary around the whole farm. There are several methods:

- 1. Draw boundaries over a picture file (e.g. an aerial photo from Department of Land Information)
- 2. Load a treatment file from a previous season.
- 3. Import RINEX XML files
- 4. Import files from PAM
- 5. Import ESRI Shape files

The first 3 methods are described in detail below. The other methods are recommended for use by more experienced PlanIT users, or by users with assistance such as from the providers of third-party data.

Each method can be used to create boundaries for different fields in the one farm map – you do not need to stick to one method. You only need to create a field's boundary once, whichever method you choose.

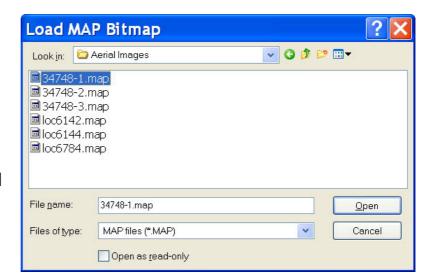
Note: It may appear simplest, to draw a boundary only around the arable area of each field, as though that were the total extent of the field. However, PlanIT provides easy facilities to draw the boundary of the complete field, and then distinguish arable from nonarable areas within each field. This can make maps more meaningful and easier to recognise in the field. This also allows for revision of what is arable, for example.



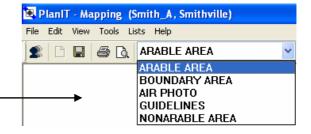
4.2.3.1 Method 1 - Draw Boundaries Over Aerial Photo

Note: You need to have the aerial photo of your farm already saved as a .BMP file together with a matching .MAP file in the same folder. The .MAP file stores information on the location (coordinates) of the image in the .BMP file. If you do not have a .MAP file, contact RINEX. It is suggested that you store these files under the C:\RINEX\DATA directory, to facilitate locating them, and also backing up.

- Click on File >
 Load file > MAP
 Bitmap which will
 open the Load
 MAP bitmap
 window.
- 2. Select the file and click **Open**.



3. Select the Boundary Area Layer from the drop down layer list at the top of the screen.



4. Use the Pan tool • (while holding down left mouse button) to move the map around on the screen and zoom in/out. Position the map so that you can see the boundary of the first field clearly.

Use the Zoom tool 4 to zoom in on the point where you want to start drawing the boundary. Zoom in close enough so that you can draw accurately but still see the whole field.



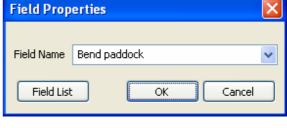
5. Use the Insert tool • to start drawing the boundary. Click at your starting point - each subsequent left mouse click will insert a straight boundary line.

If you make a mistake click on **Edit > Undo** to go back one step.

6. When you reach a point where only one more straight line will complete the boundary, right mouse click to close the boundary.



- 7. A dialogue box will appear asking for the field's name.
 Select the field name from the drop down list, or type in the field name.
- 8. When the boundary is completed, and named, the area will be shaded as shown, and the field name along with the area enclosed in the boundary will be displayed.







9. Repeat for all fields on this image.

If you decide that the boundary is wrong, you can delete it. With the Select tool , click on the boundary area you want to delete (it will change colour) then press the delete key on the keyboard.



4.2.3.2 Method 2 - Create Boundaries From Treatment Files

Treatment files (.RNX format) from previous treatments can be used to create field boundaries and arable land areas. The treatments must have a closed boundary lap in order to create boundaries. If the whole arable area of the paddock was treated, then you can assume this to also be the arable area.

Start the PlanIT Mapping module and check that your desired client and farm name are shown across top of screen. If not, use the top left menu to select them: **File > Open client/farm**

- 1. Click on **File > Load file > Treatment** in the menu at the top left of the screen.
- Click on the down arrow next to the Look in box to find the location of the treatment file to be loaded (treatment files have names ending in .RNX).
- 3. Select the file to be loaded.
- A drawing will appear on the screen representing the swaths treated in this field -Click on **Yes** when this message appears, to create a boundary around the treatment.



- 5. Select the appropriate field name from the drop down list.
- 6. Repeat this for each field required.



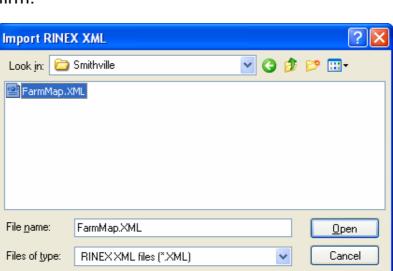


4.2.3.3 Method 3 - Import RINEX XML files

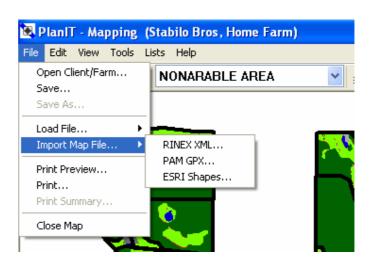
When developing a new Plan for fields which have been mapped in the vehicle, the map can be imported from the map created by GuideTRAX.

This is not done automatically by the Transfer Data process - if you are also importing Client, Farm and other data from the vehicle, use Transfer Data first.

- Ensure that the relevant Client and Farm are selected – the farm map is specific to each farm.
- From the main menu, select
 File > Import Map File > RINEX XML
- 3. A warning will advise that completing this action will replace the current farm map. Click **YES** to confirm.
- 4. An Import box will open. Navigate to the location of the FarmMap.XML file required, then click **Open**. To load a map from the vehicle system, remember that the FarmMap.XML file may be located on a USB drive.



5. The farm map from the vehicle is now shown, and the map data is now stored by PlanIT so that the USB drive can be removed.





4.3 Adding More To Maps: Layers

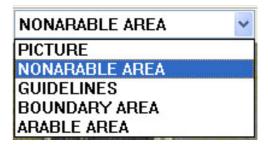
Maps can consist of several layers. Each layer is overlaid on top of the preceding layer, and contains information about particular features. When a farm map file is first created, as above, the following four layers are automatically created:

- Boundary Area
- NonArable Area
- Arable Area
- Guidelines

To add information to a layer, that layer must first be selected as the top layer.

As an example, mark out the nonarable land in the first paddock from the aerial photography example in section 4.2.3.1.

- 1. Select the nonarable area from the layer dropdown list.
- 2. A different layer can be selected as the top layer by choosing from the drop down list.



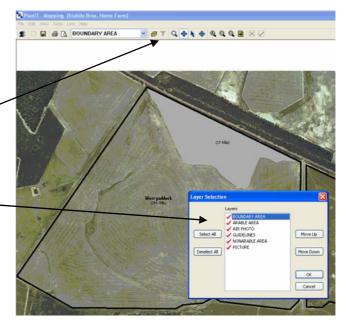
3. The order in which layers are displayed can be changed according to what feature you want to look at, by using the

Layers

toolbar button



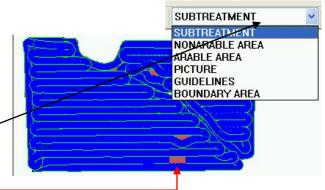
This example shows all layers are selected, with Boundary Area at the top and Picture layer at the bottom. The nonarable area, which has been given a solid colour, hides the picture layer below it.





- 4. If the Nonarable layer was moved down below the Picture layer, the nonarable land area would not be visible.
- 5. Additional layers can also be created, and some layers are automatically created when certain actions occur. E.g., a Subtreatment layer is automatically created when a treatment file is loaded.

In this example, parts of the boundary layer can be seen through gaps in the treatment layer.





4.4 Feature Types And Layers

Each layer has a feature associated with it, and the attributes of the layer can be edited in the Feature Types list. For example, in the above example, the Boundary Area layer is denoted by a cross-hatch, but you may prefer to make it a solid colour which obscures information on layers below it. This can be changed:

1. Click on Lists > Feature Feature Type List **Types** Feature List Category Area 2. Select **Area** from the drop down Category list. ARABLE NONAR ABLE 3. Select **Boundary** from the PITS_TRANSFORMED_TO_MGA50 New list of features. Edit 4. Click on Edit. Delete

ature Attributes

Label

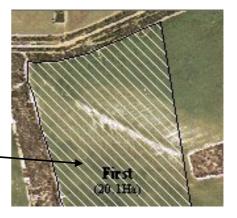
BOUNDARY

- 5. Select FDiagonal from the Area Pattern drop down list.
 - Changing the Boundary Area from a solid colour to a pattern will allow lower layers to be seen.
- 6. Select a light colour from the Colour drop down list which will be easy to see over the top of the lower layers.
- 7. Note the Show Area and Show Label boxes are ticked. The Show Label tick box refers to the Field name and the Show Area tick box refers to the area displayed in brackets. If the box is not ticked, then that information will not be displayed.
- 8. Click on **OK**, then **OK** again.



9. The lower picture layer is now clearly visible through the top boundary layer.

Note the field name and area are displayed – as discussed in step 7 above.



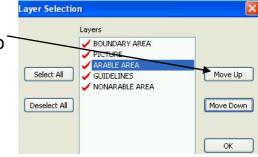


4.4.1 Draw Arable Land

An Arable Area layer is created by default when the farm is first created.



- 1. Arrange the order in which layers are to be displayed by using the Layers button on the toolbar. This opens the Layers window.
- Select the Arable Area layer and then use the Move Up button to move it to the top of the list. Move other layers to the order in which you want them displayed.



Make sure the layers are selected (with a red tick – click on it to select/deselect) if you want them to be displayed on the Map screen.

3. Click **OK** when layer order is correct.

4. Use the same method for drawing arable land areas as described in section 4.2.3.1 above, steps 5 to 9.

Notes:

- 1. PlanIT can calculate the area of the arable section from the total (boundary) area and the nonarable area, if that is sufficient for your situation. For example if drawing boundaries from an aerial image, you need only draw the boundary area and then draw around the nonarable area(s) in the field, from which PlanIT will automatically calculate the arable area.
 - However, since the Arable area will not then exist as a separate feature, it will not take account of any user-defined areas (e.g. dams) and you cannot control its colouring for clarity on maps.
- 2. An Arable area can only be drawn inside the boundary area of one field.



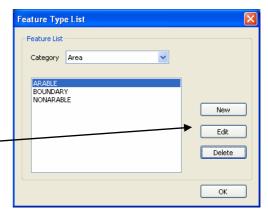
4.4.2 Add A New Feature

New features such as areas of salt, dams, bush areas, contour banks, power lines, trees, sheds, rocks etc can be added. For each new feature type, a new layer will need to be added.

If the intention is only to show what areas are nonarable, then it would be easiest just to add all nonarable features to the Nonarable Area layer which is created by default when the farm is created. The same process as described in section 4.4.1"Draw Arable Land" would need to be followed in this case.

To add a new feature type such as a dam:

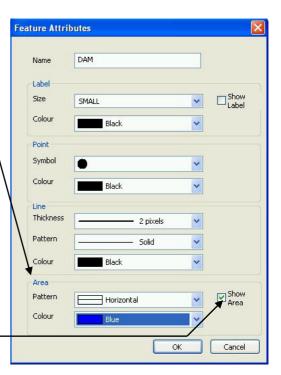
- In the menu, click on Lists > Feature Types
- Select **Area** from the drop down Category list
- 3. Click on New



- Type in the name of the new feature
- 5. As this feature is an area, choose Area Pattern and Colour

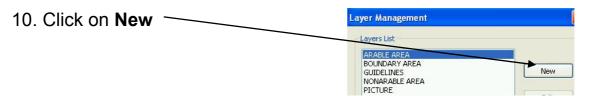
Note: If the new feature was a single point, such as a tree, or a line such as a power line, then you would need to edit the Point or Line attributes instead.

- 6. If you want the area measurement of the new feature to be displayed on the Map screen, tick the Show Area box.
- 7. Click OK.





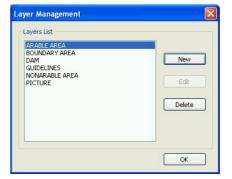
- 8. The new feature should now appear in the Feature Type list. Click OK again to close the Feature Type list.
- 9. Click on List > Layers



- 11. Type in the name of the new layer.
- 12. Select the correct Feature Category (in this example, Area) from the drop down list.
- 13. Select the Feature Type from the drop down list.
- 14. Click on OK.



- 15. The new layer will now appear in the list.
- 16. Click on OK.



- 17. Arrange the order in which layers are to be displayed by using the Layers list button:

 Make the new layer the top layer.
- 18. Draw the new feature using the same methods as described in "4.2.3.1 Draw Boundaries Over Aerial Photo" steps 5 to 9 and "4.4.1 Draw Arable Land" above.



4.4.3 Moving Information Between Layers

Features which have been drawn on one layer can be moved to another layer; however, features cannot be moved from one geographical location to another. If a feature is drawn in the wrong geographical location it must be deleted and redrawn in the right place.

As described in 4.2.3, fields are drawn on the Boundary Area layer. An area drawn on an Arable Area or Nonarable Area layer must be drawn inside the perimeter of a field which has been drawn on the Boundary Area layer. For this reason these layers are referred to as boundary type layers.

Boundary Type Layers

- Boundary Area
- Arable Area
- NonArable Area
- Picture
- Sub-treatment

Non Boundary Type Layers

- Guidelines
- Any layer created by the user

4.4.3.1 Moving Non Boundary Type Information To A New Field Name

Information created on layers which are not boundary type layers can be drawn outside areas (fields) drawn on the Boundary Area layer.

For example a feature type and layer called "future paddock" could be created. An area on this layer this can then be cut (**Edit** > **Cut** from the menu) from this layer (e.g. future paddock) and pasted (**Edit** > **Paste**) to the Boundary Area layer. When pasted, the Boundary Properties dialogue box will pop up, and a field name must be selected from the list.

The field name must have been created before moving the area to the Boundary Area layer.



4.4.3.2 Overlapping (Non Boundary Type) Layers

Non boundary type layers can overlap each other, or overlap boundary type layers.

For example, a Salt Affected area on a Salt Affected layer could overlap a field Boundary Area. This area cannot be incorporated into the field boundary.

To change the field boundary to incorporate the salt affected area which lies outside the field boundary, you would have to delete the field boundary on the Boundary Area layer and re-create it.

4.4.3.3 Moving Information Between Boundary Type layers

Information can be moved between layers. In the following example, an area of nonarable land has been accidentally drawn on the Arable layer. To move it from the Arable layer to the NonArable layer:

1. Change the top layer to the Arable Area Layer.



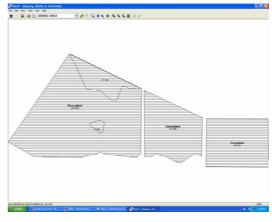
- 2. Using the Select tool click on the area to be moved.
- 3. After it has been selected, the area will change colour.
- 4. Click on Edit > Cut.
- 5. Change the top layer to the Nonarable Area layer.
- Click on Edit > Paste. The area will now be pasted into the Nonarable layer and will change colour to match the attributes set in the Nonarable Feature.



4.5 Divide The Farm Into Pages

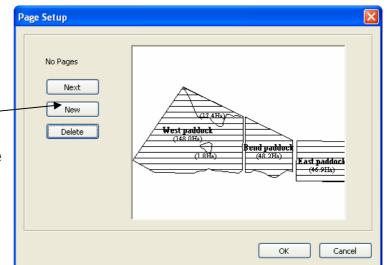
Typically the farm map will be too big to allow all the fields to be viewed clearly on the one screen, or to allow the field names to be read. To assist with finding and viewing field information, the farm map can be broken up into pages. The farm can have several pages with a different group of paddocks on each page, and/or a different paddock on each page, and/or a whole farm on each page. Too many pages however will be just as hard to use as too few, so its recommended that the whole farm be on one page, and then break the farm up into groups of fields so that the name of each field can be read on the screen.

Use
 View > Pan > All
 to position the map on
 the screen so that the
 whole farm can be seen.



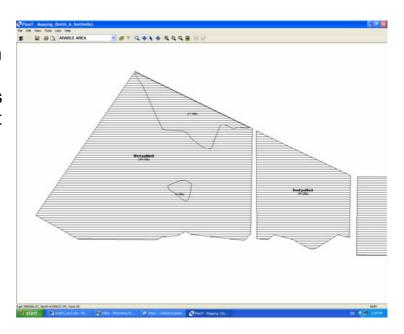
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- Click on View > Pages > Setup to open the Page Setup window
- 3. Click on New
- 4. "No Pages" will change to "Page 1 of 1", meaning that page 1 is the whole farm.
- 5. Click OK.





6. Using the Pan • and Zoom • tools, position the map on the screen so that the field names of each field in the first group can be read. If part of a field is cut off it can be picked up in the next page if necessary.



- 7. Click View > Pages > Setup.
- 8. Click on New.
- 9. "Page 1 of 1" will change to Page 2 of 2.
- 10. Click **OK**. Repeat steps 6-10 until the whole farm has been divided into appropriate pages.
- 11. Use the Next Page button on the toolbar to scroll through all the pages.

4.5.1 Reloading Aerial Photos

If you close Map Manager and then re-open it, it will automatically display all the fields which you have so far created, as well as any features (e.g. dams, arable land etc). Aerial photographs or previous treatment maps will **not** automatically be loaded.

If you want to display the aerial photographs again, you must reload them by clicking File > Load MAP Bitmap – see section 4.2.3.1.

5 Using History



5.1 History Concept

GuideTRAX and PlanIT form a complete system for field operation management, with continuous feedback and improvement:

- Prepare plans using PlanIT
- Import plans to the GuideTRAX vehicle system and carry out the operations, variations from the plan being recorded as done
- Export data back to PlanIT in the office and review for next season.

The History module allows viewing and analysis of treatment data recorded with the GuideTRAX system. Various data characteristics are recorded during treatment in the field, and this data can be exported onto an external USB device and imported into PlanIT/History for viewing.

The data recorded in the field can be easily managed using PlanIT. Records can be filtered to pick out information for planning the next season, to review the operator's performance, or to quickly summarise activities and product used.

Costs can be monitored or, for a contractor, clear records of work done can be presented with invoices.

5.1.1 Importing Data From Work Done

You can import data related to work carried out by the vehicle system. For instructions on importing and exporting data see the transfer module in section 6.1.



5.2 The Tree View

Click the Tree icon , or select **View > Tree** to display History in Tree view mode. This mode shows an explorer-like structured view of all available treatment files. The folder levels from the top are:

- Client
 - o Farm
- Field
 - Seasons
 - Treatment files:

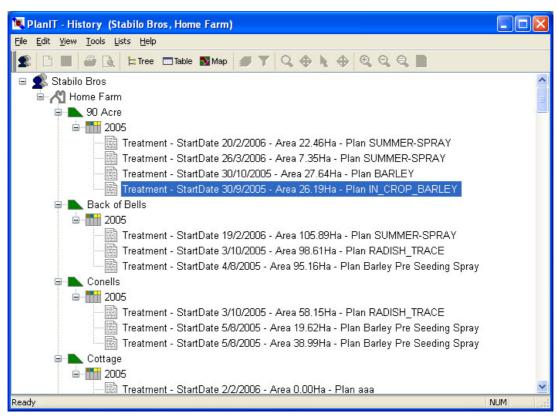


Figure 5-1: Tree view mode

You can select a treatment file from the list by clicking on it, and then click on **Edit > Properties** to view its data properties. You can use the tabs in this window to view different properties. SeeFigure 5-2: Treatment Properties window.



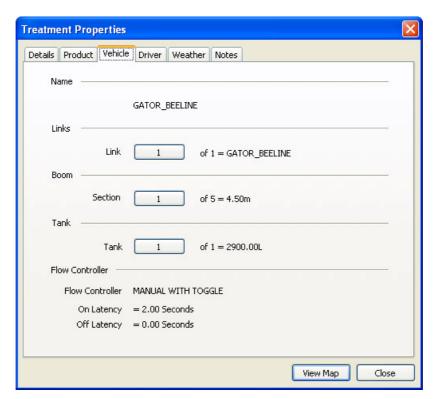


Figure 5-2: Treatment Properties window

To delete a treatment file, click **Edit > Delete** and confirm that you want to delete the file by selecting **YES**.



5.3 The Map View

The map view allows you to view the farm map (if available) and its features. Once data is imported from an external USB device, treatment data will also be displayed. To enter map view mode click **View > Map**.

Changing the farm map view is made simple by the tool bar, which contains shortcuts to commonly used functions. See the toolbar onscreen or refer to section 9.2 for more details.

5.3.1 Viewing Map Layers

Since farm maps contain layers, it is possible to view all layers or only a number of selected layers. To do this, use the Layers window by clicking **Tools > Layers**. Or clicking (You must be in map view mode to do this)

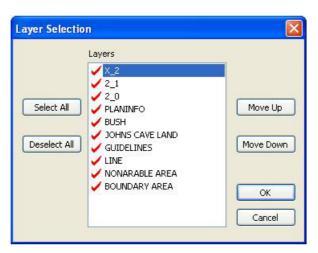


Figure 5-3: The Layers window

Select all means that all layers will be visible in the map view. **Deselect all** means that the map view will be displayed blank. Selected layers have a red tick next to them as in shown in Figure 6.1. You can select/deselect individual layers by clicking on the name.

The layer at the very top of the list indicates which layer will be shown at the very top of the farm map when the map view is displayed. This is important as layers can overlap, and you can use the **Move Up** and **Move Down** buttons to change the order of layers, thus allowing you to customise the map view.



5.3.2 Zooming And Panning

Use the button in the tool bar to zoom in and out on the map view. Left-click to zoom in and Right-click to zoom out.

Also use the button in the tool bar to pan in any direction. <u>Left-click</u> and hold the mouse button and move the map around.

You can click on **View > Zoom** and **View > Pan** to perform the same operations from the menu bar.

5.3.3 Setting Up Map Pages

Use the button in the tool bar to toggle through different page views in the map view. Click on **Edit > Setup Pages** to setup map pages. See section 5.5.4 for more details.



5.4 The Table View

Click the table icon or select **View > Table**, to display in Table view mode. Once treatment data has been imported, the properties of the treatment will be displayed in a tabulated format that is easily sorted and filtered. All records are sorted by the left-most column. (E.g. Sort on the 'product' in Figure 5-4 below)

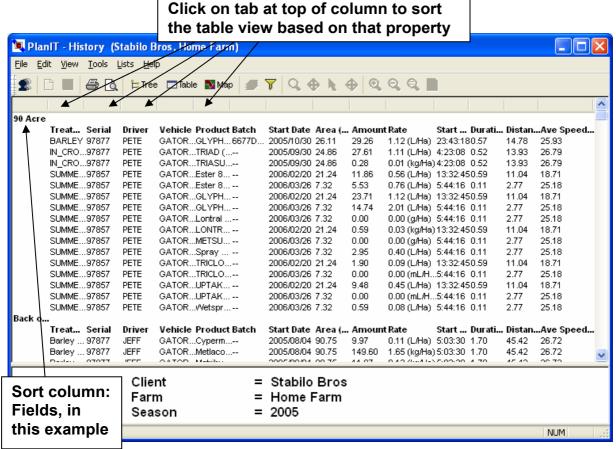


Figure 5-4: Table view mode

The table view can be sorted based on these properties:

- Product
- Treatment plan name
- Field name
- Driver name
- Vehicle name

- Batch number
- Unit serial number
- Plan operation
- Treatments start date



5.4.1 Creating And Using Filters

To display data in the table view based on specific data properties, you can create a filter. Click on **Tools > Filter**. The Load Filter window is now displayed.

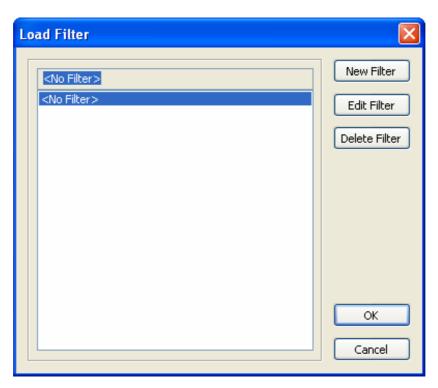


Figure 5-5 Load Filter window

Press the **New Filter** button to open the New Filter window.

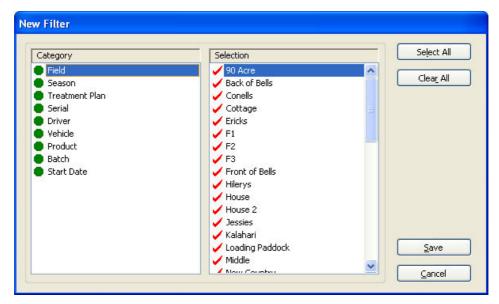


Figure 5-6: The New Filter window



The 'Category' window on the left shows which column will be displayed in the table view. This is indicated by a green dot next to each property. The 'Selection' window on the right shows a contents list for a particular property. For each property, it displays all available items for selection. For example, in Figure 5-6 'Field' has been selected and on the right all available field names are displayed.

Select all means that the table view will display all properties. **Clear all** means that the table view will not display the column for that particular property (The green dot will be removed in the 'Field Name' window). You can click on individual selection items to place/remove the red tick, thus customising the table view to suit your preference.

Pressing the **Save** button will allow you to save the filter with its specific settings. A filter can be edited at any time by clicking **Tools > Filter** and when the Load Filter window opens, click **Edit** to open the Edit Filter window.

5.4.2 Batch Recording

PlanIT can record and track batch details such as brand, manufacturer's batch number, etc. Batch recording can also provide estimates of quantity remaining, if initial quantities available are entered, using the area treated and the rate of application to calculate the quantity applied, and hence the amount left.

To access this information, select **Lists > Batches** and the Batch List window will be displayed. Three tabs at the upper left side allow choosing

- Chemical
- Fertiliser, or
- Seed

batch details, an example for seed being shown in the following figure.



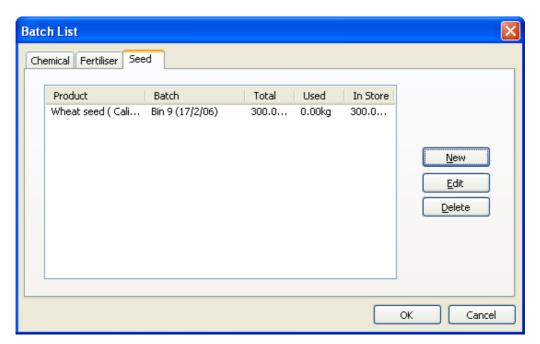
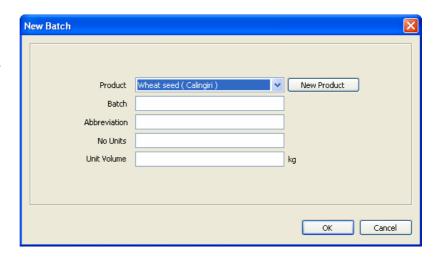


Figure 5-7: The Batch List window

To view, edit or add batch information, first select the appropriate tab in the Batch List window – Chemical, Fertiliser or Seed.

- 1. To edit batch information about a product shown, select the product and click **Edit**.
- 2. The New Batch window will open and batch details can be altered or added. Click OK to close the New Batch window and return to the Batch List.
- 3. To enter batch information about a product not already listed, click **New**.
- 4. This will also open the New Batch window. Choose the product from the dropdown list and enter batch details.



5. Click OK to close the New Batch window and return to the Batch List.



5.5 The Database

To add various elements to the database, click on **Lists** and select the required name from the list.

See Figure 5-8 below. The following items are available

- Batches Chemicals/Fertilisers/Seeds
- Products Chemicals/Fertilisers/Seeds
- Fields

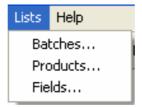


Figure 5-8: The Lists menu

Clicking on an item will display a window that lists the contents of the database for that item. Here you can create, edit and delete items. Figure 5-9 shows an example of a Product List window – in this case the Chemical tab is selected.

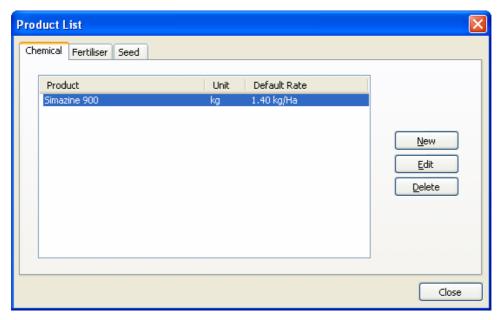


Figure 5-9: The Product List window

Using Transfer Data



6.1 Transfer Functions

GuideTRAX and PlanIT form a complete system for farm operation management. This requires efficient transfer of information from the office to the vehicle and back again. The **Transfer Data** module facilitates this.

To activate the Transfer module, click **Transfer Data** from the PlanIT main screen:



The Import/Export window will then appear:



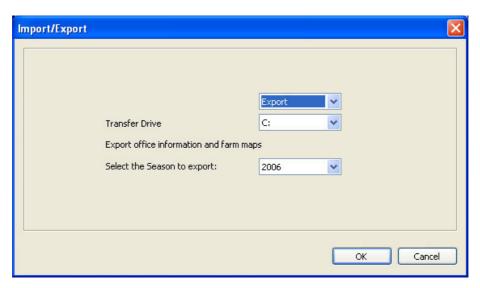


Figure 6-1: Import/Export window

6.1.1 Exporting Data From PlanIT To Vehicle

- 1. Insert a USB drive into your PC. If the USB drive contains previous RINEX data, PlanIT will overwrite that data.
- 2. In the **Import/Export** window, choose **Export** from the dropdown list
- 3. In the **Transfer Drive** box, choose the drive letter for your output
- 4. Select the season to export from the dropdown list
- 5. Click **OK**
 - PlanIT will now transfer data to your USB drive. This data is formatted ready for use by GuideTRAX.

6.1.1.1 What Is Exported?

The data you have entered for plans, products (including batches), targets, field names and farm maps is all exported to the vehicle system.



6.1.2 Importing Data From Vehicle To PlanIT

- Insert the USB drive loaded with data from your vehicle into a USB port on your PC
- 2. In the Import/Export window (Figure 6-1 above) choose **Import** from the top dropdown list
- 3. In the **Transfer Drive** box, choose the drive letter for your USB drive.

4. Click OK

- PlanIT will now import your data from the USB drive and load that data into the correct locations within the RINEX folder.
- Note: This process does not automatically import the farm map from the vehicle. This data can be imported via the File > Import Rinex XML function in the Mapping module see section 4.2.3.3 and section 8.3 (reference section).

6.1.2.1 What Is Imported?

The data you have accumulated in the vehicle for work done, products (including batches), new plans created in the field, and treatment maps, are all imported into PlanIT.

Data on work carried out, products used, and areas treated are added to the database and is available in the History module.

The essentials for mapping Fields treated are also imported as .RNX files and can be used to map those fields – see section 4.2.3.2.



Reference – Planning



7.1 Planning

Planning is used to create treatment plans for a farm. Plans will be imported to the system in the vehicle and the information in the plan is used to apply the correct treatment to each field.

This reference section provides details of all menus, windows and options used in the Planning module of PlanIT.



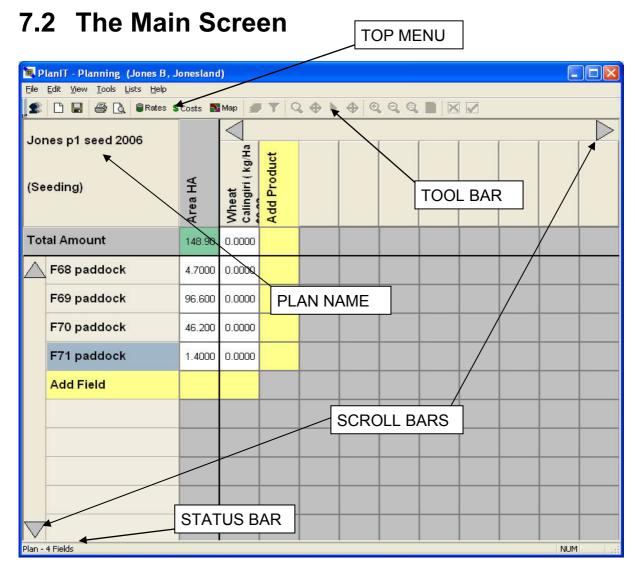


Figure 7-1: The Planning main screen

Overview: The main screen contains access to the Menu and Tool Bar, and allows editing of a plan if in Plan view or Cost view display mode.

Item	Description
File	The File item in the top menu allows selecting a farm and printing the current plan. See section 7.3 for more details.
Edit	The Edit item in the menu contains access to functions that allow editing of a plan. See section 7.4 for more details.



Item	Description
View	The View item in the menu allows changing of the current view mode. See section 7.5 for more details.
List	The List item in the menu allows access to the lists of products, fields and targets that are used by the program. See section 7.6 for more details.
Help	The Help item in the menu allows access to version information. See section 7.7 for more details.
Tool Bar	The Tool bar contains shortcuts to commonly used menu items. See section 7.8 for more details.
Status Bar	The Status Bar will display the number of fields in the plan out of the total number of fields available
Scroll bars	A Scroll Bar is used to move the plan table left/right or up/down when some information does not fit on the screen.



7.3 The File Menu

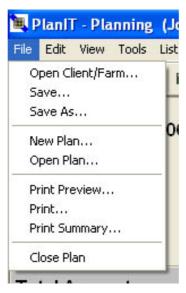


Figure 7-2: The File menu

Overview: The File menu allows creating or selecting a Farm and/or a Plan, and printing the current plan.

Item	Description
Open Client/Farm	Selecting the Open Client/Farm item displays the open Client/Farm window, where new Clients and Farms can be created and previously saved ones can be selected. See section 7.3.1 for more details.
Save	Selecting the Save item will save the current Plan.
Save As	Selecting Save As opens a Save As window to allow saving the current plan with a new name. Section 7.3.4
New Plan	Selecting the New Plan item opens a Plan Properties window for entry of details of a new plan. See section 7.3.2.
	If a plan is currently open, a save confirmation window will be displayed first, to confirm whether to save any changes that have been made.



Item	Description
Open Plan	Selecting the Open Plan item opens a Plans List window to allow choosing an existing plan to open, and choosing a season. See section 7.3.3.
	The plans available for opening will depend on the farm and season that is selected. If a plan is currently open, a Save confirmation window will be displayed to confirm whether to save any changes that have been made.
Print Preview	When the Print Preview item is selected, a print preview of the current plan will be displayed.
Print	When the Print item is selected, a standard print screen is displayed. This allows printing of the current plan with choice of Printer and pages.
Print Summary	Print Summary allows you to print a summary for selected plans in a tabulated format showing how much of each product will be required. This information is useful for budgeting and ordering products.
	Note: When the 'Select Plans to Print' window is displayed with a list of plans, left-click on the plan name to select/deselect it with a tick. All ticked plans will display in the print summary.
Close Plan	When Close Plan is selected, the program will exit. If changes have been made to the current plan but not yet saved, a Save confirmation window is displayed first.



7.3.1 The Open Client/Farm Window

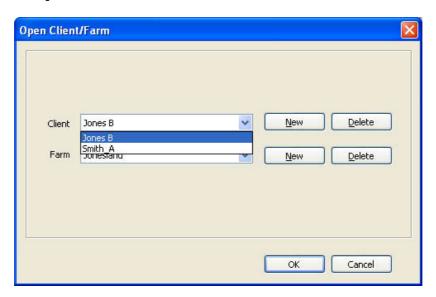


Figure 7-3: The open Client/Farm window

Overview: The open Client/Farm window allows selecting and loading previously saved farms for clients and creation of new clients and farms. Clients and farm names can also be edited or deleted.

Item	Description
Client	The Client drop down list allows previously saved clients to be selected.
Farm	The Farm drop down list allows previously saved farms for a particular client to be selected.
New	The New button allows creating of clients and farms.
Edit	The Edit button allows editing of client and farm names.
Delete	The Delete button allows deleting the currently displayed farm or client.
	If an attempt is made to delete a client or farm that has been previously saved, a warning message will be displayed first.



Item	Description
ОК	When OK is selected, the farm map for the particular combination of client and farm for the current season will be displayed in the main screen window.
Cancel	When Cancel is selected, the display reverts to the main screen and remains unchanged.

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7.3.2 The Plan Properties Window

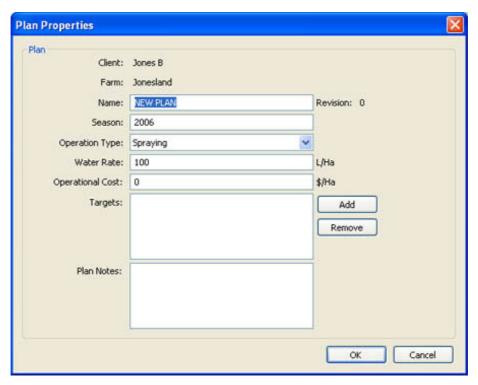


Figure 7-4: Plan Properties window

Overview: The **Plan Properties** window allows input of details for a new Plan, and editing or deletion of some details.

Item	Description
Client	Shows the current Client name.
Farm	Shows the current Farm name.
Name	The Name box allows entry of name for new plan.
Season	Type the intended year into the Season box. Note: Normally this would be a year, however any combination of up to 4 numbers and a letter may be used.



Item	Description
Operation type	Click on the dropdown list to select from one of the options: seeding, spraying or spreading.
Water Rate	For Spraying, enter the Water Rate in litres/hectare. If the plan is for spreading or seeding, this box is greyed out.
Operation cost	Enter your current cost for this operation in dollars per hectare.
Targets	Click Add to enter targets, such as weeds for a spraying plan, or grain types for a seeding plan. Click Remove to delete a selected target.
Plan notes	Type in any notes relevant to this plan
OK	When OK is selected, the plan for the particular combination of client and farm for the current season will be displayed in the main screen window.
Cancel	When Cancel is selected, the display reverts to the main screen and remains unchanged.



7.3.3 The Plans List Window

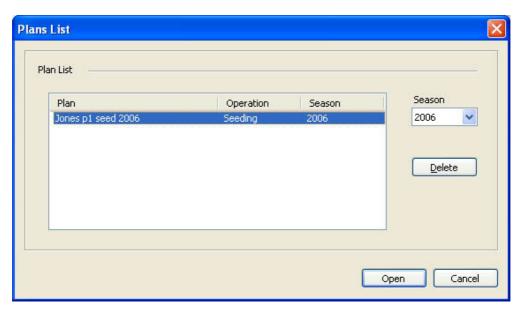


Figure 7-5: The Plans List window

Overview: The Plans List window allows opening of previously created plans.

Item	Description
Season	Select the Season from drop-down list; only plans for that season will then be available in the Plans list.
Plan List	The Plan List displays a list of plans for the current selected farm and season. Click on a plan name to select it.
Delete	Click on Delete to delete the currently selected Plan.
Open	When Open is pressed, the selected plan will be opened.
Cancel	When Cancel is pressed, the window will close and the current plan will remain unchanged.



7.3.4 The Save As Window



Figure 7-6: The Save As window

Overview: The Save As window allows to save the current plan under a different name so that variations can be made.

Item	Description
Name	The Name entry allows entering of a new name that the current plan will be saved as.
OK	When OK is pressed, the plan will be saved as the new name.
Cancel	If Cancel is pressed, the window will close without saving.



7.4 The Edit Menu

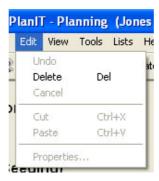


Figure 7-7: The Edit menu

Overview: The Edit menu contains access to functions that allow editing of a plan.

Item	Description
Delete	When the Delete item is selected, the current highlighted product or field will be removed from the plan.
	Note: the change is not yet saved. If you delete a product column or a field row by accident, you can correct this by closing the Plan without saving the changes, then re-open the Plan.



7.5 The View Menu



Figure 7-8: The View menu

Overview:

The View menu allows changing the current view mode and toggling through farm map pages when in map view mode. It also allows sorting of the fields in a plan alphabetically, based on seed type, or by order of entry.

Item	Description
Rates	When the Rates item is selected, the current plan will be displayed in rates view mode. See section 7.5.1 for more details.
Costs	When the Costs item is selected, the current plan will be displayed in cost view mode. See section 7.5.2 for more details.
Мар	When the Map item is selected, the current plan will be displayed in map view mode. See section 7.5.3 for more details.
Pages	When Page s is selected, the next page of the map will be displayed if pages have been created. Note: the Pages item is only available when in map view mode.



Item	Description
Sort	A sub-menu will appear when the Sort item is selected. Four types of field sort are available:
	 Alphabetically (A to Z; Z to A)
	Crop type
	Order of entry
	The order of the fields on the left-hand side column of the plan view will depend on the different sort type.



7.5.1 The Rates View

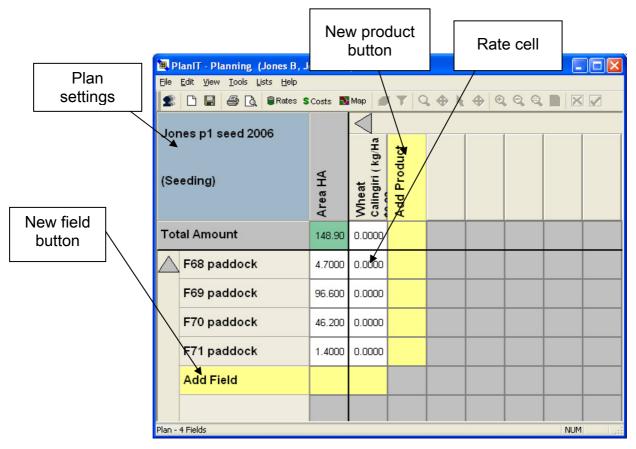


Figure 7-9: The Rates view

Overview: The Rates view displays the rate for every paddock and product in a table form. It also displays total information for each paddock and product.

Item	Description
Plan Settings	When the Plan Settings cell is clicked (or if the Plan Settings cell is highlighted and Enter is pressed on the keyboard), the Plan Properties window will be displayed where selected Plan properties can be edited. See section 7.5.1.1 for more details.



Item	Description
Total Amount	The Total Amount cells display the total amount for each product that is needed in the plan. It is the sum of the arable areas for each paddock multiplied by the rate value for the product.
Add Field	When Add Field is clicked (or if it is highlighted and Enter is pressed on the keyboard), the Field List window will be displayed allowing inserting of a new field into the plan. See section 7.5.1.2 for more details.
Add Product	When Add Product is clicked or if it is highlighted and Enter is pressed on the keyboard, the Add Product select/edit window will be displayed allowing inserting of a new product into the plan. See section 7.5.1.3 for more details.
Rates	When a Rate cell is clicked or if the cell is highlighted and Enter is pressed on the keyboard, the cell will become editable and a value can be entered using the keyboard.



7.5.1.1 The Plan Properties Window

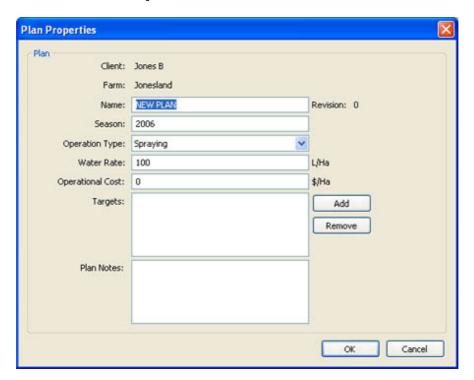


Figure 7-10: The Plan Properties window

Overview: The Plan Properties window allows entering of information about the plan and adding and removing of targets.

Item	Description
Name	The Name text field allows entering of a name for the plan using the keyboard.
Revision	The Revision number is incremented automatically by PlanIT when changes to the plan are saved.
Operational Cost	Allows entering a value for any overhead and overall operational cost of a plan.
Water Rate	The Water Rate field allows entering of the water rate for the plan using the keyboard.
Targets	Displays a list of targets in the plan.



Item	Description
Add	Displays the Target List window that allows adding of targets to the plan. See section 7.6.1 for more details.
Remove	To delete a target from the plan, highlight that target then click the Remove button.
OK	When OK is pressed, the window will close and the plan settings will be saved.
Cancel	If Cancel is pressed, the window will close and the plan settings will not be saved.



7.5.1.2 The Field List Window

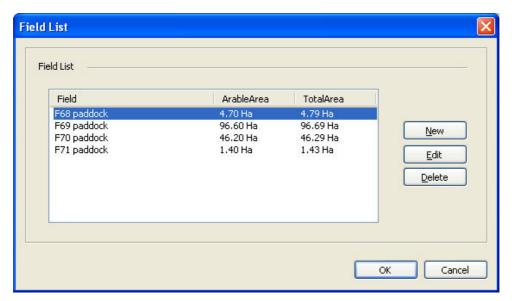


Figure 7-11: The Field List window

Overview: The Field List window allows adding of a new field to a plan and also editing of an existing field in a plan.

Item	Description				
Field	The Field list allows selecting the field to be added in the plan.				
New	Click on the New button to add details of another eld.				
Edit	Click Edit to alter details of a field or its area or arable area.				
Delete	Click Delete to delete the field which you have highlighted in the Field list				
OK	When OK is selected, the window is closed and the field is added to the plan, or changes are saved.				
Cancel	If Cancel is selected, the window is closed and the field is not added to the plan and the plan remains unchanged.				



7.5.1.3 The Product List Window

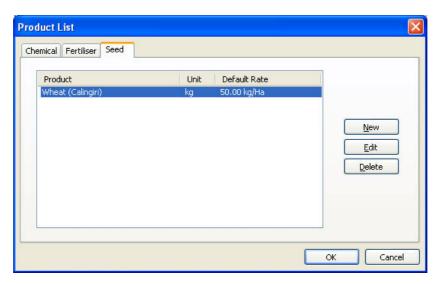


Figure 7-12: The Product List window

Overview: The Product List window allows adding a new product to a plan and also editing of an existing product in a plan.

Item	Description				
Tabs	First select one of the 3 tabs – Chemical, Fertiliser or Seed				
Product	The Product list allows selecting of the product to be added in the plan.				
New	Click New to add a new product to the list.				
	Note: Ensure you have selected the appropriate Tab first				
Edit	Click Edit to edit the properties of a product already listed				
Delete	Click Delete to delete the highlighted product				
ОК	When OK is selected, the window is closed and the product is added to the plan or changes are saved.				
Cancel	If Cancel is selected, the window is closed and the product is not added to the plan or changes are not saved.				



7.5.2 The Cost View

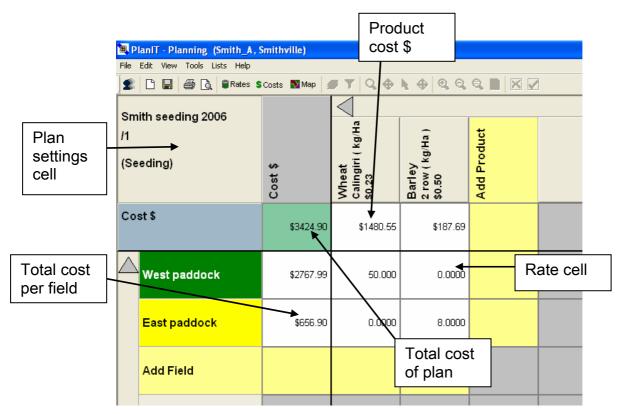


Figure 7-13: The Cost view

Overview: The Cost view displays the application rate for every paddock and product in a table form. It also displays cost information for each paddock and product.

Item	Description			
Plan Settings	When the Plan Settings cell is clicked (or if the Plan Settings cell is highlighted and Enter is pressed on the keyboard), the Plan Properties window will be displayed where Plan properties can be edited. See section 7.3.2 for more details.			
Product cost \$	The Product cost \$ cells display the total cost of each product in the plan. This is calculated from the arable areas of all fields in which the product is used and the cost (purchase cost) entered for that product.			



Item	Description
Add Field	When Add Field is clicked (or if it is highlighted and Enter is pressed on the keyboard), the Field List window will be displayed allowing inserting of a new field into the plan. See section 7.5.1.2 for more details.
Total Cost per field \$	The Total Cost per field \$ cells display the total cost for each paddock in the plan. This is calculated from the arable area of that field and the rates entered for product cost and operation cost for all products used in that field.
Add Product	When Add Product is clicked (or if it is highlighted and Enter is pressed on the keyboard), the Product List window will be displayed allowing inserting of a new product into the plan. See section 7.5.1.3.
Rates	When a Rate cell is clicked (or if the cell is highlighted and Enter is pressed on the keyboard) the cell will become editable and an Enter Rate box will open, initially showing the default rate entered for that product. Click OK to use the default rate or enter another rate and then click OK.
Total cost of Plan	This cell shows the total cost of the Plan, including operating and product costs, for the total arable area of all fields in the plan.
	It will equal the sum of the total costs of the fields shown below it.

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7.5.3 The Map View

Overview: The Map view displays the farm map. Fields in the current plan are overlaid with diagonal black lines. Such fields will also be coloured-in with the chosen seed colour of each field, but only if a seeding plan exists containing the same field. See figure 12.

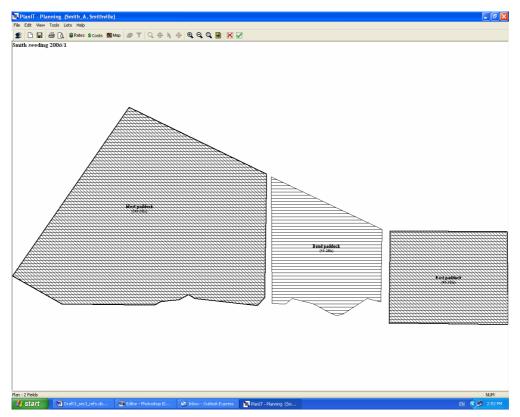


Figure 7-14: Fields in the plan, cross-hatched based on seed type

A field (or any number of fields) that are not in the current plan can be added by a left-click over a field to select it (the boundary is highlighted with a bold black line), followed by a right-click. Confirm by selecting 'Yes' to the message asking whether you want the fields to be added to the plan. See Figure 7-15.



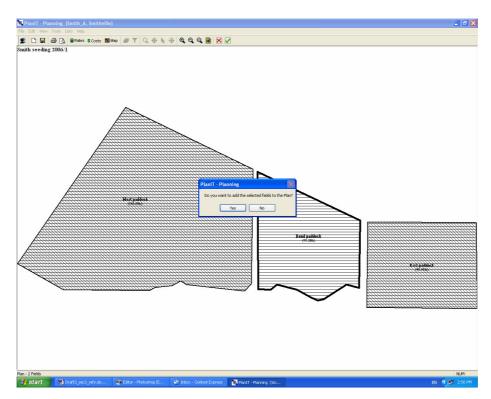


Figure 7-15: Adding a field to the plan, using the map view window

You can also <u>left-click and hold the mouse button</u> over a field that is in the current plan. When this action is performed a small information window will appear displaying the products and rates applicable for the field. Once you let go of the mouse button the window will disappear. See Figure 7-16.

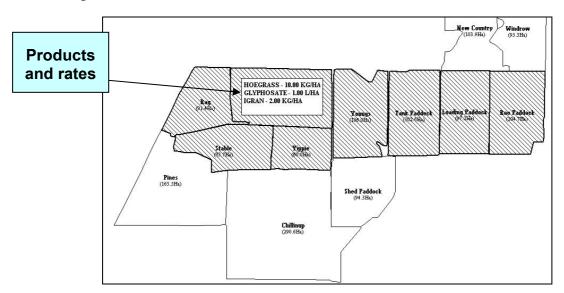


Figure 7-16: Field information is shown when you left-click & hold the mouse button over a field



7.6 The Lists Menu



Figure 7-17: List menu

Overview: The List menu allows access to the lists of various

products, fields and targets used and stored in the

application database.

Item	Description			
Products	When Products is selected, the Products List window is displayed. See section 7.5.1.3 for details.			
Fields	When Fields is selected, the Field List window is displayed. See section 7.5.1.2 for details.			
Targets	When Targets is selected, the Target List window is displayed. See section 7.6.1 for details.			



7.6.1 The Target List window

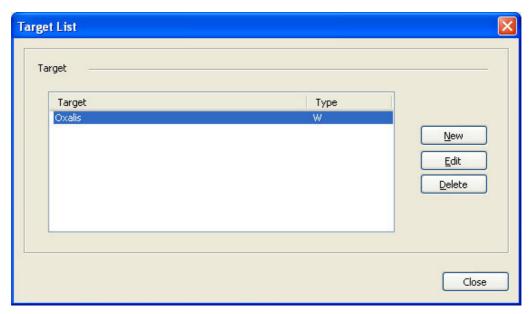


Figure 7-18: The Target List window

Overview: The Target List window shows targets already entered, and allows editing them or adding new targets.

Item	Description			
Target	Shows list of targets already entered.			
New	Click New to add another target to the list.			
Delete	Highlight a target in the list then click Delete to remove from list.			
Close	Click Close to close the Target List window and save any changes			



7.6.1.1 The New/Edit Target Window

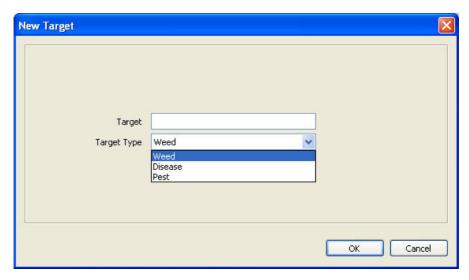


Figure 7-19: The New/Edit Target window

Overview: The New/Edit target window allows creating of a new target or editing an existing target for use in the plan.

Item	Description			
Target	The Target field allows the entry of the target name using the keyboard, or editing of an existing target name.			
Target Type	The Target Type dropdown list allows selecting of the type of target being created or edited from the 3 choices – Weed, Disease or Pest.			
ОК	When OK is pressed, the target is created and added to the list or changes are saved if editing a target.			
Cancel	If Cancel is pressed, the window will close and the target is not created or changes are not saved if editing a target.			



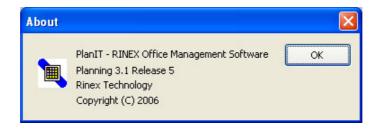
7.7 The Help Menu



Overview: The Help menu gives access to version information.

Item	Description			
About	When the About item is selected, the About message box is displayed. See section 7.7.1			

7.7.1 The About Message Box



Overview: The About window contains version and copyright

information for the software, which may be needed if you call RINEX support. Click on **OK** to close the window.



7.8 The Planning Tool Bar



Figure 7-20: The planning Tool bar

Overview: The tool bar contains shortcuts to commonly used

functions.

Item	Button	Description		
Select Client and Farm		When the Select Client and Farm button is pressed, the open client/farm window is displayed. This performs the same function as selecting the Open Client/Farm item in the File menu – see section 7.3.1.		
New Plan		When the New Plan button is pressed, the Plan Properties window is opened. If a plan is currently open, there will be a prompt message asking whether changes should be saved. This performs the same function as selecting the New Plan in the File menu – section 7.3.2.		
Save		When the Save button is pressed, any changes that have been made to the plan that is open will be saved. If the name of the plan has been changed, the plan will be saved as the new name. This performs the same function as selecting the Save item in the File menu.		
Print		When the Print button is pressed, a standard print settings window is displayed. This allows printing of the current plan according to the Page Setup and print properties. This performs the same function as selecting the Print item in the File menu.		



Item	Button	Description		
Print Preview	à	Clicking on the Print Preview button will display a preview of the printed Plan, page by page. This performs the same action as selecting the Print Preview item in the File menu.		
Rates	Rates	Click the Rates button to change the Plan screen to Rates view.		
Costs	\$ Costs	Click the Costs button to view the Plan in Costs View.		
Мар	№ Мар	Click the Map button to view the Plan in Map View.		
Zoom In	•	In Map view. Click this button to Zoom In to a closer view		
Zoom Out	O'	In Map view, click this button to Zoom Out		
View All		In Map View, click this button to zoom to a view of the whole map.		
Next Page		In Map view, click to change to the Next Page of the map (if pages have been set up).		
Cancel	×	In Map View, cancels adding fields and deselects any selected fields.		
Accept	✓	In Map view, displayed when adding fields to a map. Click on Accept to add the field to the Plan in same way as a right mouse click.		

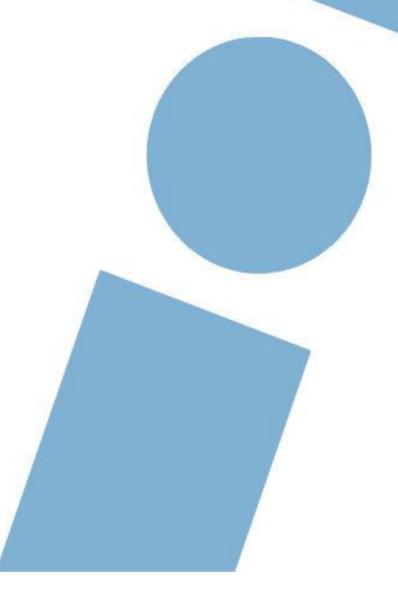


7.9 Troubleshooting Planning

Problem	Solution		
A detail about a product (e.g.	This can be changed at any time:		
colour, default rate, name etc) has been entered wrongly.	 Click Lists > Seeds (or Chemicals or Fertilisers). 		
	Select the seed to be changed from the list		
	Click Edit . Make required changes.		
	4. Click OK > OK .		
The previous product is shown after adding a new field and product to the plan.	Follow the steps outlined in Section 3.3.1.2 each time you add additional products to a plan (after the initial product) – and if you change your mind about what products are to be used in a particular field, the product can be changed using the same method.		
A field or product is no longer required in that plan.	Select (highlight) the unwanted field or product and press Delete on the keyboard.		
The map displays the wrong seed colour for a field.	There may be more than one seed for that field in the current season. The map will show each field coloured according to the seed entered most recently for that field in the current season.		



Reference Mapping





8.1 Mapping

The Mapping module works together with GuideTRAX software. Mapping is used to create feature maps for a farm using an office PC. Treatments for each farm will be displayed and these treatments can be used as a guide for creating features. Each farm can have at most one feature map. The maps can be exported from the office PC and imported to GuideTRAX for use in the field.

8.2 The Main Screen

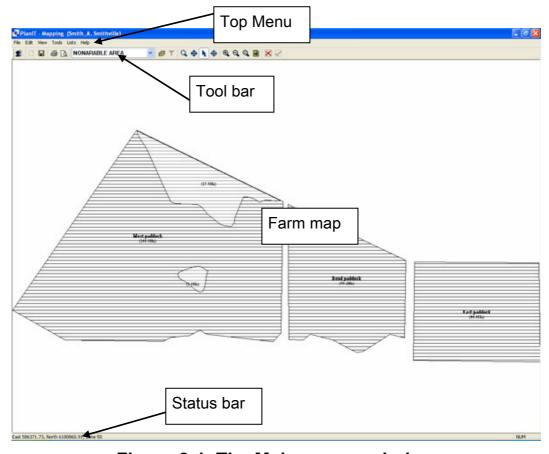


Figure 8-1: The Main screen window

Overview: The Main screen displays the farm map, status bar, toolbar and top menu.



Item	Description
File	Selecting the File item in the menu allows access to functions such as opening farm maps and loading treatments. See section 8.3 for more details.
Edit	Selecting the Edit item in the menu allows undoing of actions that have been performed. See section 8.4 for more details.
View	Selecting the View item in the menu allows access to related functions such as zooming and panning. See section 8.5 for more details.
Tools	Selecting the Tools item in the menu gives access to the layer manager, and sets the current tool. See section 8.6 for more details.
List	Selecting the List item in the menu allows creating features and layers. See section 8.7 for more details.
Help	Selecting the Help item in the menu shows program version information. See section 8.8 for more details.
Tool Bar	The tool bar contains shortcuts to commonly used functions. See section 8.9 for more details.
Status Bar	The status bar is used to display the current east and north coordinates of the mouse on the farm map.
Farm Map	The farm map displays all features in the current view that have been created. It will display all layers that are currently turned on.



8.3 The File Menu

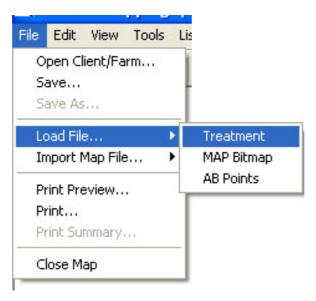


Figure 8-2: The File menu, showing choices available for Load File

Overview: The File menu allows access to functions such as opening farm maps, saving them and loading treatments.

Item		Description
Open client/farm	Selecting the Open Client/Farm item displays the Open client/farm window, where new clients and farms can be created and previously saved ones can be selected. See section 7.3.1 for details.	
Save		Save item saves changes that have the current farm map.
Load File	•	may be selected – each will display an low that allows browsing and selection
	1. Treatment:	Treatment files (.RNX)
	2. MAP	An image file, such as an aerial photograph for tracing fields
	•	Any AB points that are contained within a selected treatment (.RNX) will be extracted and shown on the farm map.



Item	Description
Import Map File	Three options may be selected:
File	1. Rinex XML
	2. PAM GPX
	3. ESRI Shapes
Print Preview	When the Print Preview item is selected, a screen will be displayed that shows what the printout will look like. This depends on the current view of the farm map.
Print	When the Print item is selected, a standard print window will be opened.
Close map	When the Close Map item is selected, the Mapping module will close and return you to the PlanIT main screen. If changes have been made to the current farm map, a save confirmation window will be displayed.



8.3.1 The Open Client/Farm Window

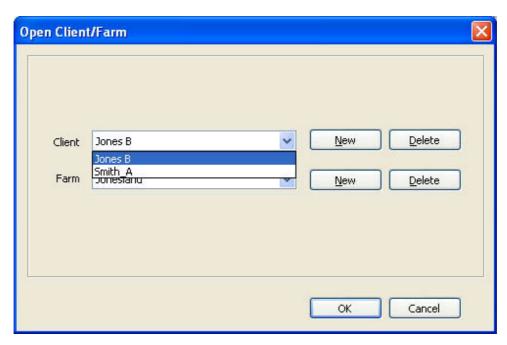


Figure 8-3: The Open Client/Farm window

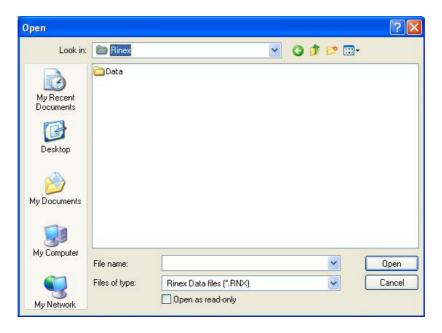
Overview:

The open Client/Farm window allows selecting and loading previously saved farms for clients. Clients and farm names can also be created or deleted.

Item	Description
Client	The Client drop down list allows previously saved clients to be selected
Farm	The Farm drop down list allows previously saved farms for a particular client to be selected.
New	The New buttons allow creating of clients or farms. A separate window, New Client or New Farm, will open for the new name to be typed in.
Delete	The Delete buttons allow deleting farms or clients.
OK	When OK is selected, the farm map for the selected combination of client and farm will be displayed.
Cancel	When Cancel is selected, the main screen window will display and remain unchanged.



8.3.2 The Open File Window



Overview:

The standard Windows Open file window allows browsing and loading of existing PAM GPX, ESRI Shape, treatment and MAP bitmap farm files for display.

Item	Description
Open	When Open is selected, the specified file is loaded into the main farm window and displayed.
Cancel	When Cancel is selected, this Open File window will close and the main screen window will display and remain unchanged.



8.4 The Edit Menu

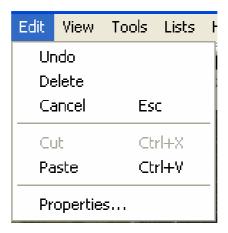


Figure 8-4: The Edit menu

Overview:

The Edit menu allows undoing of certain actions that have been performed. It also allows editing of fields and label names.

Item	Description
Undo	When Undo is selected, the last action that was performed is undone.
	Note: The Undo function only works when picking points for line and area features, or when making cut and paste operations on features. For example, when drawing a line feature selecting undo will remove the most recent point in the feature. Subsequent selection of undo will continue to remove points for that feature from the farm map.
Delete	The Delete option is only available when a feature is selected. If a feature is selected and Delete is clicked, a standard confirmation window will be displayed, confirming that selected feature will be deleted. If OK is selected, the feature is deleted.



Item	Description	
Cancel	The Cancel option is available when the process of creating an area or line feature has been started. Once the process has started and cancel is selected, all points that have been created in the feature will be removed. A new feature can now be created again.	
	Cancel can also be used to deselect a selected feature.	
Cut	The Cut option can be used together with the Paste option to transfer a feature from one layer to another layer of the same type. See section 4.4.3.3	
Paste	The Paste option is only available when a feature has been Cut. See explanation for the Cut option (above) and section 4.4.3.3.	
Properties	The Properties option is only available when a feature is selected. If a field is selected and Properties is clicked, the Field Properties window will open to show properties of that field. See section 8.4.2.	
	If another feature is selected and Properties is clicked, the Edit Label window will open to show the name of that feature, which may then be edited. See section 8.4.1 for more details.	



8.4.1 The Edit Label Window

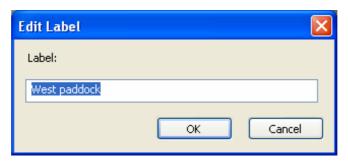


Figure 8-5: The Edit Label screen

Overview: The Edit Label screen allows editing of the label name for a

selected feature.

Item	Description
Label	The Label entry box allows naming a feature with text from the keyboard.
ОК	When OK is selected, the entered text will become the label for the selected feature.
Cancel	When Cancel is selected, the window will close and the label for the selected feature will remain unchanged.



8.4.2 The Field Properties Window

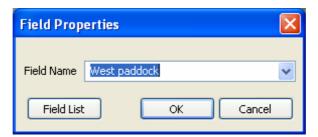


Figure 8-6: The Field Properties screen

Overview: The Field Properties screen allows changing of the assigned field name to a particular boundary area.

Item	Description
Field Name	The Field Name drop down list contains the names of available fields that can be assigned to a boundary area.
ОК	When OK is selected, the selected field is assigned to the boundary area.
Cancel	When Cancel is selected, the window will close and the boundary area will remain unchanged.



8.5 The View Menu

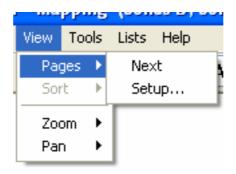


Figure 8-7: The View menu

Overview: The View menu allows access to map view related functions such as zooming and panning.

Item		Description
Pages	Two options Next	may be selected: When Next Page is selected, the next print page will be displayed if it exists.
	Setup	When Setup is selected, the page setup window is displayed, where new print pages can be created, viewed and deleted. See section 5.3.3.
Zoom	Three options may be selected:	
	In	
	Out	
	All	
Pan	Four options	may be selected:
	Left	
	Right	
	Up	
	Down	



8.5.1 The Pan Menu

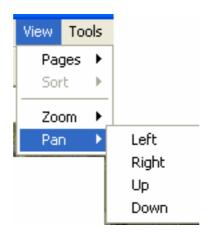


Figure 8-8: The Pan menu

Overview: The Pan menu allows menu access to pan functions.

Item	Description
Left	Selecting Left will shift the map view to the left.
Right	Selecting Right will shift the map view to the right.
Up	Selecting Up will shift the map view upwards.
Down	Selecting Down will shift the map view downwards.



8.5.2 The Layers Window

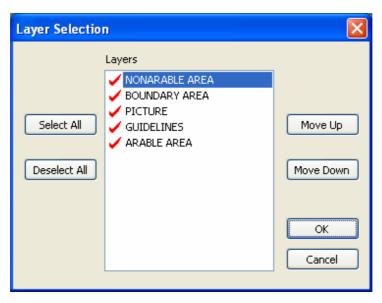


Figure 8-9: The Layers window

Overview:

The Layers window allows selection of the layers that are displayed in the farm map view and the order in which these layers are displayed.

Item	Description
Layers	The Layers list displays all available layers for the current farm map. Individual layers can be selected and deselected by using a left mouse button click. Selected layers are shown with a red tick.
Select All	When the Select All button is clicked, all layers currently in the list will be selected, with a red tick, and all selected layers will be displayed in the map view.



Item	Description
Deselect All	When the Deselect All button is clicked, all layers currently in the list will be deselected and no red ticks will appear next to any of the layers. If all layers are unchecked a blank window will be displayed in the map view.
Move Up	When Up is selected, the highlighted layer in the Layers list is moved up one.
Move Down	When Down is selected, the highlighted layer in the Layers list is moved down one.
OK	When OK is selected, the window is closed and the changes will take effect and only the layers now selected will display in the farm map main window.
Cancel	When Cancel is selected, the window is closed and changes will not take effect.



8.5.3 The Page Setup Window

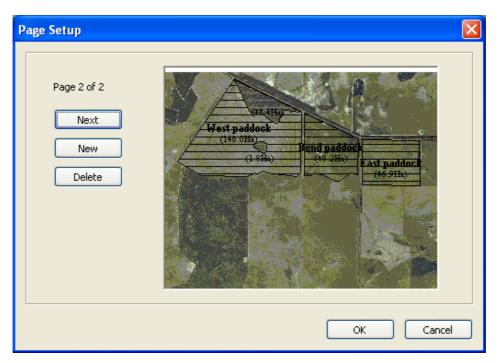


Figure 8-10: The Page Setup window

Overview: The Page Setup window allows creating, viewing and deleting page views.

Item	Description
Next	When the Next button is clicked the next page view is displayed if more than one page exists.
New	When the New button is clicked a new page view is created from the current main screen view.
Delete	When the Delete button is clicked the current page view is deleted.
OK	When OK is clicked, the window will close and the previous screen is displayed.
Cancel	When Cancel is clicked, the window will close and the previous screen is displayed, unchanged.



8.6 The Tools Menu



Figure 8-11: The Tools menu

Overview: The Tools menu gives access to the Layer manager, and

allows the user to select the current action mode.

(Note: Only one action mode can be selected at a time)

Item	Description
Layers	When Layers is selected, the Layers window opens. See section 8.5.2.
Zoom	When Zoom is selected, clicking anywhere on the map screen with the left mouse button will cause the program to zoom in on the selected point. The selected point will become the centre point. Clicking on the map screen with the right mouse button will cause the program to zoom out of the map. The centre point of the map will not change.
Pan	When Pan is selected, the left mouse button can be clicked and held down to drag the map around the view screen. This allows viewing of areas of the map that cannot be displayed on the screen due to the current zoom level.



Item	Description
Select	When Select is clicked, feature map objects can be selected using the left mouse button for deleting or editing. Only feature objects that are in the current top layer can be selected. The current top layer is displayed in the tool bar. (See section 8.9 for more details) When a feature has been selected, the colour of the feature changes such that it can be distinguished from other features.
Insert	When Insert is selected, clicking on the map screen with the left mouse button will cause the top feature layer to have a new feature inserted at the clicked point on the screen. The feature type created will depend on the layer that is currently on top.
	If the top layer is an area or line feature type, the first mouse click on the map screen after Insert has been selected will start the area or line feature. Subsequent left mouse clicks will insert more points in the feature. There are two ways to end a feature:
	→ By clicking the accept button in the tool bar.
	♦ By clicking the right mouse button.
	In the case of point features, the screen can be clicked on with the left mouse button and the point feature will be created at that location. When a feature is being completed, an edit label screen will appear allowing the feature to be named. In the case of boundary features, an edit field screen will appear where a field can be assigned to the boundary.



8.7 The Lists Menu

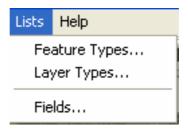


Figure 8-12: The Lists menu

Overview: The Lists menu allows the user to create, edit and delete feature types, layers and fields.

Item	Description
Feature Types	When Feature Types is selected, the feature type window is displayed. See section 8.7.1 for more details.
Layer Types	When Layer Types is selected, the Layer Types window is displayed. See section 8.7.2 for more details.
Fields	When Fields is selected, the Field List window is displayed. See section 8.7.3 for more details.



8.7.1 The Feature Type Window

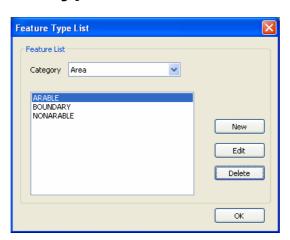


Figure 8-13: The Feature Type window

Overview: The Feature Type window allows the user to create new feature types and to edit or delete existing feature types.

Item	Description
Category	The Category dropdown list allows selecting the feature type (Point, Line or Area). The category selected will determine the features that are listed in the Feature List below. The selected category also determines the type of any new feature created.
Feature List	The Feature List displays the features that have been created for a particular feature category.
New	When New is clicked, the Feature Attributes window is displayed, allowing the user to add a new feature. See section 8.7.1.1 for more details.
Edit	When Edit is clicked, the Feature Attributes window is displayed, allowing the user to edit the properties of the selected feature. See section 8.7.1.1 for more details.



Item	Description
Delete	When Delete is clicked, a confirmation screen is displayed, confirming that the selected feature will be deleted.
OK	When OK is clicked, the window will close and the previous screen is displayed.



8.7.1.1 The Feature Attributes Window

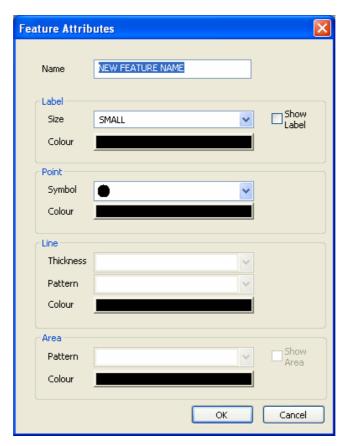


Figure 8-14: The Feature Attributes window

Overview: The Feature Attributes window allows creating of a new feature type or editing of existing feature types.

Note: In the example shown above, data is to be entered for a NEW feature, and the Type was set to POINT (the dropdown lists for Line and Area options are greyed out).

Item	Description	
Name	The Name entry field allows typing a name for the feature using the keyboard.	
Label Size	The Label Size drop down list allows selecting the text size for the feature. The available text sizes are small, medium and large.	



Item	Description	
Label Colour	The Label Colour colour palette allows selecting the colour of the text to be used for the feature.	
Show Label	If the Show Label box is ticked, the feature name will be displayed on the farm map.	
Point Symbol	The Point Symbol dropdown list allows choosing a point symbol for the feature.	
Point Colour	The Point Colour palette allows selecting a colour for the point symbol.	
Line Thickness	The Line Thickness option is only available when it is a line or area feature that is being created. The Line Thickness drop down list allows selecting from various line thicknesses.	
Line Pattern	The Line Pattern option is only available when it is a line or area feature that is being created, and allows selecting from various line patterns.	
Line Colour	The Line Colour option is only available when it is a line or area feature that is being created, and allows selecting from various colours to be used for the line.	
Area Pattern	The Area Pattern option is only available when it is an area feature that is being created. The Area Pattern drop down list allows selecting from various area patterns to be used for the area.	
Area Colour	The Area Colour option is only available when it is an area feature that is being created, and allows selecting from colours to be used for the area.	
Show Area	If the Show Area box is ticked, the size (in hectares) of the area feature will be displayed on the farm map.	
OK	When OK is selected, the feature type is created and the window closes.	
Cancel	When Cancel is selected, the window will close and the feature type will not be created.	



8.7.2 The Layer Types Window

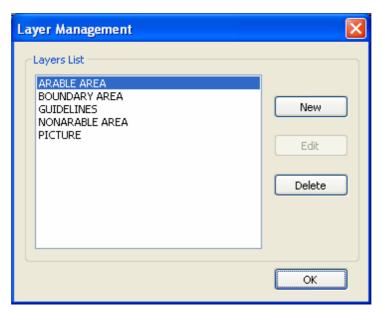


Figure 8-15: The Layer Types window

Overview: The Layer Types window allows creating, editing and deleting of layers.

Item	Description		
Layers List	The Layers List displays a list of all previously created layers.		
New	When New is clicked, the Layer Attributes window is displayed, allowing creation of a new layer. See section 8.7.2.1 for more details.		
Edit	When Edit is clicked, the Layer Attributes window is displayed, allowing editing of the selected layer. Edit is only available for user-entered layers, such as air photos. See section 8.7.2.1 for more details.		
Delete	When Delete is clicked, a message window is displayed confirming that the selected layer will be deleted.		
	Note: When the layer is deleted it will no longer be displayed on the screen. All features contained within the layer will also be deleted.		



Item	Description	
OK	When OK is clicked, the window will close and the previous screen is displayed.	



8.7.2.1 The Layer Attributes Window



Figure 8-16: The Layer Attributes window

Overview: The Layer Attributes window allows creation of new layers and, for user-entered layers, editing them.

Item	Description
Name	The Name entry box allows entering a name for a new layer using the keyboard, or editing the name (only for user-entered layers).
Feature Category	The Feature Category drop down list allows selecting what category of feature a new layer will be.
Feature Type	The features displayed in the Feature Type drop down list will depend on the Feature Category selected above. The Feature Type drop down list allows selecting the feature that this particular layer will be for. (Note: Only this type of feature will be able to be created on this layer)
OK	When OK is clicked, the layer will be created or the changes to the selected layer will be saved.
Cancel	When Cancel is clicked, the layer will not be created or the layer properties will not be changed.



8.7.3 The Field List Window

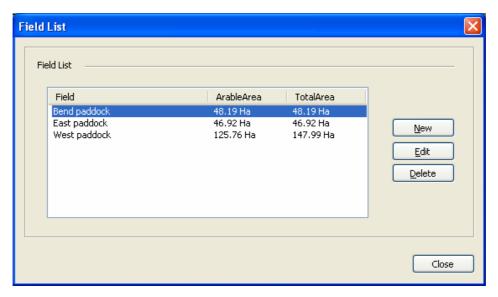


Figure 8-17: The Field List window

Overview: The Field List window allows creating, editing and deleting of fields.

Item	Description
New	When the New button is pressed, the new/edit field window is displayed containing blank entry fields. See section 8.7.3.1 for more details.
Edit	When the Edit button is pressed, the new/edit field window is displayed containing the properties of the current field. See section 8.7.3.1 for more details.
Delete	When the Delete button is pressed, a confirmation screen is displayed, confirming that the selected field will be deleted.
Close	When Close is pressed, the window will close and any changes are saved.



8.7.3.1 The New/Edit Field Window

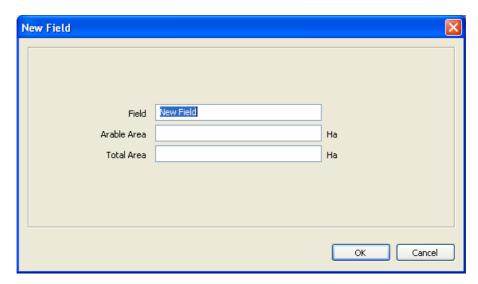


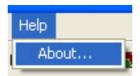
Figure 8-18: The New/Edit Field window

Overview: The New/Edit Field window allows creating a new field or editing an existing field for use in the plan.

Item	Description	
Field	The Field entry box allows the entry of the field name using the keyboard.	
Arable Area	The Arable Area field allows the entry of the arable area for the field using the keyboard.	
Total Area	The Total Area field allows the entry of the total area for the field using the keyboard.	
OK	When OK is pressed, the field is created and added to the list or changes are saved if editing a field.	
Cancel	When Cancel is pressed, the window will close and the field is not created or changes are not saved if editing a field.	



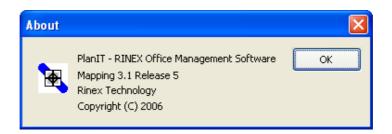
8.8 The Help Menu



Overview: The Help menu gives access to version information.

Item	Description
About	When the About item is selected, the About message box is displayed. See section 8.8.1

8.8.1 The About Message Box



Overview: The About window contains version and copyright

information for the software, which may be needed if you call RINEX support. Click on **OK** to close the window.



8.9 The Mapping Toolbar



Figure 8-19: The Mapping Tool Bar

Overview: The Mapping Tool Bar contains shortcuts to commonly

used functions.

Item	Button	Description
Select Client and Farm	2	Clicking the Select Client and Farm button displays the Open Client/Farm window. It performs the same function as selecting File > Open client/farm in the File menu. See section 8.3.1 for more details.
Save		Clicking on the Save button saves changes that have been made to the current farm map. It performs the same function as selecting File > Save in the menu.
Print		Clicking the Print button displays a standard print window that allows printing of the current farm map view and adjusting of print properties. It performs the same function as selecting File > Print in the menu.
Print Preview	a	Provides a preview of the printed page from the Farm map, with current settings.
Current Layer		Selecting a layer from the Current Layer drop down list allows changing the top layer that is displayed in the main map view.
FARM	~	Features in this layer can be inserted, selected and edited, or deleted.
Layers	5	Click on the Layers button to open the Layers window, see section 8.5.2.



Item	Button	Description
Zoom	Q	Clicking on the Zoom button to zoom, centred on the point where you click. Left-click to zoom in and Right-click to zoom out.
Pan	•	Clicking on the Pan button performs the same function as selecting Tools > Pan in the menu. <u>Left-click and hold</u> to move the map around in any direction.
Select	k	Clicking on the Select button performs the same function as clicking Tools > Select in the menu.
Insert	+	Clicking on the Insert button performs the same function as selecting the Insert item in the Action menu.
		When it is a line feature that is being inserted, clicking on the screen will create lines until is clicked or the right mouse button is clicked, then the line will be finished at the last point that was clicked on the map screen.
		When it is an area feature that is being created, clicking on the screen will create lines until is clicked or the right mouse button is clicked. Then PlanIT draws a line connecting the last point that was created with the first point and the area is enclosed.
Zoom In	•	Clicking the Zoom In button will zoom in on the map immediately.
Zoom Out	Q	Clicking the Zoom Out button will zoom out of the map immediately.
Zoom All		Clicking the Zoom All button will display the entire map.

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Item	Button	Description
Next Page		Clicking on the Next page button will display the next page of the farm map in the main view window, if pages have been created.
Cancel	×	Click Cancel to cancel a partly-drawn feature.
Accept		Click Accept to complete and accept a partly-drawn feature.



8.10 Troubleshooting Mapping

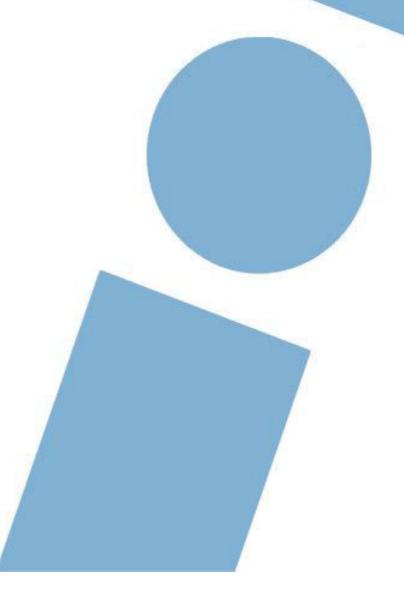
Problem	Solution
Importing ESRI shapefiles fails to create map feature	An ESRI shapefile (.SHP) is actually a group of files, all with same name but differing extensions, which must all be in the same folder. Consult the supplier of your shapefile.
Loading MAP bitmap files fails	The image (.BMP) file must have a corresponding georeference file (.MAP), in the same directory, or PlanIT will not be able to display the image. Contact RINEX support for assistance
Line inserted in wrong place (e.g. while drawing boundaries)	Edit > Undo will remove the last line segment drawn.
Boundary completed but incorrect	If the boundary is wrong, you can delete it.
	Select the Boundary Area layer.
	2. Using the Select tool , select the boundary area you want to delete (it will change colour).
	Press the delete key on the keyboard.
Feature drawn on wrong layer	See section 4.4.3 "Moving Information Between Layers".
Wrong field name assigned to a	Select the Boundary Area layer.
boundary area	2. Using the Select tool \ click on the field to be fixed.
	3. Click on Edit > Field.
	Choose the correct field name from the drop down list.



Problem	Solution
Wrong label or name entered for an area	 Select the layer on which the feature was created. Using the Select tool click on the area to be fixed. Click on Edit > Properties. Type in the correct name for the
Pages divided inappropriately	 Click on View > Pages > Setup in the menu. This opens the Page Setup dialogue box. Scroll through the pages by clicking on the Next button in the Page Setup dialogue box.
	3. When the offending page is displayed, click on the Delete button.4. Click on OK.
	 Using the Pan
	6. Repeat steps 6-10 in section 4.5 "Divide The Farm Into Pages"



Reference – History





9.1 History

The History module enables review of work done, and improved planning for following seasons.

9.2 The History Toolbar



Figure 9-1: The History Tool Bar

Overview: The History Tool Bar contains shortcuts to commonly used functions.

Item	Button	Description
Select Client and Farm		Clicking the Select Client and Farm button displays the Open Client/Farm window. It performs the same function as selecting File > Open client/farm in the File menu. See section 8.3.1 for more details.
Print		Clicking the Print button displays a standard print window that allows printing of the current farm map view and adjusting of print properties. It performs the same function as selecting File > Print in the menu.
Print Preview	<u> </u>	Provides a preview of the printed page, with current settings.
Tree View	≒ Tree	Displays the History data in Tree View .
Table View	Table	Displays the History data in Table View .



Item	Button	Description
Map View	№ Мар	Displays the History data in Map View.
Layer	5	Click on the Layer button to open the Layer Selection window, see section 8.5.2.
Filter	7	In Table view, opens the Load Filter window.
Zoom	Q	Clicking on the Zoom button to zoom, centred on the point where you click. Left-click to zoom in and Right-click to zoom out.
Pan	•	Clicking on the Pan button performs the same function as selecting Tools > Pan in the menu. <u>Left-click and hold</u> to move the map around in any direction.
Zoom In	•	Clicking the Zoom In button will zoom in on the map immediately.
Zoom Out	Q	Clicking the Zoom Out button will zoom out of the map immediately.
Zoom All	Q	Clicking the Zoom All button will display the entire map.
Next Page	₽	Clicking on the Next Page button will display the next page of the farm map in the main view window, if pages have been created.



9.3 The File Menu



Figure 9-2: The File menu

Overview: The File menu allows access to functions such as opening clients and farms, saving them and printing.

Item	Description
Open client/farm	Selecting the Open Client/Farm item displays the Open client/farm window, where new clients and farms can be selected. See section 7.3.1 for details.
Save as	In Table view, select Save As to save a copy of the data in the table as a .CSV file – this enables use of PlanIT recorded data in other software, e.g Excel spreadsheets.
Print Preview	When the Print Preview item is selected, a screen will be displayed that shows what the printout will look like.
Print	When the Print item is selected, a standard print window will be opened.
Close History	When Close History is selected, the History module will close and return you to the PlanIT main screen. If changes have been made to the current farm map, a save confirmation window will be displayed first.



9.4 The Edit Menu

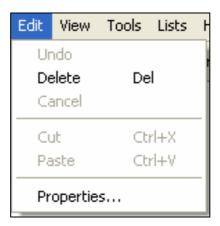


Figure 9-3: The Edit menu

Overview: The Edit menu allows deleting of certain items, and display of Properties.

Item	Description
Delete	The Delete option is only available in Tree view when a treatment is selected. If Delete is clicked, a standard confirmation window will be displayed, confirming that selected treatment will be deleted. If OK is selected, the treatment is deleted.
Properties	The Properties option is only available in Tree view and when a treatment is selected. If Properties is clicked, the Treatment Properties window will open to show properties of that treatment. See section 5.2 and Figure 5-2: Treatment Properties window.



9.5 The View Menu



Figure 9-4: The View menu

Overview: The View menu provides choice of 3 views of the data, and

allows access to map view related functions such as

zooming and panning.

Item	Description
Tree	Click Tree to view the data in Tree mode.
Table	Click Table to view the data in Tree mode.
Мар	Click Map to view in map mode.
Pages	Two options may be selected:
	When Next Page is selected, the next print page will be displayed if it exists.
	2. When Setup is selected, the page setup window is displayed, where new print pages can be created, viewed and deleted. See section 4.5.
Zoom	Three options may be selected:
	In
	Out
	All



Item	Description
Pan	Four options may be selected: Left Right Up Down



9.6 The Tools Menu



Figure 9-5: The Tools menu

Overview: The Tools menu gives access to Layer Selection, and

allows the user to select the current action mode for the

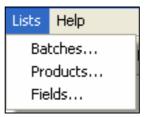
cursor.

(Note: Only one action mode can be selected at a time)

Item	Description
Layers	In Map view, when Layers is selected, the Layers window opens. See section 8.5.2.
Filter	In Table view, when Filter is selected the Load Filter window opens. See 5.4.1
Zoom	In Map view, when Zoom is selected, clicking anywhere on the map screen with the left mouse button will cause the program to zoom in on the selected point. The selected point will become the centre point. Clicking on the map screen with the right mouse button will cause the program to zoom out of the map. The centre point of the map will not change.
Pan	In Map view, when Pan is selected, the left mouse button can be clicked and held down to drag the map around the view screen. This allows viewing of areas of the map that cannot be displayed on the screen due to the current zoom level.



9.7 The Lists Menu



Overview: The Lists menu gives access to lists of Batches, Products

and Fields.

Item	Description
Batches	When Batches is selected, the Batch List window is displayed. There are 3 tabs to choose from — Chemical, Fertiliser and Seed. See section 9.7.1 for more details.
Products	When Products is selected, the Product List window is displayed. There are 3 tabs to choose from – Chemical, fertiliser and Seeds. See section 7.5.1.3 for more details.
Fields	When Fields is selected, the Field List window is displayed. See section 7.5.1.2 for more details.



9.7.1 Batch List Window

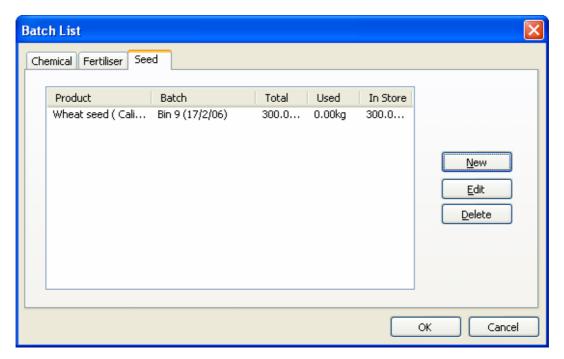


Figure 9-6: The Batch List window

Overview: The Batch list window allows review of batch and quantity details for products used.

Item	Description
Chemical Fertiliser Seed	Click on the appropriate tab for the product to be reviewed.
New	Click on New to open the New batch window
Edit	Select a product in the Product list then click Edit to add or revise batch information
Delete	Select a product in the Product list then click Delete to remove the product's batch information.
ОК	When OK is pressed, the window closes and any information added is saved.



Item	Description
Cancel	If Cancel is pressed, the window will close and any changes are not saved.



9.7.1.1 New Batch Window

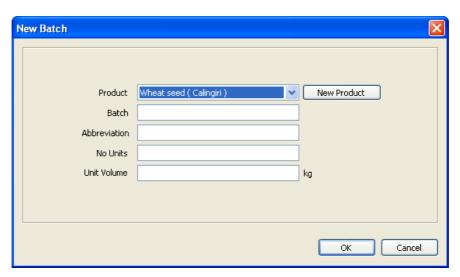


Figure 9-7: The New Batch window

Item	Description
Product	Select the Product from the dropdown list.
New Product	To enter batch information for a product not previously used, click New Product to open the New Product window – see section 7.5.1.3
Batch	Name, manufacturer number, or other details of the batch may be typed into this box.
Abbreviation	An abbreviation can be typed here to facilitate selecting and identifying the batch in the field.
No units	Enter the number of bags, drums, etc – e.g. if the product was purchased in 20 bags of 10kg each, enter "20" here.
Unit Volume	Enter the weight or volume of each Unit – in the example above, enter "10" here.
ОК	Select OK when all details are entered
Cancel	Select Cancel to close the window without saving new data.



9.7.2 Product List Window

See section 7.5.1.3 for details.

9.7.3 Field List Window

See section 7.5.1.2 for details.

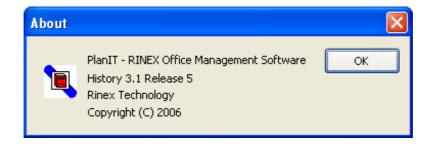
9.8 The Help Menu



Overview: The Help menu gives access to version information.

Item	Description
About	When the About item is selected, the About message box is displayed. See section 9.8.1

9.8.1 The About Message Box



Overview: The About window contains version and copyright

information for the software, which may be needed if you call RINEX support. Click on **OK** to close the window.

Appendix



APPENDIX 1 SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE & RE-INSTALLATION

For original installation of PlanIT software, see section 2.

Keep the registration code in case you have to re-install the software on this PC.

Back-Up Your Data

Once you begin using PlanIT, you are accumulating valuable data related to your farm, treatments applied, crops, and costs, so you should periodically backup your data. To do this, using Windows Explorer or a similar utility, locate the sub-directory

C:\Rinex\Data

and copy this complete folder, including sub-folders, to a CD or other safe location.

It is advised to always copy and store the complete DATA folder, with its sub-folders, when backing-up.

Re-Installation To The Same PC

If you need to re-install PlanIT on the same PC, you will be able to reenter the same registration code. To continue using all your accumulated data, then after installing PlanIT, copy your previously saved Data folder (including sub-folders) and use it to overwrite the C:\Rinex\Data subdirectory which PlanIT has created in the reinstallation.

Re-Installation To A New PC

If you move PlanIT to a new computer, you will need to contact Rinex for a new registration code. To continue using all your accumulated data on the new PC, then after installing PlanIT but before using it, copy your previously saved Data sub-directory and use it to overwrite the Data sub-directory which PlanIT has created on the new PC.





APPENDIX 2 Terminology

Phrase	Description
AutoFIELD	AutoFIELD is a standard feature of the Saturn R system which detects which field is currently being treated and issues warnings and alarms if actions are being attempted in the wrong field. AutoFIELD also ensures that treatment information is recorded in the correct field.
Boom Settings	Boom details such as the number of boom sections and the width of each section.
Button	A symbol representing a function shown on the screen which allows the input of data or performs a function when clicked.
DGPS	Differential Global Positioning System. Provides more accurate positioning information where corrections are applied to the basic GPS position.
GPS	Global Positioning System. Provides basic position information to the system.
GuideTRAX	The software program produced by RINEX which runs on the Saturn system in a vehicle.
PC	Personal Computer device, running the Microsoft Windows® operating system, on which PlanIT is installed.
Saturn Hardware	The hardware system installed in a vehicle cabin which is used to run GuideTRAX. It includes the Interface Box, GPS antennae and can include any connected device, cables, connectors and the touch screen.
Swath Width	The total width of the boom/implement.



Phrase	Description
Treatment Data	The position information stored in a field when treatment is on. The treatment data is represented on the screen as a blue shaded area.
Unit	The measurement unit used to evaluate mass, volume, area, distance etc (E.g. Kilogram, Tonne and Litre)
USB Storage Device	A device that is connected to the USB port on the PC or Saturn system that is used to transfer files to and from the system.