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This User Manual is intended for X-AOM add-on module for X-Cart v. 4.1.12. It covers most of the areas of the add-on module's installation and use and is applicable for both X-Cart GOLD and X-Cart PRO versions.

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1 General Information

X-AOM (Advanced Order Management) is an optional add-on for X-Cart shopping cart software. Designed for your convenience, this module is a powerful means to promote the efficiency of order management in your online store.

X-AOM introduces a number of new features enabling you to modify your customers' orders after they are placed. Order details modification may be necessary if your customer decides to change his order or make some additional requests after the original order has been submitted, or if you need to replace the items that are out of stock or defective, or want to process partial refunds or returns, etc.

X-AOM enables convenient and quick order management.

The key features of this module include:

1. Editing ordered products

- · adding new products to the order
- removing products from the order
- updating the options and quantity of ordered products
- editing product prices

2. Editing Gift Certificates

- changing the amount
- updating the original information (before the certificate has been activated)

3. Editing customer information

- updating personal and contact information
- editing billing/shipping addresses

4. Editing order totals

- changing delivery method
- · changing payment method
- automatic recalculation of discounts, shipping costs, tax costs and order totals

X-AOM is a reliable and up-to-date solution that makes your business competitive.

You can purchase it at www.x-cart.com.

2 Installation

Learn to install and uninstall X-AOM:

- learn about the system requirements
- installing X-AOM
- uninstalling X-AOM

2.1 System Requirements

For successful installation and work of the module you need an already installed X-cart GOLD or PRO 4.1.12.

2.2 Installing the module

To install the module you have to perform the following actions:

- 1. Download the module distributive (**x-aom-x.y.z.tgz**, where x,y,z are the numbers of the module version, must be the same as the version of your X-Cart).) from File area/Software distributives
- 2. Uncompress the **x-aom-x.y.z.tgz** file and copy the files to X-cart directory.

Note: Please make sure you keep the directory structure during unpacking and uploading, otherwise some necessary files can be overwritten!

- 3. Run in the browser the installation script http://www.yourhost.com/xcart_dir/install-xaom.php
- 4. Enter your authentication code, accept conditions of the License Agreement and click the **Next** button.

Note. The authentication code is issued on completion of X-Cart installation. It is used to prevent unauthorized re-installation of X-Cart. You also need to know this code to install any purchased X-Cart modules. If you do not remember your Auth code, you can look it up at any time in the file include/install.php.

- 5. Installation script will copy the files and make all the necessary changes in the database.
- 6. After module Installation is completed you need to log in as admin and enable Advanced Order

Management from the Modules section.

X-cart Gold and Pro module installations do not differ.

2.3 Uninstalling the module

To uninstall X-AOM, do the following:

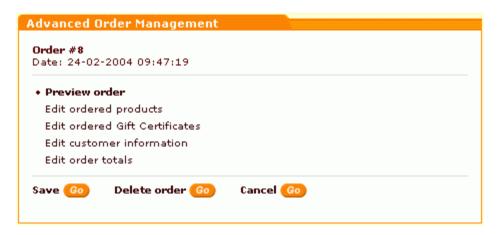
- 1. Launch the Installation Wizard (Point your browser at the location of your store with the addition of / install-xaom.php)
- 2. At the first step of the Installation Wizard (**Step 1: License agreement**), select the 'Un-install the module' radio button.
- 3. Click the Next button.
- 4. The Installation Wizard will remove the module files and deactivate the module (Step 2: Uninstalling the module). Click Next to proceed.
- 5. **Step 3: Uninstallation complete** is the final step of the uninstallation process. It notifies you that the module has been successfully uninstalled.

Important: After uninstalling X-AOM, be sure to remove the module distribution package from your web directory.

3 Using X-AOM

3.1 Getting Started

Click *Orders* in the Management menu to access the 'Search orders' form and use it to search the order you would like to modify. The order will be displayed in 'Search results' list. Make sure the desired order is selected, then click *Details*. 'Order Details' section will be displayed. Click *Modify*. You will be taken to 'Advanced Order Management' section.



From here you can either preview the order or edit order details. Select one of the listed options:

- Preview order
- Edit ordered products
- · Edit ordered Gift Certificates
- Edit customer information
- · Edit order totals

By default *Preview order* option is selected, so you can preview the order in the 'Order #numb.: Preview' section displayed below.

Order #8: Preview				
Product info				
Indesit W103 Washing Machine (a) #134				
SKU	-			
Provider	provider			
Price	\$ 1,549.00			
Quantity	1 item(s)			
Order info				
Payment method	Money Order			
Delivery	·			
Subtotal	\$ 1,549.00			
Discount	\$ 0.00			
Coupon saving	\$ 0.00 ()			
Shipping cost	\$ 0.00			
Tax cost	\$ 0.00			
TOTAL	\$ 1,549.00			
Customer's info				
Personal information:				
Title	Mr.			
First Name	Ivan			
Last Name	Susanin			
Company	Hiking Inc			
Billing Address:	•			
First Name	John			
Last Name	Smith			
Address	Test			
City	Test			
State	Wisconsin			
Zip code	54821			
Country	United States			
Shipping Address:				
First Name	John			
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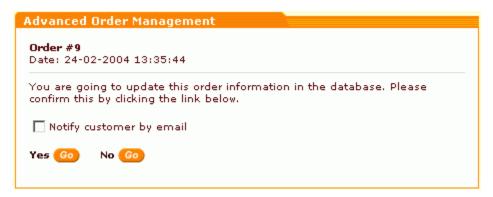
By clicking the <u>'Preview order'</u> link you will be able to access this section any time you wish to preview the results of order editing.

Clicking the 'Edit' links (Edit ordered products, Edit ordered Gift Certificates, Edit customer information or Edit order totals) will display the module sections where the corresponding order details may be modified. After editing order details in each of these sections, be sure to click **Update** before you preview the order or try to save the changes permanently in the database. If you are not satisfied with the results of editing, click **Cancel** to undo all the changes. A confirmation message appears.

Note: be aware that incorrect module operation is possible when the admin edits two or more orders simultaneously during one session. It is recommended to finish editing using the Save, Cancel, Delete order, and Exit buttons.

When you click Save, a warning appears in 'Advanced Order Management' section that the order

information will be updated in the database.



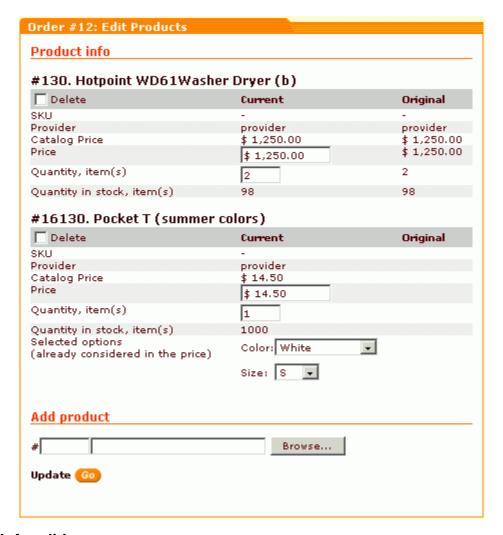
Select the 'Notify customer by e-mail' check box if you want your customer to receive a notification about the changes in his order information. You are requested to confirm your intention to save the changes. Clicking **Yes** enables you to continue editing. Clicking **Yes** saves the changes in the database and (if selected) sends the update notification to your customer. A confirmation message appears.

Note. Cancel does not work after the information in the database has been updated.

If necessary, the selected order may be deleted by clicking **Delete** in the lower part of 'Advanced Order Management' section.

3.2 Editing ordered products

Selecting **Edit ordered products** option in 'Advanced Order Management' section will open 'Order #numb.: Edit Products' section below it.



Product Info editing:

If you need to completely remove a product from the order, select the **Delete** check box.

You can see the original product information (information before editing) in the *Original* column.

Changed product information should be entered in the Current column.

You can change the price of the product by entering the new price in the corresponding field.

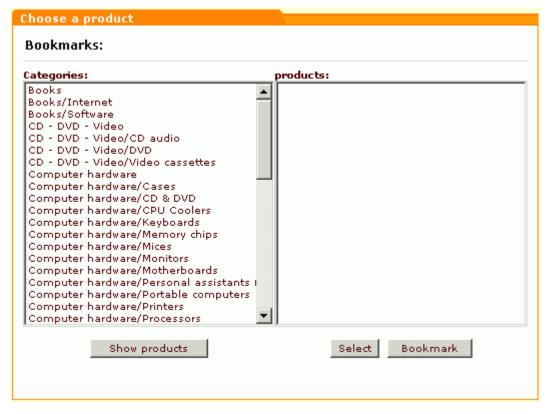
Note: catalog price - the price of the default product variant. If the default variant is not selected, the combination of first valid product options is going to be considered default product variant. 'Valid options' means the options used are enabled and are not excluded from option combinations.

Similarly you can change the quantity of the ordered product (the number of items/units). If product options are assigned (like color, size, etc), you can change those by selecting the necessary option value from the drop-down list.

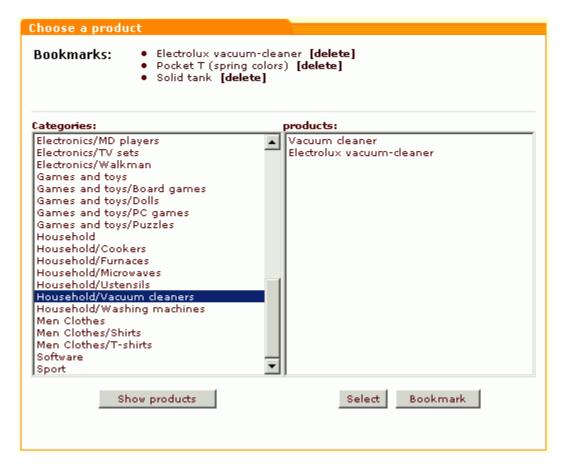
Note: please keep in mind that the price of the product does not change if product options are assigned. The product options drop-down box is for your information only. If you assign different product options to the product, you will have to calculate and enter the price of the product manually.

Adding products:

X-AOM enables you to add products to orders. Click the **Browse** button to choose a product. The following dialog will be displayed:



Select a product category from the list on the left, click the **Show products** button. The set of products in this category will be displayed on the right. Select a product, then click the **Select** button to add this product to the order. You can bookmark several products and add them to the order later. To bookmark a product, select it and click the **Bookmark** button. The bookmarked product appears in the Bookmarks list in the upper part of the dialog. To remove a product from the Bookmarks list, click **[delete]** next to the corresponding product title. To add a bookmarked product to the order, click the product title in the Bookmarks list.



Be sure to click **Update** to confirm the changes after you finish editing ordered products.

3.3 Editing ordered Gift Certificates

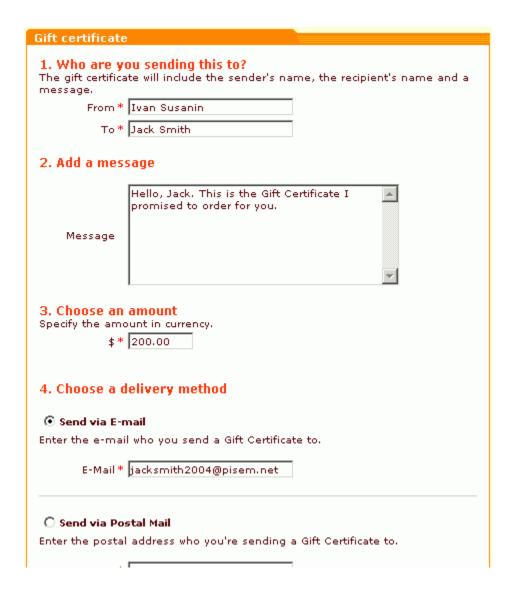
If you need to edit ordered Gift Certificates, select **Edit ordered Gift Certificates** option in the Advanced Order Management section. 'Order #numb.: Edit Gift certificates" section will be displayed.



The certificate can be deleted by selecting the **Delete** check box.

You can change the amount of money listed in the certificate. Enter the desired amount in the corresponding field of the *Current* column.

Sometimes you might need to edit the original Gift Certificate information (the recipient's name, the sender's name, the notification message, the amount of money or the delivery method) before the Gift Certificate is activated. Click on the line with the Gift Certificate ID#. It is a link which will transfer you to the section where you will be able to change the original Gift Certificate information:



Be sure to update the Gift Certificate after editing. Next, you will be transferred to the Gift Certificates management section. If need be, you can update the status of the Gift Certificate here. The changes you made to the original information will be displayed only in the *Original* column as long as the Gift Certificate status is *Pending*. After the status is changed, the updated information appears in the *Current* column.

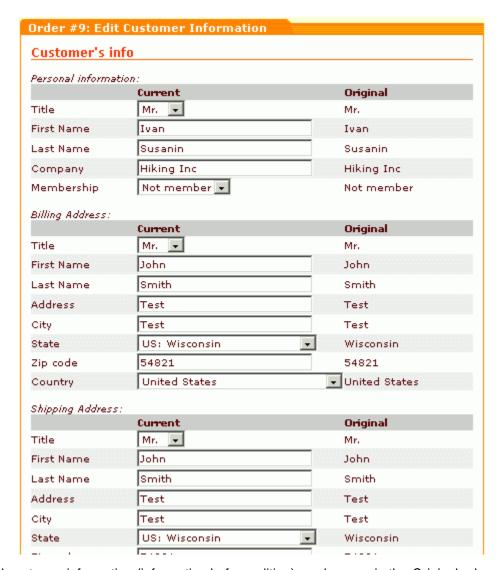
If the Gift Certificate status is other than *Pending*, the original information cannot be modified. In this case on clicking the Gift Certificate ID# link the 'Gift Certificate details' section is displayed:



Be sure to click **Update** to confirm the changes after you finish editing ordered Gift Certificates.

3.4 Editing customer information

If you need to edit customer information, select **Edit customer information** in the 'Advanced Order Management' section. The following section will be displayed:



The original customer information (information before editing) can be seen in the *Original* column.

The customer's updated personal information, billing/shipping addresses and contact information should be entered in the corresponding fields of the *Current* column.

Be sure to click **Update** to confirm the changes after you finish editing customer information.

3.5 Editing order totals

To edit order totals, select **Edit order totals** option in the 'Advanced Order Management' section. The following section will be displayed:



You can see the original order totals information (information before editing) in the Original column.

If you wish to change the payment method or the delivery method, new methods can be selected from the drop-down lists in the *Current* column.

The recalculation of discounts, tax costs and order totals is done automatically if any relevant order details have been modified.

Note: Please keep in mind that shipping cost that have been included into the invoice is not changed automatically on the 'Edit totals' page if the option **'Use fixed shipping cost'** is selected (it is enabled by default). This is done to make sure shipping charges do not change without store admin knowing it. For example, if real-time shipping calculation is enabled and the rate returned by the calculator differs from the shipping cost specified in the customer invoice, the old fixed shipping cost will be used and the unexpected changes will not take effect.

Be sure to click **Update** to confirm the changes after you finish editing order totals.

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