

## PRODUCT EXPORT/IMPORT

Product Export/Import is used to replicate the product definition. It is typically used if there are two products that are similar, where the administrator can model one product, export it and then import it, in essence, making a copy of it. It is also used to move products from one installation to another, or to move product models from development to test environment, or from test to production environment.

In order to export a product, select the product Export/Import link under the Products/Online Catalog drop down.



Figure 25-1 – Export/Import Product

The screen shown in Figure 25-1 will allow an administrator to choose the export or import option. If the **Export Product** option is selected, a dropdown with a list of all products will be presented, as shown in Figure 25-2.

Select the product to be exported from the drop down list and then click Export.



Figure 25-2 – Export Product and BOM

The software will create a compressed XML file representing product definition (attributes, rules, etc.). The file list included in the XML is shown in the background of Figure 25-3.

This XML file needs to be downloaded so that it can be uploaded to a desired destination. Click on the **Download** link on the second to the last line of the file list. The **File Download** text box will appear. Select the **Save** button to save the XML file. A **Save As** dialog box will appear asking where to save the file. Once a location is found, click the **Save** button.

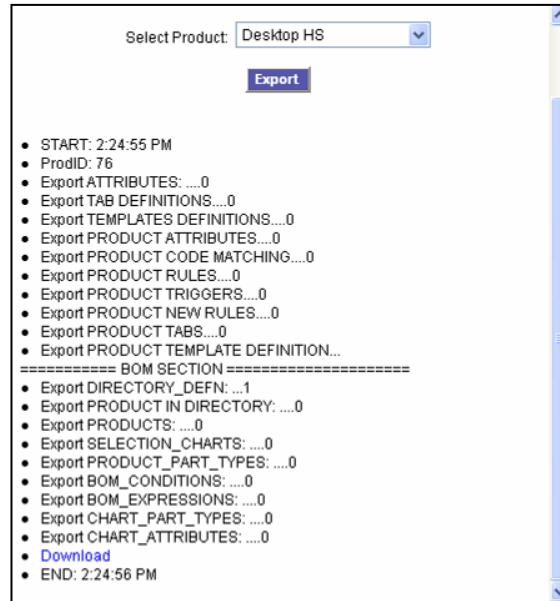


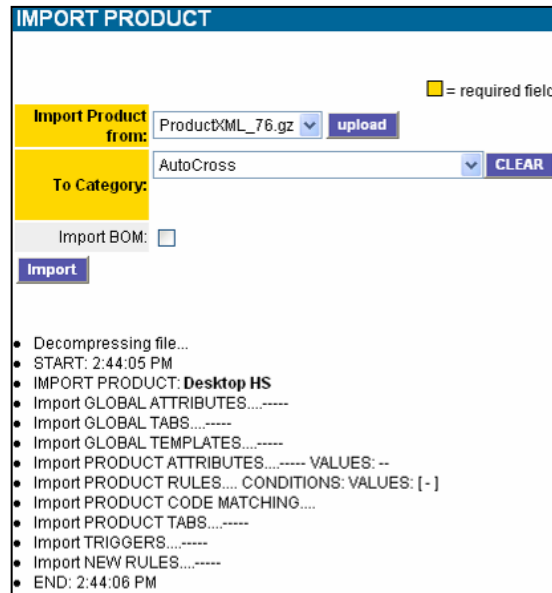
Figure 24-3 Export File Save

**IMPORTANT FOR MULTIPLE INSTALLATIONS:** After saving the file, the administrator needs switch to the product Export/Import page of the installation where the product needs to be imported into.

In order to Import a product, the administrator can either select from the list of existing (compressed) xml files, or from another previously downloaded (exported) product file. If the product is not available in the drop down box, click the **Upload** button and open the XML file from wherever it was saved.

The administrator can select the category where the file will be located after the file has been uploaded by selecting that file and then selecting the Category where it will be imported.

If there is a Bill of Material to import, click the **BOM** check box. Click the **Import** button to import the product.



**IMPORT PRODUCT**

☐ = required field

**Import Product from:** ProductXML\_76.gz

**To Category:** AutoCross

Import BOM:

- Decompressing file...
- START: 2:44:05 PM
- IMPORT PRODUCT: **Desktop HS**
- Import GLOBAL ATTRIBUTES.....
- Import GLOBAL TABS.....
- Import GLOBAL TEMPLATES.....
- Import PRODUCT ATTRIBUTES..... VALUES: --
- Import PRODUCT RULES.... CONDITIONS: VALUES: [- ]
- Import PRODUCT CODE MATCHING....
- Import PRODUCT TABS.....
- Import TRIGGERS.....
- Import NEW RULES.....
- END: 2:44:06 PM

Figure 24-4 – Import Product

The imported products are automatically hidden from all user groups. Before these files can be viewed, the administrator needs to go to the product administration section for this product and select the user groups that can view this product (see Chapter 13).

If the installation and category where the product is being imported to do not have the same tabs as the product being imported, then they need to be added manually. It may make it easier to create or add these tabs to the destination category before importing.

If any product attributes are using **Ref Product**, then those references need to be set again. Any products that the attribute references should also be imported or created first.