

Preventing Graphing Errors by Eliminating the Use of Quotation Marks (“) in the Title and Text Fields

Graphing Error

Several instances have been reported of conditions where a graph could not be plotted on screen once text was added to it.

Background

This problem occurs when a user clicks on the “Annotate” button at the bottom of the graph and enters text in the title block or the description fields and then saves the file with the text added. When the file is accessed again, no graph will come up.

Problem

The error is caused by the addition of quotation marks (“) in the text string in any of the annotate fields. The Simple Logger® reads these quotation marks as the start of numeric data to be graphed. When

it encounters alpha characters after the quotation marks, it is interpreted as invalid data and aborts the graphing process. This will occur on software revisions 3.1 or earlier.

Solution

There is a temporary solution to fix this problem. The next release of the software will eliminate this problem by allowing the use of quotation marks in the text strings.

If you have saved a graph with quotation marks in it, you can remove them by opening the file in Wordpad and deleting the quotation marks that you have typed.

Only delete the quotation marks that you have typed in the text data you have entered. The program itself inserts quotation marks to separate valid data.

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