

# Last Changed Inventory Field

## What

We've added a new "Last Changed" field in FileWave Inventory starting with version 15.5.0. This field records the date and time when any custom or built-in field value is updated for a client or when the client reports to the inventory.

## When/Why

The "Last Changed" field is useful in the following scenarios:

- Monitoring Inventory Updates: It helps administrators track when changes occur in a device's inventory data.
- Data Synchronization: Facilitates accurate data synchronization between FileWave and external systems by providing a timestamp of the last update.
- Change Management: Aids in auditing and compliance by keeping a record of when inventory fields are modified.
- API Integration: Enables developers to leverage the "Last Changed" timestamp in API responses for more efficient data handling.

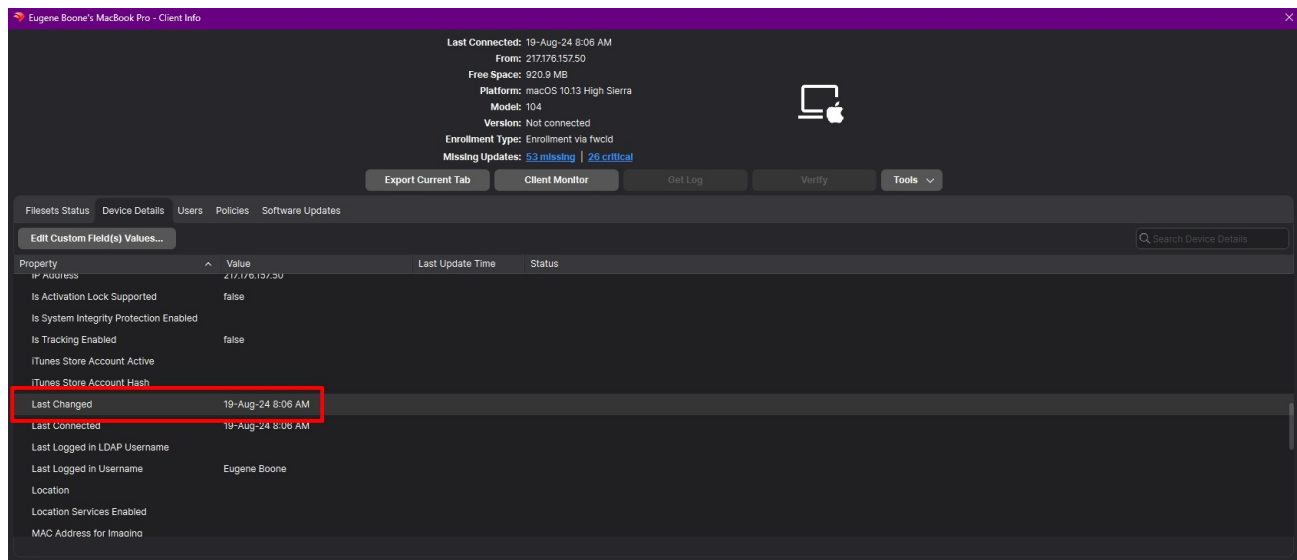
## How

### Understanding the "Last Changed" Field

- Records Updates: The "Last Changed" field automatically updates the timestamp when:
  - Any custom or built-in field value is changed for a client.
  - The client reports new information to the inventory.
  - A new custom field is associated with or disassociated from the device.

### Viewing the "Last Changed" Field

- In FileWave Central:
  - Open the FileWave Admin Console.
  - Navigate to the Clients tab.
  - Select the device you wish to inspect.
  - Locate the "Last Changed" field within the device's inventory details.



- In FileWave Anywhere:
  - Log in to FileWave Anywhere through your web browser.
  - Go to the Devices section.
  - Click on the specific device to view its details.
  - Find the "Last Changed" field in the inventory information.

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## Utilizing the “Last Changed” Field

- Field Updates:
  - The field provides a precise timestamp, helping you determine the exact moment a change occurred.
  - Useful for troubleshooting and verifying when specific updates were made.
- API Integration:
  - The “Last Changed” field is included in public inventory API responses.
  - Enables developers to:
    - Optimize Data Sync: Check the “Last Changed” timestamp to decide whether to pull updated data.
    - Enhance Automation: Integrate inventory updates into custom scripts or applications with accurate timing.

## Important Notes

- Custom Fields Association:
  - Associating or disassociating custom fields with a device updates the “Last Changed” timestamp.
  - Helps in tracking changes to custom data points specific to your organization’s needs.
- Client Reporting:
  - Every time a client device reports back to the inventory, the “Last Changed” field is updated.
  - Ensures you have the most recent interaction time logged.

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