Owner's Manual:

iPed™ 10G 2025

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The World Leader in Animal-Related Software.™

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Welcome

Congratulations!

PedFast Technologies™ welcomes you to iPed™ 10G 2025, the latest achievement in a 25-year-long string of achievements by the World Leader in Animal-Related Software.

iPed™ 10G 2025 is the fifth generation, fourth iteration of our pedigrees-only software, which was introduced in mid-1999.

Since its inception, PedFast Technologies (formerly known as Man's Best Friend Software) has prided itself on the fact that its products are the technological leaders in animal-related software. In 1991, we were the first program to embrace Microsoft® Windows™. In 1993, The Breeder's Standard™ was the first – and is still the only – kennel program ever to qualify for the "Microsoft Windows Compatible" logo, tangibly showing our commitment to ease of use and product quality.

The Breeder's Standard 2007™ refined this further, with the addition of COMPOUNDEX™ (powerful "sounds-like" matching on multiple words) and possessive-ignorant searching in the new DataSifter™ feature, and has extended our patent-pending technology into a duplicate-checking window on each and every dog. PedFast Technologies is the innovator in this industry.

Some of our achievements:

- First Windows breeding software, The Breeder's Standard™, 1991.

- Only Windows breeding software to earn Microsoft Windows Compatible designation, 1992.

- First software and the only independent software to be 100% compliant with AKC recordkeeping rules, 1991.

- First pedigree software to offer visual, intuitive pedigree entry, with our PedFast™ feature, 1991.

- First pedigree software to store animal pictures and print on pedigrees, 1992.

- First pedigree software to offer print-shop quality color pedigrees, 1993.

- First full-featured cattery management software, The Cattery's Standard™, 1994.

- First animal related software to open an internet web site, www.mbfs.com, 1995.

- First pedigree software to offer multiple pedigree configurations with our MegaPed™ feature, 1996.

- First company to offer interactive web-based pedigrees with NETigree®, 1997.

- First Windows-based horse stable management software, Equestrian's Standard™, 1997.

- First, and still the only, full-time product support department in the industry, 1997.

- First, and still the only, toll-free product support line in the industry, 1998.

- First windows-based pedigrees-only entry-level product, InstaPed™, 1999.

- First, and still the only, web-based cat show management system, EnterCat™, 2000.

- First fully-customizable pedigree layout system, Pedcasso™, 2001.

- First, and still the only, packaged custom pedigree layout sets, Pedigree Power Packs™, 2002.

- First, and still the only, web-based full-powered kennel management software, The Breeder's Standard .NET®, 2004.

- First full-powered ad-hoc reporting feature for kennel software, The Scoop™, 2005.

- CompuPed™ Millennium, the premier animal genetics program for Windows, completed in 2005.

- COMPOUNDEX™, the First and only, patent-applied for, possessive-ignorant animal name matching technology, found only in The Breeder's Standard™ 2007 and newer, released in 2006.

- First 100% Windows Vista compatible kennel program, including Vista compatible help, 2007.

- TBS 2008, with the first five-generation instant pedigree entry window, 2007.

- TBS 2012, the first 32 and 64 bit fully managed program for Windows and Mac, 2012.

- iPed™ 4G for the Mac, 2013.

- iPed™ 5G 2015 for Windows, 2014.

- Equestrian's Standard™ 2016, 2015

- iPed™ 6G 2017 for Windows, 2016.

- The Breeder's Standard® 2018, 2017

- The Cattery's Standard™ 2019, 2018

- iPed™ 7G 2017 for Windows, 2018.

- Pedcasso™ 2019, 2018

- NETigree® III, 2019

- 12-generation Pedigree Power Packs™, 2019

- The Breeder's Standard® 2020, 2019

- The Cattery's Standard™ 2021, 2020

- iPed™ 8G 2021, 2020

- iPed™ 9G 2022, 2021

- And now, iPed™ 10G.

And, as you can guess, we're nowhere near done with innovating. We've perfected what our "competition" cannot yet conceive.

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Getting Started

What you Need

Every computer program has prerequisites. Here are ours:

Windows OS

iPed™ 10G 2025 is designed to run correctly on the following Windows operating systems:

- Windows 8, 8.1, 10 and newer, 32 and 64 bit.
- Windows Server 2012 or newer, 32 and 64 bit.

iPed™ 10G 2025 no longer supports Windows XP, Vista or Windows 7. We recommend that you have at least 2GB of RAM, with 4GB or more preferable.

We recommend that you have at least 120MB disk space open for the initial install.

Generally speaking, any Windows compatible computer produced after January 1, 2013 should run iPed™ 10G 2025 without difficulty.

Installation: Ready, Set, Go!

In Windows, to install from our CD-ROM, you ned simply to place the CD-ROM into the drive. The front-end will display all of the programs on the CD; you simply need to choose the program that you wish to install.

To install from a download, you will end up with A Microsoft Installer ("MSI") file. You double click on the MSI file to launch the installer.

For OSX, the program will come on a CD, and you simply insert it. Open the CD and it will bring up the installer.

Operate the installer. You will be asked to agree to our Software License Agreement, and then when you do, the program will be installed.

Upgrading from Previous Versions

From iPed™ 5G, 6G 7G, 8G or 9G:

Install iPed™ 10G 2025, and then open the iPed 5G-9G pedigree database.

From iPed™ versions older than 5G, or InstaPed:

iPed™ 9G 2022 does not work directly with versions older than 5G. To upgrade, you must follow these instructions:

1. **Do not** install iPed™ 9G 2022 into the same folder where any previous version resides.

2. **You create the database first** in iPed™ 9G 2022, and then run the Import BXF file to import a BXF export from previous versions of InstaPed™ or iPed™ to copy over the data from the files that contained the database in older versions of the program.

3. **Then you verify the copied database.** When you are satisfied, you delete the old program and all of its files. You may want to create a backup of the data for emergency reasons.

Activation

Once your program is installed, you will have 14 days to activate the program.

If you have purchased the program, please understand that all sales are final and this 14 day period is not a trial. Trial periods are only allowed if you have not purchased the program before you installed. When you purchase the program, you've purchased the program. Not activating a purchased program does not make it into a trial.

If the program expires, you **will not lose any data**. However, in order to work with the data, you will have to activate the program. You can activate the program at any time from when you first install it going forward.

Activation using MyActivate™

MyActivate™ is a new service that PedFast Technologies offers to make your life easier. Now, you have the option to *automatically activate* iPed™ 6G and any of the optional features bundled inside the program (such as the Pedigree Power Packs™) by logging into our servers with your MyPedFast™ ID that is linked to your purchase history.

Active Internet connection required.

To Activate iPed™ 9G 2022:

1. Click the Utility Button

2. Click the Activation button, which has an icon like this:
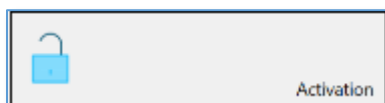
3. ~~You then simply click the~~ MyActivate™ button:
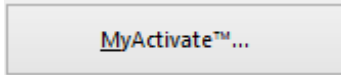
4. If you have not stored your MyPedFast™ ID and password before, MyActivate will ask you for it:

5. After you are signed in to MyPedFast™ MyActivate will retrieve your account history, and fetch the program activation code and that for all add-ons, and then let you know.

In the event that you purchase an add-on, you can simply repeat this procedure.

Manual Activation

Your activation code email or sheet will contain the registered name. This name must be entered exactly as it is on the sheet, including capital and lowercase letters.

The control number is 6-7 digits long and must be entered exactly.

The activation code is 18 characters long and contains no character other than the numbers 0-9 or the letters A through F. Any "0" in the activation code is ZERO, not capital "o."

Once everything is entered, the "activate" button will light up, and you may click it, which will activate the program.

AutoUpdate™ III

iPed™ 10G will use your MyPedFast™ login to access our servers and see if there are any updates to iPed. If an update is needed, iPed will pop up a window to ask you if you wish to update. Choose yes to update immediately; Choose No to delay for a few days.

Important: Please remember that any product support is contingent upon running the latest patch of iPed™ 10G. Therefore, before contacting us with any questions or issues, please ensure that you are on the latest version. If you start up iPed™ while connected to the Internet, and are logged in to your program, and are <u>not</u> asked to apply a new version, you are on the latest version.

Using iPed™ 10G for the First Time

Opening a database

The first time that you start iPed™ 10G 2025, the program will ask you to open or create a database file. Also, while you are working in the program, you may choose to open another database by clicking on the File Menu and choosing change database. The button looks like this:
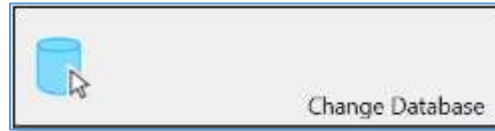
When you do either of these things, you will receive the Database Tasks window.

The Database Tasks window looks like this:
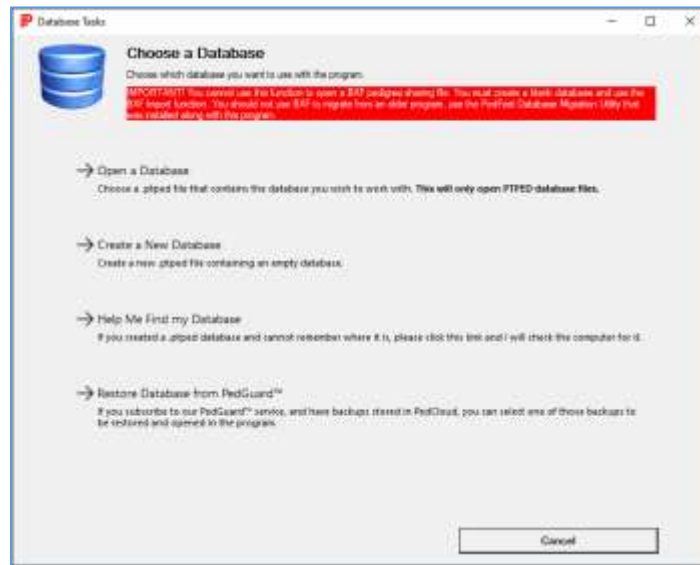
The Database Tasks window allows you to open or to create a database. The first time you run The Cattery's Standard™ , you must click to create a new database. This database is stored in a file with the ".ptped" extension.

If you click to create a database, the program will open a Save-As Dialog to ask you for the name of the .ptped file to create, and where to create the file. It takes about 10-20 seconds to create the database file on an average computer.

If you click on open a database, you will receive an open window that will allow you to select an existing .ptped file, which contains the databases for The Cattery's Standard™ , or iPed 5G or later, or CompuPed™ 5G or later.

If you click to create a database, the program will ask you the name of the .ptped file to create, and where to create the file. It takes about 10-20 seconds to create the database file on an average computer.

Note for Windows users: Do not place the file in the root directory of the C: Drive or in any folder in the Program Files or Program Files (x86) folders. PedFast Technologies recommends that you place the .ptped file in your Documents folder or in a folder inside your documents folder.

Note for OneDrive users: Do not place the file in OneDrive. Microsoft recently changed OneDrive in such a way that you might not be able to open the database file. Please use your local documents folder or create a separate folder in your computer such as "C:\PTPED."

Help Me Find my Database

If you click on "Help me Find my Database," The Cattery's Standard™ will search every drive on your computer for .ptped files that may exist on the computer. This may take some time if your computer has large or slow drives on it. When it has completed looking, it will let you know if any files were found. If so, the program will pop up a window with all of the .ptped files listed, with sizes and dates. This is useful if you accidentally create a second database file and need to find an older and larger one.

The Found Databases window looks like this:
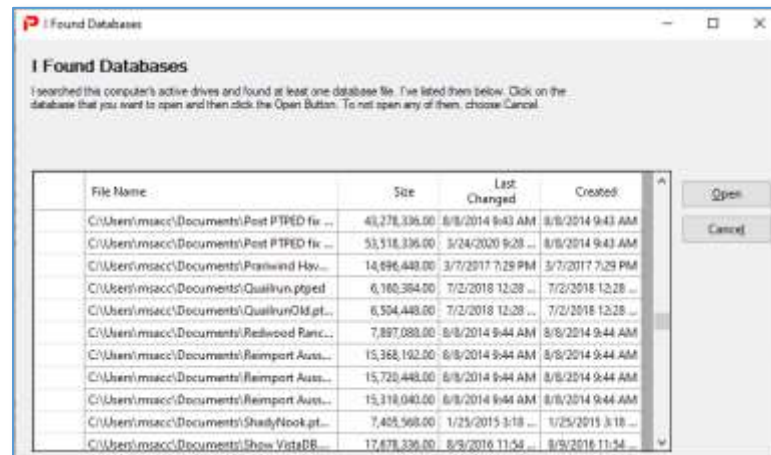
When you have the Found Databases Window, you just click on the database file you want to open, and the program will open up that database for you at once.

Restore Database from PedGuard™

iPed™ 10G supports the optional add-on PedGuard™, which provides automatic backups to our secure cloud server. When you click the **Restore Database from PedGuard™** link, you will be given an abbreviated pop-up version of the [PedGuard™ Management Page](#) and you can choose a database backup to restore from the cloud and open with iPed™. This enables you to do two things with your program:

1.   Easily move a database between desktop and laptop computers; and

2.   Recover from a crash with your latest backup.

Read more about PedGuard™ in this section: [PedGuard™: An Introduction](#) which tells you more about this optional feature.

The Look and Feel of the Program

iPed™ 10G 2025 is designed to be a user-friendly and touch-friendly program. Each window is designed in two halves, and commands are shown, along with status information, in the right dark pane. Things you can do for the entire database are shown in the Kennel Tab. Things you can do to dogs are shown in the Dogs tab. The Contacts tab contains what you can do with Contacts.

Clicking a tab brings up the work with window for a record type. This is a searchable list of records, which is used as the starting point for your work with those records.

The Menu Buttons

Along the top of the iPed™ 10G 2025 window are the menu buttons. These display menus or give you access to important functions. The menu buttons are:

- The iPed™ 10G 2025 Home button (Ctrl+Shift+H): Brings up the Home page of the program.

- The File menu button. Brings up the File menu, where you may create a database or exit iPed™ 10G 2025.

- The Utility menu button. Brings up the Utility menu, where you can choose to Activate the program, database maintenance and master table maintenance.

- The Import button. Brings up the BXF Import window, where you can merge in animal pedigree information from other users of our products, or from previous versions of iPed or InstaPed.

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    The Export button. Brings up the BXF Export window, where you can export data from iPed™ 10G 2025 to share with other users of our programs.

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    The Reports button. Brings up the Report selection page to enable you to choose reports on the animals that are in the database.

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    The Help button. Brings up the online help in iPed™ 10G 2025.

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    The support button. Brings up the PedFast Technologies online product support center, giving you options to get additional help with iPed™ 10G 2025.

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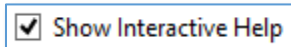
    This turns the Interactive help function on and off. If the check mark is present, the right 20% of the window will contain help that is relevant to the window that is displayed.

Shortcut Keys

iPed™ 10G 2025 is equipped with several shortcut keys. Here's a list:

F3	Exit iPed™ 10G 2025. Closes the program and **does not save the work** on the last window you were working in.
Ctrl+Shift+H	Go to the Home Page of the program.

The Navigation Bar
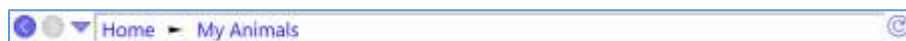
iPed™ 10G 2025 is equipped with a navigation bar that shows you the previous several functions that you visited in the program. You can navigate backward or forward. The button at the far right of the navigation bar permits you to refresh the window without saving any changes you typed in.

The Back button, with the left-pointing arrow, goes to the previous place you visited. If there has been no such place, the button is greyed out and does not function.

The forward button, with the right pointing arrow, allows you to progress forward. If you have not used the left-arrow button or are at the end of the list, this button will be greyed out and will not function.
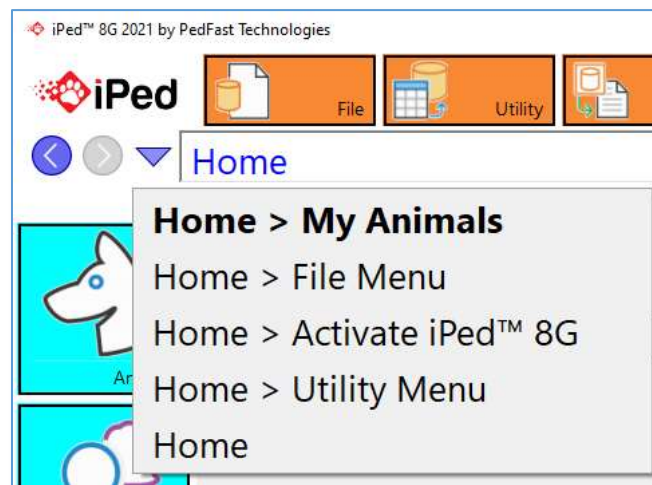
The list button, with the down arrow, will present a list of the last several places you have visited in the program. Clicking an entry on the list brings you to that place in the program.

IMPORTANT: Using a navigation button or link without saving your work in a screen that allows you to change things will cause that work to be lost.

The Home Page

When you start up iPed™ 10G 2025, or you click the iPed logo in the upper-left corner of the window, and you have opened a database, you will receive the Home Page. This is the starting point for using iPed™ 10G 2025.

The Home Page looks like this:
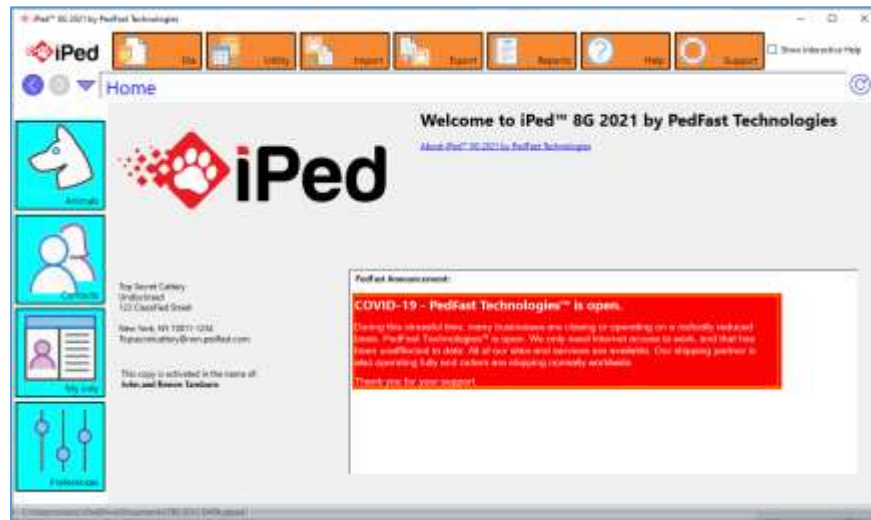
You will see a summary of your information you have entered into the program, and your activation status.

The party in whose name the program has been activated will be displayed below the calendar. If the program is not activated, the message will tell you how many days remain before the program must be activated to continue to operate.

Announcements

From time to time, PedFast Technologies™ will have announcements. If those announcements are present, and you are connected to the Internet, then an announcement window will appear to show you those announcements. Some announcements may have clickable links that will open the iPed™ browser page with a web page.

Manipulating Data

There are several different controls in iPed™ 10G 2025, which are all designed to make it easy for you to enter specific types of data. Here are a few:

Lookup Control

A Lookup control is used to look up data that is stored in the database and needs to be linked at a certain place. An example is the Breed field when you add a dog to the database.
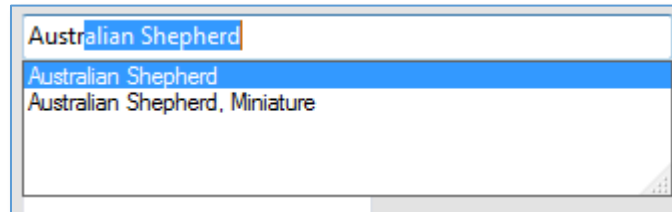
As you type in each character of the item you are looking up, the control below shows what options you have. Pressing an up or down arrow will pick a certain option and fill in the rest of the lookup control. Or, type the characters and finish your lookup. Pressing TAB or ENTER will register your choice.
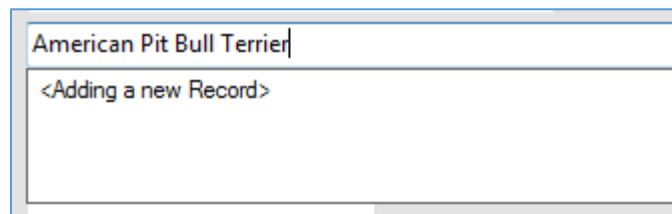
If the lookup control allows it, in certain places you can choose to add a new record to the database. For example, if you type in a breed that is not in the database, the program will show you the control, tell you that you are adding a new breed (or contact or whatever is in that space).

If you accept that entry with TAB or ENTER, the program will pop up and ask you if you want to add a new record to the database, and take you to a form that will quickly add the information for you.
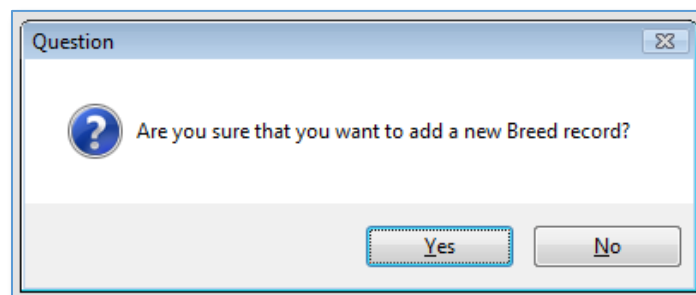
If you choose "Yes," you can add the record rapidly. If you choose "No," your entry will be abandoned and you will need to retype an entry.

Calendar Control

When you have need of choosing a date, iPed™ 10G 2025 will give you a calendar control.
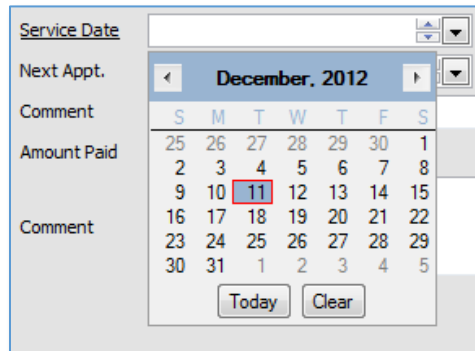
Field Chooser

On forms that change data, you can choose to hide non-required fields that you do not use. At the upper-right corner of the window, you will see this button:
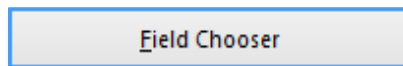
When you click the Field Chooser button, you will see a form that looks like this:

All of the non-required fields are shown. Put check marks in the boxes next to the fields that you want, and remove the check marks from the boxes next to the fields that you do not want.

Click **Save** to determine the fields that will and will not display, or **Cancel** to not make any changes.

Interactive Help

iPed™ 10G 2025 offers you the power of showing interactive context appropriate help on every non-popup screen of the program. You can toggle this on and off with a check box in the top area of the iPed window:
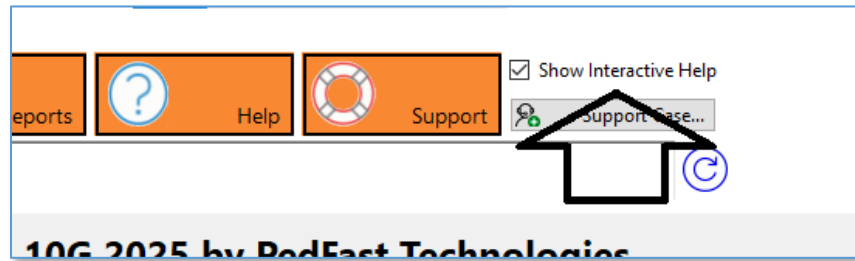
When you have this check filled, you will see a pane on the window that contains the correct help for the window you are using.

The Interactive Help pane looks like this:

You can click on the links inside the help panel and navigate the program help. There are also a few buttons on the help panel:

⌂	If you have navigated away from the help for the active part of the program, this will take you back there.
◁	If you have navigated away from the help for the active part of the program, this will go back one page.
🖶	Print the help topic page seen on the help panel.
▷	If you have navigated away from the help for the active part of the program, this will go forward one page.

The My Info Page

My Information

The My Information window gives iPed™ 10G 2025 information about your business. It is used in MegaPed for providing the name and address associated with a pedigree. You also see this information on the Home Page.

The My Info page looks like this:

The only field you are required to enter is the Business Name. However, you can also enter your name, address, two phone numbers, email and two web addresses.

You can also choose the default breed for the animals that you enter, as well as eight titles for the Quick Titles feature of the program.

When you click on the right to save, the kennel information is saved, and you are then switched to the home page.

Clicking the "Close" link will close the window and return to the home page, without saving your changes.

The My Animals Page

The My Animals Page: Overview

Whenever you touch or click the My Animals button, you will receive the My Animals page. This page features a list of animals in the program. You also have a means to rapidly move through the list, as well as links to add, change or delete animal records in the database.

The My Animals Page looks like this:
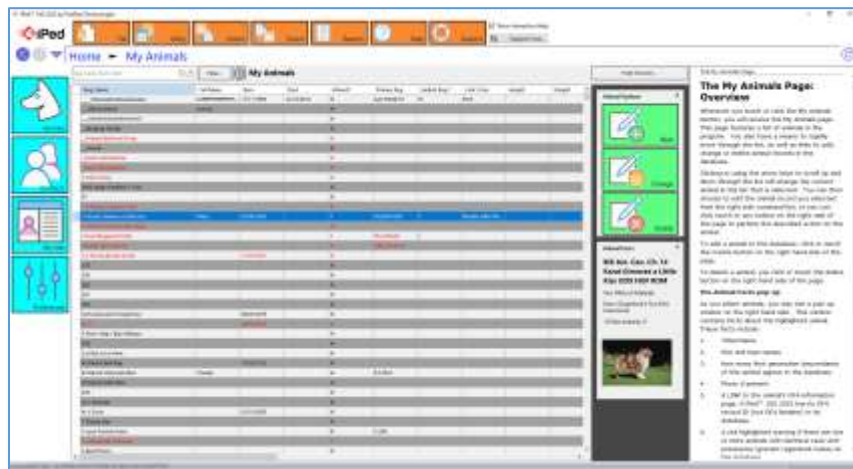
Clicking or using the arrow keys to scroll up and down through the list will change the current animal in the list that is selected. You can then choose to edit the animal record you selected from the right side command list, or you can click touch or any button on the right side of the page to perform the described action on the animal.

To add a animal to the database, click or touch the Create button on the right hand side of the page.

To delete a animal, you click or touch the delete button on the right hand side of the page.

The Animal Facts pop-up

As you select animals, you may see a pop-up window on the right hand side. This window contains facts about the highlighted animal. These facts include:

1.   Titled Name

2.   Sire and Dam names

3.   How many first-generation descendants of this animal appear in the database.

4.   Photo if present

5.   A LINK to the animal's OFA information page, if iPed™ 10G 2025 has its OFA record ID (not OFA Number) in its database.

6.   A red highlighted warning if there are one or more animals with identical case-and-possessive-ignorant registered names on the database.

7.   An orange highlighted warning if there are one or more animals with similar-sounding registered names on the database.

The Animal Facts popup looks like this:

The information contained in the window changes as you change the selected animal.

Animal Window Settings

There is a button with a gear icon on the My Animals window. This button enables you to control the animal window settings. The Button:

When you click the button, you get the Animal Window Settings popup. That popup looks like this:
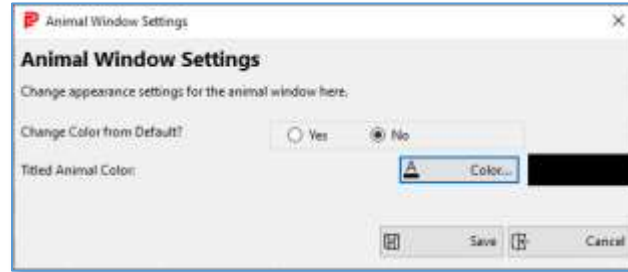
Titled animals – where titles are set from the titles window and not typed into the name, appear in red in the My Animals window. To change this:

- Choose **Yes** in "Change Color from Default."
- Click "Color" button under "Titled Animal Color."
- Choose the color for titles animals, which can be anything you choose.
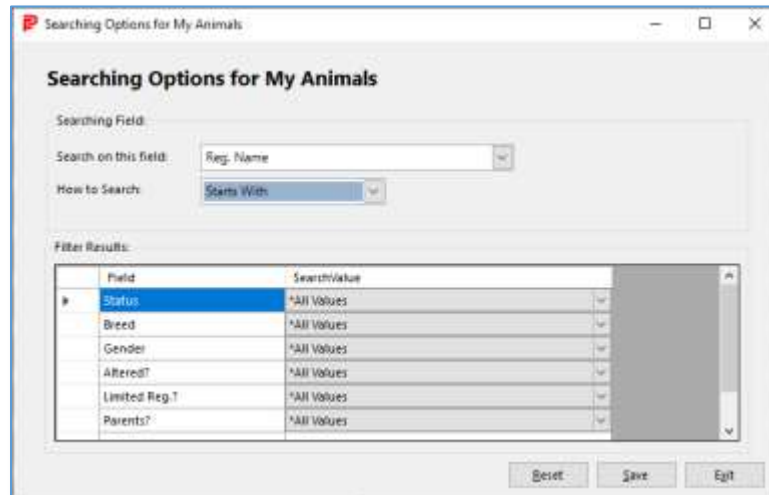- Click the **Save** button.

This will change the olor of those titles Animals.

Filter Settings

My Animals includes a filter feature to search more efficiently, especially with larger databases. You click the Filter button in My Animals, which is here:
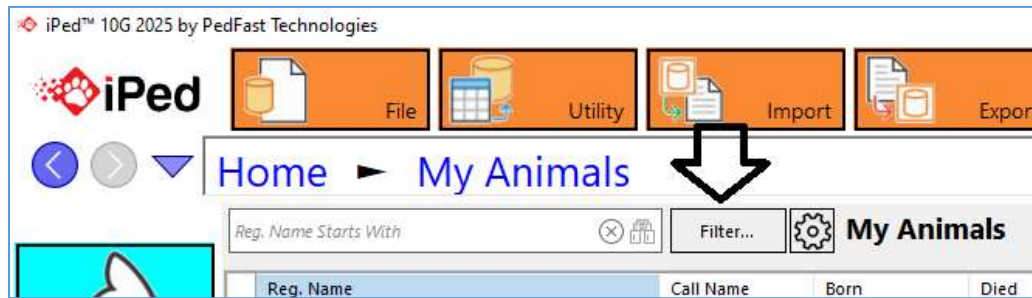
When you choose the filter button, you receive this pop-up:

You have the following options:

- **Search on this field**: This drop-down chooses the field on which you can search when you use the searcher on My Animals. The "indexed" fields" on the animal table are included.

- **How to Search**: This drop-down chooses whether you search on an exact match or starting characters.

- **Filter Results**: You can set filtering for:
    - Animal status
    - Breed
    - Gender
    - Altered Yes/no
    - Limited Registration Yes/No
    - Sire and or dam present or missing
    - Coat Color
    - Eye Color.

Click **Reset** to set the program to factory defaults of all animals listed, searchable on the starting characters of registered name.
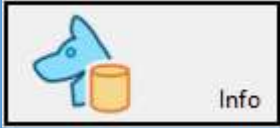
Click **Save** to set your own custom filtration, which will show to the right of the grid above the Animal Options buttons. Like this:
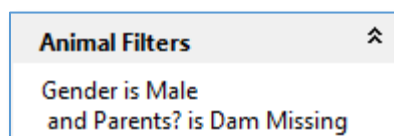
Click **Exit** to close the pop-up without changing the searching options.

Changing an Animal's Information
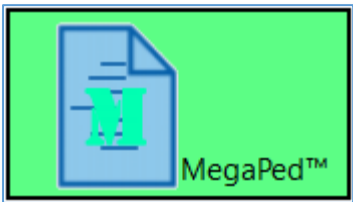
Navigation Buttons

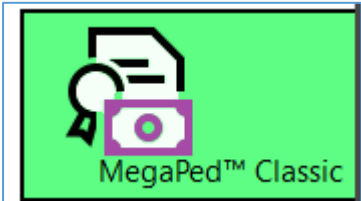|	
	Clicking or touching this button leads to the Animal Information page.
	Clicking or touching this button leads to the Animal Owners Page.
	Clicking or touching this button leads to the Animal Titles Page.
	Clicking or touching this button leads to the PedFast™ V Pedigree Maker page.
	Clicking or touching this button leads to the Animal Registrations Page.
	Clicking or touching this button leads to the Animal Photos Page.
	Click or touching this button leads to the Animal Extra Fields Page.

	Click or touch this button to bring up the HoleFinder™ page.
	Click to access the optional PedCabinet™ file storage feature for individual animals (PedCabinet is an extra-cost feature)

There are buttons to navigate between the different pages where you can change an animal's information. These pages are found by touching or clicking the buttons below:

Feature Buttons

In Addition, the Animal Information Page contains two Feature Buttons. Feature buttons lead to features that do not directly change information for the Animal. The Feature buttons are:

	Clicking or touching this button leads to the MegaPed™ Pedigree Printing system included in iPed™ 10G 2025.
	Cicking or touching this button opens the optional MegaPed Classic™ add-on to generate dynamic pedigrees.
	Clicking or touching this button leads to the Coefficient of Inbreeding calculator for iPed™ 10G 2025.

The Animal Information Page

The Animal Information Page is where you add or change the basic information for an individual animal. You have several fields with which to work, as well as choices of other pages of animal information.

The Animal Information Page looks like this:
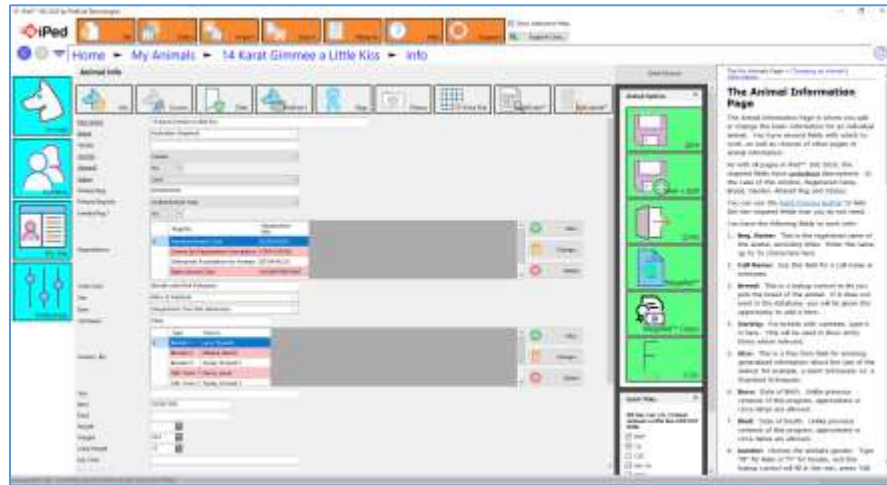
As with all pages in iPed™ 10G 2025, the required fields have <u>underlined</u> descriptions. In the case of this window, Registered name, Breed, Gender, Altered flag and Status.

You can use the [Field Chooser Button](#) to hide the non-required fields that you do not need.

You have the following fields to work with:

1. **Reg. Name:** This is the registered name of the animal, *excluding* titles. Enter the name, up to 75 characters here.

2. **Call Name:** Use this field for a call name or nickname.

3. **Breed:** This is a lookup control to let you pick the breed of the animal. If it does not exist in the database, you will be given the opportunity to add it here.

4. **Variety:** For breeds with varieties, type it in here. This will be used in show entry forms where relevant.

5. **Size:** This is a free form field for entering generalized information about the size of the animal, for example, a Giant Schnauzer vs. a Standard Schnauzer.

6. **Born:** Date of Birth. Unlike previous versions of this program, approximate or circa dates are allowed.

7. **Died:** Date of Death. Unlike previous versions of this program, approximate or circa dates are allowed.

8. **Gender:** Choose the animal's gender. Type "M" for Male or "F" for female, and this lookup control will fill in the rest, press TAB to go on to the next field.

9. **Altered?:** Type "Y" if this animal has been spayed or neutered. Type "N" if this animal has not been spayed or neutered. Press TAB to go on to the next field.

10. **Reg. Number:** This is the primary registration number for the animal. iPed™ 10G 2025can handle 25 characters including spaces. Lowercase letters are automatically rendered in capital letters.

11. **Primary Registry:** This lookup control will allow you to look up the Primary Registry of the animal, the registry with which the registration number is associated. The registry must exist in the database already. If you need to add a registry, please first go to the Utility Tab, click Registries, and choose to add a registry.

12. **Limited Reg?:** Type Y if this is a limited Registration, N if it is not.

13. **Status:** Required. This displays the status of the animal, in iPed this is used merely for documentation purposes. The statuses available to you are:
    o Still Owned
    o Sold
    o Pedigree Only
    o Out on Lease
    o Litter Offspring
    o Leasing
    o Imported Animal
    o Given Away
    o Deceased

14. **Sire:** This is the name of the animal's sire. This is a lookup control. If you type in a new name, you'll have the option to quick-add the name to the animal database.

15. **Dam:** This is the name of the animal's dam. This is a lookup control. If you type in a new name, you'll have the option to quick-add the name to the animal database.

16. **Coat Color:** Type in the animal's coat coloration.

17. **Height:** Type in the animal's height at the withers.

18. **Weight:** Type in the animal's weight as measured in your country.

19. **Jump Height:** Type in the animal's Jump height for agility, if applicable.

20. **Eye Color:** Type in the animal's eye coloration.

21. **DNA Profile #1:** This is one of two possible DNA profile codes for this animal.

22. **DNA Profile #2:** This is one of two possible DNA profile codes for this animal.

23. **Tag/Tattoo:** This is the Tag or Tattoo identification for this animal.

24. **COI:** This is the Sewall Wright Coefficient of Inbreeding for this animal. You can enter any number less than or equal to 1.0, or you can press the "Calc" button to the right to calculate
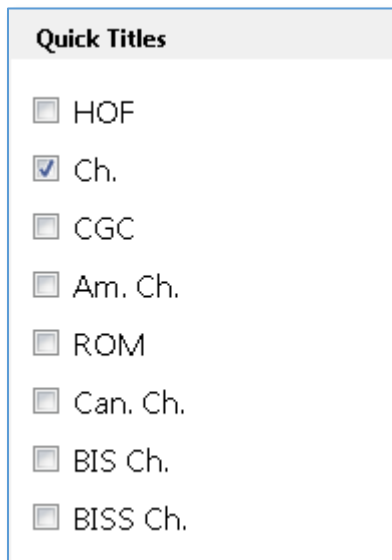
the COI for this animal, up to 10 generations. iPed™ 10G 2025 will calculate this coefficient for up to 10 generations.

25. **Stud Book:** This is the month and year this animal was published in the Stud Book of its primary registry.

26. **Chip Number:** If your animal has an embedded chip, enter its number here.

27. **Comment:** Enter a free form comment of up to any length here for internal reference. This comment is not available on reports and may be treated confidentially.

Quick Titles Panel

On the right hand side of the Animal Info page is the Quick Titles panel. The Quick Titles are set on the My Info page.

The Quick Titles panel looks like this:

For each quick title you set up (up to eight), you will have a check box. To assign a title to an animal, click or touch the check box to place a check into it. When you save the animal, it will have the title. Likewise, if you uncheck the box, you will remove the title if present.

Operations

Click or touch Save to save the animal to the database.

Click or touch Save + Add to save the animal to the database and give you another blank page to add another animal.

Click or touch Close to close the page and go back to the My Animals Page.

The Owners Page

iPed™ 10G 2025 uses the Owners page to track the owners, breeders, and or parties from who you obtained the animal.

The Owners Page looks like this:
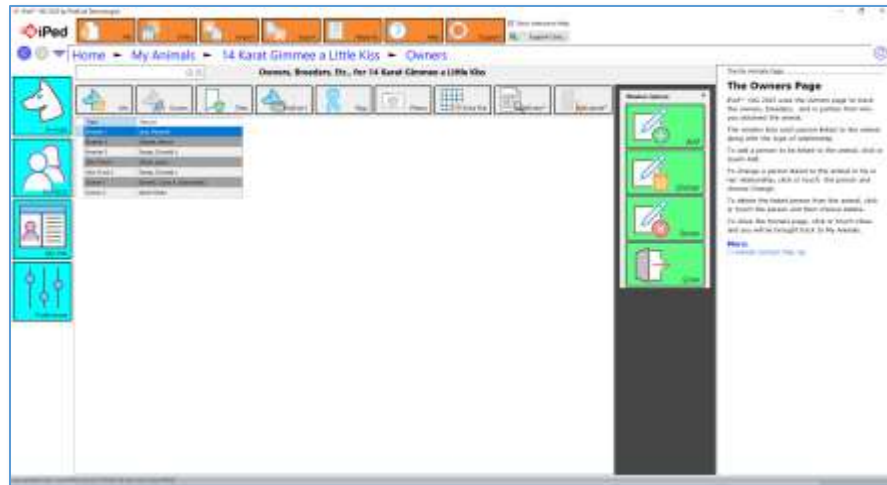
The window lists each person linked to the animal, along with the type of relationship.

To add a person to be linked to the animal, click or touch Add.

To change a person linked to the animal or his or her relationship, click or touch the person and choose Change.

To delete the linked person from the animal, click or touch the person and then choose Delete.

To close the Owners page, click or touch Close and you will be brought back to My Animals.

Animal Contact Pop-Up

When you choose to add or change an entry from the Owners Page, the Animal Contact Pop-Up appears. This allows you to select or enter a person, and to choose a relationship between the person and the animal.

The Animal Contact Pop-Up looks like this:
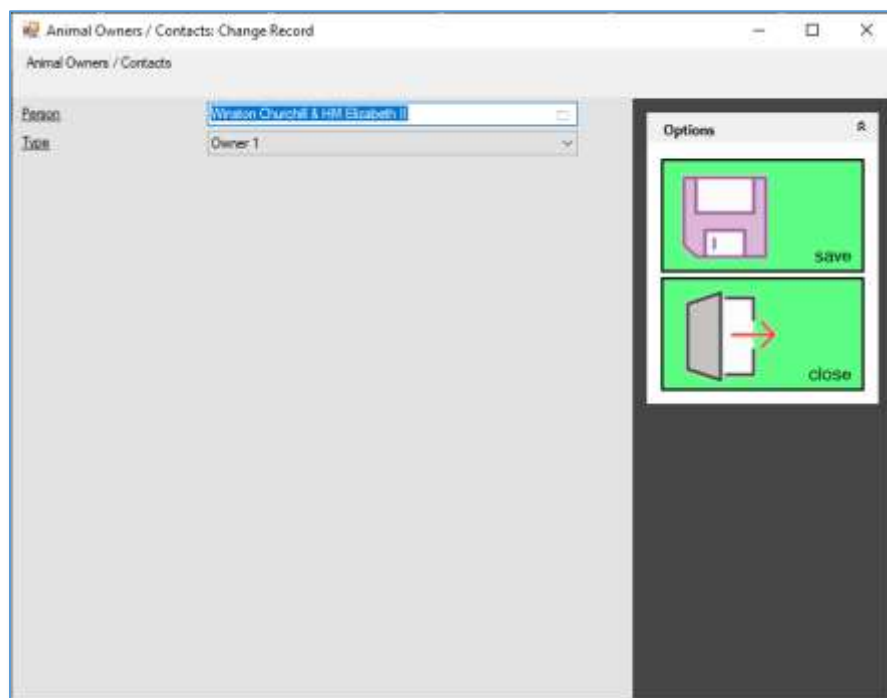
Choose or enter the name of the person, It is a lookup control; if you enter the name of a person not yet on the database, you are given opportunity to add it.

Then choose the relationship of this person to the animal by typing it in. You have the following choices:

- Breeder 1

- Breeder 2

- Breeder 3

- Breeder 4

- Obt. From 1

- Obt. From 2

- Obt. From 3

- Obt. From 4

- Owner 1

- Owner 2

- Owner 3

- Owner 4

Click or touch Save to save the contact to the animal. Click or touch Close to close the pop-up window without saving any changes.

The Titles Page

Working with Animal Titles in iPed™ 10G 2025 may be done in the Animal Titles window. This window allows complete control over the titles given to an animal, much more than quick titles.

The Animal titles window looks like this:
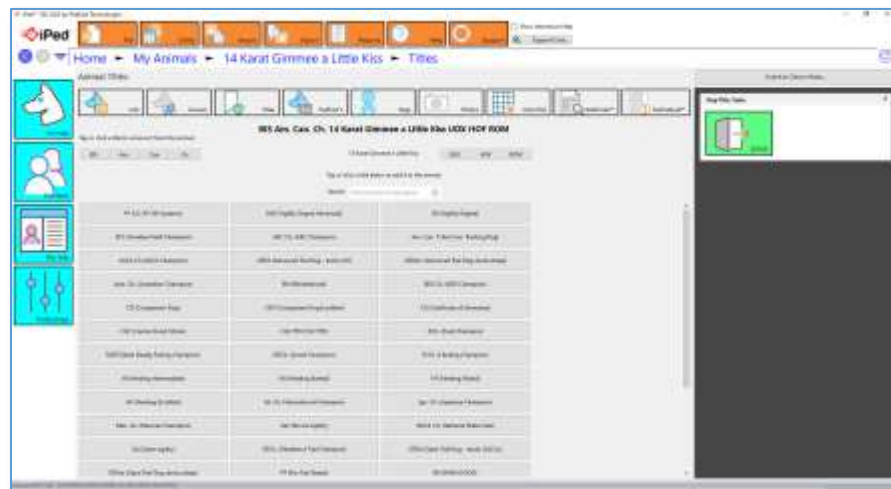
Manipulating Titles:

At the top of the window are the titles, in buttons, before and after the animal's name as appropriate.

To remove a title, click or tap the titles at the top.

To add a title, you click one of the available title buttons below.

To find a title, you can type all or part of the description or characters in the Search box. As you type the number of buttons decreases to what matches to what you type. Click the X button in the search box to clear any search argument.

About Compound titles:

If you choose a title that is a prefix title, like American Champion, the program will add *two* titles, American Champion and then Champion. This makes it easier for you to set up titles like "BIS Am. Can. Ch." because the prefix is automatically selected as you choose each title, meaning that you have only to click three buttons to get what you want.

As you click each title button, your work is saved. You don't need to click a separate "save" to commit your changes.

Click the Close link to close out the Titles window when you are finished with Titles.

Titles – Classic Mode

If you prefer the older "classic mode" titles function, you can choose to use it. There is a button above the tasks list that looks like this:

Click it to switch to classic mode. If you are in classic mode, the button looks like this:


When you click the switch button, you get a popup that asks you if you want to switch to use the mode by default, just one time, or cancel the switch.

Using Classic Mode

Working with Animal Titles (Classic Mode) in The Cattery's Standard™ may be done in the drag-and-drop environment in the Animal Titles window. This window allows complete control over the titles given to an animal, much more than quick titles.

The Animal titles window looks like this:
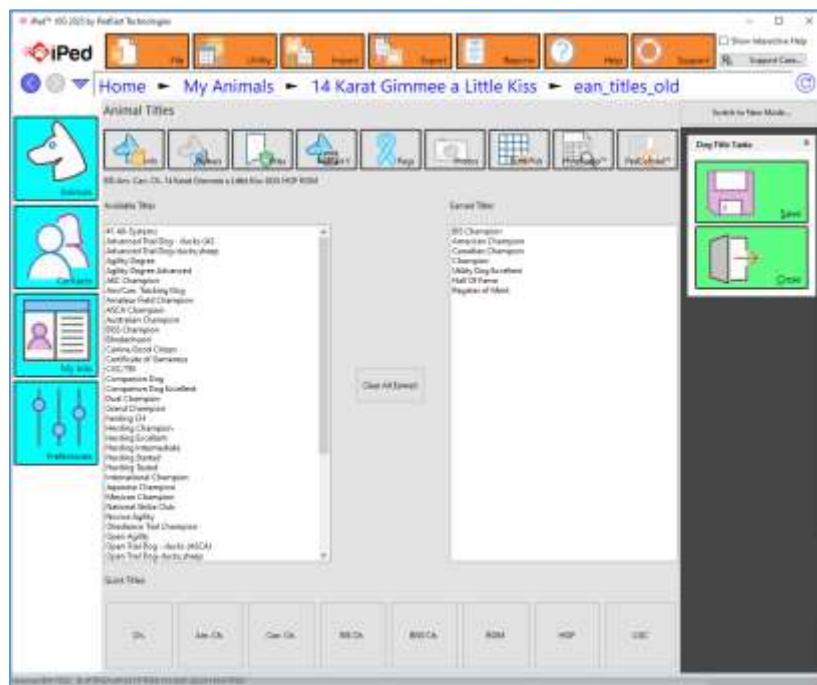
Manipulating Titles:

On the left list are all unassigned titles. On the right list are the earned titles.

Click the "Clear All Earned" button to remove all titles from the Earned window.

Click any quick title to add it to the end of the Earned Titles list.

Dragging titles:

To add titles to an animal, drag from the left list to the right list. The mouse arrow will turn into a "plus sign" when over a title, and that is where the program will insert the title.

Drag a title from the right list to the left to remove it from an animal. You may also drag titles around in the right window to rearrange them.

As you do, the titled name will change to reflect your changes.

Click the save link to save your changes, or the Close link to close out the Titles window without any changes being saved and revert to the My Cats window.

PedFast™ V Pedigree Maker

iPed™ 10G 2025 has a feature that enables you to enter up to five generations of ancestry for an animal, PedFast™ V. It will look up existing animals, and will also add new animal names.

As you type in each name and press the TAB key, you will start at the top of each Generation and work your way down, first Sire then Dam, and so forth. If you type a name that already exists, the animal's ancestors will be filled into the pedigree automatically.

PedFast™ V looks like this:
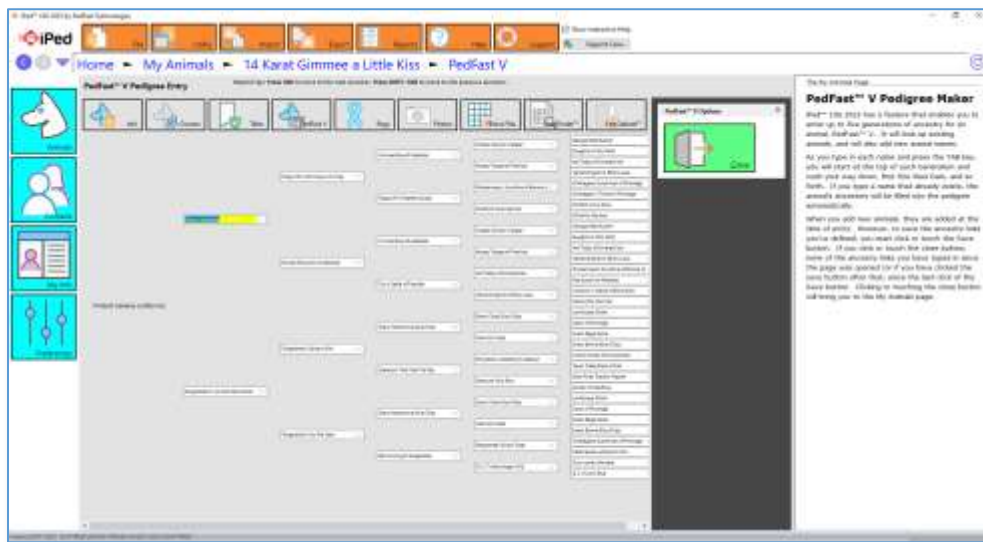
When you add new animals, they are added at the time of entry. However, to save the ancestry links you've defined, you must click or touch the Save button. If you click or touch the close button, none of the ancestry links you have typed in since the page was opened (or if you have clicked the save button after that, since the last click of the Save button. Clicking or touching the close button will bring you to the My Animals page.

Registrations Page

iPed™ 10G 2025 uses the Registrations Page to store registrations to animal registries, as well as medical certifications such as OFA and CERF. You may have any number of registrations per animal, however, you can only have one registration for each registry available. If you have a registry not included in iPed™ 10G 2025, you may add it from the Utility Menu, Registries page.

The Animal Registrations page looks like this:
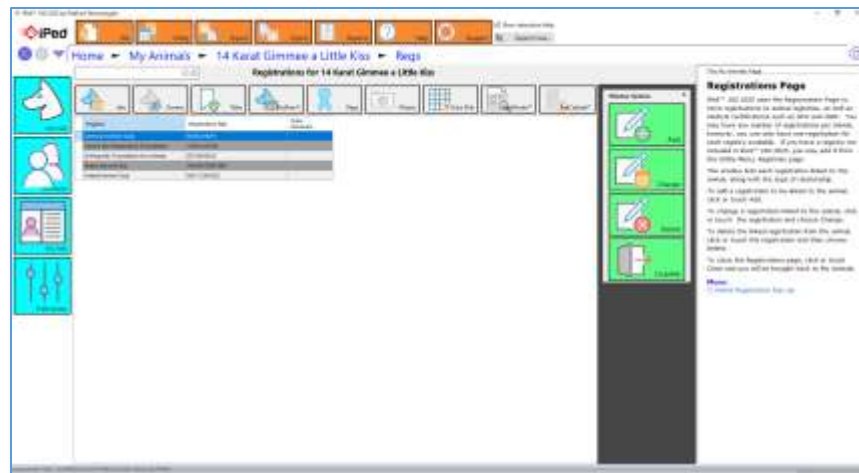
The window lists each registration linked to the animal, along with the type of relationship.

To add a registration to be linked to the animal, click or touch Add.

To change a registration linked to the animal, click or touch the registration and choose Change.
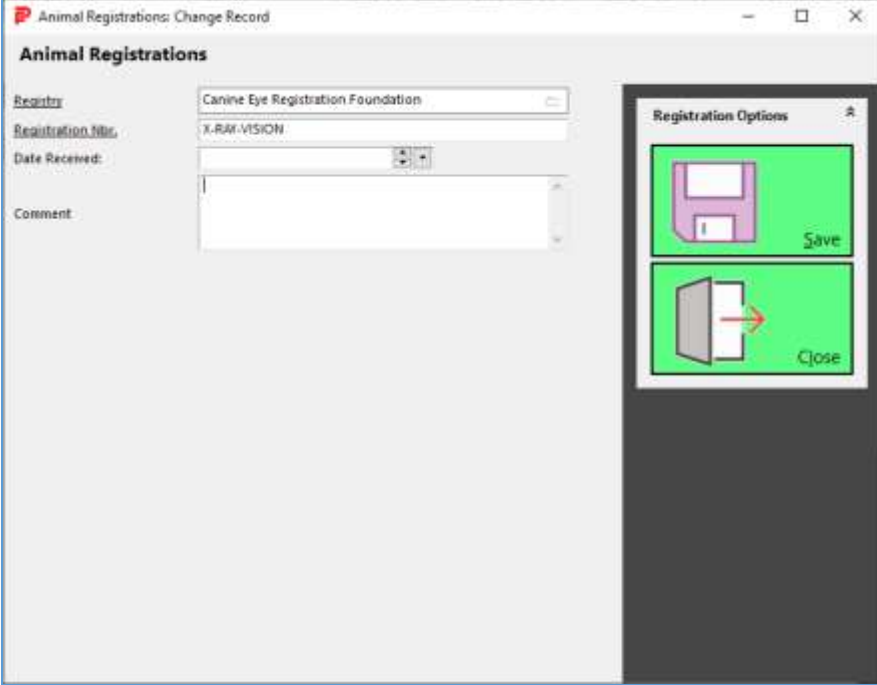
To delete the linked registration from the animal, click or touch the registration and then choose Delete.

To close the Registrations page, click or touch Close and you will be brought back to My Animals.

Animal Registration Pop-Up

When you choose to add or change an entry from the Registrations Page, the Animal Registration Pop-Up appears. This allows you to add a registration to the animal.

The Animal Registration Pop-Up looks like this:

Type in the name of the registry that you wish to look up. Then type in the registration number. Both of these fields are required. You also have an optional free-form comment field.

Click or touch Save to save the registration to the animal. Click or touch Close to close the pop-up window without saving any changes.

Photos Page

iPed™ 10G 2025 enables you to enter numerous photos for each animal, and to control which photo represents the animal on pedigrees. Use the Photos Page to add, change or remove photos from the animal.

The Photos Page looks like this:
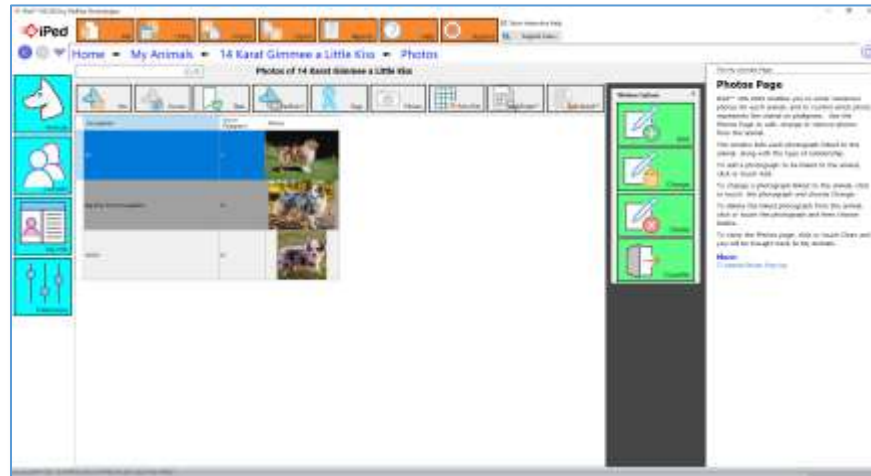
The window lists each photograph linked to the animal, along with the type of relationship.

To add a photograph to be linked to the animal, click or touch Add.

To change a photograph linked to the animal, click or touch the photograph and choose Change.

To delete the linked photograph from the animal, click or touch the photograph and then choose Delete.

To close the Photos page, click or touch Close and you will be brought back to My Animals.

Animal Photo Pop-Up

When you choose to add or change an entry from the Photos Page, the Animal Photograph Pop-Up appears. This allows you to add a photograph to the animal.

The Animal Photo Pop-Up looks like this:
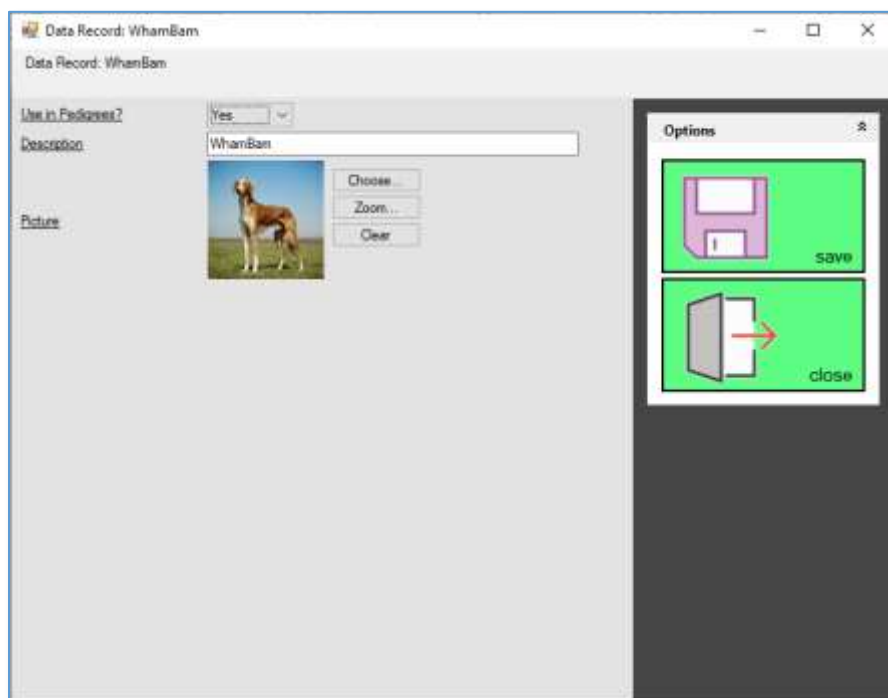
You are presented with three fields, all of which must be filled in:

- **Use in Pedigrees:** choose Yes if you wish to use this photo in pedigrees. Choose No to not use the photo in Pedigrees. NOTE:If no photos have the Yes chosen, pedigrees that need photos will choose the first photo added to the animal. If more than one photo is chosen with Yes, then the first photo in the list with Yes in this field will be used.

- **Description:** This is a free form description of the photo.

- **Picture:** this field is the photo itself. There are three buttons:

  - **Choose:** Click this button in order to be presented with a file open window where you can locate and select a photo. JPG, PNG, BMP formats are all acceptable.

  - **Zoom:** The photo is shown shrunk to fit. Zoom will show the photo actual size, within the space allotted for the photo. Be advised that you will often be unable to see the whole picture.

  - **Clear:** Removes the presently-selected photo. You will need to select a new photo before the save button will activate.
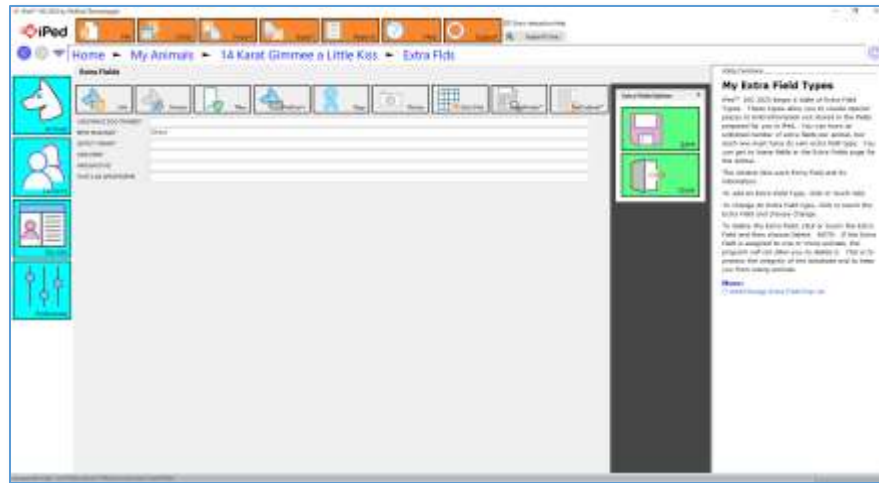
Click or touch Save to save the photo to the animal.

Click or touch Close to close the pop-up without saving your work.

Animal Extra Fields Page

You can use this page to add extra fields to any animal. You can define these fields in the Utility menu, Extra Field types section. Extra fields are printable on pedigrees in iPed™ 10G 2025.

The Animal Extra Fields page looks like this:

You will have one optional field for each field type you create in the program. The field may contain any text or number information. Numbers are treated as text and are not checked or formatted.

Click or touch Save to save the information you type into any of these extra fields. Click or touch Close to close this page and go back to My Animals.

HoleFinder™

The HoleFinder™ feature will analyze your pedigree from anywhere from 5 through 12 generations, and find any missing ancestors. You receive a list of the ancestors with missing parents, as well as an interactive map of pedigree "holes" where an ancestor is missing. You can hover on any map position to see the animal information and click to enter sire and dam to "fill in" the holes.
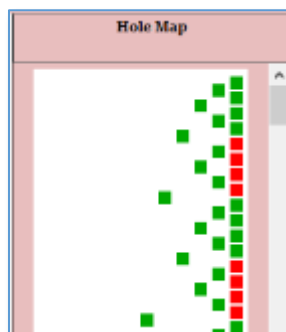
The HoleFinder™ window looks like this:
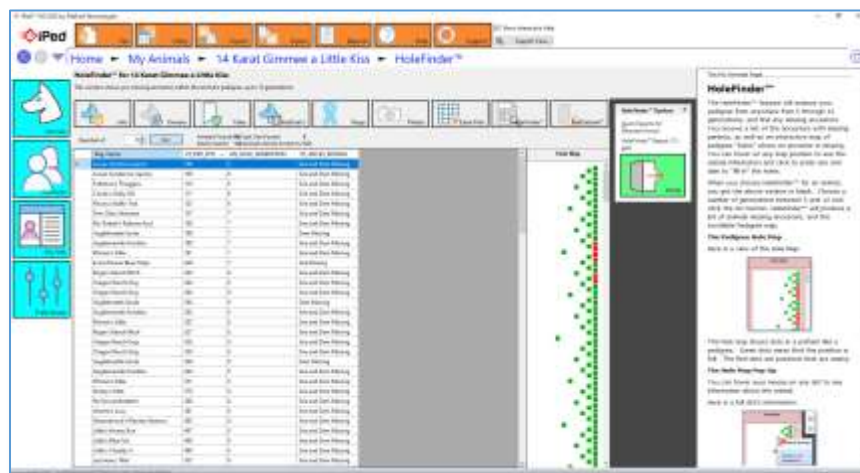
When you choose HoleFinder™ for an animal, you get the above window in blank. Choose a number of generations between 5 and 12 and click the *Go!* button. HoleFinder™ will produce a list of animals missing ancestors, and the scrollable Pedigree map.

The Pedigree Hole Map
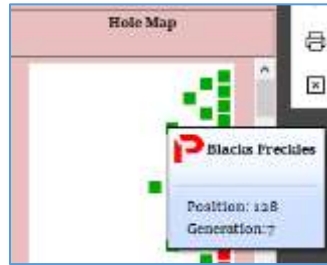
Here is a view of the Hole Map:

The hole map shows dots in a pattern like a pedigree. Green dots mean that the position is full. The Red dots are positions that are empty.

The Hole Map Pop-Up

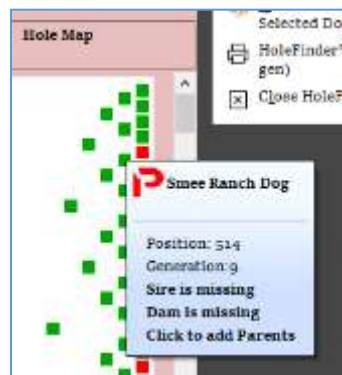You can hover your mouse on any dot to see information about the animal.

Here is a full dot's information:

Here is an empty dot's information:

Here is a full dot with one or more missing parents:

You can click on a full dot with one or more missing parents and receive a popup to enter the ancestors.

Coefficient of Inbreeding

iPed™ 10G 2025 contains a 10-generation calculation mechanism for the Wright Coefficient of Inbreeding. Unlike previous versions of this software, the calculator can calculate up to sixteen (16) generations of ancestry, and "shows its work." It lists all of the ancestor calculation information, enabling you to see how each ancestor figures into the Wright COI calculation.

To access the calculation for any animal, you can go to the Animal's information page, and click or touch the "C.O.I." button. You will be presented with the page where the calculation will take place.

The Coefficient of Inbreeding page looks like this:
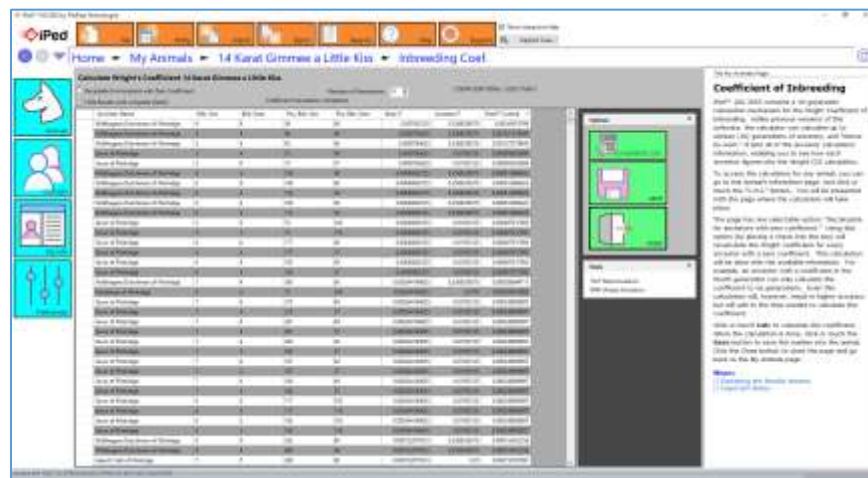
The page has one selectable option: "Recalculate for ancestors with zero coefficient." Using this option (by placing a check into the box) will recalculate the Wright coefficient for every ancestor with a zero coefficient. This calculation will be done with the available information. For example, an ancestor with a coefficient in the fourth generation can only calculate the coefficient to six generations. Even this calculation will, however, result in higher accuracy but will add to the time needed to calculate the coefficient.

Click or touch **Calc** to calculate the coefficient. When the calculation is done, click or touch the **Save** button to save the number into the animal. Click the Close button to close the page and go back to the My Animals page.

Explaining the Results Window

The results window has one line for each line connecting a common ancestor between the Sire and the Dam. Once a common ancestor is counted once, its direct ancestors are no longer counted. This is in accordance with the calculations for the Coefficient of Inbreeding.

You may see one ancestor appear several times as it connects to the corresponding ancestor on the other side of the pedigree.

The entries you will see for each line are:

- **Ancestor Name:** The registered name of the ancestor.

- **Beh, Sire:** The number of generations this occurrence of the ancestor lies behind the animal's sire.

- **Beh. Dam:** The number of generations this occurrence of the ancestor lies behind the dam.

- **Pos. Behind Sire:** the Ahnentafel position on the sire's side of the pedigree for this ancestor.

- **Pos. Behind Dam:** the Ahnentafel position on the dam's side of the pedigree for this ancestor.

- **Basic F:** The amount of inbreeding added to the coefficient because of this connection, *without* counting the ancestor's coefficient. The Coefficient formula is:

$$F_x = \sum ((0.5^{n+n!+1})(1 + F_a))$$

  ...in which Fx and Fa are the coefficients for the individual and the common ancestor, respectively, and N and N! are the number of generations between the common ancestor and the sire and dam, respectively. This number omits the "(1+Fa)" part of the calculation.

- **Ancestor F:** The Coefficient of Inbreeding for the Ancestor. If you have checked off the "Recalculate for ancestors" option, the program will recalculate the coefficient to the number of generations available to it.

- **Total F Contrib:** The total contribution, taking into account the Ancestor F, for this occurrence.

Important Notes

You need to be aware of some critical bits of information. First of all, it is possible to **skew the results** and over-report the coefficient of inbreeding by filling in open pedigree slots with "unknown" or "not recorded" or some other entry. That will be stored by the program as an animal and will be consistently used in the calculations as a common ancestor.

If you want an accurate inbreeding coefficient, you should <u>never</u> use dummy placeholder animals to indicate an empty pedigree spot. Please leave the spot empty. Moreover, HoleFinder™, designed to help you navigate to pedigree holes and fill them in will not function properly, and the Sire / Dam indicator in the My Animals page will not be accurate.

PedCabinet™

PedCabinet™ File Storage Optional Feature

PedCabinet™ is an optional feature that enables you to store files and documents in your database. When you activate your program, or when you use PedCabinet for the first time (whichever comes first), you have 14 days to try the feature out. After 14 days, you will need to purchase the PedCabinet™ option in order to continue to use it.

In iPed™ 10G 2025, PedCabinet enables you to store documents for Individual Animals.

Each Animal has its own storage area inside our database. We call those individual areas **PedCabinets**.

You can drag files from your computer's disk drive into PedCabinet™ and once they are in, you don't need to keep them on the disk drive anymore, because they are now inside your database file. This offers you additional security since any files in PedCabinet are automatically backed up along with your database file.

You open the animal and click the PedCabinet™ button, and you will get the PedCabinet page.

PedCabinet looks like this:

There are a couple of ways to add and work with the files in your PedCabinet™. There are buttons and you can also drag and drop files from Windows into the PedCabinet.

PedCabinet's buttons:

	Add a file: Click this button to add a file to this PedCabinet.
	Delete a file: Click one or more files (multiple select by holding down CTRL and clicking multiple files, and then click this button to remove files from this PedCabinet. **Note: Once you confirm the deletion, the files are permanently removed from the PedCabinet and this action cannot be undone.**
	Preview a file: Click one file and click this to preview the file in the PedCabinet. Previewing is described in detail later.
	Open a file: Click one file and click this button to open the file with the program that you have in Windows to open the type of file that is selected.
	Save a file: Click one file and click this button to save the selected file to your computer. This makes a copy of the file on your computer, but does **not** delete the file from the PedCabinet.
Tiled	Shows icon and "tiles" containing information. Like this:
Large Icons	Shows Large Icons with names. Like this:
Small Icons	Shows Small icons to the left of the description. Like this:
List	Shows a list of icons and names. Like this:

	Produce a fully detailed and sortable list.
Details	Like this:

Dragging and Dropping

You can drag one or more files from a Windows Explorer window into the large white area. You will then get an add/change information window to add information to each of the dragged file(s) and store them into your database.

Right Click Menu:

You can right click on any file and receive a context menu. The right click menu for a file looks like this:

You have the following menu options:

1.   **Open:** Open the selected document with the program that Windows has for that file.

2.   **Preview:** Preview the file using the PedCabinet™ Preview Window.

3.   **Change Info:** Change the information for the file (but not the file itself) in the PedCabinet™

4.   **Delete:** Delete the file.

Add or Change File Information

When you choose to add a file to the PedCabinet, either by choosing it with the Add File button or by dragging files into the PedCabinet, you will be asked for information.

The Add or Change File Information window looks like this:

You have the following fields:

1. **Description/Note:** Type in a free form description of the file.

2. **File Name:** (only appears when adding a single file) This is a file name for the file. It is filled in with the file name of the file and can be any valid windows file name (without folders).

3. **Comment:** Enter any free form comment that you want to associate with this file.

Click the Save link to save the file(s) and information into the selected animal's PedCabinet. Click the Close link to close without saving.

The PedCabinet™ Preview Window

PedCabinet™ empowers you to preview its files within the program. Previews are supported for:

4.   Images

5.   Word Documents

6.   Rich Text (RTF) Files

7.   PDF Documents

Here is a sample preview:
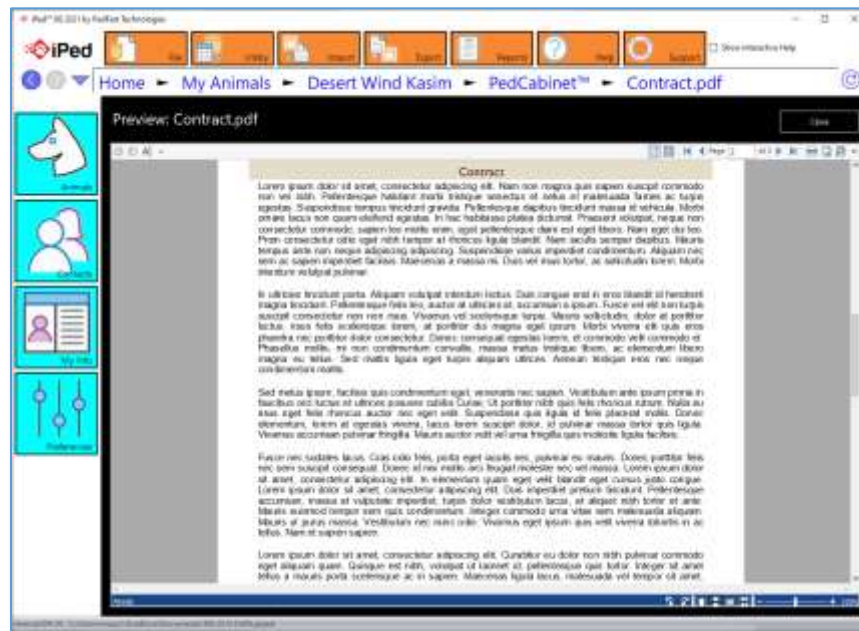
You can preview a file by clicking to select a file and clicking the preview button, or by right clicking and choosing Preview.

MegaPed™ Pedigree Printing

MegaPed™ 2020 - An Introduction

IPed™ 10G 2025 uses PedFast Technologies' MegaPed printing engine to create customizable pedigrees. In order to use MegaPed in the program, you go to the My Animals page, and double-click / double-touch an animal or click / touch an animal and then click/touch the MegaPed button on the Animal Info page. The MegaPed window then appears, and previews the pedigree using the latest settings.

The MegaPed window looks like this:

MegaPed is a tabbed window, similar to what you will see in Microsoft Office products.

You may go between the tabs, adjusting the look and feel of the pedigree. Then you can press the Preview button to see the pedigree.

Once you like what you see, choose the PDF button to print the pedigree into a PDF file, or the Print button to output the pedigree onto your default printer.

The close button is at the **lower right hand corner of the page.**

The MegaPed window tabs are explained below:

The MegaPed™ 2020 Home Tab

The HomeTab comes up- when you first start MegaPed. There are several groups that give you options.

The Render Group

This group has the buttons in it to:

- **Preview:** Render the pedigree again in the window, using the settings presently set for MegaPed.

- **Print:** Render the pedigree using the settings set for MegaPed, to the printer you have attached to the computer. *NOTE: Changing the paper size or the orientation in the printer settings will not change the layout of the pedigree.*

- **PDF:** Render the pedigree using the settings set for MegaPed, to an Adobe® Acrobat® PDF file. You will be asked for the file name of the PDF file to save. *NOTE: Changing the paper size or the orientation in the printer settings will not change the layout of the pedigree.*

The Layout/Format Group

This group allows you to choose a layout and /or change the pedigree format to be used.

What is a pedigree layout?

A pedigree layout is a choice of format (see below), fonts, colors, fields, logo, watermarks – everything needed to render the pedigree as you specify.

When you choose an existing layout, it will set the values for all of these items. Anything you have set previously will be erased unless you choose to save a new layout before you change to a different one.

What is a Pedigree Format?

The pedigree format is the "blank form" of the pedigree. The page size, orientation, background, lines, number of generations, and a base font have been selected. If you change pedigree format, you can then adjust the other settings, preview and see what you get.

The program comes with several formats pre-installed. Coming soon, the Pedigree Power Packs will be available for this version of MegaPed, and will appear in this list.

The Print Options Group

The print options group lets you turn certain parts of the pedigree on or off. You have the following print options that can be switched on or off:

- Logo

- Watermark

- Animal Picture

- Ancestor Pictures

- Certification
- Pedigree Lines
- SuperFields™

Click or touch the button so that it looks indented to select to print the option; click or touch the button so that it does not appear indented to select not to print.

The Formatting Group

This group has one control that controls how long pedigree lines are handled. If the line is longer than the space allotted for it, MegaPed will attempt to get control over it by doing what this control tells it. You have the following options for when the name is too long:

- **Use Settings in Format**: The pedigree format determines the settings.for long names.

- **Shrink name to Fit**: MegaPed reduces the font size until the name fits into the space that is provided for the name.

- **Make name field wider**: MegaPed tries to expand the name field to fit the name. This can cause names to run together.

- **Wrap text to next line**: MegaPed tries to wrap the text onto the next line. This can cause text to collide with lines 2 and 3.

- **Let Name be Chopped Off**: MegaPed lets the name get chopped off when the place is filled up.

Note: If Superfields are on, this feature is disabled.

Avoiding weird looking pedigrees:

To avoid weird font sizes, try these strategies:

1. Put only the animal's Titled name on line 1 (see the Fields Tab).
2. Choose "narrow" fonts if your animal names are long (see the Fonts Tab).

The Help Group

This group has one control: A check box.

If the check box is checked then the Help pane will appear with help for the active part of MegaPed. If the check box is not checked, the help pane will be hidden.

The Fonts Tab

The Fonts tab allows you to choose font face, weight and color for the pedigree elements. You can also choose the color of the lines in the pedigree.

Here's a sample font selection:

Use the drop down to select a font face from the fonts installed into your computer. MegaPed always controls the size of the font.

          This is the button you use to choose the font face of the pedigree element. When you click this button, you will have a pop-up with a drop-down with all of the fonts in your computer available. Choose a single font and click OK.

     Use this button to choose a color for the font or for the pedigree lines.

     Use this button to toggle between regular and bold weight for the Font.

     Use this button to toggle font underlining on and off

     Use this button to choose between regular or italic emphasis for the font.

You can select fonts for:

- Headline (the big line at pedigree top)
- My Info (your information from My Info page)
- Animal Names: You have two selections here:
  - Titled: Animals with titles
  - Untitled: Animals without titles.
- Certification: An optional certification paragraph printed at the bottom of the pedigree.
- Pedigree lines: Choose a color for the lines in the pedigree format.

The Fields Tab

The Fields tab is where you set up the fields to print on the pedigree.

The Field Setup Group

Each animal in the pedigree, depending on position, may have 1-3 lines. You can directly edit the fields on each line, or drag selected fields from the list onto L1, L2 or L3.

Generally, for the best look on narrower pedigrees, consider just the titled name on line 1.

The SuperFields™ Group

New to MegaPed™ with the 2020 version are SuperFields™ Instead of one to three lines of straight text, SuperFields use HTML technology to render animal name and supplemental information with much more control over their appearance.

Without SuperFields:

With SuperFields:

SuperFields™ control word wrapping, offer a better fit into the pedigree format, and offer an indentation to make for clearer reading. Here is the SuperField Group:

You have four check boxes:

- **Use SuperFields™:** If this is checked, MegaPed™ 2020 will employ SuperFields technology to render the pedigree. *The pedigree format may not allow SuperFields to render as expected. Experiment with font faces and settings, and save what you like as a new Layout.*

- **Reduce Lines 2+:** The Line 1 contents will be rendered at the normal font size of the format. All fields placed into L2 and L3 will be reduced to a different font size. *This option will be disabled unless a check box appears in Use SuperFields™.*

- **Indent Lines 2+:** Line 1 contents will not be indented; all contents of Line 2 and Line 3 will be indented. *This option will be disabled unless a check box appears in Use SuperFields™.*

- **Last Gen L1 only:** If checked, SuperFields will not add any fields on L2 or L3 to the last generation, and for the next-to-last generation, it will not add fields placed on L3. *This option will be disabled unless a check box appears in Use SuperFields™.*

The Certification Group

There are three lines for you to type in any certification information you wish to print onto the pedigree. This will or won't appear based on the Print Options that are set on the Home Tab.

The Other Group

There is a field for the Title of the pedigree, for what text, if any, you wish to print in front of the target animal's name in the title line of the pedigree format.

There is also a check box, "Omit Animal Name from Title," which will print only the text in the title. This can be used to set up a title that is only the kennel name or some other value that does not need the animal's name.

After you make any changes here, press the preview button to see the changes in the preview window. You can do this as often as you want to get the pedigree to look the way that you want it.

The Graphics Tab

This is the tab where graphical additions to the pedigree are controlled.

The Logo Group

You can add logos to the pedigree. Logos are small graphics, as close to square as possible, that print to the left of your information in most formats.

You can use the Add Logo button to choose a file (BMP, JPG, PNG) to be your logo. You can click on the logo you want in the format. You can also toggle whether or not the logo prints on this pedigree. The check box here is the same setting found in the Home tab on the Print Options group.

The Watermark Group

You can add watermarks to the pedigree. Watermarks are that print faded behind the pedigree information. MegaPed supports text watermarks as well as graphical ones.

You can use the Add Watermark button to choose a file (BMP, JPG, PNG) to be your watermark. You can click on the watermark you want in the format. You can also toggle whether or not the watermark prints on this pedigree. The check box here is the same setting found in the Home tab on the Print Options group.

For the text watermark, you can type in the text, choose the amount of fade (light, medium or dark) and the font face, as well as bold, underline or italic.

The Legends Tab

The Legends Tab in MegaPed is used to specify legends that can be printed in the pedigree before and after certain fields. For example, if in the Fields Tab, you choose [Date-of-Birth], MegaPed will, *if the field is present on the animal,* print any legends you choose.

For example, if the Legends are set like this:

And the animal has a date of birth of 1/15/2000, MegaPed would print **DOB: 1/15/2000.**

The Right Legend: You can set up a legend on one or both sides of the field. For example, you can put "(" on the Legend Left of the registration number, and ")" on the Legend Right, and MegaPed™ 2020 will render non-blank registration numbers as "(AA123123/45)" if the number is AA123123/45.

If you uncheck the Show box, Legends won't be used. For specific fields, you can also blank out the legend or key in new legends for any field.

Double-click the box for the field, type or remove the information in the legend, and press Enter.

The My Contacts Page

The My Contacts Page: Overview

Whenever you touch or click the My Contacts button, you will receive the My Contacts page. This page features a list of contacts in the program. Contacts are persons who own, breed, sell or purchase contacts. You also have a means to rapidly move through the list, as well as links to add, change or delete contact records in the database.

The My Contacts Page looks like this:

Clicking or using the arrow keys to scroll up and down through the list will change the current contact in the list that is selected. You can then choose to edit the contact record you selected from the right side command list, or you can click touch or any button on the right side of the page to perform the described action on the contact.

To add a contact to the database, click or touch the Create button on the right hand side of the page.

To delete a contact, you click or touch the delete button on the right hand side of the page.

Add / Change Contact Page

The Contact Information Page is where you add or change the basic information for an individual contact. You have several fields with which to work, as well as choices of other pages of contact information.

The Add/Change Contact Page looks like this:

You can click the Field Chooser Button to Choose to hide non-required fields that you do not want to use.

As with all pages in iPed™ 10G 2025, the required fields have underlined descriptions. In the case of this window, only the name is required.

You have the following fields to work with:

1.   **Name:** Required This is the name of the contact.

2.   **Company Name:** Use this field for a kennel, cattery or business name.

3.   **Address 1:** Address Line 1

4.   **Address 2:** Address Line 2

5.   **City:** City

6.   **State/Region:** State or region or prefecture.

7.   **Zip/Postal Code:** Zip or postal code.

8.   **Country:** Country

9.   **Email Address:** Email address of the contact.

10. **Contact URL:** The web site for this contact.

11. **Phone #1:** Phone number 1.

12. **Phone #2:** Phone number 2.

13. **Type:** Choose a contact type from the list or type in a new one to do a Quick add of the contact type.

14. **Comment:** Enter a free form comment of up to any length here for internal reference. This comment is not available on reports and may be treated confidentially.

Click or touch Save to save the contact to the database.

Click or touch Close to close the page and go back to the My Contacts Page.

Related Animals

The Contacts window has two Work with windows that show animals related to a specific type of Contact by the type of Relationship the contact has to the animal.

After selecting the contact, you need only to choose the window by clicking the appropriate icon. When you do so, you receive a window listing the animals, if any, and the relationship that the animal has to the contact. You have the following options:

28.
    Animals Owned by the contact.
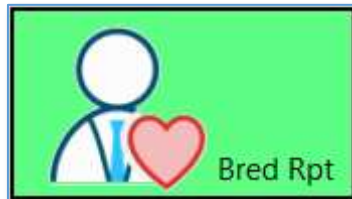
29.
    Animals Bred by the contact.

Here is a sample of the Owned By window:
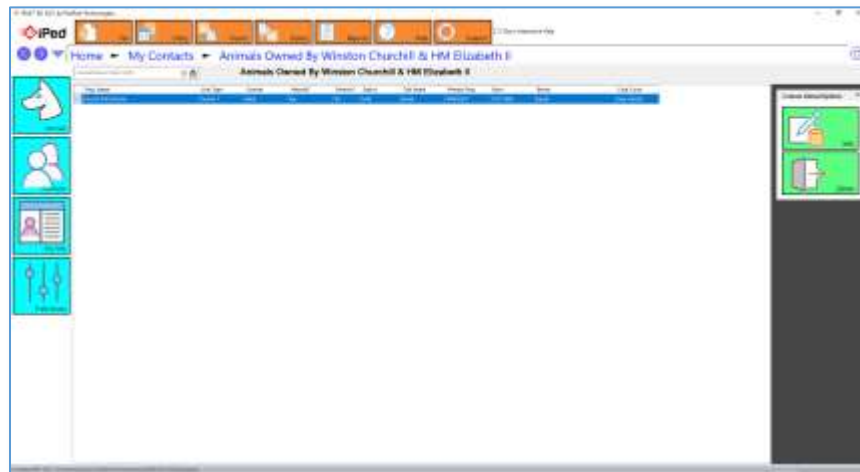
For any animal listed, you can right click on the animal and choose a menu option to access the animal's information:

You can open the selected animal's information window with the Info button:
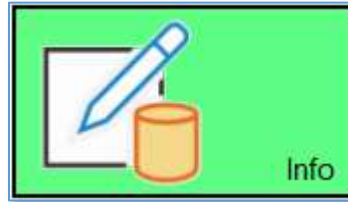
BXF Import and Export

BXF Importing and Exporting – An Introduction

One of the things many people wish to do is to accumulate a sharable database of dog ancestry, to make their mutual pedigree entry chores easier. In order to do this, a pedigree program needs to be able to correctly notice when a dog to be imported from someone else's data is already on the database, and to act accordingly.

The Breeder's Standard 3.0™ solved that problem in 1994 when it introduced BXF™ - short for **B**reeder's E**X**change **F**ormat. BXF is designed to smart-merge with data already on your computer. The file it produces is large, but it can be read with the naked eye using a word processor.

The latest BXF incarnation now relies most heavily on matching registered names to determine if a dog on the database is represented by incoming data. So, missing or duplicate registration numbers do not cause improper imports.

Importing a BXF File

Caution: *__Always do a complete backup just prior to importing a BXF file__*. With iPed™ 10G 2025, this is as easy as closing the program and making a copy of the .ptped database file.

PedFast Technologies™ is not liable for data errors caused by the use of BXF to import a data file, and you need to be sure to protect your data beforehand. This will allow you to recover if there is a problem with the import data file or with the data of the person who is keeping the records.

For example, if that person messed up on the pedigree, BXF will import the parental links, so you will end up with changed pedigrees yourself. Be careful!

To import, choose the "Import BCF File" option from the Kennel tab. This will bring up the BXF Import window.

The BXF Import Window looks like this:
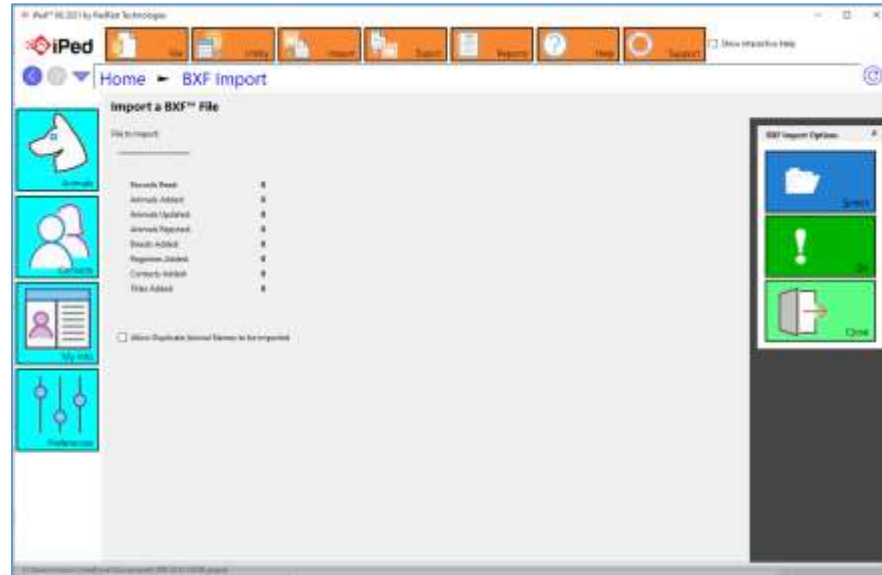
Click or touch the "Select" button to look up the BXF file you wish to import. When chosen, Click or touch the "Go" button, and iPed™ 10G 2025 will begin to work. You will see the progress. When the import is completed, you will see a pop-up message indicating successful completion.

Allow Duplicate Animal Names to be Imported: This check box, if checked, will let two animals with the same name and/or registration number to be put into the program. This is useful **only** if you know that there are different dogs with the same name and/or number in the database. Otherwise, we do **not** recommend its use. **This feature disables Smart Merge.**

Exporting data to a BXF File

You can share the data in your database (unless you purchased records that are marked for no export) by exporting one or all breeds in the kennel to a BXF file. To do this, you simply choose the "Export..." option in the Kennel menu, or you click the export button on the Speed bar. This will open the BXF Export window.

The Export to BXF Page looks like this:
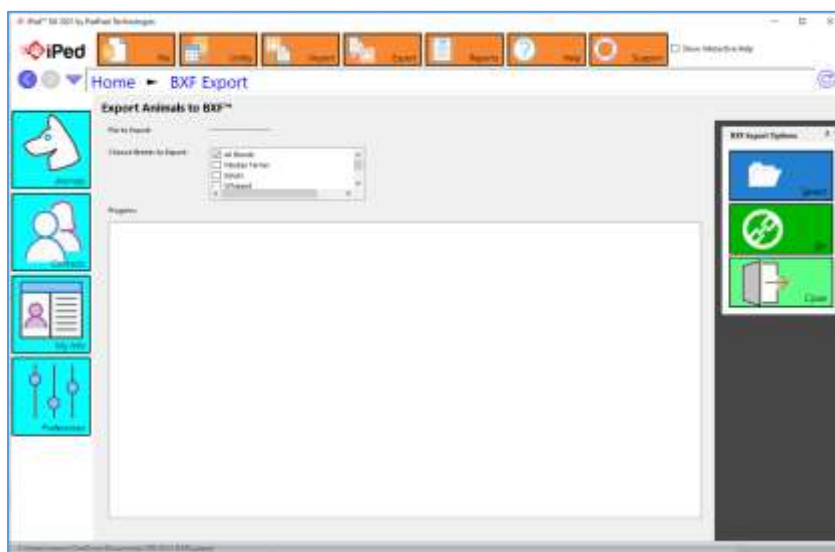
Click or touch the Select button to choose the name and location of the BXF file you wish to export.

Then, you can choose to export all breeds, or choose one or more breeds to export. All breeds with dogs are listed in the window. Check and uncheck as you see fit, but **at least one box must be checked off.**

Then when these items are set, you click or touch the "Go" button to export the breed records you have selected. Records that you have purchased and are marked in our system as "no export" will not be exported, either as animals or their parentage.

The Progress window will update as the records you have chosen are exported. When the export is completed, iPed™ 10G 2025 will inform you of this fact.

Reporting

The iPed™ 10G Reporting Engine

iPed™ 10G 2025 contains reporting features, including eight (8) reports about the animals stored in your database.

Choose a Report

When you wish to select a report, you choose the Reports button on the main window:

When you do so, you receive the iPed™ 8G report selection window.

The selection window looks like this:

You are presented with a list of hyperlinked reports. To display one of the reports, simply click on the report name. The report will generate and the preview window for that report will appear.

The Report Preview Window
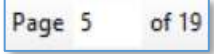
When you select a report, iPed™ 10G 2025 presents a preview of the report. The preview shows al of the pages of the report, and gives you power to do many things, such as finding specific things within the report, printing it to paper, or saving it to HTML or a PDF document.

The iPed™ 8G Report preview window looks like this:
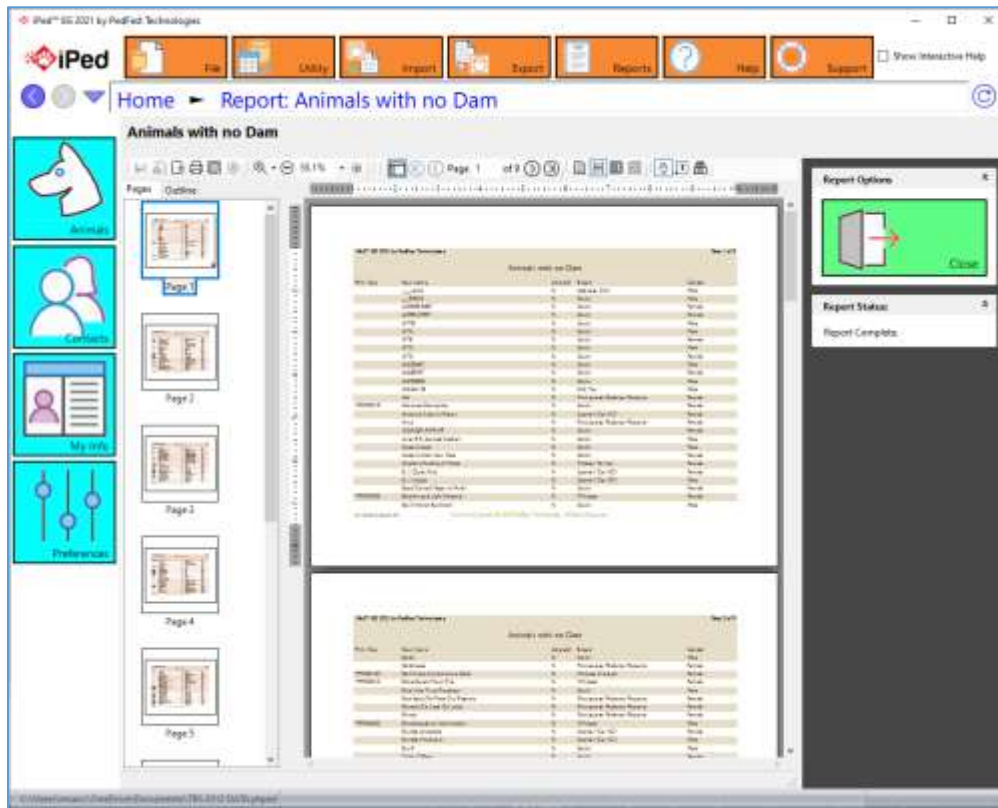
The Report Preview window permits you to navigate through the pages of the report. There is a page navigation strip on the left of the window. There is also a tool bar. The tool bar has many options:

🖫	**Save a PDF file with the report in it.** The Breeder's Standard 2020 supports PDF exports of your reports. No PDF driver is needed.
🗏	**Page Setup.** Lets you adjust the paper size, the margins, and orientation. This will affect how many pages the report renders onto, within limits.
🖶	**Print**. Sends this report to the printer to be put onto paper. Uses your default printer, but you can choose other printers.

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	Reflow. This reloads the report from the data that was read from the program to create the report. Useful to reformat the report after changing settings in Page Setup.
	Zoom tool. Use the drop down to choose a tool to zoom in or out.
	Zoom out. Will make the page images in the main preview window smaller.
100% ▾	**Zoom Display.** Shows what the current zoom size is for the main preview, and allows you to drop down to choose a preset zoom size.
	Zoom in. Will make the page images in the main preview window Larger.
	First Page. Jump to the first page of the report.
	Previous Page. Go back one page. This is greyed out and does not work on page 1 of the report.
Page 5 of 19	**Page Place.** Shows what page is displayed. Shows total pages in the report. You can type in a page number to jump to that page.
	Next Page. Go forward one page. This is greyed out and will not work if the past page of the report is displayed.
	Last Page. Jump to the last page of the report.
	View buttons. These four buttons control the report view. You can view: Full page, continuous, two pages facing or four pages at a time.
	Hand cursor. Set your mouse pointer into a "hand" that grabs a page and moves it up and down.
	Text Select Tool. Select part of the text in a report and copy and paste it.
	Search. Activate the search pane.

Searching a report with the Report Search Pane

When you click the ⬚ button in a report preview window, you choose to start the search pane. This is extremely useful in searching large reports.
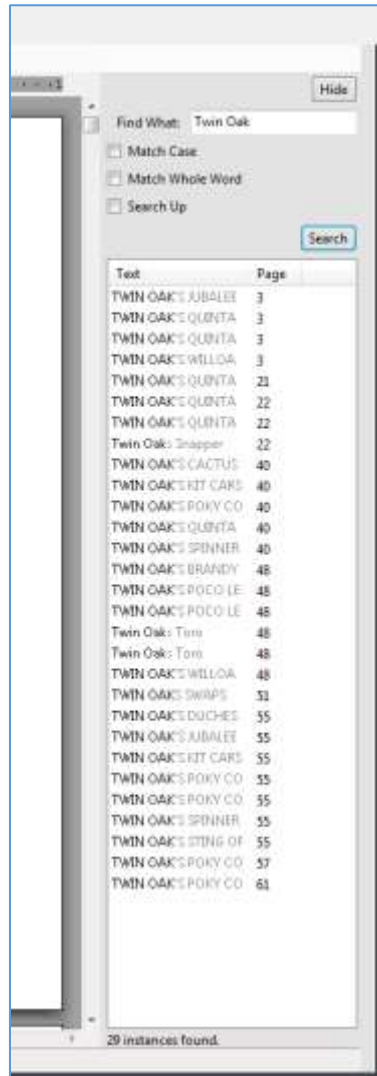
The Report Search Pane has these controls:
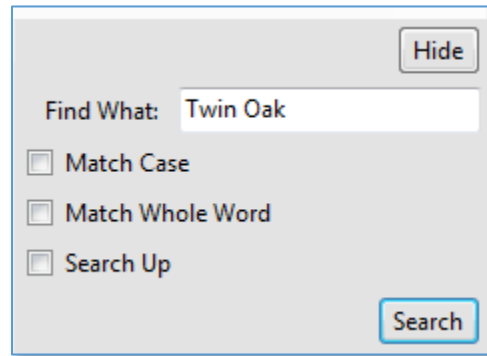
You type in the phrase or character's you want to search for, and the search pane shows all occurrences of the search string in the pane when you click the **Search** button. You can choose to search up, match character case, and only select whole words that match, or any combination.

Double clicking on a found search term scrolls the report to that term, and highlights the term.

Clicking the **Hide** button hides the search pane.
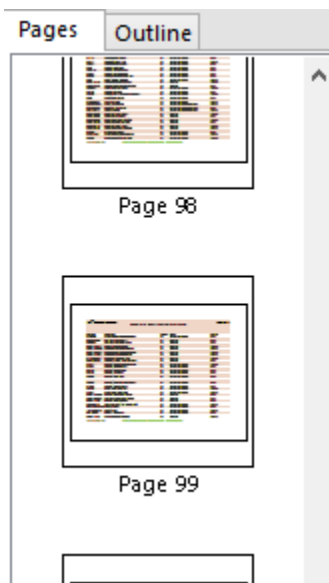
The pages list on the left side allows you to see thumbnails of all of the report pages. Click on a thumbnail to jump to that page.

Utility Functions

The Utility Menu

iPed™ 10G 2025 keeps its utility functions on the Utility Menu. To get to the utility menu, touch or click this button on the main window:

Doing so will present the Utility menu.

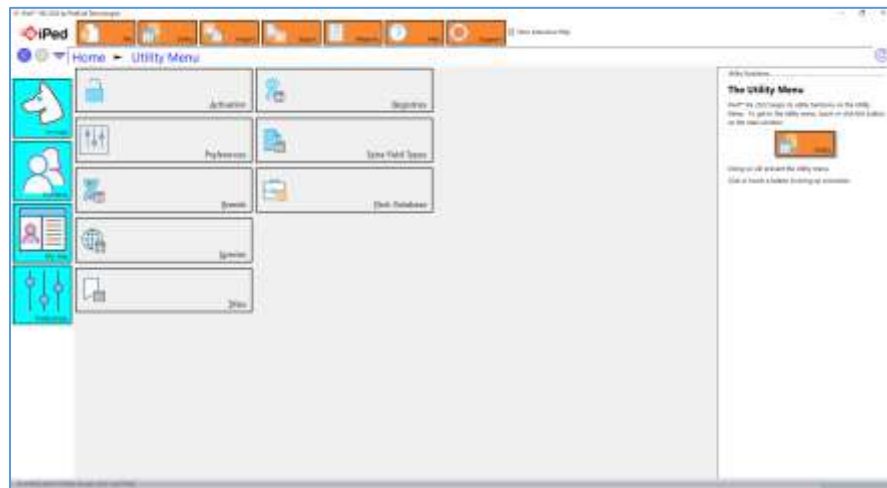The Utility Menu looks like this:

Click or touch a button to bring up a function.

My Breeds

iPed™ 10G 2025 keeps a table of breeds for the animals you keep in its database. You assign a breed to an animal when you import the animal or when you create an animal record in the Animal info page.

The My Breeds page looks like this:

The window lists each breed and its information.

To add a breed, click or touch Add.

To change a breed, click or touch the breed and choose Change.

To delete the breed, click or touch the breed and then choose Delete. *NOTE: If the breed is assigned to one or more animals, the program will not allow you to delete it. This is to protect the integrity of the database and to keep you from losing animals.*

Add/Change Breed Pop-Up

When you choose to add or change a breed, you will receive the Add/Change Breed Pop-Up. This pop-up window will collect the breed information and then save the record.

The Add/Change Breed Pop-Up looks like this:
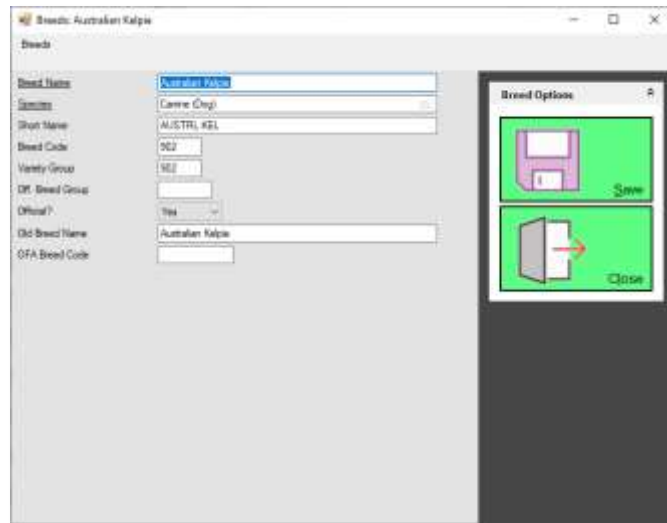
The fields you may enter are:

1. **Breed Name:** Required. The name of the breed.

2. **Species:** Required. Type in the species of this breed of animals. The Species may be entered on the Species page in the Utility menu.

3. **Short Name:** Used as a short (15 or fewer characters) name of the breed for reference purposes.

4. **Breed Code:** Used for an ID code in animal registries that have breed codes for competition or other purposes (e.g., the American Kennel Club).

5. **Variety Group:** Used to group varieties together to indicate that the "Breed" record is for a variety of breed. For example, you would enter the same code for Smooth and wire haired fox terriers because they may be crossbred and still registerable as pure-bred.

6. **Off. Breed Group:** This is the breed group number for registries that group breeds for competition purposes.

7. **Official?:** Choose YES if this breed is officially recognized by your registry, no otherwise.

8. **Old Breed Name: Used for backward compatibility to merge breeds properly from older PedFast Technology programs.**

9. **OFA Breed Code:** Used to contain the two-or-three-character breed code used by the Orthopaedic Foundation for Animals for this breed. In future versions, this will permit the program to import OFA downloads directly into it.

Click or touch Save to save the information into the database.

Click or touch Close to close the pop-up without saving any information.

My Titles

iPed™ 10G 2025 keeps a table of titles for the animals you keep in its database. You assign a title to an animal when you import the animal or when you create an animal record in the Animal info page.

The My Titles page looks like this:

The window lists each title and its information.

To add a title, click or touch Add.

To change a title, click or touch the title and choose Change.

To delete the title, click or touch the title and then choose Delete. *NOTE: If the title is assigned to one or more animals, the program will not allow you to delete it. This is to protect the integrity of the database and to keep you from losing animals.*

Add/Change Title Pop-Up

When you choose to add or change a title, you will receive the Add/Change Title Pop-Up. This pop-up window will collect the title information and then save the record.

The Add/Change Title Pop-Up looks like this:
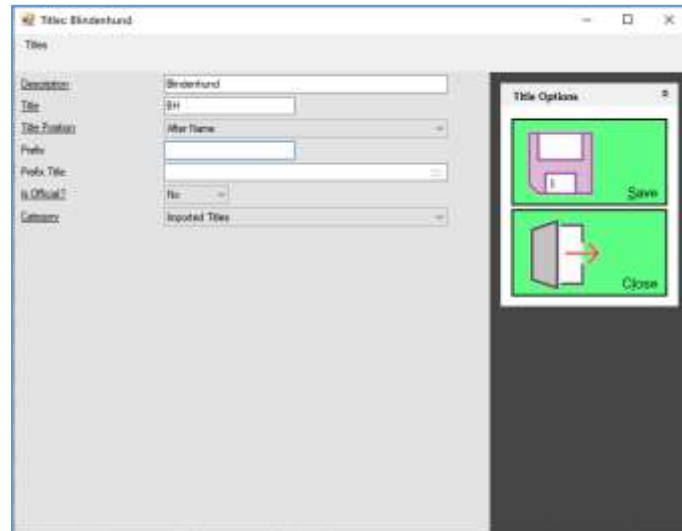
The fields you may enter are:

1. **Description:** Required. The long name of the title.

2. **Title:** Required. The characters that make up the title.

3. **Title Code:** Required. An unique number used to identify the title internally. It must be unique; no other title may have the code.

4. **Title Position:** Choose **BEFORE NAME** for titles that go before the animal name, and **AFTER NAME** for those titles that go after the animal name.

5. **Prefix:** If you have compound titles, such as **BIS BISS Am. Can. Ch.**, on the BISS Ch. Title, for example, you would put in BIS. Then if the animal has multiple championships, you can select these titles:

   1. **BIS Champion**

   2. **BISS Champion**

   3. **American Champion**

   4. **Canadian Champion**

   5. **Champion**

   Then, if the animal's prefix title (see below) is on the animal, the program will use the Prefix characters instead of the Title characters. This is optional.

6. **Prefix Title:** Type in the description of the title to look for as a condition to use the Prefix instead of the full title. This is optional.

7.   **Official: Choose yes if this title is issued by the primary registry and should be printed on show entry forms.**

8.   **Category:** Choose Basic Titles or Imported Titles. Any title imported into the program by BXF will have the Imported category assigned by the program.

Click or touch Save to save the information into the database.

Click or touch Close to close the pop-up without saving any information.

My Species

iPed™ 10G 2025 keeps a table of species for the animals you keep in its database. You assign a species to an animal when you import the animal or when you create an animal record in the Animal info page.

The My Species page looks like this:
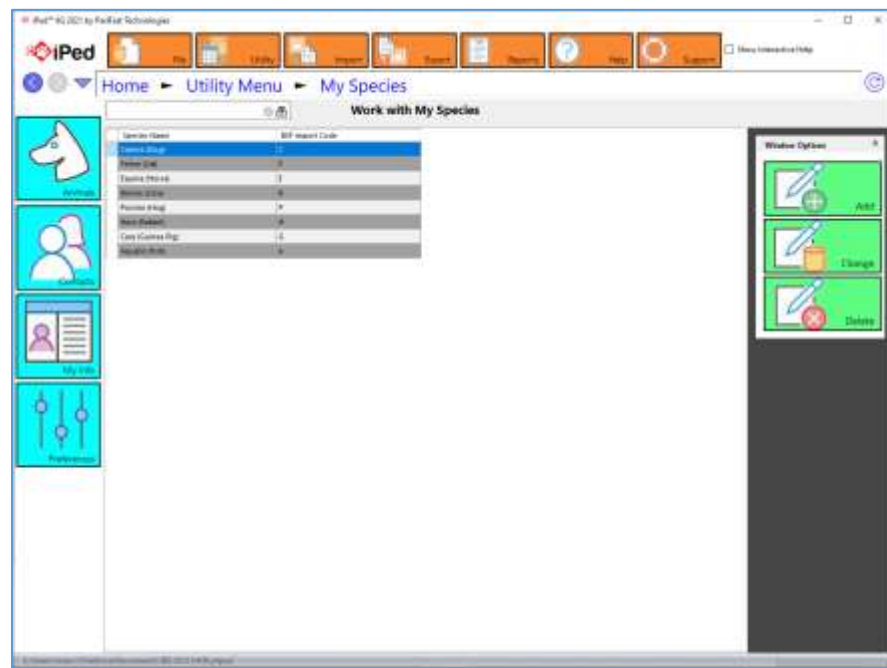
The window lists each species and its information.

To add a species, click or touch Add.

To change a species, click or touch the species and choose Change.

To delete the species, click or touch the species and then choose Delete. *NOTE: If the species is assigned to one or more breeds, the program will not allow you to delete it. This is to protect the integrity of the database and to keep you from losing information.*

Add/Change Species Pop-Up

When you choose to add or change a species, you will receive the Add/Change Species Pop-Up. This pop-up window will collect the species information and then save the record.

The Add/Change Species Pop-Up looks like this:
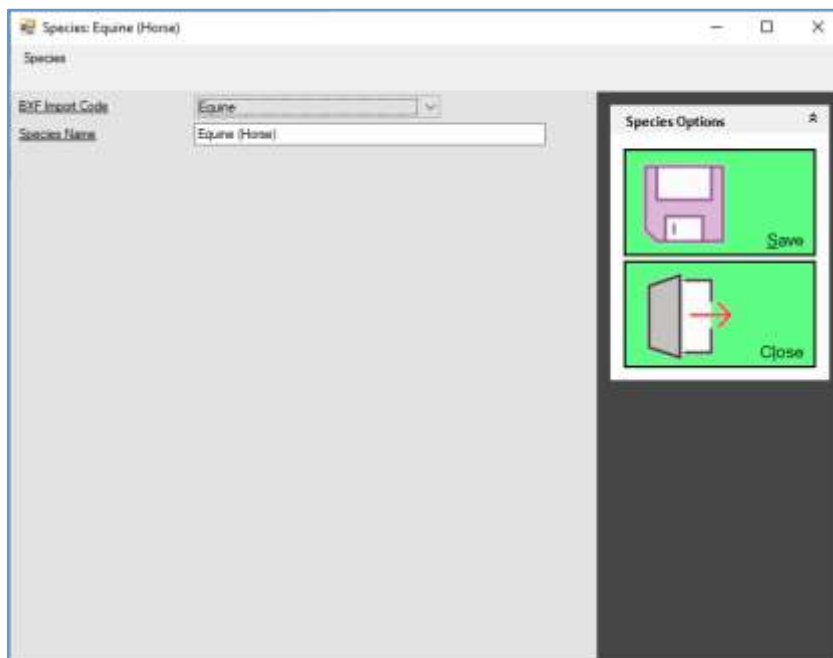
The fields you may enter are:

1. **BXF Import Code:** Required. Choose the BXF Import Code type to give any breeds imported the correct species. If the species type is not listed, choose OTHER.

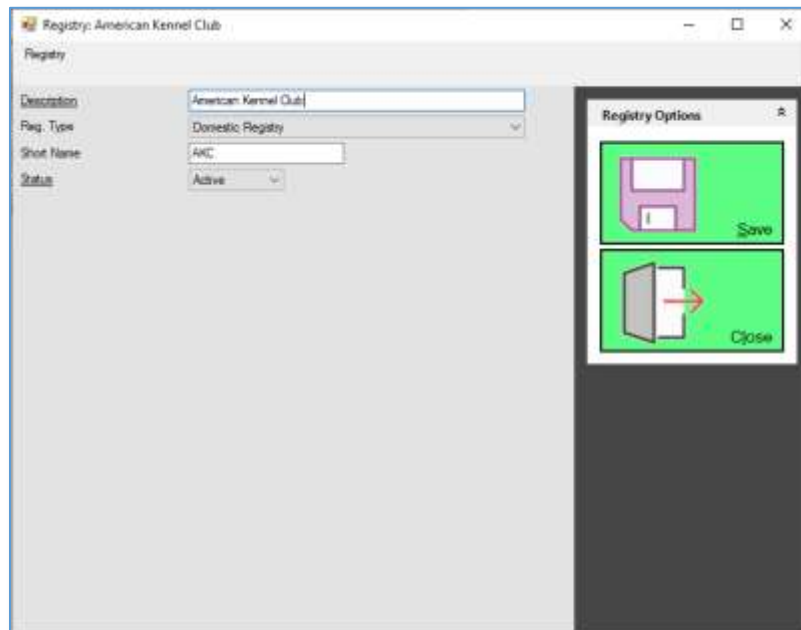2. **Species Name:** Required. The descriptive name of the species.

Click or touch Save to save the information into the database.

Click or touch Close to close the pop-up without saving any information.

My Registries

iPed™ 10G 2025 keeps a table of registries and certifications (e.g., OFA, CERF) for the animals you keep in its database. You assign registrations, linked to the animals to an animal when you import the animal or when you create an animal record in the Animal info page (for primary registration) or in the My Regs page for the animal for all other registrations and certifications.

The My Registries page looks like this:

The window lists each registry and its information.

To add a registry, click or touch Add.

To change a registry, click or touch the registry and choose Change.

To delete the registry, click or touch the registry and then choose Delete. *NOTE: If the registry is assigned to one or more registrations on animals, the program will not allow you to delete it. This is to protect the integrity of the database and to keep you from losing animals.*

Add/Change Registry Pop-Up

When you choose to add or change a registry, you will receive the Add/Change Registry Pop-Up. This pop-up window will collect the registry information and then save the record.

The Add/Change Registry Pop-Up looks like this:

The fields you may enter are:

1. **Description:** Required. The long name of the registry.

2. **Registry Type:** Choose from one of these types by typing in the name into the lookup control to select:

    a) Domestic Registry

    b) Foreign Registry

    c) Medical Cert.

    d) Non-Medical Cert.

    e) Other

3. **Short Name:** An optional short name to be used on Pedigrees if present.

4. **Status:** Choose Active or Inactive. Inactive registries cannot be assigned to animal registrations.

Click or touch Save to save the information into the database.

Click or touch Close to close the pop-up without saving any information.

My Extra Field Types

iPed™ 10G 2025 keeps a table of Extra Field Types. These types allow you to create special places to hold information not stored in the fields prepared for you in iPed. You can have an unlimited number of extra fields per animal, but each one must have its own extra field type. You can get to these fields in the Extra Fields page for the animal.

The My Extra Field Types page looks like this:
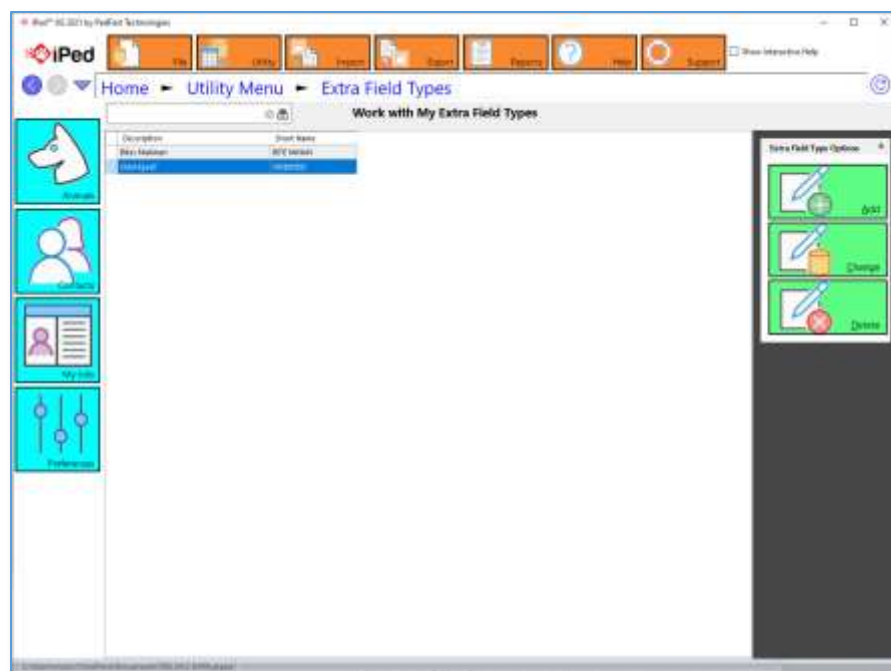
The window lists each Extra Field and its information.

To add An Extra Field Type, click or touch Add.

To change An Extra Field type, click or touch the Extra Field and choose Change.

To delete the Extra Field, click or touch the Extra Field and then choose Delete. *NOTE: If the Extra Field is assigned to one or more animals, the program will not allow you to delete it. This is to protect the integrity of the database and to keep you from losing animals.*

Add/Change Extra Field Pop-Up

When you choose to add or change An Extra Field, you will receive the Add/Change Extra Field Pop-Up. This pop-up window will collect the Extra Field information and then save the record.

The Add / Change Extra Field Type Pop-Up looks like this:
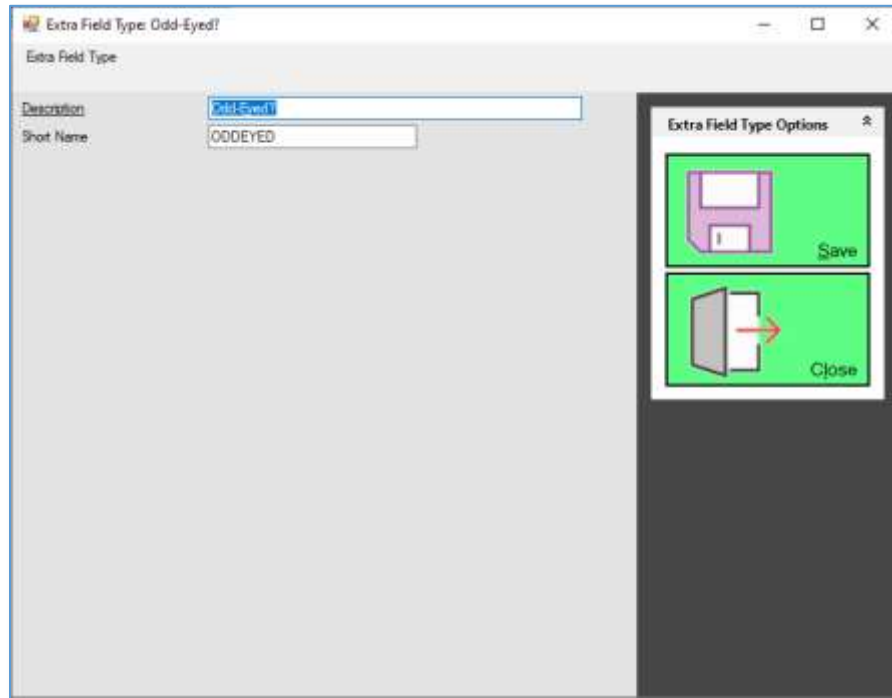
The fields you may enter are:

1.   **Description:** Required. The long name of the Extra Field.

2.   **Short Name:** An optional short name to be used on Pedigrees if present.

Click or touch Save to save the information into the database.

Click or touch Close to close the pop-up without saving any information.

Pack Database

The iPed™ 10G 2025 database technology is efficient and stores nicely into a single file. However, as time goes on and records are changed, added and deleted, there are "holes" inside the .PTPED file. The Pack Database command cleans up these "holes" and reduces the file size. It also makes the database run faster.

The Pack Database page looks like this:
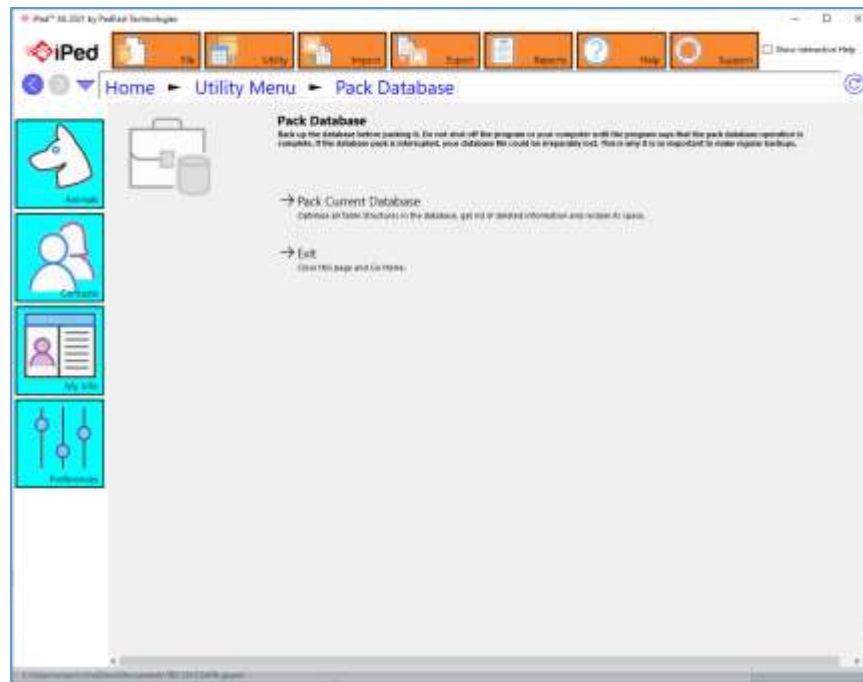
To pack the database, simply touch or click on "Pack Current Database." The program will then rebuild the database.

NOTE: Back up the database before packing it. Do not shut off the program or your computer until the program says that the pack database operation is complete. If the database pack is interrupted, your database file could be irreparably lost. This is why it is so important to make regular backups.

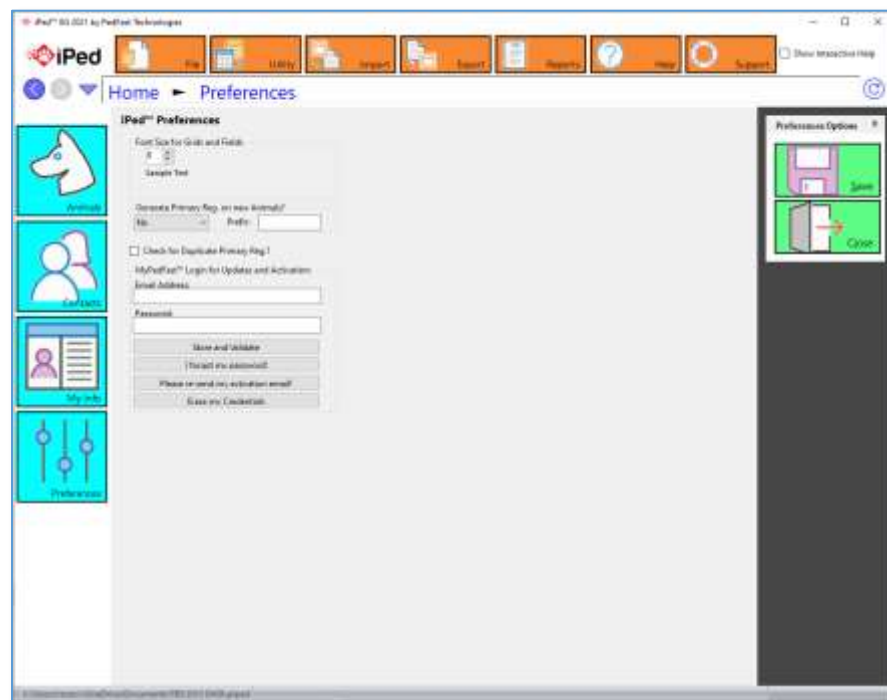Clicking the "Exit" link will close the Pack Database page and go back to the Home Page.

Program Preferences

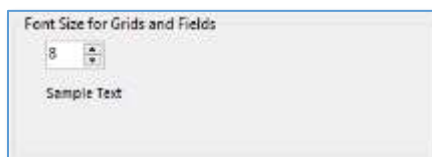In iPed™ 10G 2025, you click the Preferences button:
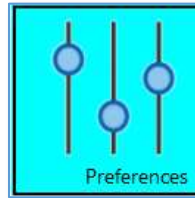
…to set up your preferences.
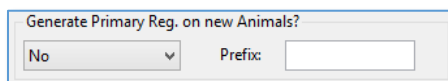
The Program Preferences window looks like this:
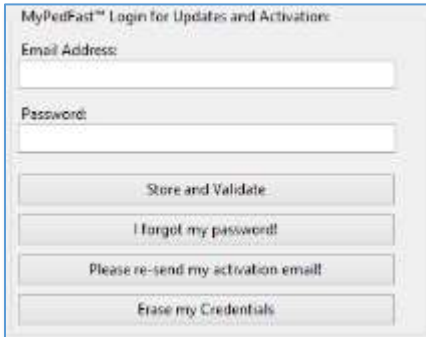

You have a few options that you can control:

1.

    Font side for Grids and Fields: You can set the point size of the fonts that display for fields and grids. The default is eight (8) points. Larger font sizes make it easier to see data on smaller screens, but you may have to scroll.

2.

    Generate Primary Registrations for New Animals: You can choose to have iPed™

10G 2025 generate registration numbers. Set "Yes" to generate or "No" to not do so. The Prefix are up to ten (10) characters that are put in front of a sequential number generated by iPed™ 10G 2025. There will be no duplicates generated.

3.

MyPedFast™ Login Information: You can enter new MyPedFast credentials, or delete existing ones here. You have additional choices to get a password reminder or an email to reactivate an inactive MyPedFast account.

Note: You must have a valid MyPedFast™ credential to use MyActivate™ or AutoUpdate™ III.

Click the Save button to save your changes. However, changes to your MyPedFast™ credentials are instantly saved.

Browsing Web Pages

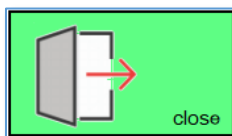iPed™ 10G 2025 has a built-in web browser. It is used by the <u>in-program product support</u> function as well as the preferences section, where MyPedFast™ reminder emails are requested.

The Web Browser window looks like this:
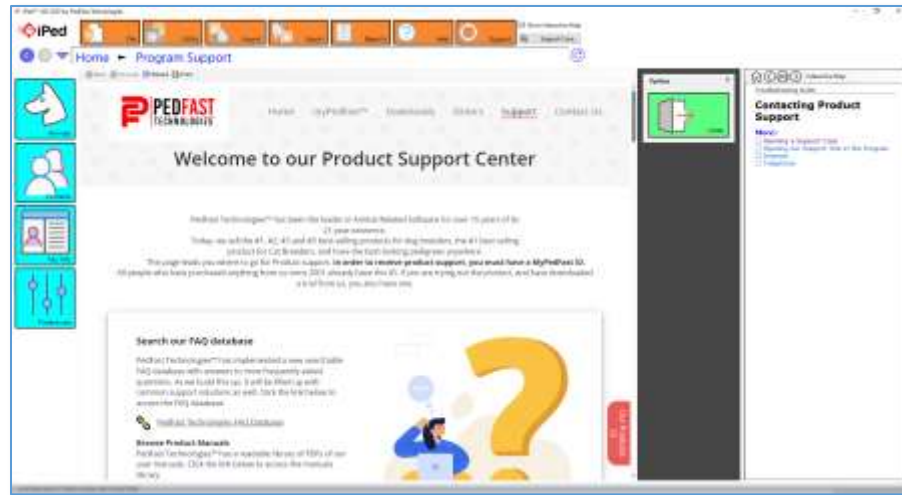
You have the following buttons:

1.
Go back one page.

2.
Go forward one page.

3.
Reload the page.

4.
Print the page.

5.
Close the browser window and go back.

PedGuard™ Cloud Backups

PedGuard™: An Introduction

PedGuard™ is a subscription-based cloud backup add-on for your program. PedGuard™ conducts automatic and manual back-up operations of your .PTPED database, securely, to PedFast's cloud servers. You can store up to fourteen previous version of your .PTPED databases.

Signing up for PedGuard™

When you start up your program, the Home Page of the program will let you know that you can sign up (requires internet connection and that you are logged in to your program with your MyPedFast™ ID). The signup link appears at the upper right half of your home page.

It looks like this:

If you would like to learn about PedGuard™, then click the link to learn more and your program will open the Web Browser page and show you the detailed description of PedGuard™.

If you would like to sign up to PedGuard™, click the link to sign up and your program will open up the Web Browser page to securely sign you up to PedGuard™ (major credit card required; PedGuard will automatically renew unless you turn renewals in the PedGuard Account Administration Page.

Automatic and Manual Backups

PedGuard™ is set up to automatically back up your database every time you close the program, with settings designed to prevent too many backups from being automatically made. Also, you can whose

PedGuard Status Display

When you have an active PedGuard™ subscription, whenever you start your program or go to your home page, you get a status display. That display appears in the upper right half of your home page.

The PedGuard™ Status Display looks like this:
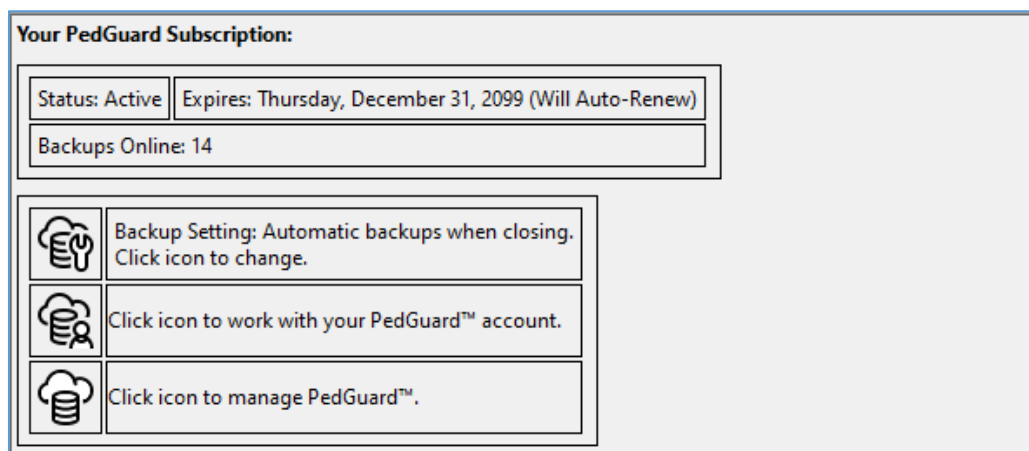
You can do one of three things:

You can click this icon to toggle the automatic backup feature. If it is on, PedGuard™ will automatically back up your current database to PedFast's cloud servers. If it is off, you will have to go to the PedGuard™ administration page to manually back up your data. If your last backup is more than 3 days ago, and you are an active PedGuard subscriber, your program will ask you to make a backup when you close it.

You can click this icon to manage your PedGuard account. This is where you can choose to turn automatic renewals on or off, change your payment card information, or change your subscription length (as of the next renewal).
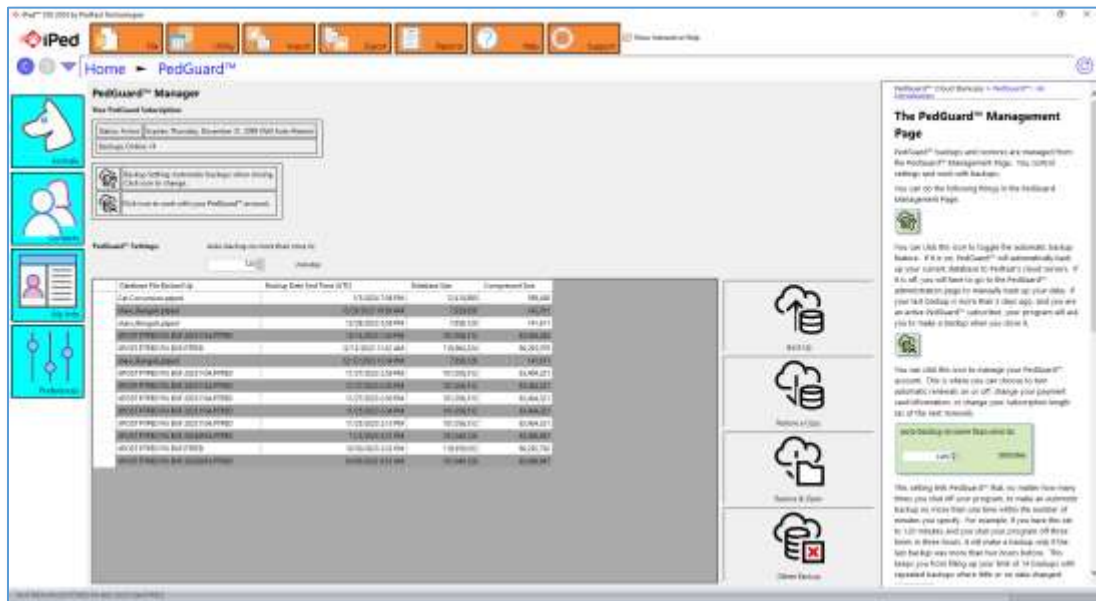
You can click this icon to go to the PedGuard™ management page. From this page, you can do manual backups, restore from cloud backups and delete backups you no longer want so that you can control which backups you keep.

The PedGuard™ Management Page

PedGuard™ backups and restores are managed from the PedGuard™ Management Page. You control settings and work with backups.

The PedGuard™ Management Page looks like this:

You can do the following things in the PedGuard Management Page:

You can click this icon to toggle the automatic backup feature. If it is on, PedGuard™ will automatically back up your current database to PedFast's cloud servers. If it is off, you will have to go to the PedGuard™ administration page to manually back up your data. If your last backup is more than 3 days ago, and you are an active PedGuard™ subscriber, your program will ask you to make a backup when you close it.

You can click this icon to manage your PedGuard™ account. This is where you can choose to turn automatic renewals on or off, change your payment card information, or change your subscription length (as of the next renewal).

Auto-backup no more than once in:
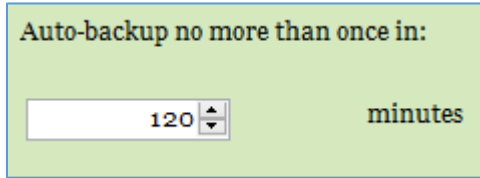
120 ▲▼   minutes

This setting tells PedGuard™ that, no matter how many times you shut off your program, to make an *automatic* backup no more than one time within the number of minutes you specify. For example, if you have this set to 120 minutes and you shut your program off three times in three hours, it will make a backup only if the last backup was more than two hours before. This keeps you from filling up your limit of 14 backups with repeated backups where little or no data changed.

Clicking this button will cause PedGuard™ to make an immediate manual backup of the open database and send it to our cloud servers.

Clicking one of the backups in the list and this button will retrieve a copy of the backup from our servers, and store it in your documents folder. **PedGuard™ will not let you write over any existing file with this restore.** It will give you a file name to which the database will be restored, but you can change it to any other name you would like to use that is not already in use.

Clicking one of the backups in the list and this button will retrieve a copy of the backup from our servers, and store it in your documents folder. **PedGuard™ will not let you write over any existing file with this restore.** It will give you a file name to which the database will be restored, but you can change it to any other name you would like to use that is not already in use.

And then PedGuard will have your program open the restored database. This can come in especially helpful for moving data between desktop and laptop as well as for restoring when you have a corrupted database.

Clicking one of the backups in the list and this button will delete the selected backup. You will be asked to confirm, and if you choose Yes, the backup will be deleted.

PedGuard™ Account Management Page

You can access PedGuard™ account management from your own program or from any browser. This page lets you adjust your membership information and see your billing history.

The Account Management page looks like this:

You have the following options:

- **Change my information**: You use this button to change your email address, or your address information. This change affects all PedFast systems. If you change your email address in our records, you will need to log your program back in to MyPedFast with your new email address.

- **Turn Off Renewals / Turn On Renewals**: If you click the button when it says to Turn off Renewals, future automatic renewals of PedGuard™ will be stopped, and you will no longer see your plan and payment card information. To reactivate Renewals, click "Turn On Renewals", and renewals will be active again. **Once your PedGuard account is expired, you will need to sign up again.**

- **Plan:** Click the plan you want. The next renewal will use the plan you select.

- **Change my Card:** Click this button to change your payment card. PedGuard™ will run a small ($1 or less) authorization transaction, which will fall off in a day or two, to ensure

that the card is valid.

- **Billing History:** A list of your billings appears in this section. You may review those billings.

PedGuard™ How-To Guide

Here is a short tutorial for how to do things in PedGuard:

How to move my PedGuard™-supported program to a new computer

When you get a new computer, PedGuard™ makes it very easy to move to the new computer. Here are instructions:

1. Start your program in your old computer.
2. Go to the PedGuard™ Management Page.
3. Take a manual backup of your database.
4. Go to New computer.
5. Install your program into new computer
6. Start your program.
7. Sign in to your program with your myPedFast ID.
8. When you are asked to open a database, the last option will be to restore a database from PedGuard™. Choose that option.
9. You will receive a popup version of the PedGuard Manager window. Click on the back you want and then the "Restore & Open" button. PedGuard™ will download the backup file to the name you specified, and then open it in your program.

How to restore a backup when my computer crashes

PedGuard™ makes it very easy to restore your backup after a crash. Here are instructions:

1. Install your program into new or recovered computer
2. Start your program.
3. Sign in to your program with your myPedFast ID.
4. When you are asked to open a database, the last option will be to restore a database from PedGuard™. Choose that option.
5. You will receive a popup version of the PedGuard Manager window. Click on the back you want and then the "Restore & Open" button. PedGuard™ will download the backup file to the name you specified, and then open it in your program.

How to change the minimum length of time between automatic backups

PedGuard™ has a feature to keep it from making too many backups if you frequently start and stop your backups. Here are instructions:

1. Go to the PedGuard™ Management Page.

2. Go to the field "Auto backup no more than once in [number] minutes."

3. Use the up down buttons, arrows or keypad to set a number of minutes between 15 minutes and 1440 minutes (24 hours).

How to change PedGuard™ to manual-only backups and back to automatic

PedGuard™ has a feature to restrict it to manual backups only. In this setting **PedGuard™ will not do any backups unless you specifically start one up.** Upon exit, if you have manual backups configured, and it has been three or more days since the last backup, if you want to make a manual backup right then and there. Click yes to make that backup.

To turn manual backups on or off:

1. Go to the PedGuard management page.

2. Click this icon:

3. If the backups were automatic, they will switch to manual. If they were manual, they will switch to automatic.

How to Change my Payment Card Information

You can change your payment card information from your Account Management Page. Here is how to do it:

1. Go to the PedGuard management page or your Program's Home Page.

2. Click this icon:

3. The Account Management page will appear.

4. Click the "Change my Card" button.

5. A popup will appear. Fill in the card number, expiration date and card security code and click to save. If the card is valid, it will save and that will conclude what needs to be done.

Troubleshooting Guide

What to Do when There's a Problem

What to Check

Try rebooting the computer if you get a goofy error or a shutdown message or an exception. Before you do that, however, **write everything down** so you have it handy if you need to contact us for support.

Information to have ready for Technical Support

30. When you call or post a message to PedFast Technologies, please have the following information immediately available:

31. Your Control number, from the invoice and/or registration sheet;

32. The number (if any) and the full text of any message you've received Important! Include the full text of any message you receive! These messages contain vital information we need to solve problems!;

33. Exactly what you did to receive this message;

34. What happened if you followed the steps outlined in the manual (if there were steps) to correct the problem?

This will greatly help us to quickly identify and resolve your problems.

Contacting Product Support

Opening a Support Case

You can now open a support case from inside the program. Not only will this take down the details of the program, but it will provide a support pack that will give us information that we can use to diagnose and repair your issue.

NOTE: You must be online with the internet and signed in to your program for the support case creation mechanism to work.
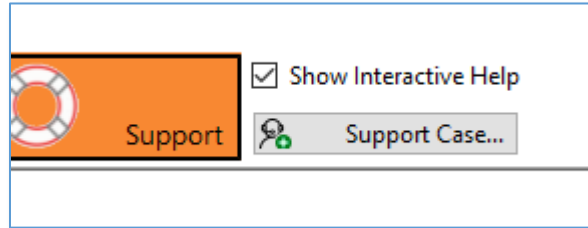
You click on the **Support Case** Button on the top of the screen.

When you Click this button, you receive the Open Support Case pop-up window.

The Open Support Case pop-up window looks like this:

You have the following things that you will need to fill in:

- **Subject:** Enter a one-sentence description of the issue.
- **Category:** Choose a category for the issue from the list provided. If none of the specific categories fit, choose the one named "Unexpected Result."
- **Happens after Reboot?**: Choose Yes, no, did not try or don't know
- **Details:** Describe your issue in as much detail as you can. You have 1000 characters to do so.

  Tell us:

  1. What error message(s) you have received, and in what order
  2. What you did beforehand
  3. What you expected to happen
  4. Anything else you think could help us.

Click on "Create Support Case" to create a support case, and send us the Support Pack.

Click on "Close this Window, no ticket" to close the window without opening the support case.

You must be online with the internet and signed in to your program for the support case creation mechanism to work.

Opening our Support Site in the Program

On the main page in the program we have a "life preserver" button that will contact our Product Support site on the Internet. As long as your computer is connected to the Internet, this is the fastest way to get support for IPed™ 10G 2025.

To use this feature, you simply need to click on the button and the program will contact our site and you can then send information to the site for us to help you.

Internet

PedFast Technologies has one of the largest animal-related sites on the Internet. On this site, we have product news, demos, patches, free utilities and support information. Our World Wide Web address is:

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http://www.pedfast.com

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We have a dedicated product support web site, complete with a searchable solution database and a means to create support incident reports online. That address is:

<div align="center">

http://support.pedfast.com

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Use the support website to report incidents to us and to receive responses through our new support ticket system. Direct email support has been retired in order to provide a more controlled and documentable support experience. However, if you have email, you can open a ticket from your normal email address by sending email to:

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support@tickets.pedfast.com

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This action will also open a product support ticket in our system.

Telephone

At this time, PedFast Technologies requires all support incidents to be opened by ticket and dealt through email. We may offer telephone and or remote support for a fee at a later date.

* NOTE: We reserve the right to assess a fee for product support or to terminate it altogether. The sale of any product does not include <u>any</u> product support, which is offered solely as an accommodation and a favor. No sale is contingent upon any level of product support. See the license agreement (Copyright and License).

Abusive Conduct is Not Tolerated

We are people and we have feelings.

You may be frustrated, but that does not give you an excuse to be nasty, angry, insulting or threatening. There is never an occasion where abuse is proper or tolerable.

It breaches the Software License Agreement to threaten the company, its representatives, its products or its reputation in order to expedite support or express frustration. It is unacceptable to treat our representatives discourteously whether you are receiving electronic or telephone support. The threat to cause a credit card reversal is included in these threats since you have agreed to an *all sales final* purchase.

Frustration also does not give you the right to post anything negative about this company, its product, staff, support or services to any site on the Internet, which can give rise to legal action to protect our rights, and all of which is in breach of the terms of the license agreement. Our support staff is instructed to terminate any support incident where the person bringing the incident is discourteous or threatens or commits adverse action against the company of any kind. All such incidents are also grounds for us to permanently ban you from access to our product support services and our web sites. We offer support for our product in good faith and expect the same good faith from our customers.

Any act that threatens us is grounds for the permanent termination of your support privileges with no refund (all sales are final), and any written or verbal threat which we believe violates the law will be, without delay or warning, reported to the authorities, and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Maintenance

Back up Your Data

iPed™ 8G 2021, unlike other programs PedFast Technologies™ has sold in the past, stores data in a single file that can be placed anywhere on your computer, **except in a Program Files or Windows system folder.** PedFast introduced the PTPED format with the TBS 2012 release. We recommend making a separate folder to hold the .PTPED file or storing it in your My Documents folder.

Once you have the location of the database secure, **back it up frequently**. We have just introduced an automatic backup mechanism called PedGuard™. You have the following options for backing up:

Option 1: Back up with PedGuard™ Automatic Backups

PedFast Technologies now offers its PedGuard™ cloud backup service, which safely privately, and **automatically** backs up your database to our secure cloud servers. PedGuard keeps **fourteen** backups for you, and you can use PedGuard to transfer your data between a desktop and laptop as well. This is included for one very low monthly fee.

For details please see this link:

https://pedfast.com/pedguard.html

Option 2: Back up with a third-party provider

Microsoft provides OneDrive free of charge for a limited amount of data; if you store your .PTPED database file in the One drive Documents folder, OneDrive automatically backs it up.

There are also cloud backup providers like iDrive, which accomplish the same kinds of backups.

Option 3: Manual Copy or CD Burn

Your other option is to back up the PTPED file by hand-copying it onto a stick drive or burning it onto a CD or DVD media. Since the database is a single file, you treat is as you would copying a Word document or other simple file.

Restoring From a Backup

To restore from a backup, simply copy the file into a folder where you can access it. Them you only need to use your program to open the database and you are back in business.

NOTE: If you have backed up the file onto a CD or DVD, you will need to right click the file, choose properties, and uncheck the "read only" option if it is checked. Some, but not all, CD/DVD restores will leave the file marked "read only."

Glossary of Terms

Ahnentafel

Ahnentafel is a description of a pedigree ancestor numbering system. In our calculation of the Coefficient of Inbreeding, you can see the ahnentafel indexes of all common ancestors on the output report for that window. The target animal in this program is numbered 1. The Sire is 2, the Dam is 3. Then you go to the next generation and number the ancestors, top to bottom, adding one as you go through each generation.   Here is a sample 3 generation Ahnentafel chart:

1	2	4	8
			9
		5	10
			11
	3	6	12
			13
		7	14
			15

These numbers are used to perform easy arithmetic to determine ancestor contributions and to locate ancestors quickly within a pedigree.

Coefficient of Inbreeding

Dr. Sewall Wright, the most renowned geneticist of the century, defined an inbreeding coefficient. This is a number which expresses the homozygosity (inbred like characteristics) of any animal as a mathematical equation. This equation is now known as the "F" Coefficient, "COI" or "Inbreeding Coefficient," and is recognized as the standard in objectively measuring the amount of inbreeding in an animal.

The following is from "Animal Breeding" by Laurence M. Winters, University of Minnesota. Winters stated that the formula for COI was developed by Dr. Wright, and published in 1922 in The American Naturalist.

"The effects of inbreeding are the fixation of characters and increased prepotency; these are in direct proportion to the percentage of homozygosis; the percentage of homozygosis is in direct proportion to the degree of inbreeding."

"The sire and dam of the inbred individual have a common ancestor or ancestors. The summation of the coefficients for every line by which the parents are connected gives the coefficient of inbreeding of the individual in question."

"Each line is traced back from the sire to a common ancestor and then forward to the dam. It passes through no individual more than once, but the same ancestors may occur in more than one line."

The formula for obtaining the coefficient of inbreeding is

$$F_x = \sum \left((0.5^{n+n!+1})(1 + F_a) \right)$$

...in which Fx and Fa are the coefficients for the individual and the common ancestor, respectively, and N and N! are the number of generations between the common ancestor and the sire and dam, respectively.

This program calculates the COI through anywhere from five (5) to sixteen (16) generations of ancestors, user selectable. Its calculation has been verified as accurate by Dr. Leslie B. Hansen, University of Minnesota.

Quick Titles

In the Animal Info Page window, there are check boxes, and buttons on the titles page, which can assign titles to an animal quickly, with one touch. On the My Info page, you can choose what titles appear for these buttons and boxes.

Lookup Control

A Lookup Control is a field where you can type in the name of something (an animal, a contact, a breed, etc.), and the database will be positioned to the correct record as you type each letter. In many lookup controls, typing in something new will cause the record to be quick-added to the database, or cause the appropriate add window to be displayed for you to fill in the details. All lookup controls in this program do not care whether you type in uppercase or lowercase letters.

Field

A "Field" is any particular item of information kept in a database. This program is a database program. Databases are different from the files kept by, let's say a Word processor, because there are fixed individual records, each with one or more fields. These records can be accessed by a "key", a field which identifies the record (for example, the registration number of an animal). So while databases are restricted and need fields to work properly, the database also allows speedy and reliable access to information.

Quick-Add

When you have certain fields in a lookup control, typing in a name gives you the opportunity to do a quick-add. If you choose to do this, the name is added to the database, without having to open another window or leave what you are doing to make it happen.

Registry

A Registry, for this program, is any organization which registers animals, such as the American Kennel Club, Cat Fanciers Association or the United Kennel Club. In addition, a registry is any organization which may issue a certifying or identifying number to a dog, for example, OFA, CERF, Tattoo-a-Pet or the like. This program supports an unlimited number of registries, and any animal may have an identifying number to any or all of them.

Tool Tip

A Tool Tip (also called a "hint") is a pop-up description which appears over a button or field when you place the mouse cursor over it but do not click on it. The tool tip gives you a brief description of the button or field and goes away when the mouse is moved off of the item.

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