Announcement – JAWS® May 2018 Update

Enhancements in JAWS 2018.1807.8 (July 2018)

The following is a list of improvements made in JAWS 2018 between the May 2018 update and the July 2018 update.

JAWS

- The **ALT+SHIFT+ARROW** keystrokes to move the mouse pointer now only work when the JAWS Cursor is active. Otherwise, these commands perform their application-specific function. For instance, the **ALT+SHIFT+UP** or **DOWN ARROW** keys are used to reorder notebook/section/page lists in OneNote.
- Added updated scripts provided by Corel for WordPerfect Office X9.
- Made additional changes requested by Foxit for their PhantomPDF software including the ability for JAWS to begin reading automatically once the PDF document is loaded.
- Resolved issues with a JAWS repair not working as expected for some users.

Microsoft Office

- Addressed reported issues with JAWS becoming sluggish while navigating certain forms created in Word.
- Addressed issues with JAWS not properly announcing content controls in unprotected Word documents such as forms or templates.
- JAWS now detects inline images in Word.
- Addressed an issue with JAWS not reading as expected when spell checking a document in Word (build 9020 and later).
- In Word (build 9020 or later), when pressing the **APPLICATIONS** key on a misspelled word and then choosing "See More", resolved an issue where JAWS focus was not moving to the correct pane.
- Addressed a reported issue in Word where you could not move past an equation in a table using the **TAB**key.
- When **F1** is pressed in Word to open Help, addressed a customer reported issue where you could not read the help content using the **ARROW** keys as expected.
- Resolved an issue with Outlook closing unexpectedly when opening certain messages with JAWS running.
- Resolved an issue with the JAWS tutor help messages for buttons in the Outlook Preview Pane.
- Addressed an issue for a customer using the iManage FileSite plugin with Outlook where JAWS was not reading items in certain folders.
- If an object on a PowerPoint slide contains SmartArt, pressing **INSERT+F1** to display screen-sensitive help will now also include the full shape description.
- When pressing **CTRL+ENTER** in PowerPoint to insert a slide, resolved an issue where JAWS was not indicating that you were on a new slide.
- Resolved a reported issue with JAWS becoming sluggish while navigating a particular spreadsheet in Excel.

- Resolved an issue in Excel where the function autosuggest, cell autocomplete, and data validation lists were not working as expected with speech or braille.

Web Browsers

- When using Navigation Quick Keys in Edge to move to various elements including buttons, lists, and tables, resolved an issue where the Virtual Cursor was not always being placed at the beginning of the element as expected.
- When navigating by character in Edge and you encounter a button, JAWS now indicates when you enter and leave the button element if it supports navigation by character.
- Improved navigating lists containing links in Edge.
- JAWS now correctly identifies Same Page and MailTo links in Firefox 60 and later.
- Resolved issues with opening a context menu using the **APPLICATIONS** key or Right Mouse Click not working as expected in Firefox 60.
- In Firefox, resolved an issue where it was not possible to activate a link containing a heading.
- JAWS now supports the <ins> and <del> HTML tags in ContentEditable elements in Google Chrome. These tags can be used to indicate revisions in an edit field.
- JAWS now supports the <meter> HTML tag in Chrome which defines a scale or measurement within a known range, or a fractional value.
- Added support for the ARIA-roledescription property in Firefox and Chrome.
- Addressed an issue with Internet Explorer reported by the Social Security Administration where some radio button groups were being announced twice by JAWS.
- Unlabeled forms are no longer included in region navigation using the **R** and **SHIFT+R** Navigation Quick Keys. In addition, the start of end of unlabeled form regions is no longer announced as you navigate using the **ARROW** keys.
- The start and end announcements for document and application regions are now off by default at all web verbosity levels. In addition, the start and end of frame elements is only announced by default when JAWS is set to High web verbosity. To further customize what is spoken, open Settings Center, search for "web verbosity", and then choose Configure Verbosity Levels. You can then choose to customize the High, Medium, or Low verbosity level.
- If the start and end announcements for regions are turned off in the currently selected web verbosity level in Settings Center, the **R**, **SHIFT+R**, **O**, and **SHIFT+O** Navigation Quick Keys will now continue to move to the next or previous region or article on a web page.

Windows 10

- If you have added additional Windows languages, you can now use JAWS to select a keyboard language from the Logon screen.
- Resolved an issue where the calculator display field could sometimes double speak when gaining focus.
- Resolved an issue where JAWS would only announce the first Windows notification displayed after JAWS first started. Subsequent notifications should now be announced.
- Resolved an intermittent issue where JAWS was not reading as expected at the Windows command prompt.

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