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Subject: File>Merge Files could not match column names

Posted by [zhentg](#) on Tue, 14 Jan 2025 14:25:38 GMT

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Hi Thomas,

When using "Merge Files" to update existing columns from multiple CSV file

- the column names in the first CSV (Book2.csv) can be automatically matched to existing column names

- the column names in the second (Book3.csv) and more CSV files can not be automatically matched to existing column names.

This issue is annoying when there are a lot of columns in the master DW file. Could you help to solve it?

This issue is found in DW5.5 and 6.04.01 Windows versions.

Attached are a master DW file and two CSV files.

#### File Attachments

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1) [Data\\_From\\_Clipboard.dwar](#), downloaded 331 times

2) [Book2.csv](#), downloaded 308 times

3) [Book3.csv](#), downloaded 303 times

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Subject: Re: File>Merge Files could not match column names

Posted by [nbehrnd](#) on Tue, 14 Jan 2025 21:14:12 GMT

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Hi zhentg,

can you check (and if the problem still occurs, report) which level of "merge option" did you select (cf. screen photo attached)? Both Book2.csv and Book3.csv merged fluently into Data\_From\_Clipboard.dwar.

Regards,

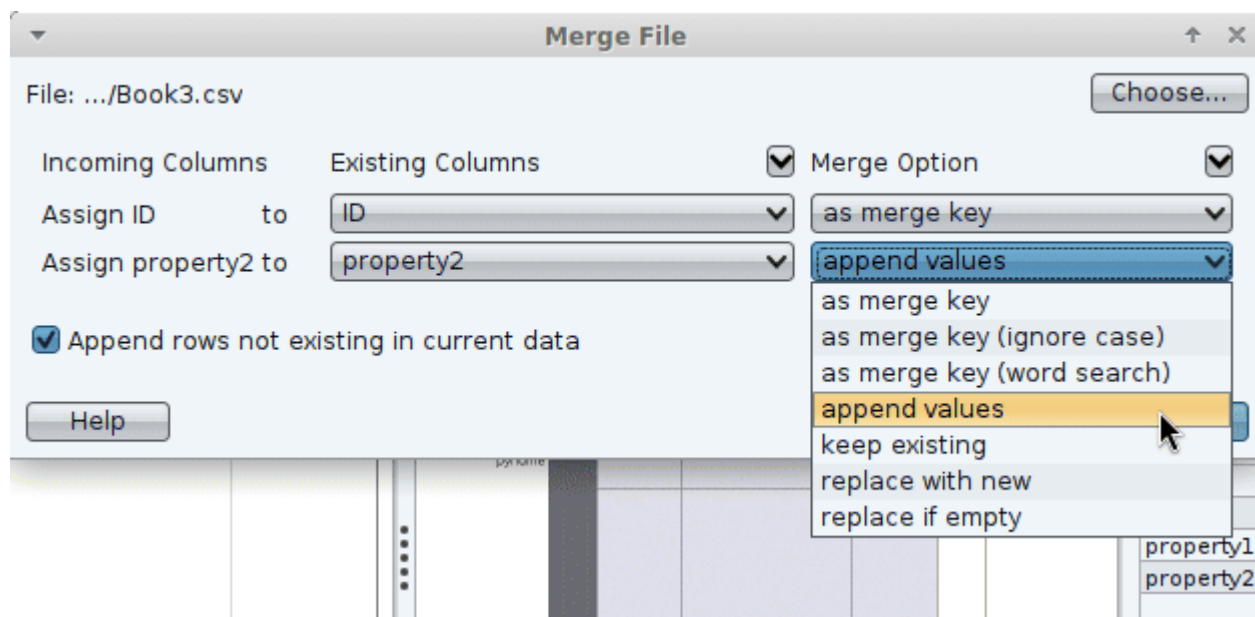
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#### File Attachments

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1) [merge\\_options.png](#), downloaded 497 times

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Subject: Re: File>Merge Files could not match column names

Posted by [zhentg](#) on Mon, 20 Jan 2025 10:14:46 GMT

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Hi Norwid, here is my screenshot, the issue is still there.

I merged Book2.csv at step 1, then I try to merge Book3.csv, and the "Merge File" panel can not recognize "property2" automatically.

### File Attachments

1) [Picture1.png](#), downloaded 507 times

# Step 1

 Merge File

File: ...\Book2.csv

Incoming Columns

Existing Columns

Assign ID to

ID

Assign property1 to

property1

Append rows not existing in current

Help

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Posted by [thomas](#) on Wed, 22 Jan 2025 17:07:21 GMT

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Hi zhentg and Norvid,

when a task is performed a second time, DataWarrior tries to reconstruct the task configuration of the previous run, because often tasks are repeated with just slight modifications.

In this case the dialog setup for the second merge didn't find the setting for 'property2' and wrongly set the option to 'trash it'. That should be fixed in the next update...

Thanks for reporting...

Thomas

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Posted by [zhentg](#) on Thu, 27 Feb 2025 07:10:08 GMT

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Hi Thomas,

Thanks for looking into this issue.

Looking forward to the update.

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Subject: Re: File>Merge Files could not match column names

Posted by [zhentg](#) on Fri, 21 Mar 2025 03:12:51 GMT

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Hi Thomas, I tested the latest version, 6.4.2, and this issue is solved. Thanks a lot.

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