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DocuPhase User Guide

Navigation & Utilization in DocuPhase





Welcome

About DocuPhase

DocuPhase is a secure place to store, organize, and access information. It will be used as a document repository for incoming rental assistance applications. Applications will be transferred from the centralized Cognito to DocuPhase for application processing.

What you can do with DocuPhase:

- ✓ Open and view documents online
- ✓ Document repository tool
- \checkmark Ability to annotate a file
- See version history monitor who updated or touched a document and when
- ✓ Search documents, people
- ✓ Application and documents specific to each RAA

About This Guide

This document walks through using the DocuPhase platform. Follow this guide for instructions and best practices for working in DocuPhase to process Central Applications.

Still have Questions?

Several resources are available to help you learn:

- 1. Your Resources posted on the <u>RAA Resource Portal</u> under <u>Central</u> <u>Application</u>
- Direct policy and process questions to your supervisor who can contact the RAA support inbox, if necessary, (dhcdraaraft@mass.gov) as a point of escalations for questions.
- 3. For Central App technical issues, please submit a ticket via your Central App portal account.

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Getting Started

Browser

Browsers such as Internet Explorer (Version 10 or above), Microsoft Edge, Apple Safari, Google Chrome, and Mozilla Firefox are fully supported for DocuPhase online. Use one of these browsers for the best experience with the platform.

Access/Login

Users can access the RAA-specific DocuPhase by logging in with a username and password. If you have questions about gaining access, contact your supervisor or your IT department.

Bookmarking

As a best practice, bookmark the DocuPhase page in your preferred browser as a means of easy access for use on a regular basis. Bookmarking holds the place for a web page, allowing for quick access instead of searching for it. Clicking the bookmark directs you to the desired page immediately.

Learn more here: <u>https://mycomputerworks.com/how-to-</u> bookmark-webpages-browser/

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Pay Attention! This is an important reminder



Best Practice. This will show you a valuable tip

DocuPhase Basics





DocuPhase Login

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- 1. Start your preferred browser and enter the appropriate Web address for the DocuPhase system
- 2. Click Go or press Enter.
- 3. At the Login screen in the browser window, enter your **Login ID** and **Password** and click **Login**.

DocuPhase Structure - Search

- **1. Application** is the workspace location holding the files, RAAs will only be able to see the applications assigned to their RAA
- 2. **Indexes** are the fields by which documents may be searched/filtered
- **3. Search** opens the page(s) of documents (applications and related documentation submitted by clients)

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DocuPhase Structure – Search Results

Similar to a search performed on the internet, a query within DocuPhase retrieves Documents according to search criteria composed of Index values that identify or characterize the desired documents.

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DocuPhase Search Tools





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Specific Search

A specific search refines and narrows results by **returning only documents whose Index values match** the query criteria submitted during the search.

Values can be entered into a standard field as:

- A text or numeric value,
- Selected from drop-down list OR
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Specific Search - Multiple Values

Multiple index fields may be used to narrow down the results of a search

Additionally, use Ctrl-Click to select/de-select each of many individual selections for a drop-down value selector

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Specific Search can be used to find an individual client's file(s). Entering values in more than one field will narrow the search results

Specific Search - Wildcard

An asterisk (*), called a wildcard, may be used in the middle or end of a set of characters to replace an unknown portion of a search criteria

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EXAMPLE Staff can enter a wildcard when only a partial application ID is known to find the correct applicant

Unspecific Search

Searching without entering any index values **will bring all documents to view.** This action is not recommended, it will return all Central App Documents.

All items match the Unspecific Search criteria and are available via its Results page display and page list.

Despite the fact that all items may 'match' the search criteria, they are not all displayed until their pages are selected.

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It is not recommended to perform an unspecific search because it will return too many results.

Results Page

Once the results populate, a document can be selected and will appear in the content viewer screen on the right

Be careful when clicking on highlights data within the rows of document information. To open a document, click on the **File icon**



Viewing Documents / Navigation





Viewing Documents / Navigation

1. Users can use the Menu at the top of the screen to navigate between screens

2. The search result page with multiple pages (e.g., 1 2 3) will display the page numbers which can be used to navigate to each page by clicking the numerical link.

3. To filter by column information click on the column heading

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Viewing Documents

Selecting the document from the selection screen on the left opens a viewing screen on the right as shown below.

DocuPhase allows users to see the list of documents on the left-hand side of the screen while opening one file at a time to display on the righthand side.

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Selecting the document opens the screen to view the document. The document itself can not be edited but it can be annotated (see next section "Editing Documents")

Editing Documents





Taskbar

View – allows the user to adjust the view of the document (zoom in, zoom out, rotate left, rotate right, etc.)



Annotations – allows the user to highlight, add notes, etc., since the document itself can not be modified (e.g., add a case note to indicate an additional housing crisis description, amend a date or provide case manager name, etc.)



Taskbar - Annotations



	ΤοοΙ	Description
1	Rubber Stamps	Overlay a pre-defined stamp-image with current information such as "Approved" and information such as when and/or by whom
2	Highlights	Add emphasis to selected areas using a see-through color overlay
3	Note Annotations	Add comments and emphasis directly to the document
4	Hide & Restore	Make annotations invisible (to see original document) or visible (to see comments and markups)
5	Text	Insert a text box where you may enter text that displays on a page image.
6	Drawing Tools	Insert an arrow, line, rectangle, ellipse, etc.
7	Redactions	Hide areas of an image from view to protect applicant's information

Reminders & Resources





Reminders

Do Not delete files from DocuPhase

Do Not Search without adding any criteria; it will return too many pages of documents to review

- Do add notes, highlight, or annotate on files to track staff notes for specific documents
 - Do use application IDs for streamlined searches to return only the files related to the application

Do click on column headings to organize search results



Additional Resources

There are several DocuPhase learning tools available online. The following resource links may be helpful to learn more about DocuPhase and its functionality.

- <u>Microsoft DocuPhase Support</u>
- <u>Microsoft DocuPhase Training Videos</u>

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