

# victor Simplex Integration User Guide

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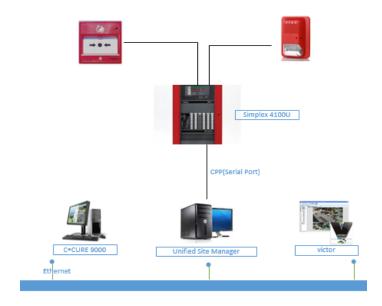
# **Simplex Overview**

The SimplexGrinnell 4100 Fire Panel is a high-end, next generation distributed network system that combines superior fire protection and information management with lower costs of installation, maintenance, and ownership.

The victor Simplex Fire Alarm Interface provides advanced, seamless integration with the 4100 Fire Detection and Alarm Panel from SimplexGrinnell, allowing customers to monitor their important fire devices from victor Unified Client.

#### **Architecture**

The objective of the Simplex 4100 Fire Alarm Interface is to provide a standard interface between the Simplex 4100 product family control equipment and victor Unified Client via a RS-232 serial port. This interface provides automatic synchronization between the Simplex 4100 database and the victor Unified Client database. The interface listens to Simplex 4100 unsolicited messages such as: Fire, Trouble, Supervision, Priority 2 and communicates them to victor Unified. victor will then process these messages and according to their configuration will direct them to users as object state changes, activities, events, and alarms.



#### **Features**

The goal of the victor Simplex integration is to provide a standard, single interface between Simplex 4100 hardware and American Dynamic's victor Unified Video Management product. Supported features include:

- · Communication:
  - · Create Panel
  - · Acquire Data: Panel, Card, Point



- · Status:
  - · Panel: Online, Offline, Unknown
  - Point: Fire alarm need acknowledgement, Fire Alarm acknowledgement, Trouble need acknowledgement, Trouble acknowledgement, Priority need acknowledgement, Priority acknowledgement, Supervisory need acknowledgement, Supervisory acknowledgement, Disable need acknowledgement, Disable acknowledgement
- Fire Status Bar: Point Alarm, Fault, Priority2, Supervisory, Disable (Isolate)
- Event Banner: Communciation Offline, Point Alarm, Fault, Priority2, Supervisory, Disable (Isolate)
- Command: Panel Reset(restart), ACK ALL, Silence/Resound; Point Commands: Panel Reset (restart), ACK ALL, Silence, Point - Enable, Disable
- · Fire Object Group
- Analog Value Chart
- · Event Setup
- · Health Dashboard



The Simplex 4100 install must be run on both victor Application Server and all victor Unified Client machines. Prior to running the Simplex 4100 installer, the correct version of victor must be installed.

# **Minimum Requirements**

#### **Hardware**

The Simplex 4100 Integration has the same hardware requirements as the victor Unified Client and victor Application Server. Therefore, if the machine can successfully run victor then it will satisfy the Simplex 4100 Integration requirements. This integration requires approximately 50MB of available hard disk space.

#### **Software**

• victor Application Server: v4.8.1 and v4.9

victor Unified Client: v4.8.1 and v4.9

#### **Operating Systems**

32-bit operating systems:

- Windows 10
- Windows 8
- Windows 7 Enterprise

64-bit operating systems:

- Windows Server 2012 R2
- Windows Server 2008 R2
- · Windows 7 Enterprise
- Windows 8
- Windows 10

# **Before You Begin**

You should perform the following pre-installation procedures:

- You must have appropriate Windows permissions.
- You must be a member in the local Administrators group, or have equivalent privileges.
- Ensure you are on a reliable network.



# **Adding the Simplex Integration to victor**

The Simplex Integration Driver can be installed on the victor Application Server. You can download the driver from <a href="http://www.americandynamics.net">http://www.americandynamics.net</a>.

#### **Procedure 2-1 Install the Simplex Integration Driver**

Step	Action	
1	Right-click <b>Simplex_4100_Integration.exe</b> and click <b>Run as administrator</b> to launch the installer. The Setup dialog opens.	
	<b>Note:</b> If the correct version is not installed on your system, a message is displayed stating that a supported version of victor is needed.	
2	The Welcome to Simplex 4100 Installation window displays. Click <b>Next</b> .	
3	Select I accept the terms in the license agreement, and then click Next.	
4	Click <b>Next</b> . The Database Server window displays.	
5	If you have more than one database on your machine, select the required database from the drop-down list	
6	Select the Windows authentication credentials of current user button to connect using your current login credentials.  Or	
	Select the Server authentication using the Login ID and password below button, then enter a Login ID and Password to connect using different login credentials.	
7	Click <b>Next</b> . The Ready to Install window displays.	
8	Click Install to begin installation.	
9	Click Finish.	
	- End -	



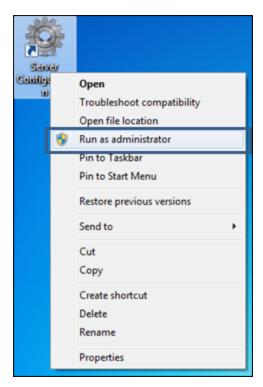
#### Introduction

This section describes the basic steps to start victor services and provides an overview of the main Graphical User Interface (GUI).

# **Server Configuration Application**

The Server Configuration Application provides an interface for administration of victor Application Server. It is accessible directly from the desktop via the Server Configuration Application icon or from the Windows Start Menu (All Programs > Tyco > victor > Server Configuration).

The Server Configuration Application must be run as an administrator. Depending on your security settings, you may have to right-click the **Server Configuration Application** icon on the desktop (or Windows Start Menu entry) and then click **Run as Administrator**.



#### **Services**

The Services tab of the Server Configuration Application page lists all applicable victor Application Server services.

**Framework Services:** For the victor Application Server to function, both Framework Services, CrossFire Framework Service and CrossFire Server Component Framework Service) must be running.



**Extension Services:** Extension Services must also be running for all connected hardware types. 'Software House CrossFire Simplex Driver Service' must be running along with any services relating to licensed video integrations.

Note: Crossfire Framework Services must be started first to allow Extension services to run.

#### **Procedure 2-1 Start Services**

Step	Action
1	Double click the <b>Server Configuration Application</b> Icon on the desktop. The <b>Server Configuration Application</b> is displayed.
	Note: Depending on security settings, you may have to right-click the Server Configuration Application icon and then click Run as Administrator.
2	On the Server Configuration Application page, click to open the Services tab.
3	In the <b>Framework Services</b> area, click the <b>Stop</b> button to stop all services. Wait for the status to change to <b>Stopped</b> .
4	Click the Start button beside Crossfire Framework Service and wait for the status to change to Running.
5	Click the <b>Start</b> button beside <b>Crossfire Server Component Framework Service</b> and wait for the status to change to <b>Running</b> .
6	In the Extension Services area, select the <b>Enabled</b> check box for all required extension services, and then click the <b>Start</b> button. The status of the Driver Services changes to <b>Running</b> .
7	Confirm that all Services are <b>Running</b> .
8	Exit the Server Configuration Application page.



Configuring and viewing Simplex Panels is located on the **Setup** tab.

#### **Procedure 2-1 Adding Simplex Panels**

Step	Action	
1	On the Setup tab, click the Fire Panels drop-down and then click New Simplex Panel.	
2	Enter a Name and optionally a Description. The Enabled check box will be selected by default.	
3 Enter a <b>Job Number</b> . This field cannot be empty. You can add a maximum of 8 characters		
4	Select a radio button for the <b>Communication Type</b> .	
	Note:	
	<b>ComPort</b> - This options uses a serial cable to connect the panel and the victor server.	
	TCP - This options uses third party hardware such as Lantronix to convert ComPort to an IP	
	Address.	
5	If necessary, modify other information within the headings of the panel editor.	
6	Save and Close. The Simplex Panel appears on the <b>Device List</b> within the Fire Panels folder.	
-	- End -	

**Note:**Panel commands can be accessed on the context menu by right-clicking the required panel in the **Device List** and selecting either: **Ack All, Restart,** or **Silence**.

Ack All - This command acknowledges all events.

Restart - The Restart (reset) command is sent to the panel.

Silence - This command sends the Silence command to the panel.

#### **Procedure 2-2 Editing Simplex Panels**

# On the Setup tab, click the Fire Panels drop-down and then click Show All. A list of all configured Simplex Panels is displayed. Right-click the panel you want to edit and select Edit. Make the edits as required. Note: The information in the General section of the panel editor cannot be edited while the object in Enabled. Save and Close. - End -

#### **Procedure 2-3 Deleting Simplex Panels**

#### Step Action

- On the **Setup** tab, click the **Fire Panels** drop-down and then click **Show All**. A list of all configured Simplex Panels are displayed.
- 2 Right-click the required Simplex 4100 Panel, and click **Delete**.



**Note:**To remove a Simplex 4100 Panel it must be Disabled. If the Panel is Enabled an error message will appear.

- 3 Click Yes.
- 4 A dialog box appears confirming the permanent removal of this object from victor. Click **Yes**.

- End -

#### **Procedure 2-4 Viewing All Simplex 4100 Panels**

On the **Setup** tab, select **Fire Panels** drop-down list click **Show All**. All configured Simplex 4100 Panels are displayed in an Object List.

- End -

#### **Procedure 2-5 Viewing Online Simplex 4100 Panels**

#### Step Action

On the **Setup** tab, click the **Fire Panels** drop-down and then click **Online**. All configured Simplex 4100 Panels that are currently Online display in an Object List.

- End -

#### **Procedure 2-6 Viewing Offline Simplex 4100 Panels**

#### Step Action

On the **Setup** tab, click the **Fire Panels** drop-down and then click **Offline**. All configured Simplex 4100 Panels that are currently Offline display in an Object List.

- End -

#### **Procedure 2-7 Accessing Detailed Hardware Information**

#### Step Action

- 1 Detailed hardware information is available for all configured Simplex 4100 hardware.
- 2 Right-click an object in Object List view and click Edit. The hardware information appears.

- End -

# **Viewing Configured Points**

**Note:**Point commands can be accessed on the context menu by right-clicking the point and selecting either: **Enable** or **Disable**.

Enable - This command enables the Fire Point.

Disable - This command disables the Fire Point.

#### **Procedure 2-8 View All Simplex Points**

#### Step Action

On the **Setup** tab, click the **Fire Points** drop-down, and then click **Show All**. A list of configured Fire Points appears.



**Note:**Selecting **In Alarm** from the **Fire Points** drop-down menu displays those Fire Points in the state of alarm.

- End -

#### Procedure 2-9 Viewing Simplex 4100 Points for a Card

The Points and Pseudo Points associated with a Simplex 4100 Card can be viewed from the Device List.

Action
Open the <b>Device List</b> pane.
Expand the Fire Panels icon. A list of configured fire panels appears.
Expand the Simplex 4100 Panels file.
Expand the required Panel. A list of Cards and Pseudo Cards appears.
Right-click on a card and click View Points. A list of points associated with that card appears in an Object List.

#### Procedure 2-10 Acquiring Data from a Simplex 4100 Panel

The Simplex 4100 Panel can acquire data from Simplex hardware.

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- 1 From the **Device List** tree, select **Fire Panels** and then right-click the Simplex Panel required.
- 2 Click **Acquire Data**. A **Data Acquisition** dialog box appears.

**Note:**If necessary, click **Cancel** to stop data acquisition.

If the Simplex 4100 Panel is offline, an error dialog will appear to show related error message.

- After successful communication, a **Panel Basic Information** dialog box appears displaying the acquired Simplex Panel information.
- 4 Click **Next**. The **Configure Card** dialog box appears.

**Note:**By default, cards in the **Interested Cards** list for the current Simplex panel are highlighted.

- 5 On the **Physical Card** and **Pseudo Points** tab, select the data to be acquired.
- 6 Click Next.
- Progress is displayed in the **Data Transfer Progress** dialog box. At the conclusion of the import process, the information is presented.
- 8 To merge information to the database, click **Save to Database**. or

Click **Detail...** to view a dialog box with failed import information.

- End -

#### **Procedure 2-11 Viewing Data Acquisition Reports**

#### Step Action

Open the **Device List**.



- 2 Expand the Fire Panels icon. A list of configured fire panels appears.
- 3 Expand the Simplex 4100 Panels file. A list of configured fire panels appears.
- 4 Right-click the required Fire Panel.
- 5 Click **View Data Acquisition Reports**. A detailed list of data acquisitions associated with that fire panel appears in the **Object List**.
- Right-click on a report and click **View Details** to display details referring to that data acquisition report.

- End -



# Virtual Keypad

The Simplex 4100 Virtual Keypad is a simulation of the Simplex Keypad. It is a read-only keypad, whereby the virtual LED lights update in synchronization with the Simplex Keypad when the panel status changes.



The messages displayed in the text field indicate the number of points that have Alarms and System Warnings. The LED lights on the Virtual Keypad are color coded to indicate the status of the fire panel. The table below lists the alarm definitions for each color:

Status	Virtual Keypad LED Light	Color Definition
		Gray: No Fire Alarm.
	Fire Alarm	Flashing: Fire Alarm requires acknowledgment.
Alarm		Red: Fire Alarm acknowledged.
	Priority 2 Alarm	Gray: No Priority 2 Alarm.
		Flashing: Priority 2 Alarm requires acknowledgment.
		Red: Priority 2 Alarm acknowledged.
	Supervisory Warnings	Gray: No Supervisory Warning.
		Flashing: Supervisory Warning requires acknowledgment.
System Warnings		Yellow: Supervisory Alarm acknowledged.
	Trouble	Gray: No Trouble Warning.
		Flashing: Trouble Warning requires acknowledgment.
		Yellow: Trouble Warning acknowledged.
Alarm Silenced	Alarm Silenced	Gray: Alarm Silenced Off.
Alaim Silenced		Yellow: Alarm Silenced On.
		Gray: Power Off.
AC Power	AC Power	Green: Power On.

**Procedure 2-1 Accessing the Virtual Keypad** 



Step	Action
1	Open the <b>Device List</b> .
2	Expand the Fire Panels icon. A list of configured Fire Panels appears.
3	Expand Simplex Panels and then expand the required panel.
4	Double-click the keypad to open the Virtual Keypad.
	- End -



# **Fire Point Groups**

Fire Point Groups allow grouping of Fire Points into logical groups. They can then be used for further configuration, for example, added to a Map or restricted in a Role.

#### **Procedure 2-1 Create Fire Object Groups**

Step	Action	
1	Select the <b>Setup</b> tab.	
2	Select Fire Obejct Groups then New.	
3	Enter a Name.	
4	(Optional) Enter a <b>Description</b> .	
5	Ensure the <b>Enabled</b> check box is checked.	
6	Select then select a Fire Point to add to your group.	
7	Repeat step 5 until all Fire Points have been added. To remove a point, select it then select	
8	Save and close.	
	- End -	
	edure 2-2 Configure a Fire Group on a Map	
Step	Action	
1	On the Setup tab, select Fire Object Groups. Click <b>New</b> . The <b>Fire Object Group</b> editor appears.	
2	Configure this group then save and close.	
3	Add this Fire Group to a map by clicking  to add an icon on the map layer.	

Select Simplex Object Group. The icon will appear on the map. Click and drag the icon to the location you

The **Icon Editor** appears. Click **Select object** to choose the group for the map. The Object selector appears.

Right-click the icon for the Fire Group and select Polygon shape from the drop-down menu and click Add.

**Note:**Refer to the Maps section for more information regarding victor Maps.

Select the group and click **OK**.

Save and close.

want it on the map. Right-click the icon and select Drop on map.

Move the shape to the area you want linked with the Fire Group.



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# **Fire Device Type Manager**

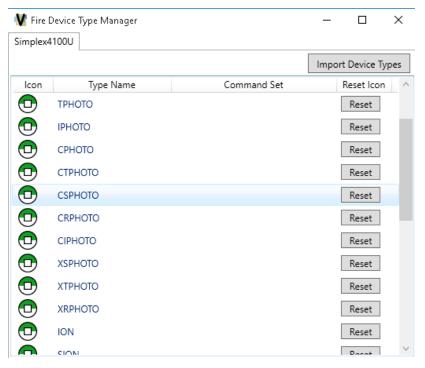
The **Fire Device Type Manager** lists all currently supported device types, their default icon and the command set supported. Fire Device Type Manager also allows for importing of device type configurations. The **Fire Device Type Manager** can be opened from the **Setup** tab.



#### **Procedure 2-1 Import Device Type Configuration**

#### Step Action

1 On the **Setup** tab, select **Fire Device Type Manager**. The Fire Device Type Manager opens.



- 2 Select Import Device Types.
- 3 Select then navigate to and open your import file.
- 4 If required, check the **Overwrite existing device type details** checkbox to overwrite existing configuration.
- 5 Select Import.

- End -



# **Fire Analog Value Pollings**

Analog Value Pollings provides the analog value trend over a specified time period for one specific point. Analog Value Pollings also allows for comparison of several points in one chart.

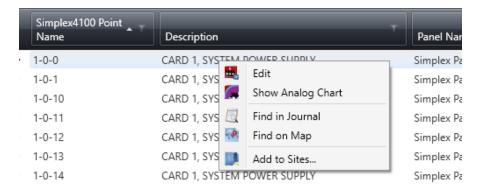
#### **Procedure 2-1 Create Polling Group**

Before the analog value trend can be analyzed, a polling group of points must be created.

Step	Action	
1	On the <b>Setup</b> tab, click the <b>Fire Analog Value Pollings</b> drop-down and then click <b>New</b> . The <b>New Fire Analog Value Polling</b> editor opens.	
2	Enter a <b>Name</b> for the polling group.	
3	(Optional) Enter a <b>Description</b> for the polling group.	
4	Check the <b>Enabled</b> check box to enable polling.	
5	Enter an Interval in seconds. This is the time interval that victor polls your points.	
6	Select then select a Fire Point to add to the group.	
7	Repeat step 7 for each point to add to the group.	
8	Save and Close.	
	- End -	

#### **Procedure 2-2 View Analog Value Trend**

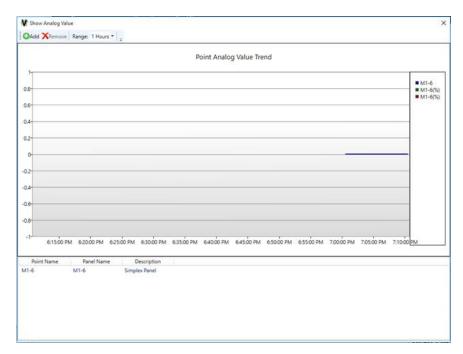
After a point has been added to a polling group, a chart of its analog value chart can be created from the points right click menu.



A point that has been added to a polling group can also be added to an existing chart for comparison of trends.

Step	Action
1	Select <b>Setup</b> .
2	Select Fire Points then Show All from the drop-down menu.
3	Right click on the fire point to show analog value trend for and select <b>Show Analog Chart</b> . An analog value chart for the selected fire point is displayed.





- 4 Select a time period from the **Range** drop-down to show the analog value trend over the specified period of time.
- 5 To add another fire point for comparison, select then select the fire point.

- End -



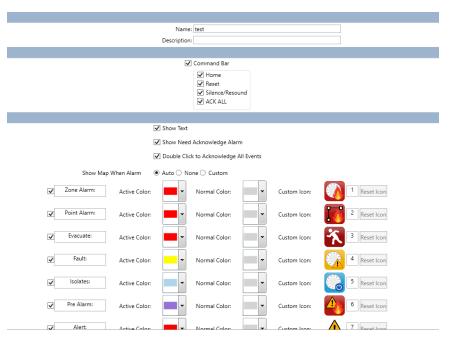
victor supports the creation and configuration of multiple Fire Status Bars. These bars can be configured to display required information, including: Zone Alarm, Point Alarm, Evacuate, Fault, Isolates, Pre Alarm, Alert, Sounders, Priority 2, Warning, Test Mode, Information, Supervisory, and Output State. In addition, Fire Status Bars give global options such as: Home, Reset, Silence/Resound, ACK ALL.

Fire Status Bars can be added to custom Layouts, and as such, assigned to Operators.

#### Procedure 2-1 New Fire Status Bar

#### Step Action

On the **Setup** tab, click the **Fire Status Bars** drop-down and then click **New**. The **Fire Status Bars** editor appears.



- 2 Enter a Name
- 3 (Optional) Enter a **Description**.
- The commands that appear in the Fire Status Bar are: **Home**, **Reset**, **Silence/Resound**, **ACK ALL** check boxes. Clear the check box if you do not want to view them in the Fire Status Bar.

#### Note:

**Home** - Switches to the default layout automatically.

**Reset** - The Reset command will be sent to the panel.

**Silence/Resound** - Silence/Resound command will be sent to the panel.

ACK ALL - All events in the Fire Status Bar will be acknowledged.

If required, clear the **Show Text**, **Show Need Acknowledge Alarm**, or **Double Click to Acknowledge All Events** check boxes.

#### Note:

Show Text - Text labels on each button of the Fire Status Bar.



**Show Need Acknowledge Alarm** - A text label showing the number of alarms which have been acknowledged.

**Double Click to Acknowledge All Events** - Double click a button on the Fire Status Bar to acknowledge all events of that type.

6 Select the radio button for **Show Map When Alarm**.

#### Note:

Auto - Opens the map which contains the fire alarm point automatically.

None - No action taken.

**Custom** - The user can configured the map that appears when the fire alarm occurs.

- Select the check boxes beside the event types that you want to see in your Fire Status Bar or clear the check boxes beside the event types that you do not want to see in your Fire Status Bar.
- 8 Edit text in field to change Text Label on button.
- 9 Select the **Active Color** from the drop-down. When an alarm of the selected type occurs, this section of the Fire Status Bar will change to the selected color.
- Select **Normal Color** from the drop-down. When no alarm of the selected type occur, this section of the Fire Status Bar will display the selected color.
- To change an icon of a alarm type, double click the current icon and navigate to the required image file. To reset the icon to default, click **Reset Icon**.
- 12 Change the number field to edit location of button on the Fire Status Bar. Buttons are numbered left to right.
- 13 Save and close.

- End -

#### Procedure 2-2 Open/View Fire Status Bar

Once configured, Fire Status Bars can be viewed.

#### Step Action

- 1 On the **Home** tab, click the **Fire Status Bars** drop-down.
- 2 Select the Fire Status Bar to open from the list.
- Once open, the Fire Status Bar will display along the bottom of the victor client window. Like all victor layout components, the Fire Status Bar can be moved to anywhere onscreen and can be changed to a tabbed, floating or dockable window.

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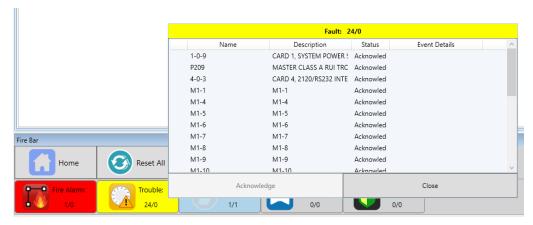
# **Actioning Fire Status Bar Alarms/Events**

When an alarm or event is raised, the Fire Status Bar will go into alarm.





Alarms and Events can also be actioned directly from the fire status bar. Clicking the alarming Fire Status Bar icon will open a pop up containing alarm/event details.



Select **Acknowledge** to acknowledge alarm or events which are checked. Select **Close** to close the pop up.

If configured during Fire Status Bar setup, double clicking an alarming fire status bar icon will clear all events of that type.

Action	Meaning
Icon is flashing	Event is occuring.
Icon has stopped flashing	Event is acknowledged.
Icon with no color	No event.
Sound	Event associated with the sound has occured. Sound is played only when the NeedACK number is greater than 0. When ACK ALL is pressed and all alarms are acknowledged, sound will not be played.



The Event Banner gives an overview of the Event that is currently having the highest priority.

victor default Fire layout displays an Event Banner. To open the Event Banner from another layout, select **Home>Event Banner**.



The event banner's color appears the same as the configured color setting for the fire status bar.

### **Expand Events Banner**

By default, the Event Banner shows the Event that is currently having the highest priority. Click to view the list of all current Events:



Selecting an individual event from the expanded view allows sending of commands to the device.

Note: By default, Acknowledged events are not shown on the event banner.



# **Reports and Data Visualization**

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The reporting function is used primarily to display Journal and Audit information on system objects and activity.

Various predefined report templates are available within the client or alternatively, you can use 'Ad Hoc' reports for more customizable reports which allow search terms to be used.

The Data Visualizer feature allows users to display report data graphically using Charts, Timelines and Report Grids.

# **Generate / Save Reports**

Various predefined report templates are available within the report editor. These can be used to generate reports to retrieve Journal and Audit information on system objects and activity. From the reporting dialog, reports can be saved so they can be executed later.

#### **Procedure 2-1 Generate a Fire Report**

Step	Action
1	On the <b>Home</b> tab, select <b>Reports and Data Visualisation</b> . Click <b>New</b> from the drop-down menu. The Report editor appears.
2	In the Category field, select Fire from the drop-down list.
3	In the <b>Template</b> field, select a template for the report.
4	In the <b>Source(s)</b> field, select to choose a source of data for the reports. An <b>Object Selector</b> appears. Select the <b>Type</b> and click <b>OK</b> .
5	In the State field, select the check boxes of the various states of alarm in which to run the report.
6	Click to execute the report. Afterward, the report can additionally be saved or emailed.
	- End -



#### Introduction

System Values allows you to configure of a range of system wide settings from a single editor. **System Values** is available from the **Setup** tab.

#### **Alert Priorities**

Alert Priorities allow assigning of a priority level to various alerts from Fire objects. Select the object type from the **Type** drop-down then use the **Assigned Priorities** section to assign relevant priorities.

# **Database Settings**

Various database archive settings can be configured using **System Values** database settings editor. These settings are applied to the victor Application Server Microsoft SQL database.

#### **Database Settings - Fire Setting**

Fire Setting section allows setting of various fire only settings:

- Display acknowledged events in Event Banner:
  - 0 The acknowledged event will not display.
  - 1 The acknowledged event will display.
- Check priority setting for map object annunciation:
  - 0 Disable
  - 1 Enable
- Timeout to return to default layout(s):
  - 0 Disable
  - 1 3600 The time to return to default layout.

