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Advanced Search Techniques

All Apprentice applications use a consistent method of searching. In most cases you will simply enter the value you are searching for. However, a number of custom search operators allow you to perform more advanced searches.

Search Operators

Symbol	Meaning	Example	Results
	Equal to (begins with)	BEN	Returns all beginning with BEN, BENTON, BENNETON,BENNETT, etc.
%	Contains	%SON	Returns all with SON anywhere: SONNET, JOHNSON
>	Greater than	>25 >02/02/2007	Returns all more than 25 Returns all AFTER Feb 2, 2007
<	Less than	<25 <02/02/2004	Returns all LESS than 25 Returns all BEFORE 02/02/2004
\Leftrightarrow	Not equal to	<>50	Returns all not equal to 50
>=	Greater than or equal to	>= 01/01/2004	All records beginning January 1, 2004 and following
<=	Less then or equal to	<=55	Returns all fifty-five and less
=	Empty	=	Returns all records where the field is empty.
>	Not empty	>	Returns all records where the field is not empty.
;	Multiple matches	John;David;Mark	Returns all records containing any of the names
:	Range	01/01/2004:01/31/2004	All January 2004 records

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