

# BCM RIs 6.0

# **Application Launcher**

**Task Based Guide** 

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# **Application Launcher**

### **Overview**

The Application Launcher is a new web based tool that resides on the BCM web page. This replaces the previous BCM web page as seen on earlier BCM releases (although that is still accessible if needed, for more information refer to the **Accessing the Application Launcher for Non Java Enabled Browsers** section of this guide). It is a Java based software application that provides a host of services from a singular portal. These services and applications can be customised for specific requirements.

Features of Application Launcher include:

- Streamlined Download/Launch Capability Application Launcher will download and install applications and can also launch web browsers to connect to web sites.
- Version Control The application automatically checks for new versions of software, ensuring that only up to date ones are available.
- Customisation Upload custom configuration settings or company logos.
- Third Party Applications A list of configurable applications or elements.
- Application Removal Tool Removes any recently installed applications.
- Start Menu Program Item Creation When applications are installed, entries are made in the Start Menu to facilitate program launch.
- Desktop Shortcut Creation Easily create desktop shortcuts to frequently used applications.
- Add Download Locations For example corporate servers or the Avaya website.
- File Size Reduction Application installation packages are reduced due to the removal of redundant software components.

### Requirements

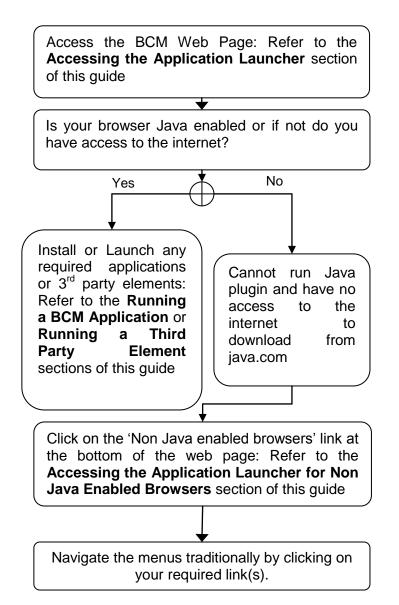
As the Application Launcher is a web based application, normally there are no installation steps are required (Installation of the Java browser plugin will be handled automatically by the web browser and java.com). If the plugin is not automatically downloaded and installed, then visit http://www.java.com and download the latest JRE (Java Runtime Environment).

For non Java enabled browsers, or those that cannot access the internet to download the plugin, the traditional web view is also available.

**Note**: To install any Java plugins, you may need Administrator access for installation purposes. You can visit http://www.java.com to install the Java plugin.

### **Flowchart**

Use the following flowchart to guide you through accessing the Application Launcher:



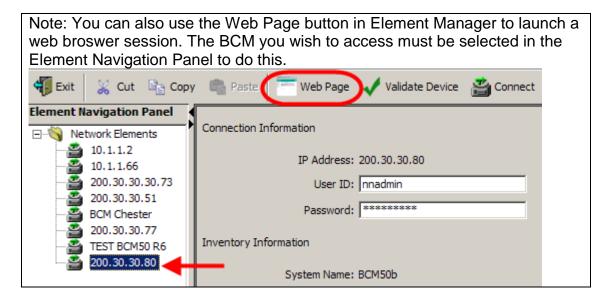
## **Accessing the Application Launcher**

To access the Application Launcher, first open your internet browser (for this example we will use Internet Explorer).

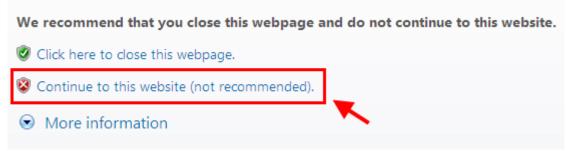
1. Open Internet Explorer.In the address field type (replacing the relevant part with your BCM IP address): http://<bcm ip address>/



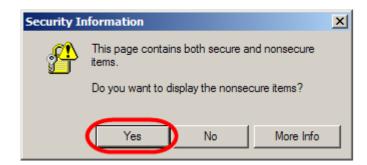
2. Click on **Go**, or press Return on your keyboard.



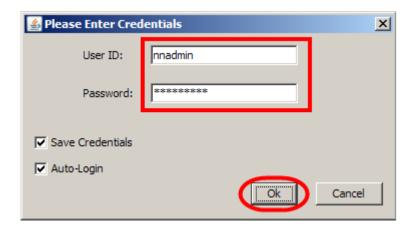
3. If you are presented with the Certificate Error window, click on Continue to this website (not recommended).



4. Accept any further security messages that you may get presented with.

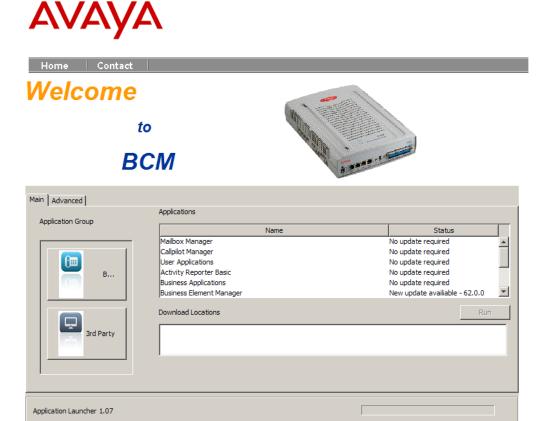


5. You will now see the login screen, enter your BCM User name and Password. By default these are set to User ID: nnadmin Password: PlsChgMe! Click on **OK**.



6. In the Welcome to BCM window, ensure the **Main** tab has been selected, and the **BCM** button clicked.

7. The Application Launcher is displayed and populated with applications/ elements associated with your login access rights.



# Accessing the Application Launcher for non Java Enabled Browsers

You cannot access the Application Launcher if your PC is not Java enabled. If your browser does not support Java, or you have no access to the internet to download the plugin from java.com – follow the previous steps and simply click on the **Click for Non-Java enabled browsers** link at the bottom of the web page.



The traditional BCM Web Page will be displayed.





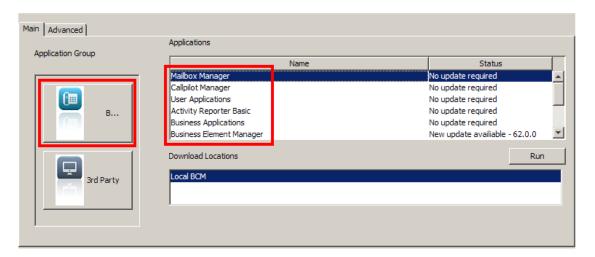
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# **Running a BCM Application**

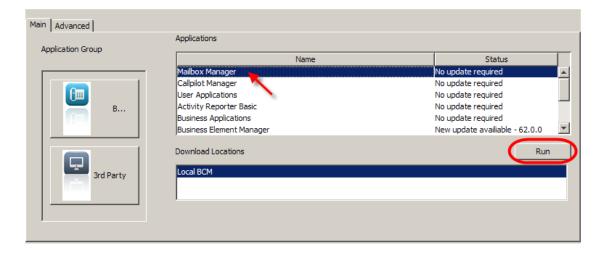
Applications in the BCM Application group include:

- Mailbox Manager
- CallPilot Manager
- Business Element Manager
- BCM Monitor
- Data Migration Manager
- Online Documentation
- Activity Reporter Basic
- User Applications
- Business Applications
- Other Administrator Applications

1. Once opened, the Application Launcher view defaults to the BCM applications screen.



2. To launch an application simply double click on the application name (for this example we are using the Mailbox Manager application). Alternatively, select the application and click on **Run**.



3. Mailbox Manager launches in a separate browser window.



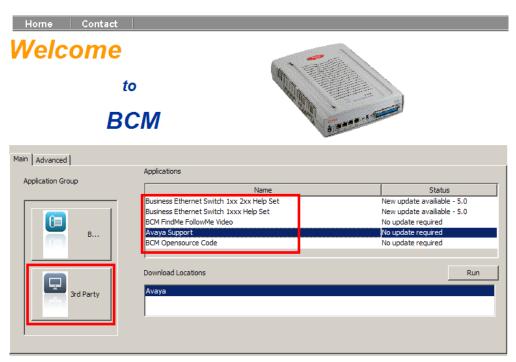
**Note**: If you select to run an application that is <u>not</u> installed on your PC, the installation process will automatically start.

# **Running a Third Party Application**

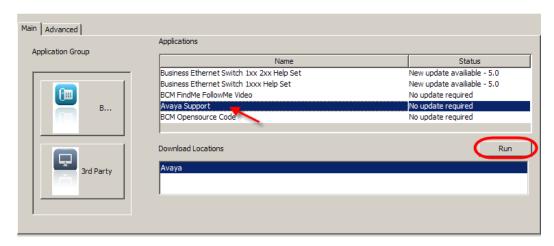
The other section of the Application Launcher deals with third party applications and/or elements. This is a configurable list and is accessed by following this simple procedure.

 To change views to the third party elements list, simply click on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Party button:

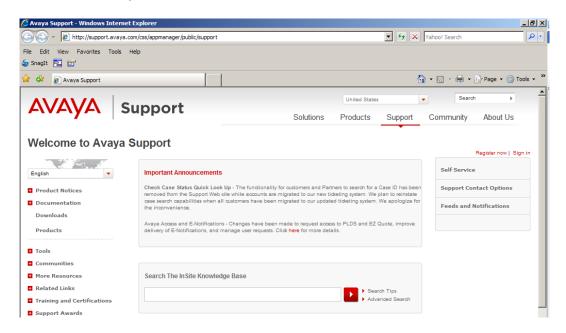




2. To launch an application, double-click on it or select it and click on **Run**. For this example we will use Avaya Support.



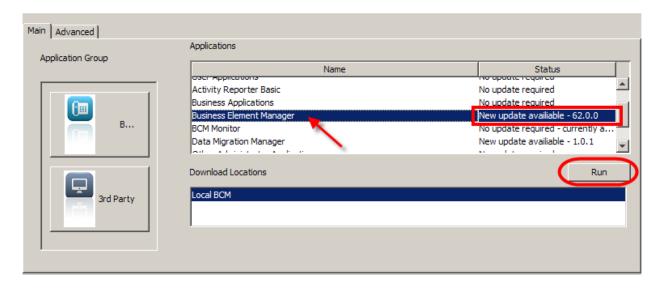
3. The selection opens in a new browser window.



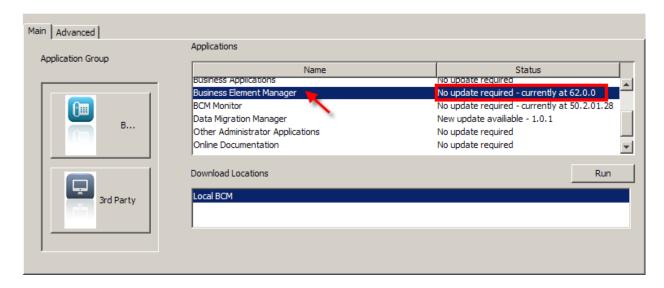
# **Application Status**

If you have an internet connection, a status field will display if there is a more up to date version of the application to the one you are currently using. Visiting the Application Launcher page regularly will ensure that the applications you use that are directly downloaded from the Application Launcher page are kept up to date.

If an application states that a new update is available, simply select that application and click on **Run** to update that application.



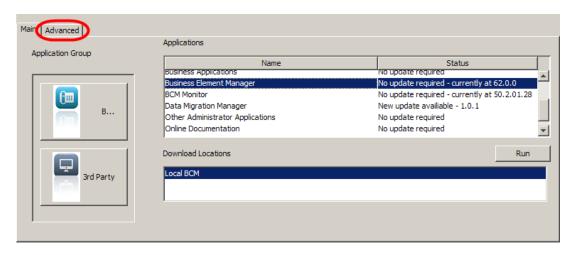
After the application has been updated the status will read **No update required**...



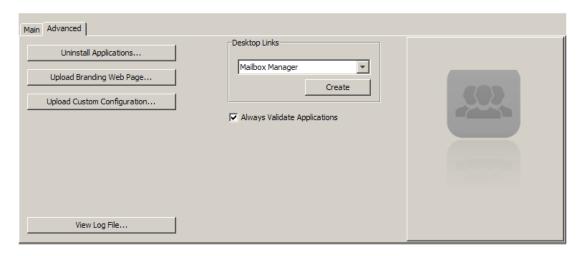
# The Advanced Tab

The Advanced tab provides access to two main functions:

- The ability for the Application Launcher page to be customised for branding and functional/application purposes. For example, a customer may wish to display their brand/logos on the Application Launcher page, and offer additional links to promotional material on various web sites.
- The option of creating desktop shortcuts to applications listed in the Main tab.
- 1. To access the options available, click on the **Advanced** tab.



2. The following features are available:



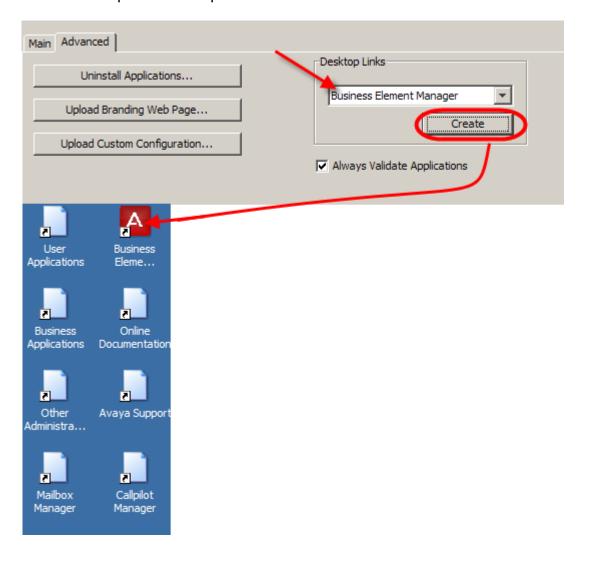
### **Advanced Tab Features**

Attribute	Description
Remove Downloaded Applications	Removes any recently downloaded applications.
Upload Branding Web Page	Locate and upload a custom Web page for branding purposes (dimensions must be 130 x 740 and be in HTML format).
Upload Custom Configuration	This option allows you to locate and upload a

	custom configuration file (XML format).
View Log File	View the application log file.
Desktop Links	Select an application from the list, then click Create to put a shortcut on your PC desktop (see image below).
Always Validate Applications	Select this option to validate any applications.

## **Example Showing Shortcut Creation Tool:**

Select the required Desktop Link and click on Create.



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