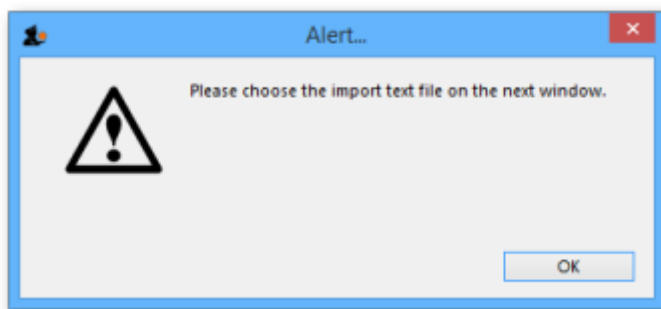


# 17.04. Importing prescribers

 Applicable in Dispensary mode only

From the *File* menu, choose *Import Prescribers*, and the *Import alert* window is displayed.



You may import a list of prescribers who have the authority to prescribe medicines.

Your list should be in the format of a 6-column spreadsheet, saved as a tab delimited file. The columns should be in the following order: <HTML>

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Column 1	Unique code for each prescriber
Column 2	Last name
Column 3	First name
Column 4	Initials - these will appear on patient labels
Column 5	Registration code
Column 6	Category

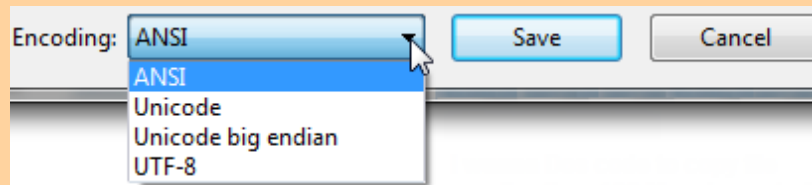
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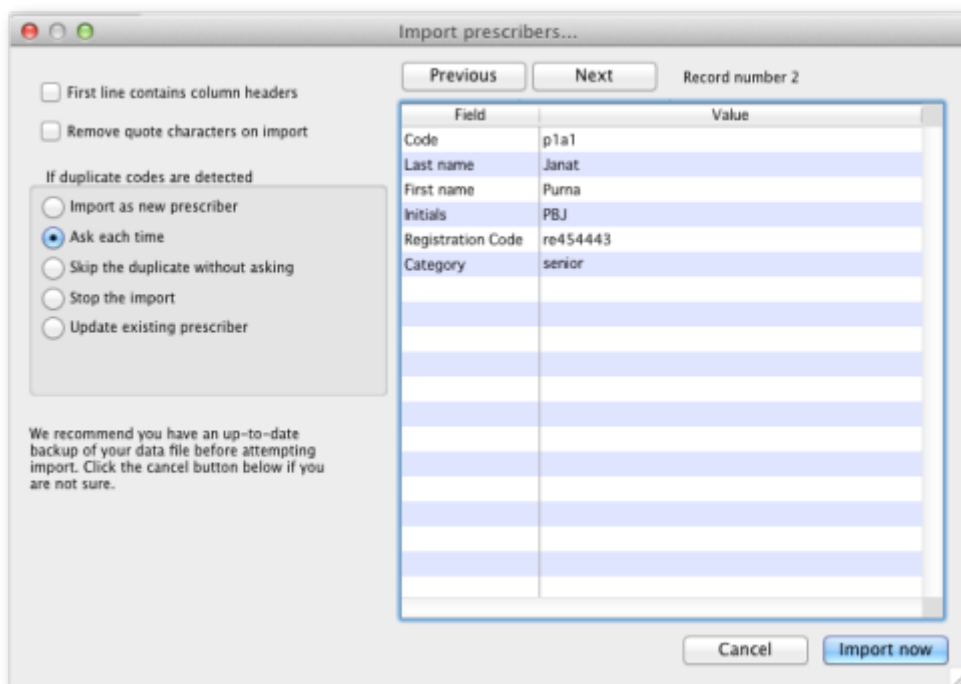
Your tab delimited spreadsheet file would appear something like this:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	<b>Code</b>	<b>Last name</b>	<b>First name</b>	<b>Initials</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Category</b>
2	ph4	Andrews	James	JA	122097	Phys
3	pd2	Shrestha	Binod	BS	N/A	Paed
4	der1	Fenton	Hilary	HJF	116953	Derm
5	ort2	Hill	John	JKH	Aus 609-2257	Ortho
6	og5	Robb	Martha	MAR	148364	Obs

If the file you are importing has non-English characters (for example, accents), it is important to make sure the file is saved with a UTF-8 charset. You can check this by opening the file in Notepad (for Windows). When you save the file, you can choose the Charset used, as shown in the image below.



Choose import options from the preview window and click **OK** to begin import.



If there are non-printable characters before or after the first name, last name or code they will be removed. Any non-printable characters in the first name, last name or code will be replaced with an underscore ( \_ ).

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