# QGIS Application - Bug report #3137

## Save as shapefile fails if field names are longer than 10 characters

2010-10-20 12:36 AM - Paolo Cavallini

Status:ClosedPriority:LowAssignee:nobody -Category:Data Provider

Affected QGIS version:

Operating System: All

Pull Request or Patch supplied:

Crashes QGIS or corrupts data:

Regression?:

No

Resolution: fixed

Copied to github as #: 13197

### Description

If I try to save the attached [[MapInfo]] file, I get:

Export to vector file failed.

Error: trimming attribute name 'PM10\_AVG\_max' to ten significant characters produces duplicate column name.

and export fails. It seems a limitation of OGR, but perhaps we could be smarter and replace the last character with a serial. Otherwise better forward this ticket to GDAL trac?

#### **Associated revisions**

Revision f708fe7c - 2011-02-21 11:41 PM - Jürgen Fischer

fix #3137

git-svn-id: http://svn.osgeo.org/ggis/trunk/qgis@15238 c8812cc2-4d05-0410-92ff-de0c093fc19c

Revision b642e809 - 2011-02-21 11:41 PM - Jürgen Fischer

fix #3137

git-svn-id: http://svn.osgeo.org/qgis/trunk@15238 c8812cc2-4d05-0410-92ff-de0c093fc19c

# History

#### #1 - 2010-10-20 01:38 AM - Paolo Cavallini

BTW, the external plugin Table Manager fails to rename the fields, hanging QGIS

## #2 - 2010-10-20 04:59 AM - Jürgen Fischer

Replying to pcav:

and export fails. It seems a limitation of OGR, but perhaps we could be smarter and replace the last character with a serial.

AFAIK it's not a limitation of OGR, but a limitation of D-Base format.

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### #3 - 2010-10-20 05:27 AM - Paolo Cavallini

I mean: the lack of a proper truncation method, adding a serial in case of too long field names, may be a limitation of OGR.

#### #4 - 2010-10-20 05:53 AM - Frank Warmerdam -

If the ticket is filed against GDAL, I can have Chaitanya look into clean logic for disambiguation for shortened names.

### #5 - 2010-10-20 05:57 AM - Jürgen Fischer

If this is fixed in OGR we need to keep in mind to adapt http://trac.osgeo.org/qgis/browser/trunk/qgis/src/core/qgsvectorfilewriter.cpp#L312 accordingly.

#### #6 - 2010-10-20 06:26 AM - Paolo Cavallini

http://trac.osgeo.org/gdal/ticket/3796

## #7 - 2010-10-20 07:25 AM - Paolo Cavallini

Apparently the problem has been solved in GDAL 1.7. The method in QGIS should then be updated. See http://trac.osgeo.org/gdal/ticket/3796#comment:1

### #8 - 2011-02-21 02:42 PM - Jürgen Fischer

- Resolution set to fixed
- Status changed from Open to Closed

fixed in commit:b642e809 (SVN r15239).

#### **Files**

contour.mif.zip 10.7 KB 2010-10-19 Paolo Cavallini

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