TeamAgenda synchronization under Windows

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1. Requirements.

- TeamAgenda 5.1.1 (5.1.0 no Autosync)
- Connection to TA-Server with a valid support license.
- Outlook 2003 or later

2. Synchronized data

TeamAgenda synchronizes with Outlook the following data:

- Address book.
- Calendar and To-dos.

3. Synchronization details

- TeamAgenda is disconnected from the server at the beginning of the synchronization procedure, and is then reconnected to the server at the end.
- TeamAgenda synchronizes with the default Outlook data file (pst-file).
- It's strongly recommended to disable Default reminder in Outlook (Tools->Options->Preference->Calendar section) the first time that synchronization is executed.
- After the synchronization procedure, the screen will display the last 'Workset' used.

4. Address Book synchronization details

- Only the personal directory of the Address Book is synchronized.
- Only TeamAgenda Contact information can be overwritten from Outlook. TeamAgenda Users and Resources appear in Outlook as Contacts and information for them cannot be overwritten in TeamAgenda from Outlook.
- Business e-mail from TeamAgenda goes to the field "E-mail 1" of Outlook.
- Home e-mail from TeamAgenda goes to the field "E-mail 2" of Outlook.
- Outlook field "E-mail 3" is not synchronized.

5. Calendar and To-dos synchronization details

• Priorities:

TeamAgenda	Outlook
1	High
2	High
3	Normal
4	Low
5	Low

- "Completed" status (checkmark) is supported only for Tasks/To-dos in Outlook. No such status exists for Appointments.
- The Appointment title field in Outlook will be truncated to 50 characters in TeamAgenda.

- Due to the possibility of "scheduling" To-do items (converting to a Commitment) in TeamAgenda, the corresponding Task in Outlook will be deleted and an Appointment will be created.
- Color coding scheme is not the same in Outlook and in TeamAgenda and is therefore not synchronized.
- Repeated Commitments from TeamAgenda are recognized in Outlook as unlinked Appointments.
- Recurrent Appointments from Outlook don't go to TeamAgenda as a set of Commitments, only the first appointment will go to TeamAgenda due to the way recurrent appointments are stored in Outlook.
- Alarms are not synchronized.
- Categories are not synchronized.
- "Spilled Commitments" are not supported in Outlook and therefore will appear as separate unlinked Appointments in Outlook.
- 6. Usage
 - The synchronization process may be launched from TeamAgenda's File menu item labeled "Synchronize using Outlook..." as seen on Figure 1.



Figure 1 - Synchronize using Outlook... File menu item.

- Main synchronization window (see Figure 2) contains:
 - selection of items to be synchronized: Agenda/To-dos and/or Address Book;
 - behavior in case of conflicts: user can select either TeamAgenda or Outlook to override;
 - range of dates for synchronization;
 - parameters of the automatic synchronization (see details below);

Synchronization	×
☑ Agenda/To-dos	Address Book (Personal Directory only)
Resolving conflicts TeamAgenda data overwrites Outlook data O Outlook data overwrites TeamAgenda data	Resolving conflicts TeamAgenda data overwrites Outlook data O Outlook data overwrites TeamAgenda data
Begin: End: 01/04/2012 ▼ 01/06/2013 ▼	
Automatic synchronization (agenda and to-dos only) A manual synchronization is required prior to first use	
Automatic synchonization	
days before 7 days after 7 (maximum 7 days)	
Synchronization interval in minutes 5 (minimum 5 minutes)	
	Start

Figure 2 - Main synchronization window.

- Synchronization procedure can be started by pressing the button "Start"
- When synchronization procedure is done, user will see the message as displayed on Figure 3. Press "Ok" to close the message.

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TeamAgenda X		
į	Synchronization between TeamAgenda and outlook is done. Now you can synchronize Outlook with your PDA and then press the button "Start". Otherwise, you can just close this window.	
	OK	
Figure 3 - First phase of synchronization succeeded		

- Now there are two possibilities:
 - Finish the synchronization operations by closing the main synchronization window;
 - Synchronize Outlook with a user's mobile device or any external environment and then press "Start" button again to synchronize back new data to TeamAgenda.
- In order to keep data consistency between personal agenda and Outlook data-file, TeamAgenda stores "correspondence" token. In case of mismatched data TeamAgenda shows the error message as seen on Figure 4. This message contains information about the previous synchronization. Zero means that this file wasn't synchronized.

TeamAgenda X	
8	The active TeamAgenda and Outlook files are not the last two synchronized. Date and time of last synchronization: Outlook Wednesday, August 22, 2012 09:35:02 TeamAgenda 0
	Synchronization cannot proceed. Please restart with the correct files or contact Teamsoft for support.
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Figure 4 - Mismatched data

7. Usage of automatic synchronization

- At the first opening of the synchronization window (as seen on the Figure 2) the automatic synchronization is not available. A manual synchronization is required before the first use.
- The automatic synchronization has different parameters (see such as:
 - Range is reduced to maximum 7 days before and 7 after the current date;
 - Interval between synchronizations can be set between 5 and 1200 minutes.
 Automatic synchronization (agenda and to-dos only)

	A manual synchronization is required prior to first use
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	days before 7 days after 7 (maximum 7 days)
	Synchronization interval in minutes 5 (minimum 5 minutes)
	Save
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Figure 5 – Automatic synchronization preferences

• In order to apply your settings and lunch the automatic synchronization, just press the button "Save" and close the window.

8. Known problems

• Sometimes the Address Book is not refreshed after the synchronization. Manual reconnection to the server is required.