Data Dictionary

MainePad Finder

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| Entity / Attr. Name | Data Type | <u>Constraints</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| USER | TABLE | | A user account in the <i>MainePad</i> Finder system. Contains pertinent user information, including important account details. LANDLORD and RENTER are subtypes of USER, and represent specific types of user accounts that can be created. |
| <u>USER_ID</u> | int | Primary key of USER NOT NULL UNIQUE AUTO_INCREMENT | A unique, immutable numerical ID assigned to every newly-created account. |
| USERNAME | varchar (50) | NOT NULL UNIQUE | An alphanumeric string devised by a user for logging into their <i>MainePad Finder</i> account. |
| PASSWORD | varchar (50) | NOT NULL | A hashed string corresponding to a password devised by a user for logging into their <i>MainePad Finder</i> account. This string should be kept secret and known only to the user who owns the account to which the password is utilized. |
| EMAIL | varchar (100) | NOT NULL | The email associated with a user's account. |
| PHONE_NUMBER | bigint | NOT NULL | The phone number associated with a user's account. |
| GENDER | char(1) | CHECK (GENDER IN ('M', 'F', 'X', '?')) | The user-submitted gender of the user that owns an account. 'M' = Male 'F' = Female |

| | | | 'x' = Non-Binary '?' = Other / Prefer not to specify |
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| DESC | nvarchar (1000) | NULL ALLOWED | A user-submitted description to display on that user's profile. |
| PICTURE_URL | nvarchar (1000) | NULL ALLOWED | A URL of the user-submitted profile picture. |
| NAME | nvarchar (200) | NOT NULL | The real-world legal name of the user, to be used for identity validation. |
| BIRTH_DATE | date | NOT NULL | The user's self-specified date of birth. A user's birth year, birth month and birth day should be among the data specified by this attribute. |
| AGE | smallint | | The current age of the user. Derived from BIRTH_DATE. |
| RENTER | TABLE | | A user account specifically for prospective renters seeking to rent a property with one or more potential roommates. RENTER is a subtype of the USER entity type and inherits all attributes from USER . |
| LANDLORD | TABLE | | A user account specifically for landlords renting out one or more properties. LANDLORD is a subtype of the USER entity type and inherits all attributes from USER . |
| NOTIFICATION | TABLE | | A system notification for informing users of occurrences such as new messages sent and system-wide notifications. A user's notifications shall appear within a notification menu. |
| NOTIFICATION_ID | int | Primary key of NOTIFICATION NOT NULL UNIQUE AUTO_INCREMENT | A unique, immutable numerical ID assigned to every newly-created notification. |

| TIMESTAMP | timestamp | NOT NULL | A timestamp denoting precisely when the notification was sent to its recipients. |
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| IS_READ | bool | NOT NULL | A notification is to be considered <i>read</i> if its recipient has manually examined the notification within their notification menu after the notification's TIMESTAMP. This flag variable specifies whether a notification <i>has</i> been read (TRUE) or <i>has not yet</i> been read (FALSE). |
| NOTIFICATION_TEXT | nvarchar (1000) | NOT NULL | The textual contents of the notification. |
| REVIEW | TABLE | | A textual and rating-based review directed at a property (and a property's landlord by extension). |
| REVIEW_ID | int | Primary key of REVIEW UNIQUE NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT | A unique, immutable numerical ID assigned to every newly-created review. |
| USER_ID | int | Foreign key of RENTER NOT NULL | A numerical ID of the user posting the review. |
| PROPERTY_ID | int | Foreign key of PROPERTY NOT NULL | A numerical ID of the property the review is for. |
| COMMENT | varchar (1000) | | A textual comment that a user may optionally provide to further contextualize their numerical rating of the property to which the review pertains. |
| STARS | float (1,2) | NOT NULL CHECK (Rating >= 0.0 AND Rating <= 5.0) | A numerical rating (between 0 and 5 "stars") that quantifies a renter's general impression of a property. |

| PROPERTY | TABLE | | A listing for a property that is managed by a landlord and potentially rentable to one or more renters. Contains pertinent information for prospective renters. The primary concern of landlords within the <i>MainePad Finder</i> system. |
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| PROPERTY_ID | int | Primary key of PROPERTY NOT NULL UNIQUE AUTO_INCREMENT | A unique, immutable numerical ID assigned to every newly-created property listing. |
| RENT_COST | int | NOT NULL | The per-month rental costs of the property. |
| PROPERTY_RATING | float (1,2) | CHECK (PropertyRatin g >= 0.0 AND PropertyRating <= 5.0) | The mean number of stars (out of five) conferred upon the property between all reviews made pertaining to it. Derived from the mean of REVIEW .STARS between all reviews pertaining to the property. |
| LANDLORD_ID | int | Foreign key of LANDLORD NOT NULL | The primary landlord of the property. Linked to the landlord in the RENT_OUT relation. |
| BATHROOMS | smallint | NOT NULL | How many bathrooms does this property have? |
| BEDS | smallint | NOT NULL | How many bedrooms does this property have? |
| CAN_RENT | bool | TRUE or FALSE | A flag variable: Is this property currently available for rent? |
| APT_NUM | int | NULL ALLOWED | An apartment number associated with the property, for properties listed as part of an apartment complex or other unit with multiple individual rental spaces. An APT_NUM of NULL denotes a |

| | | | property that is not part of such a complex, and to which this datum would be inapplicable. |
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| MESSAGE | TABLE | | Representative of a text-based message sent between one user and another. Denotes the content of the message, and the sender and recipient of the message, among other pertinent details. |
| MSG_ID | int | Primary key of MESSAGE UNIQUE NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT | A unique, immutable numerical ID assigned to every newly-created message. |
| SENDER_ID | int | Foreign key of USER NOT NULL | The ID of the USER who sent this message. |
| RECIPIENT_ID | int | Foreign key of USER NOT NULL | The ID of the USER who is to receive this message. |
| SENT_TIMESTAMP | timestamp | NOT NULL | A timestamp denoting the precise date and time in which the message was sent. |
| MESSAGE_TEXT | nvarchar (1000) | NOT NULL | The textual contents of the message. |
| IS_READ | bool | TRUE or FALSE | A flag variable: Has this message been read by its recipient? |
| ADDRESS | TABLE | | A relation providing the exact geographic location of a place. ADDRESS is to be used both in considering the location preferences of a renter (i.e., college campuses that a renter must be near) and in representing the precise locations of properties. |
| ADDR ID | int | Primary key of ADDRESS | A unique, immutable numerical ID assigned to every address. |

| | | UNIQUE NOT NULL | |
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| STREET | varchar (200) | NOT NULL | Distinguishes the street along which the place is located. |
| CITY | varchar (100) | NOT NULL | Distinguishes the city within which the property is located. |
| ZIPCODE | int | NOT NULL | Distinguishes the ZIP code associated with the place. |
| RENTER_ PREFERENCES | TABLE | | A representation of a preference that a RENTER can specify for consideration in roommate matchmaking and property searches. |
| PREFERENCE_ID | int | Primary key of RENTER_ PREFERENCES | A unique, immutable numerical ID assigned to every preference. |
| | | UNIQUE NOT NULL | |
| PREFERENCE_NAME | varchar (100) | NOT NULL | The name of the preference that the user can specify. |
| RENTER_SETTINGS | TABLE | | A representation of several special preference settings that a RENTER can specifically elucidate. |
| USER_ID | int | Primary key of RENTER_ SETTINGS Foreign key of RENTER UNIQUE NOT NULL | A unique, immutable numerical ID assigned to the user associated with the settings. |
| DISTANCE_MAX | int | NOT NULL | What is the maximum distance that the RENTER is willing to live away from their college? |
| GENDER_ PREFERRED | char(1) | CHECK (GENDER IN ('M', 'F', 'X', | What gender of roommate would this RENTER prefer to have? |

| МАТСН | TABLE Relation (many-to- many, | '?')) | 'M' = Male 'F' = Female 'X' = Non-Binary '?' = Other / None A relation that represents a matching of two or more renters together via the <i>MainePad Finder</i> roommate finder. |
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| | RENTER to RENTER) | | |
| MATCH_ID | int | Primary key of MATCH Foreign key of RENTER NOT NULL | Primary Key of MATCH. An immutable user ID for the USER that USER_ID has matched with |
| USER_ID | int | Primary key of MATCH Foreign key of RENTER NOT NULL | Primary Key of MATCH. An immutable user ID for the USER |
| HAS_PREFERENCE | TABLE Relation (many-to- many, RENTER to RENTER_ PREFERE- NCES) | | A relation that represents a renter to have preferences to aid in finding a roommate with compatible preferences, via the <i>MainePad Finder</i> roommate finder. |
| USER_ID | int | Primary key of HAS_PREFERENC E Foreign key of RENTER NOT NULL | Primary Key of USER_PREFERENCE. An immutable user ID of the user that the preferences are referring to |
| PREFERENCE_ID | int | Primary key of HAS_PREFERENC E | Primary Key of USER_PREFERENCE. An immutable ID of the preference |

| | | Foreign key of RENTER_PREFER ENCE NOT NULL | being matched |
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| NOTIFIES | TABLE Relation (many-to- many, NOTIFICA TION to USER) | | A relation that represents a user receiving a system wide notification. |
| NOTIFICATION_ID | int | Primary key of NOTIFES Foreign key of NOTIFICATION NOT NULL UNIQUE | Primary key of NOTIFIES . A unique, immutable ID that is specific to the notification being sent |
| RECIPIENT_ID | Int | Primary key of NOTIFIES Foreign key of USER NOT NULL | Primary key of NOTIFIES . An immutable ID that is specific to the user that is receiving the notification |