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Welcome to the Aisha CRM User Guide. This book covers everything from first-time setup to advanced AI-driven workflows. It is organized in 14 chapters with 3 appendices. Use the table of contents below to jump to any topic.

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Chapter 1: Introduction

Aisha CRM is a multi-tenant, AI-powered customer relationship management platform. It brings together contact, account, lead, and opportunity management with AI assistants, AI telephony, and automation. Aisha is designed to be performant, secure, and resilient — even if external services are down, an independent backend ensures your work can continue.

What Makes Aisha CRM Different

- AI Executive Assistant with deep CRM context
- AI telephony: transcribed calls, AI notes, auto follow-ups
- AI campaigns: at-scale outreach with personalized content
- Independent backend with automatic failover for zero downtime
- Supabase-backed data with row-level security (RLS)
- Clear tenant isolation — UUID-first design for data safety

System Requirements (End Users)

- Modern browser: Chrome, Edge, or Firefox (latest two versions)
- Recommended screen width $\geq 1280\text{px}$ for best layout
- Reliable internet connection ($>5\text{ Mbps}$)

Note: Mobile devices are supported for basic workflows. For admin tasks and data-intensive views, a desktop browser is recommended.

Roles and Access

- Employee: Access to own/assigned records
- Manager: Tenant-wide visibility and reporting
- Admin: Tenant configuration and user management
- Superadmin: System-level configuration (Aisha platform)

Chapter 2: Getting Started

First Login and Profile Setup

1. Open the app: `http://localhost:4000` (Docker dev)
2. Sign in with your email; if invited, complete signup via the link
3. Go to Profile Settings → Update your name, phone, department, and avatar
4. Preferences → Set timezone, date/time format, and week start day

Tip: A correct timezone ensures activities and reminders align with your calendar.

Navigation Basics

- Left navigation menu provides access to modules: Dashboard, Contacts, Accounts, Leads, Opportunities, Activities, Reports, AI, etc.
- The header hosts global search, quick actions, and your profile menu.
- Many lists support column configuration, sorting, filtering, and pagination.

Using Global Search

Use the search bar to find contacts, accounts, leads, or opportunities by name, email, phone, or tags. Advanced filters are available per module.

Quick Start Tasks

- Create your first contact (Chapter 4)
- Import a CSV of leads (Chapter 6)
- Explore the dashboard widgets (Chapter 3)
- Try the AI Assistant to query your tenant's data (Chapter 3)

Chapter 3: Core Features Overview

Dashboard

The dashboard surfaces high-value information:

- Metrics: contacts, leads, opportunities, pipeline value
- Charts: lead sources, pipeline by stage, activity trends
- Widgets: recent activities, upcoming tasks, alerts

Best Practice: Review your dashboard each morning and at day's end.

AI Executive Assistant

- Ask natural-language questions: "Show high-value opportunities closing this month."
- Create records: "Add a call with John for tomorrow at 10am."
- Update data: "Change opportunity 'Acme Renewal' to Negotiation."
- Analyze: "Summarize my team's activity this week."

Privacy and safety: The assistant enforces role-based access and tenant isolation.

Calendar Integration (In-App)

- View activities by month, week, day, or agenda.
- Drag-and-drop to reschedule; set reminders and priorities.
- External sync (Google/Outlook) is planned; use in-app calendar for now.

Search and Filters

- Module lists feature saved filters, tag filters, owner filters, and date range filters.
- Combine filters to narrow large datasets quickly.

Chapter 4: Contact Management

Contacts are individuals you interact with. They can be linked to an Account and to activities, opportunities, and notes.

Creating Contacts

1. Contacts → “+ Add Contact”
2. Enter First Name and Last Name (required)
3. Add email, phone, job title, department
4. Link to an existing Account or create a new one
5. Assign an owner and add tags
6. Save

Importing Contacts (CSV)

1. Contacts → Import
2. Upload CSV (UTF-8, headers on row 1)
3. Map columns to fields (email, phone, etc.)
4. Validate preview; resolve duplicates
5. Start import and monitor progress

Tip: Standardize phone and email formats before import to improve match quality.

Working with Contacts

- Timeline: see activities, notes, and interactions
- Quick actions: call, email, schedule, log activity
- Tags: segment for campaigns or follow-ups

Bulk Operations

- Select multiple contacts → Bulk actions: tag, assign, export, delete
- Safeguards prevent accidental bulk deletions

Best Practices

- Link every contact to an account where possible
- Capture notes after each interaction
- Use meaningful tags (e.g., VIP, Prospect, Partner)

Chapter 5: Account Management

Accounts represent companies or organizations.

Creating Accounts

1. Accounts → “+ Add Account”
2. Provide company name (required), website, phone, industry
3. Add address and revenue/employee size if known
4. Assign an owner and tags

Relationships and Hierarchies

- Link multiple contacts to an account
- Associate opportunities and activities
- Use tags and types (Prospect, Customer, Partner, Competitor)

Best Practices

- One account per company; avoid duplicates
- Keep account health up to date with notes and activities

Chapter 6: Lead Management

Leads are pre-qualified prospects. Convert leads once they are sales-ready.

Creating Leads

1. Leads → “+ Add Lead”
2. Capture first/last name, company, email/phone, source
3. Set priority and status (New, Contacted, Qualified, etc.)

Lead Scoring

Aisha scores leads 0–100 based on profile completeness, engagement, company fit, and source quality. Use the score to triage outreach.

Converting Leads

When a lead is qualified:

- Convert to Contact
- Create or link Account
- Create Opportunity with stage and value

All history (notes, activities) is preserved.

Best Practices

- Qualify quickly and consistently
- Keep source data clean for ROI reporting

Chapter 7: Opportunity Management

Opportunities represent potential deals.

Stages and Pipeline

- Prospecting → Qualification → Proposal → Negotiation → Closed Won/Lost
- Configure probability per stage for weighted forecasts

Creating Opportunities

1. Opportunities → “+ Add Opportunity”
2. Provide name, amount, expected close date (required)
3. Link Account and primary Contact
4. Choose stage and probability
5. Add next steps

Kanban and List Views

- Use Kanban to drag-and-drop across stages
- List view supports sorting and filtering by owner, stage, amount, date

Best Practices

- Keep stages current; stale stages distort forecasts
- Document next steps and set an owner for every deal

Chapter 8: Activities and Tasks

Activities help you drive work forward: calls, emails, meetings, tasks, notes, demos, proposals, and AI-driven activities.

Creating Activities

1. "+ Add Activity"
2. Select type (Call, Email, Meeting, Task, etc.)
3. Provide subject, description, due date/time, priority
4. Link to Contact/Account/Lead/Opportunity

Managing Activities

- Statuses: Scheduled, In Progress, Completed, Cancelled, Failed
- Priorities: Low, Normal, High, Urgent
- Calendar: drag-and-drop to reschedule

AI-Powered Activities

- Scheduled AI Calls: configure script/prompt and objectives
- Scheduled AI Emails: context-aware, personalized drafts

Best Practices

- Log every meaningful interaction
- Use reminders for time-sensitive tasks

Chapter 9: AI Telephony & Call Management

Aisha integrates with telephony providers to log calls, transcribe audio, generate AI notes, and create follow-ups.

Core Capabilities

- Automatic call logging with timestamps and participants
- AI-generated summaries and action items
- Outcome tracking (Connected, Voicemail, No Answer, etc.)
- Link calls to contacts, leads, opportunities, and accounts

Typical Workflow

1. Place or receive a call via your provider or softphone
2. Aisha logs the call and processes audio (if available)
3. Review the AI summary; adjust as needed
4. Create follow-up tasks automatically

Best Practices

- Confirm sensitive details in summaries before sharing
- Use consistent naming for call outcomes to keep analytics clean

Chapter 10: AI Campaigns

Run at-scale outreach while keeping messages personal.

Creating a Campaign

1. AI Campaigns → “+ New Campaign”
2. Choose type (Calls, Emails)
3. Define target audience (tags, filters, lists)
4. Write or customize AI prompt/templates
5. Set schedule, throttling, and retries
6. Launch and monitor progress

Tracking & Metrics

- Attempts, connects, replies, bounces
- Outcome breakdown and conversion rates
- Per-contact activity history

Compliance and Safety

- Always honor opt-outs and local regulations
- Keep prompts factual and on-brand

Chapter 11: Reports & Analytics

Understand your business with built-in reports and exports.

Standard Dashboards

- Overview: KPIs, activity volume, trends
- Sales: pipeline by stage, win rate, deal size, velocity
- Leads: source performance, conversion, aging
- Productivity: completion rates, overdue items

Exporting

- PDF exports for presentations
- CSV exports for analysis in BI tools

Best Practices

- Review weekly with your team
- Align definitions (e.g., what qualifies as a lead?)

Chapter 12: Workflows & Automation

Automate repetitive steps to ensure consistency and speed.

Concepts

- Triggers: events that start workflows (record created/updated, status change)
- Actions: what a workflow does (create task, send email via integration, update field)
- Conditions: gates that must pass

Example: Lead → Qualified

When a lead becomes Qualified:

1. Create a follow-up task for owner in 2 days
2. Create an Opportunity with default stage
3. Notify manager via email/webhook

Best Practices

- Start simple; monitor outcomes; iterate
- Keep a runbook documenting each workflow

Chapter 13: Advanced Features

Document Processing

- Upload receipts and business documents
- AI extracts merchant, totals, dates, line items
- Create cash flow transactions directly from documents

Email Integration (Webhook-Based)

- Use n8n/Make/Zapier to send emails triggered by CRM events
- Maintain templates with merge fields

Business Card Scanner

- Upload a photo or scan
- AI extracts contact details; review and save as Contact

Duplicate Detection & Merge

- Find duplicates in Contacts, Accounts, Leads
- Merge records safely; activities and relationships are preserved

Chapter 14: Troubleshooting

Common Issues

- Can't log in: Confirm invite accepted and user is active
- Missing data: Check filters or ownership/role restrictions
- API errors: Retry; if persistent, contact support with timestamp and action
- PDF won't download: Ensure backend at `http://localhost:4001` is reachable

Diagnostic Tools

- Status page: `/api/status` (backend 4001)
- Health: `/health`
- Logs: Ask your admin to check backend logs and performance metrics

Getting Help

- In-app AI Assistant for quick answers
- Email support: `support@ai-sha.com`

Appendix A: Keyboard Shortcuts

- N: New record in current module
- T: Jump to Today (calendar)
- Arrow Left/Right: Navigate periods
- M/W/D: Month/Week/Day views
- Ctrl/⌘+K: Global command/search palette (if enabled)

Appendix B: Glossary

- Account: A company or organization you do business with
- Contact: An individual person (often linked to an Account)
- Lead: A pre-qualified prospect not yet converted
- Opportunity: A potential deal with value and stage
- Activity: A call, email, meeting, task, or note linked to records
- Owner: The employee responsible for a record

Appendix C: FAQ

Q: How do I invite a teammate?

A: An Admin can invite users via Settings → User Management → “+ Invite User”.

Q: Can I export my data?

A: Yes. Use Reports for PDFs and module-level exports for CSVs. Admins can request full tenant exports.

Q: How do AI calls handle consent?

A: Configure campaigns and prompts to comply with local regulations and opt-out requirements. Always honor do-not-contact lists.

Quick Start Checklists

New Users

1. Complete profile and preferences
2. Learn dashboard widgets
3. Create a contact and log an activity
4. Try the AI Assistant
5. Review calendar

Sales Teams

1. Import contacts or leads
2. Define stages and probabilities
3. Create opportunities and set next steps
4. Track activities daily
5. Review pipeline weekly

Managers

1. Configure roles, permissions, and modules
2. Define workflows for repeatable steps
3. Build custom filters and saved views
4. Use dashboards to monitor KPIs
5. Launch AI campaigns for outreach

For additional guidance, contact support or check the Admin Guide for tenant-level configuration.
