

Mapeo Desktop Sync File

Creating a Sync File

Creating a sync file functions in a similar way to saving the kapp.db file as another name – it saves an instance of the database with the current Observations loaded into Mapeo desktop.

Within the Synchronization view, click on the Create new syncfile in the top right. Choose what to name this current set of Observations (the database at this point) and Click Save.

Using a Sync File

A syncfile can be used to reload a database.

For example, restarting Mapeo desktop with the kapp.db folder deleted or renamed in order to remove all Observations, within the Synchronization window click on the **Sync from a file** option in the top right.

Choose what file you want to use to load the database. This will be a `.mapeodata` file.

The Synchronization view will show the file and begin loading and synchronizing automatically.

The `.mapeodata` file will show **complete** automatically after it finishes loading. This loads all the Observations within the syncfile to the desktop.

Now the desktop can sync and share data with mobile devices.

A syncfile can also be used to share database information between two desktops.