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1. What is Workflow Designer?

What is Workflow Designer?

Workflow stems from the concept that all work goes through one or more workflow processes to accomplish an objective. Workflow is the automation of these business processes. Using workflow, documents, information, and tasks are passed between participants during the completion of a particular workflow process.

As a system administrator, use Workflow Designer to design workflow process templates that incorporate your company's business practices and procedures. End users use the templates to initiate workflow processes in My Teamcenter and Workflow Viewer.

To design and maintain workflow processes in Workflow Designer, you can perform the following actions:

- · Create templates.
- View templates.
- Add tasks to templates.
- · Link tasks.
- Modify task behavior.
- Import and export workflow templates.

Before you begin

Prerequisites Using the Workflow Designer application in **Edit 1** mode requires Teamcenter

administrator privileges.

Enable Workflow Designer

To enable Workflow Designer, add the Workflow application to your environment.

If you have trouble accessing Workflow Designer, see your system administrator.

Note:

You can log on to Teamcenter only once. If you try to log on to multiple workstations, an error message appears.

Configure Workflow Designer

You can accept Workflow Designer's default configuration settings, or modify them using workflow preferences.

Note:

Either the **Process view** or **Task view** can be set as the default in the TCVIEWER_default_workflow_view preference.

Start Workflow Designer

In the navigation pane, click **Workflow Designer** .



Syntax definitions

This manual uses a set of conventions to define the syntax of Teamcenter commands, functions, and properties. Following is a sample syntax format:

```
harvester_it.pl [bookmark-file-name bookmark-file-name ...]
               [directory-name directory-name ...]
```

The conventions are:

Bold	Bold text represents words and symbols you must type exactly as shown.
	In the preceding example, you type harvester_jt.pl exactly as shown.
Italic	Italic text represents values that you supply.
	In the preceding example, you supply values for bookmark-file-name and directory-name.
text-text	A hyphen separates two words that describe a single value.
	In the preceding example, bookmark-file-name is a single value.
1	A vertical bar represents a choice between mutually exclusive elements.
[]	Brackets represent optional elements.
	An ellipsis indicates that you can repeat the preceding element.

Following are examples of correct syntax for the **harvester_it.pl:** command:

```
harvester jt.pl
harvester jt.pl assembly123.bkm
harvester jt.pl assembly123.bkm assembly124.bkm assembly125.bkm
harvester jt.pl AssemblyBookmarks
```

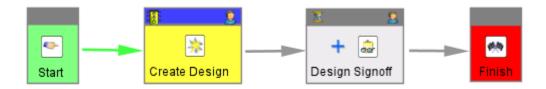
What is a workflow?

Introduction to Workflow

A workflow is the automation of business procedures in which documents, information or tasks are passed from one participant to another in a way that is governed by rules or procedures. Teamcenter workflows allow you to manage your product data processes. Typically, documents, information, or tasks are passed from one participant to another in a way that is governed by rules or procedures.

A workflow process is initiated by a user, and workflow tasks are assigned to users.

As shown in the following diagram, in a basic workflow the initial **Start** step leads to the active **Do** task, **Create Design**. The **Do** task leads to a pending **Review** task, **Design Signoff**, and then to the final **Finish** step.



Workflow benefits

The benefits of automating your business processes include:

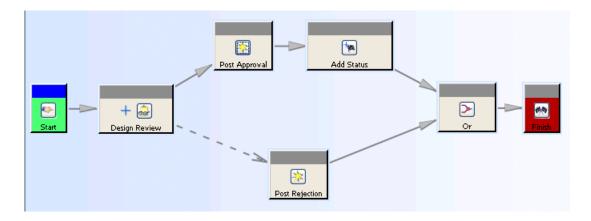
- Improved efficiency—The automation of your business processes can result in the elimination of unnecessary steps.
- Better process control—Company business processes are more easily managed with standardized work methods and the availability of audit trails.
- *Improved customer service*—Consistent business processes increases predictability in levels of response to customers.
- Flexibility—Computer-modeled processes can be quickly and easily redesigned to meet changing business needs.
- *Continual process improvement*—The resulting focus on business processes leads to their streamlining and simplification.

Workflow examples

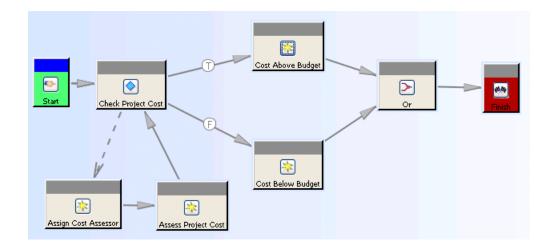
For example, you can create a simple review workflow in which an object is reviewed. Depending on the outcome of the review, one of two tasks is then required. When either of the tasks is performed, the workflow is complete. At completion, the object is granted a specified status.

Typically, an object sent through a review workflow is granted *Released* status after successful completion. Standard workflow behavior for released objects are that their release time and date is marked and the object is made read-only.

In this example, if an item revision containing a design part and its accompanying documentation is sent through design review, and the **Post Approval** task completes (rather than the **Post Rejection** task), the item revision part is marked as **Released** when the workflow finishes. The item revision and the objects it contains (the design part, and the documentation) are made read-only. No further changes can be made to the design, enforcing the review that was just performed.



In another example, you can create a more complicated workflow containing a **Condition** task. In this workflow, whether a specified condition is met or not determines the second round of tasks. Which tasks are required depend on whether the condition was met.



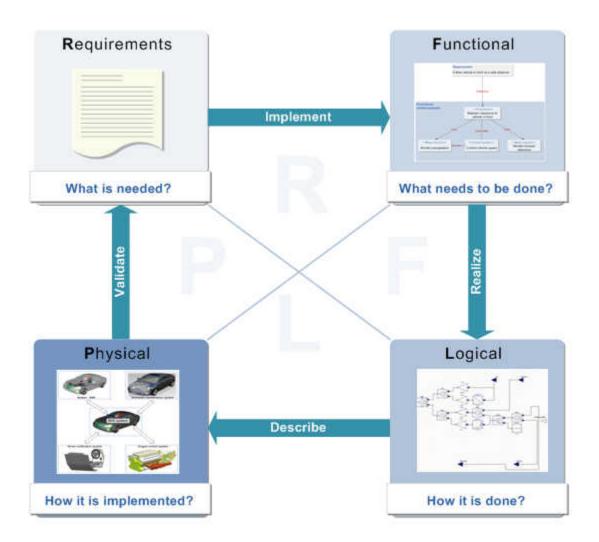
Teamcenter workflows are extensible by handlers; small ITK programs used to extend and customize the tasks. Handlers are essential to the creation of highly functional, flexible workflows.

- Action handlers perform an action, such as attaching objects or sending an e-mail.
- Rule handlers confirm a defined rule has been satisfied.

Using workflows

You can use workflows in Teamcenter to manage your processes and changes in many applications, such as:

- Change Manager
 - Workflows are ideal for managing your change process as problem reports lead to change requests which lead to change notices. With a well-designed change process and matching workflow process template, you can ensure that the right people perform the correct tasks in the proper order.
- Systems Engineering
 A typical Systems Engineering workflow is the requirements, functional, logical, and physical design
 (RFLP) process. The process is iterative and may be repeated during the design or development of a product.



You can construct a workflow process template that matches your organization's version of the RFLP process.

Note:

For ease of use, Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends using My Teamcenter to initiate and complete workflow processes because the entire procedure can be accomplished from within your inbox in **My Worklist**. You can also initiate workflows from the Workflow Viewer application.

Workflow elements

In Teamcenter, workflows are processes based on process templates that are composed of tasks.

Term/Concept	Description
Workflow process	A workflow process is the automation of business procedures in which documents, information or tasks are passed from one participant to another in a way that is governed by rules or procedures. Teamcenter workflows allow you to manage your product data processes.
Parent process	Workflow processes can contain child workflow processes. When child workflow processes (also known as subprocesses) are created, the parent workflow processes can be dependent or independent of subprocesses.
Subprocess	Child workflow processes of a parent workflow process.
Workflow template	Blueprints of workflow processes. Your administrator creates process templates. A specific process is defined by placing tasks in the template in the required order of performance. Additional requirements, such as quorums and duration times, may also be included in the template.
Tasks	The fundamental building block used to construct a process is a task. Each task defines a set of actions, rules, and resources used to accomplish that task. User actions cause tasks to move from one state to another, and as a result, the overall process moves forward or backward.
Root task	The top-level task of every workflow is referred to as the <i>root task</i> . The root task is the top-level parent task that contains all the other tasks as subtasks.
Subtask	Child task of a parent task.
Container tasks	Tasks that contain other include tasks:
	 Review Contains select-signoff-team and perform-signoffs tasks. The Decision options are Approve, Reject, and No Decision.
	 Acknowledge Contains select-signoff-team and perform-signoffs tasks. The Decision options are Acknowledged and Not Acknowledged.

Term/Concept Description Route Contains Review, Acknowledge and Notify tasks. Task Use it as a starting point for creating your own custom tasks, such as tasks to carry your custom forms or other site-specific tasks that the users must complete. Interactive tasks Tasks that require user interaction display in the affected user's worklists. Different types of tasks have different interactive requirements. Typical tasks include: select-signoff-team The assigned user is required to select a signoff team to sign off the target object of the task. perform-signoffs Assigned users are required to review and sign off the target object of the task. • Do The assigned user is required to review and perform the task instructions, then mark the task complete. Route Uses the Review, Acknowledge, and Notify subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box. Task Use it as a starting point for creating your own custom tasks, such as tasks to carry your custom forms or other site-specific tasks that the users must complete. Workflow handlers Small ITK programs used to extend and customize workflow tasks. Action handlers perform actions, such as attaching objects and sending email; rule handlers can identify whether a rule has been satisfied. Task attributes Attributes that further configure task behavior. You can set security attributes, customize task symbols, and define condition results. Quorum requirements Values that specify the number of approvals required before **perform**signoffs tasks can complete and workflows can proceed.

In a workflow, actions are assigned or allowed depending on the type of user.

User	Description
Responsible party	A <i>responsible party</i> is the user responsible for performing a particular task within a workflow process. While performing the task, the responsible party can reassign responsibility of the task to another user.
Privileged user	A <i>privileged user</i> is the responsible party, the process owner, or a member of a system administration group.
Current User	The current user is the user that completed the most recent task action and is independent of the responsible party.
	When using the "\$User" keyword in an argument, the "current user" is determined by evaluating the most recent task at the same level as the task containing the argument using the "\$User" keyword. For example, if the most recent task is in a sub-process and not on the same "process level" as the task using the argument with the "\$User" keyword, the argument will pull the current user from the most recent task of the parent process instead of the sub-task
Process owner	A process owner is the user who initiated the workflow process. The process owner is also known as the process initiator. When the workflow process is initiated, the process owner becomes the responsible party for the workflow process; the root task of the workflow process is placed in the process owner's worklist.
	Whenever any task in the workflow process is not explicitly assigned to another user, person or resource pool, the responsible party for the task defaults to the process owner.
Task Owner	User who is granted privileges for the task's target data.

Workflow process template

A workflow process describes the individual tasks and the task sequence required to model the workflow process. Workflow process templates define a blueprint of a workflow process or task to be performed at your site.

Browse mode is the default mode when you first access the Workflow Designer. Click **Browse** to view workflow process data and the details of the workflow process. You cannot make any modifications in this mode.

The graphic-oriented Workflow Designer display allows you to easily browse through the workflow process templates.

- Task flow
- Task hierarchy

- Task attributes
- Task handlers

Workflow task template

A *task template* is a blueprint of a workflow task. A task is a fundamental building block used to construct a workflow process. Each task defines a set of actions, rules, and resources used to accomplish that task.

Task	Definition
Do Task 🌟	Has two options if at least one failure path is configured: Complete confirms the completion of a task and triggers the branching to a success path. Unable to Complete indicates the task is unable to complete, for various reasons.
	Uses the EPM-hold handler, which stops the task from automatically completing when started.
Acknowledge Task	Uses the Acknowledged and Not Acknowledged subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.
Review Task	Uses the select-signoff-team and perform-signoffs subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.
	Full Participation Required is an option that allows the workflow designer user to set the Review task to wait for all reviewers to submit their decisions before completing and following the appropriate path.
Route Task	Uses the Review , Acknowledge , and Notify subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.
Task	Use it as a starting point for creating your own custom tasks, such as tasks to carry your custom forms or other site-specific tasks for users to complete. This task template is synonymous with the EPMTask template.
Condition Task 🔷	Branches a workflow according to defined query criteria. Requires that the succeeding task contains an EPM-check-condition handler that accepts a Boolean value of either True or False.
Validate Task	Branches a workflow along two or more paths. Active paths flowing out of the task are determined by whether specified workflow errors occur.
	Use this task to design workflows around anticipated errors.

Task	Definition
Add Status Task	Creates and adds a release status to the target objects of the workflow process. It is a visual milestone in a workflow process. No dialog box is associated with this type of task.
Or Task >-	Continues the workflow process when any <i>one</i> of its multiple task predecessors is completed or promoted. There is no limit to the number of predecessors an Or task may have.

Workflow privileged user

System administrators can create access rules and assign access privileges for workflow tasks.

- Access privileges are required to permit a workflow user to perform certain workflow tasks:
 - Removing a user from an active workflow.
 - Promoting or demoting a task in an active workflow.
- Workflow task permissions are:
 - Specific to the workflow process template.
 - Granted to a user by access rules.

Note:

Configure the **WRKFLW_modify_completed_workflow** preference to **true** to allow users to modify tasks from completed or aborted workflows.

To specify the access privileges needed to modify workflow targets configure the WRKFLW_modify_target_list_access_privilege preference

Typically, the named-ACL used to grant permissions to promote or demote a task is the EPM-set-rule-based-protection handler.

Note:

WRKFLW_skip_root_task_from_acl_evaluation controls whether the access management rights evaluation will include the workflow accessors related to the Root Task or not.

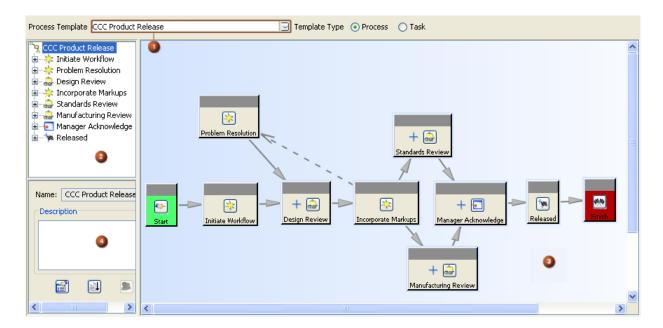
For more information about setting permissions, see Access Manager.

For more information about the **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** workflow handler, see Workflow Designer.

Workflow Designer interface

Workflow Designer view

Workflow Designer uses the standard Teamcenter rich client interface.



1 **Process Template** box

Lists either all process or all task templates, depending on whether **Process** or **Task** is selected for the **Template Type**.

2 Task hierarchy tree

Displays hierarchical tasks of the template shown in the **process template** box. The tree shows the relationship of all tasks in a process template or subtasks in a task template.

Note:

The hierarchy tree does not indicate the task execution order.

3 Process flow pane

Displays a sequential, graphical representation of all tasks in the selected workflow process template or of all subtasks within a selected task template.

4 Template manager pane

Contains elements related to managing the selected workflow process template or task template. Elements displayed in the window are dependent on the status and configuration of the selected template.

If a template stage is set to **Under Construction**, the template is visible only to users with administrative privileges. **Under Construction** templates have the **Set Stage to Available** check box. This check box does not display when the template stage is set to **Available**.

Workflow Designer menus

File menu

File menu commands allow you to create workflow process templates and exit Workflow Designer and the rich client user interface.

Command	Description
New Root Template	Allows you to create a new workflow process and task templates.

The following table lists the elements available in the **New Root Template** dialog box.

Element	Description
New Root Template Name	Type a name for the new template. The default name is New Process # , where # is the next number available to make the template name unique.
Based On Root Template	Choose a template from the list. The default choice is Empty Template , which provides a blank template on which to build.
	Core templates are delivered with rich client. You can base a new template on a core template or on any other existing workflow process template listed in the list.
Template Type	Choose the type of template to create:
	 Process template Encompasses an entire workflow process, beginning with the Start action, ending with the Finish action, and containing all required tasks to complete the workflow process.
	• Task template Contains only a single task.
Task hierarchy tree	Lists the tasks included in the selected template. Tasks are listed in the order they were created. The task hierarchy order will not necessarily be replicated in the process flow

Element	Description
	pane because of the great flexibility for graphically arranging task flow that the latter provides.
	When creating a template, you can view, but you cannot modify, the task hierarchy.
Name	Lists the name of the selected template.
	When creating a template, you can view, but you cannot modify, the Name box of the selected template.
Description	Lists descriptive notes added by users.
	When creating a template, you can view, but you cannot modify, the Description box.
Task Attributes button	Click to view the task attributes for the selected template.
	When creating a template, you can view, but you cannot modify, the task attributes.
Task Handlers button	Click to view the task handlers for the selected template.
	When creating a template, you can view, but you cannot modify, the task handlers.
Task Signoff button	Click to view the task signoff team member profiles for the selected template.
	When creating a template, you can view, but you cannot modify, the task signoff team member profiles.
Process flow pane	Shows the task flow of the selected template.
	When creating a template, you can view, but you cannot modify, the tasks.
OK button	Click to finish creating the new template and close the dialog box.
Apply button	Click to finish creating the new template. The dialog box remains open, allowing you to create additional templates.
Cancel button	Click to cancel the operation.

Edit menu

Edit menu commands allow you to build and edit workflow process templates.

Command	Description
Template	Lists the task templates available in Teamcenter.
Task 할	Workflow Designer default template setting. The Task template is synonymous with the EPMTask template.
Do Task 🌟	Has two options if at least one failure path is configured: Complete confirms the completion of a task and triggers the branching to a success path. Unable to Complete indicates the task is unable to complete, for various reasons.
	Uses the EPM-hold handler, which stops the task from automatically completing when started.
Review Task <equation-block></equation-block>	Uses the select-signoff-team and perform-signoffs subtasks, each of which has its own pane in the Viewer view.
	Full Participation Required is an option to set the Review task to wait for all reviewers to submit their decisions before completing and following the appropriate path.
	Tip: A Teamcenter administrator can customize the perform-signoffs pane to add boxes and buttons, validate users' input in the new boxes, configure the summary table, and configure the Signoff Decision dialog box.
Add Status Task 坎	Creates and adds a release status to the target objects of the workflow process. It is a visual milestone in a workflow process. There is no dialog box associated with this type of task.
	Note: The WRKFLW_retain_ACL_objects_on_release preference determines the state of access control list objects on a target when a release status is applied. Valid values are true or false.
Or Task >	Inserts an Or task into the workflow process. This task continues the workflow process when any one of its multiple task predecessors is completed or promoted. There is no limit to the number of predecessors an Or task may have.
Acknowledge Task ⋤	Inserts an Acknowledge task into the workflow process. This task uses the Acknowledged and Not Acknowledged subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.

Command	Description	
Condition Task 🔷	Inserts a Condition task into the workflow process. This task requires that the succeeding task contains an EPM-check-condition handler that accepts a Boolean value of either True or False .	
Route Task 📜	Inserts a Route task into the workflow process. This task uses the Review , Acknowledge , and Notify subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.	
Validate Task <page-header></page-header>	Inserts a Validate task into the workflow process. This task give you the ability to respond to errors by providing an alternate path which the workflow process traverses when an error occurs.	
Template Filter	Associates a list of workflow process templates with a designated target object type and user group. You can apply the list to only one type and group at a time. Subtypes and subgroups do not inherit this association.	
	Caution: This feature is deprecated as of Teamcenter 11.2. Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends that you associate templates by using Business Modeler IDE conditions. Conditions offer greater versatility, with criteria such as session group, role, and user; target project and target release status; and custom criteria (both session-specific and target-specific) that a Teamcenter administrator can create.	
Mode	Lists the two working modes: Edit and Browse .	
Browse 👓	Allows you to view the workflow process data and inspect the details of the workflow process. You cannot make any modifications in this mode.	
	Browse mode is the default mode.	
Edit 🔀	Allows you to create and edit workflow process templates.	
	To use the Workflow Designer in Edit mode, you need to be a member of the system administration group.	
	Note:	
	Access may be restricted even if you have administrator privileges.	

View menu

View menu commands allow you to view workflow process template properties.

Command	Description
Task Properties	Opens the Task Properties dialog box allowing you to view the Task Attributes and Task Handlers dialog box. The Task Signoff dialog box is also available if the selected task is a select-signoff-team task.

Tools menu

Tools menu command allows you to import, export, and purge workflow templates.

Command	Description	
Export	Exports a workflow template to a file.	
Import	Imports a workflow template from a file.	
Purge Templates	Deletes old workflow templates.	
	Note: Purge Templates removes the older versions of current templates that are not associated with any workflow processes.	

Go menu

Go menu commands allow you to maneuver through a workflow process template.

Command	Description
Up a Level	Opens the parent task of the currently selected task from the task hierarchy tree.
Down a Level	Opens a container task (Review task, Acknowledge task, Route task) currently selected in the task hierarchy tree. If the selected task is not a container task, no task is opened.
Top Level	Opens the root task of the workflow process.

Workflow Designer buttons

Button	Description
Task Properties 🗽	Displays the name, description, attributes, and handlers of the selected task.
Browse Mode 👓	Displays the workflow process templates. Browse mode is available to all users, and provides read-only access of workflow process templates.
Edit Mode 🔀	Edits the workflow process templates.
	To use the Workflow Designer in Edit mode, you must be a member of the system administration group.
	Note:
	Access may be restricted even if you have administrator privileges.
Task Attributes 😭	Displays and opens for edit the named ACL, task type, and quorum requirements for the selected task.
Task Handlers 🚉	Displays and opens for edit task handlers for the selected task.
Task Signoffs 🔊	Displays and opens for edit the group, role, quorum, and number of reviewer requirements for the selected task.
Task 할	Inserts an empty task with no handlers into the workflow template for you to customize.
Do Task 🌟	Inserts a Do task into the workflow template. This task has two options, if at least one failure path is configured: Complete confirms the completion of a task and triggers the branching to a success path. Unable to Complete indicates the task is unable to complete, for various reasons.
	This task uses the handler, which stops the task from automatically completing once started.
Review Task <equation-block></equation-block>	Inserts a Review task into the workflow template. This task uses the select-signoff-team and perform-signoffs subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.
	Full Participation Required is an option that allows the workflow designer user to set the Review task to wait for all reviewers to submit their decisions before completing and following the appropriate path.
Add Status Task 🐄	Inserts an Add Status task into the workflow template. This task creates and adds a release status to the target objects of the workflow process. It is a visual milestone in a workflow process. There is no dialog box associated with this type of task.

Button	Description
Or Task 🌫	Inserts an Or task into the workflow process. This task continues the workflow process when any one of its multiple task predecessors is completed or promoted. There is no limit to the number of predecessors an Or task may have.
Acknowledge Task 🐖	Inserts an Acknowledge task into the workflow template. This task uses the Acknowledged and Not Acknowledged subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.
Condition Task 🔷	Inserts a Condition task into the workflow template. This task requires that the succeeding task contains an EPM-check-condition handler that accepts a Boolean value of either True or False .
Route Task [Inserts a Route task into the workflow template. This task uses the Review , Acknowledge , and Notify subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.
Validate Task <page-header></page-header>	Inserts a Validate task into the workflow template. This task gives you the ability to respond to errors by providing an alternate path which the workflow process traverses when an error occurs.
Up a Task Level 🔺	Displays the task one level higher than the current task.
Down a Task Level ▼	Displays the task one level lower than the current task.

Workflow Designer panes

Task attributes

The following table lists the elements available in the **Attributes** pane.

Element	Description
Named ACL	Click to display the Named ACL dialog box.
Task Type	Lists the type of task template assigned to the selected task.
Icons	Displays the symbol that has been assigned to the selected task. You can also add custom symbols to this list.
Condition Query	Displays when a Condition task is selected. The entry lists the query selected to determine the true and false paths of the Condition path. If a query is not yet defined, it is listed as empty.
	Click the entry to display the Condition Query dialog box, which you can use to change, modify, or delete the defined query.

Element	Description
Duration	Displays when the selected task contains a defined duration. The entry lists the length of time allowed for the completion of the project. If the task is not completed within the specified amount of time, the task's status changes to late, and the task becomes overdue.
	Click Set to display the Set Duration dialog box, which you can use to set a length of time in which the task must be performed. If the task is not completed within the specified amount of time the task's status changes to late, and the task becomes overdue.
Recipients	Displays the names of users selected to receive program mail when the selected task becomes overdue.
	Click Set to display the Select Recipients dialog box, which you can use to select users who will receive program mail if the selected task becomes overdue.
Show Task in Process Stage List	Displays the task in the Process Stage List property for the target object. Tasks in the Process Stage List are used to determine the ACL for the target objects.
Process in Background	Indicates if the task is to be run in the background.

Task handlers

The following table lists the elements available in the **Handlers** pane of the **Properties** dialog box.

Element	Description
Task action tree	A hierarchical tree consisting of folders representing each of the task actions. Each folder contains the handlers associated with that task action.
	Action handlers exist as direct descendants of the parent task action folders.
	Rule handlers exist as children of rules. Rules are direct descendants of task action folders.
Move Handler Up 🔺	Moves the selected handler up within a folder.
Move Handler Down ▼	Moves the selected handler down within a folder.
Expand All Folders ‡	Expands all folders.
Collapse All Folders ‡	Collapses all folders.
Handler Type	Indicates an action handler or rule handler.

Element	Description
Quorum	In Browse mode, when a predefined rule handler is selected, displays an integer representing the number required for the approval quorum.
	In Edit some, you can type or modify the approval quorum number, but only when a rule handler is selected as the Handler Type .
Task Action	The selected task action from the list receives a handler when it is created.
Action/Rule Handler	Allows you to select an existing handler or define a new one. The system reads the existing handlers from a properties file.
	Edit this box only when an action handler or rule handler is selected at definition time, and Workflow Designer is in Edit mode.
Argument	When a predefined handler is selected, this box displays the handler's predefined arguments.
	In Edit mode, you can add new arguments by clicking the Add button and typing new arguments and values. You can also remove arguments and reorder them using the Remove , •, and • buttons.
Value(s)	When a predefined handler is selected, this box displays the values of the handler's predefined arguments.
	In Edit mode, you can add new values to arguments by clicking the Add button and typing new arguments and values.
Create	This button is available only when Workflow Designer is in Edit mode.
	Click Create to create a new handler using the data currently displayed in the handler display area.
Delete	This button is available only when Workflow Designer is in Edit mode.
	Click Delete to remove the selected handler from the current list of handlers for the task.
Modify	This button is available only when Workflow Designer is in Edit mode.
	Click Modify to update the selected handler to reflect the data currently displayed in the handler display area.
Help	Selecting a handler from the Handler box and clicking Help displays the documentation for the selected handler.

Element	Description
Performs a Copy action 🔝	Places the selected handler in the clipboard.
Performs a Paste action	In Edit
	• To paste on another action in the task, select the target action in the task action tree.
	 To paste on another task in the same template, select the target task in the task hierarchy tree.
	 To paste on a task in another template, select the target template from the Process Template list.

Task signoffs

The following table lists the elements available in the **Signoff Profile** pane.

Element	Description
Signoff Profiles	Reflects when the task state is modified as a result of other activities, such as assignment or completion of signoffs.
	Task state is displayed at run time only. It is never editable from within this pane.
Group	Lists the user responsible for the task.
Role	Lists the roles responsible for the task.
Number of Reviewers	Click the menu to select an to be associated with the selected task.
Allow sub-group members	Grants members of subgroups permission to sign off instead of members of the designated group.
Signoffs Quorum	Numeric: Select numeric and type a whole number or ALL.
	Percentage: Enter a percentage.
	Full Participation Required : Select this option ensure all users have a chance to review and comment. Without this option, it is possible for the workflow process to be approved or rejected before all users have had a chance to review and comment.
Create	This button is available only when Workflow Designer is in Edit mode.

Element	Description
	Click Create to create a new signoff profile using the data currently displayed in the signoff profile display area.
Delete	This button is available only when Workflow Designer is in Edit mode.
	Click Delete to remove the selected profile from the current list of signoff profiles for the task.
Modify	This button is available only when Workflow Designer is in Edit mode.
	Click Modify to update the selected to reflect the data currently displayed in the signoff profile display area.
Close	Clicking Close dismisses the dialog box.
	As you make selections, the system enters into the database all selections made within the dialog box.

Migrating workflow attachments

Administrators can use the **migrate_wf_attachments** utility to migrate workflow attachments from VLA property-based attachments to GRM relation-based workflow task attachments. GRM relations are used for change related objects and proposed replica objects for remote workflows. It is possible to add the same object to the same workflow using different VLA property-based attachments and GRM relation-based workflow task attachments.

GRM relations are created between **EPMTask** as the primary object and the attachment as the secondary object. The attachment type determines the GRM relation.

Attachment type	GRM relation
Target	Fnd0EPMTarget
Reference	Fnd0EPMReference
Signoff	Fnd0EPMSignoff
ReleaseStatus	Fnd0EPMReleaseStatus
InterProcess Task	Fnd0EPMInterProcessTask
Schedule Task	Fnd0EPMScheduleTask
Replica Proposed Target	Fnd0EPMReplicaTarget

To support user attachments, a GRM relation type corresponding to a user attachment type is required.

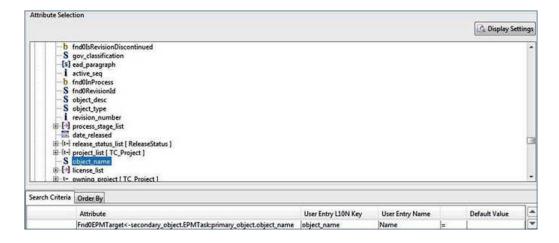
For example, for a user attachment of type **1100**, there must be GRM relation named **Fnd0EPM_user_attach_1100**. Migration support is provided by the **migrate_wf_attachments** migration utility, as well as by run-time migration.

Note:

The VLA data on the **EPMTask** is removed automatically during runtime migration only when all the attachments on the task are migrated successfully.

This improves search and reporting performance when large numbers of target attachments are added and removed by two synchronized VLAs rather than a GRM. This impacts the criteria for which the attachments are searched using saved queries.

For example, to search all the targets attached to a task with the task name, the query is constructed as shown. This an example of a reverse reference type of **Query** on **ItemRevision**.



The **ItemRevision**s are added with a GRM relation **Fnd0EPMTarget** as secondary objects to the root **EPMTask**.

Example:

You can create two workflow templates **SimpleDoExample** and **TestDoExample** and run each on two different item revisions, **IR1** and **IR2**. When the query is run with **SimpleDoExample** as the name in the query, only **IR1** is returned.

Use the **migrate_wf_attachments** utility to:

- Migrate active jobs during the upgrade process.
- Migrate completed jobs after the upgrade.

Note:

Migration on-demand is supported. When a workflow process that has not been migrated is opened, the attachments are migrated automatically.

After successful migration, all the attachment data on the **EPMTask** should be obtained using the new GRM relations. The **EPMTask** attachment and the attachment types attributes are deprecated and are not to be used.

Note:

The attachments attribute on **EPMTask** is deprecated in 11.x. Queries related to this attribute need to use the above GRM relations to refer to the attachment objects.

As an example, the following query will find all signoff tasks that have been started for a specific user.

EPMTask:process_stage_list.EPMPerformSignoffTask:Fnd0StartedTasks.Signoff:Fnd0EPMSignoff.owning user.user name

Editing active workflow processes

There are two methods for modifying active workflows in Teamcenter:

- Using Workflow Viewer, you can modify a single active workflow by selecting an object associated with the workflow (typically one of the workflow targets or attachments), using the **Send To** command to view the active workflow in Workflow Viewer, and then editing the workflow process in **Design** mode.
- Using Workflow Designer, you can modify all active workflow processes based on a particular workflow template by selecting the workflow template to be edited and changing to **Edit** mode to make your edits. (Changing to **Edit** mode prompts you to take the process template offline; do so) After making your edits, selecting the **Set Stage to Available** check box displays a dialog box asking if you want to apply your changes to all active workflow processes, and if so, whether you want this update to take place in the background. Run updates in the background if the changes affect a large number of active workflow processes and therefore take considerable time. If you do not run the updates in the background, you can not continue to use the Teamcenter interface until the updates are complete.

By default, this behavior is not enabled. You must configure the ability to modify all active workflow processes by setting the **EPM_enable_apply_template_changes** preference to either **OPTIONAL** or **AUTOMATIC**.

Background processing for processes and tasks

Requirements for background processing

Background processing of template edits applied to active workflow processes allows the edits to be performed asynchronously (behind the scenes) without pausing your interaction with Workflow Designer.

Consider the processing time required to apply edits to all active workflow processes based on a particular workflow template. If Workflow Designer is processing edits to 10–20 active workflow processes, as may occur when testing the edits, the Workflow Designer interface does not noticeably slow down. But if the workflow template is in a production environment and has generated hundreds of active templates, processing time can be extensive. Performing the edits in the background prevents Workflow Designer from pausing until the edits complete.

The update duration depends on the type of edits made to the workflow processes. For example, it takes longer to remove tasks than add tasks. Edits within tasks (handlers, attributes, etc.) require minimal processing time.

Background processing of workflow objects requires the following:

- A four-tier architecture environment. Users running in a two-tier environment can successfully submit requests for asynchronous processing if there is a four-tier Teamcenter environment available to accept the request.
- Configuration of asynchronous services.

You can also configure individual tasks in a workflow process to execute in the background with asynchronous processing.

Note:

When a task is submitted for background processing, the task is removed from all inboxes.

Configure tasks for background processing

You can configure individual tasks in a workflow process to run in the background. If they are configured for background processing, all of those tasks' actions, except **Perform** and **Assign**, are processed asynchronously.

Note:

Your system must meet the requirements for background processing.

Set the EPM task execution mode preference to one of the following values:

BACKGROUND All tasks run in the background.

This value overrides the **Execute Asynchronously** property value of

each task template.

This value displays the **Dispatcher Request Priority** drop-down list.

CONFIGURABLE

Each task template's **Execute Asynchronously** property determines that task's processing.

• If the value is **True**, the task runs in the background.

• If the value is **False**, the task runs concurrently with your Workflow Designer interactions.

This option displays the **Process in Background** check box for a task. When selected, the **Dispatcher Request Priority** drop-down list displays as well.

- 2. If you set the **EPM_task_execution_mode** preference value to **CONFIGURABLE**, open Workflow Designer and select the process template with the tasks you want to run in the background.
- 3. In **Edit** mode, select the task, and then click the **Task Attributes** are button.
- 4. Select the **Process in Background** check box and close the **Attributes** dialog box.

This action changes the **Execute Asynchronously** property value to **True** in the **Properties** dialog box.

If you have multiple Dispatchers running and want to set the execution priority for background tasks, use the **Dispatcher Request Priority** drop-down list. Click the list to select the level of priority for the task.

Repeat this step for each task you want to run in the background

- Child tasks of those chosen to process in the background are processed in the background also.
- You can set only the root task and its children to background processing.
- 5. When you have configured all the tasks in the workflow process template you want to run in the background, select the **Set Stage to Available** check box and click **Yes** in the **Stage Change** dialog box.

When you create a workflow using the process template, the workflow runs the tasks that have the **Process in Background** check box selected in the background.

Refreshing Workflow Designer

You can refresh the display by:

- Moving up or down a level.
- · Going to the top level.
- Choosing View→Refresh All.
- Setting the template to the **Available** stage.

Delete key removes workflow objects and backspace key removes text

While working in **Edit** ** mode in Workflow Designer, the system interprets the use of the Delete key on your keyboard as an instruction to delete a workflow object.

Caution:

Do not use the Delete key to delete characters in text boxes within a workflow template.

To change existing text in a **Description** or **Instructions** box:

Use the Backspace key to remove unwanted text; type new characters into the box

To change text in the **Argument** and **Value(s)** boxes in the **Handlers** dialog box:

• Double-click in the box containing the text you want to modify or delete. Use the Backspace key to remove unwanted text; type new characters into the box.

Note:

Handler values are case sensitive and must be accurate to the letter.

Save time when creating multiple tasks of the same type

When creating a workflow process template, sometimes the process calls for several of the same types of tasks, such as several **Do** tasks, that have the same or similar set of handlers and arguments.

Instead of adding the tasks, selecting the handlers, and typing the arguments and values individually, you can do the following:

1. Add the first task to the process template.

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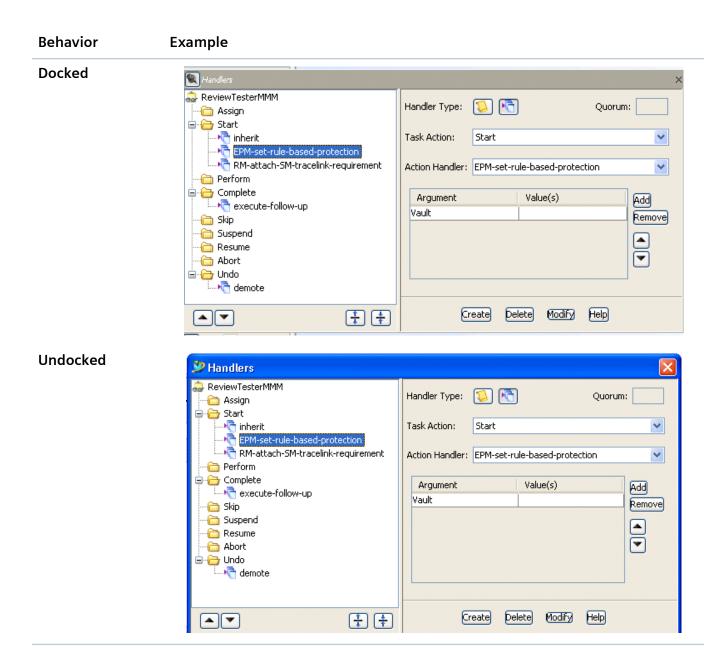
- 2. Select the handlers you want to add and type the arguments and values for each one.
- 3. Copy the task and paste it back in the process template.
- 4. Edit the handler arguments and values in the new copy of the task.

This saves you the time and effort of retyping arguments and values as well as reduces the possibility of typos when creating your process template.

Move and resize the Handler dialog box

Undocking the **Handler** dialog box allows you resize it and move it anywhere in the Teamcenter window.

- 1. Click the **Handler** button to open the **Handler** dialog box.
- 2. Double-click anywhere in the dialog box to undock it.



When you leave the **Handler** dialog box docked, you can move between one task's handlers and another task's handlers by selecting a different task in the task hierarchy tree. For example:

- Click the Handler button to open the Handler dialog box.
 (Do not undock the dialog box.)
- Select the Change Admin II (CM) task in the task hierarchy tree.
 The dialog box is populated with all the handlers on the Change Admin II (CM) task.
 Modify handler arguments and values as needed.

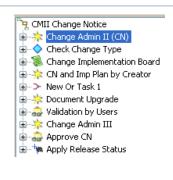
3. Select the **Check Change Type** task in the task hierarchy tree.

The dialog box is populated with all the handlers on the **Check Change Type** task.

Modify handler arguments and values as needed.

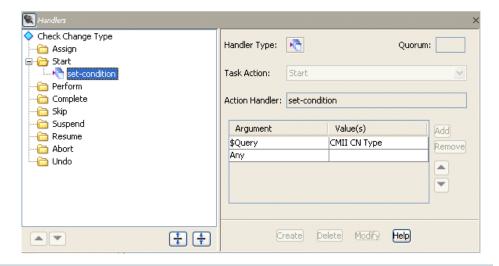
Task hierarchy tree

Handler dialog box









Workflow errors

When a **Start** action is triggered on a task, all the handlers placed on that action are run in the order listed. If all the handlers complete, the state transitions to **Started**, then the handlers on the **Complete** action are run. When the handlers on the **Complete** action successfully complete, the state transitions to **Completed**.

If all the handlers do not complete successfully, a workflow error is generated. If necessary, an error message appears. For example:

- If there is an error during workflow process initiation, an error message may state that the action of initiating the workflow process was successful but that a downstream error was generated by one of the root task's subtasks.
- If there are two tasks in a workflow process template and a handler on the **Start** action of the second task generates an error after the first task completes successfully, the workflow displays a **Warning** dialog box with the following error message instead of an **Error** dialog box.

The action was successful. Additional information has been included on the error stack.

Note:

If an error occurs at workflow process creation, the workflow process is not created, and the new workflow process does not exist in the database.

If an error occurs on the root task, the workflow process is automatically deleted. A workflow process with no started tasks has no visibility, and without the root task, the workflow process itself cannot be performed.

Teamcenter rich client perspectives and views

Within the Teamcenter rich client user interface, functionality is provided in *perspectives* and *views*. Some applications use perspectives and views to rearrange how the functionality is presented. Other applications use a single perspective and view to present information.

- Perspectives
 Are containers for a set of views and editors that exist within the perspective.
 - A perspective exists in a window along with any number of other perspectives, but only one perspective can be displayed at a time.
 - In applications that use multiple views, you can add and rearrange views to display multiple sets of information simultaneously within a perspective.
 - You can save a rearranged perspective with the current name, or create a new perspective by saving the new arrangement of views with a new name.
- Views and view networks
 In some Teamcenter applications, using rich client views and view networks, you can navigate to a hierarchy of information, display information about selected objects, open an editor, or display properties.
 - Views that work with related information typically react to selection changes in other views.
 - Changes to data made in a view can be saved immediately.

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- Any view can be opened in any perspective, and any combination of views can be saved in a current perspective or in a new perspective.
- A view network consists of a primary view and one or more secondary views that are associated. View networks can be arranged in a single view folder or in multiple view folders.
- Objects selected in a view may provide context for a shortcut menu. The shortcut menu is usually displayed by right-clicking.

Note:

If your site has online help installed, you can access application and view help from the rich client **Help** menu or by pressing F1. Some views, such as **Communication Monitor**, **Print Object**, and **Performance Monitor**, are auxiliary views that may be used for debugging and that may not be displayed automatically by any particular perspective.

2. Creating workflow process templates

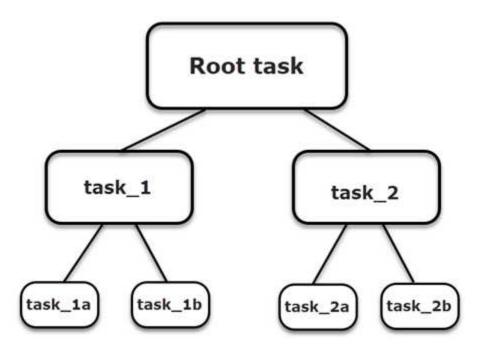
Structuring a workflow process

A workflow process describes the individual tasks and the task sequence required to model the workflow process. In Enterprise Process Modeling (EPM), tasks have both temporal (time) and hierarchical (structure) relationships. With these characteristics, individual tasks can run sequentially (serially) or asynchronously (in parallel).

A workflow process template is a predefined workflow structure, which you can use as a pattern for your own workflow processes. You can define a specific workflow process by placing workflow tasks in the required order of performance. You can define additional workflow process requirements (such as placing a status on targets, creating subprocesses, and so on) in the template using workflow handlers. Workflow Designer allows you to create both serial and parallel workflow process templates, and provides you with core templates on which you can build new workflow process templates.

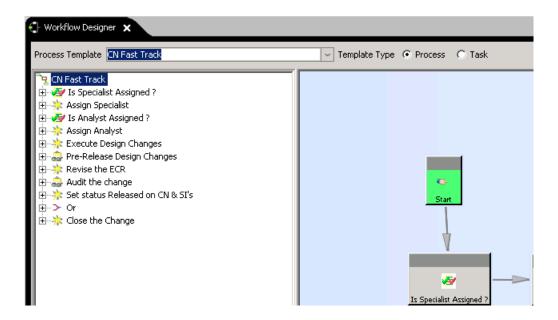
In EPM, each instance of a workflow process uses a workflow process template. This allows each workflow process template to be used as a blueprint for creating multiple workflow processes.

Each EPM workflow process contains a group of nested tasks. The top-level task of every workflow process is referred to as the *root task*.



The root task is the top-level parent task that contains all the other tasks as subtasks. It is the first task run when a workflow process is initiated and the last task to complete before the workflow process itself is completed.

In the following graphic, the root task is the first task shown in the task hierarchy tree, the **CN Fast Track** task.



To place handlers on the root task, select the **Start** node and click the **Handlers** led button.

Note:

A default workflow process template is defined using the

WorkspaceObject_default_workflow_template preference (where **WorkspaceObject** is the class name). This preference does not affect new revisions.

The specified template is automatically selected when submitting existing workspace objects to a *new* workflow process. This preference does not apply to object creation. For new objects, the default workflow template selection is intentionally left blank. Workflow template filters are used to restrict the list of available templates for both existing and new objects.

To set a default workflow template on a new revision, select the process manually when creating the revision.

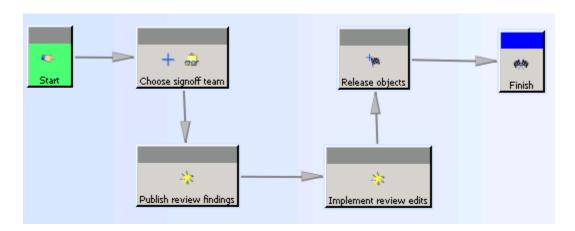
Example of building a workflow process template

Workflow process templates define a blueprint of a workflow to be performed at your site.

For example, a workflow process template outlining the workflow process required for a final design review, named **Final Design Review**, contains the following tasks:

• A **Review** task in which the assigned user is responsible for choosing signoff team members who meet specified group or role requirements. **Full Participation Required** is an option that allows the workflow designer user to set the **Review** task to wait for all reviewers to submit their decisions before completing and following the appropriate path.

- A **Do** task containing instructions to publish the review findings.
- Another **Do** task containing instructions to implement review edits.
- An **Add Status** task which changes the status of the target objects to **Released** upon completion of the workflow process.



After you finish a new workflow process template, you select the **Set Stage to Available** check box so that the template appears in the **Task Hierarchy** list.

Note:

When you close Workflow Designer, the system displays a dialog box listing workflow process templates that are not marked as available. From this dialog box, you can select one or more workflow process templates to be made available to users.

The **Task Hierarchy** list is accessible from within both Workflow Designer and My Teamcenter. Users initiate a workflow process on a Teamcenter object from within My Teamcenter by choosing **File**—**Workflow process** and working through the **New Process** dialog box.

Create workflow process templates

- Choose File→New Root Template.
 The New Root Template dialog box appears.
- 2. In the **New Root Template Name** box, type a template name. The box can contain a maximum of 32 characters.
- 3. From the **Based On Root Template** list, select an existing template on which to base the new template.
 - The list displays the available workflow process templates.
 - When you choose an existing template from the **Based On Root Template** list, the task hierarchy tree and the viewer display workflow process and task information for the selected template. Selecting a task from the tree displays any subtasks in the viewer; the task name and description

are displayed in their respective boxes. This information regarding the existing template is only for viewing in the **New Root Template** dialog box; it cannot be modified.

You can also click the **Task Attributes**, **Task Handlers** and **Task Signoff** buttons to view the existing template's task attribute, task handler, and task signoff information.

- 4. For **Template Type**, select **Process**.
- 5. After you view all the necessary template information, click one of the following:
 - **OK** to create the template and close the dialog box.
 - **Apply** to create the template and retain the dialog box so you can create another template.
 - Cancel to cancel the operation.
 In Workflow Designer, the Task Hierarchy list displays the template name. The under construction symbol to the left of the template name indicates that the template is still in the process of being designed.

Note:

Templates with the **under construction** designation are visible only to system administrators within Workflow Designer. They are not visible to end users who are using the **File→New Process** option in My Teamcenter to associate a workflow process with objects.

- 6. Configure your template:
 - Workflow process template

Configure the workflow task actions and states.
Configure the explicit and assumed links.

Task template

Configure the attributes and handlers.

- 7. Close the **New Root Template** dialog box.
- 8. Select **Set Stage to Available** in the lower-left panel.

In Workflow Designer, the **Process Template** list no longer displays the **under construction** symbol next to the template name.

In My Teamcenter, the **Process Template** list, within the **New Process** dialog box, displays the template name. All users at your site can now access the template.

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Workflow template filters affect:

- The **Process Template** choices displayed by the **New Process Dialog** dialog box.
- The **Process Template List** choices displayed by the **New Item** dialog box **Define Workflow Information** page.

Administrators and customizers can use Business Modeler IDE conditions to configure workflow template filters.

Creating baseline workflow process templates

The baseline feature allows you to create a baseline, or a snapshot of a work-in-process item revision and its component objects without incrementing the revision of the item. This enables you to capture a product design at a particular stage without having to stop work or generate an undesired revision of the item.

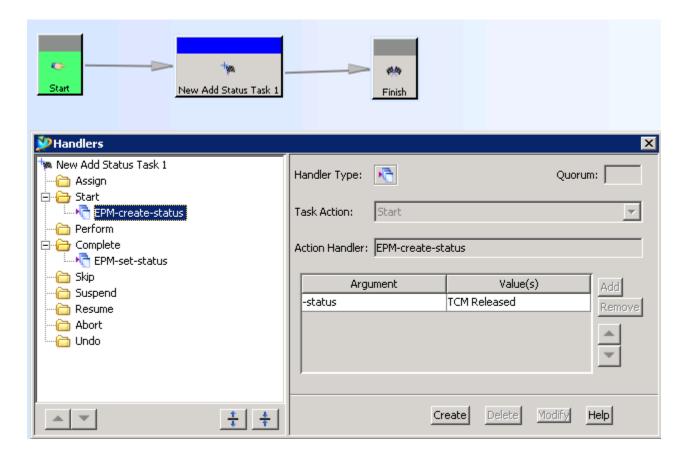
Before you can implement baseline functionality, you must create one or more custom workflow process templates to support **baseline release procedures**. These workflow process templates must define a zero-step release procedure, which allows the baseline to become a released object that cannot be modified. This type of workflow process template is referred to as a *quick release* template.

After the quick release template is created, you need to set its name in the **Baseline_release_procedures** preference. Once this preference is set, the name of the quick release workflow process template displays in the **Release Procedure** list and can be selected by a user.

Create a quick-release workflow process template

- Choose File→New Root Template.
 The New Root Template dialog box appears.
- In the New Root Template dialog box, select the Process option for Template Type, type a name in the New Root Template Name box, and select Empty Template from the Based on Root Template list.
- 3. Click **OK**.
- 4. On the toolbar, click the **Add Status Task Template** w button.
- 5. Double-click between the **Start** and **Finish** tasks in the process flow pane to insert the new **Add Status** task.
- 6. Create a path between the **Start** node and the **Add Status** task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Start** node and dragging it to the body of the **Add Status** task.
- 7. Create a path between the **Add Status** task and the **Finish** node by placing the cursor in the body of the **Add Status** task and dragging it to the body of the **Finish** node.

8. Select the **Set Stage to Available** check box to make the template available.



By adding the **Add Status** task, your new quick-release workflow process template contains the required **EPM-create-status** and **EPM-set-status** handlers.

The template displays in the **Process Template** list and in the **Based On Root Template** list in the **New Root Template** dialog box.

Creating custom templates

Note:

Creating a custom task template requires customizations to BMIDE and the Rich Client.

Create new business types for custom tasks

Your administrator needs to add two new business types for the custom task. Create one for **EPMTaskTemplate** and one for **EPMTask** to be referenced at runtime.

The two new types are:

• EPM<YOUR_CUSTOM_TASK>TaskTemplate

Include a subtype of **EPMTaskTemplate**.

• EPM<YOUR_CUSTOM_TASK>Task Include a subtype of EPMTask.

Modify ProcessDesigner plugin.xml

The *plugin.xml* file along with the *workflow/command/actions* properties for Rich Client require modifications to interact properly with the new custom task.

Update the **ProcessDesigner** *plugin.xml*.

Add the command handler for the new custom task.

2. Add the following to menu and toolbar contribution.

```
<command commandId="com.teamcenter.rac.taskTemplateModeCustomTask"</pre>
            icon="platform:/plugin/com.teamcenter.rac.tcapps/com/
teamcenter/
                     rac/workflow/common/images/
unableToComplete 16.png"
    id="com.teamcenter.rac.customTaskTemplateRADIO"
    label="%Custom Task.TITLE"
    mnemonic="%customTaskTemplate.MNEMONIC" style="radio">
    <parameter name="com.teamcenter.rac.workflow.taskTemplateName"</pre>
        value="customTaskTemplate">
    </parameter>
    <visibleWhen>
        <and>
            <or>
                 <reference definitionId="com.teamcenter.rac.workflow.</pre>
                     processdesigner.inMainView">
                             </reference>
                             <reference
definitionId="com.teamcenter.rac.workflow.
                                     processviewer.inMainView">
                             </reference>
                         </or>
                         <reference
                             definitionId="com.teamcenter.rac.common.
```

3. Add the following **ProcessDesigner** plugin.properties.

```
Custom_Task_Template.TIP=Custom Task Template
Custom Task.TITLE=Custom Task
```

4. Add customTaskTemplate to taskTemplateActionKeyNames.

```
taskTemplateActionKeyNames=taskTemplate, doTaskTemplate, reviewTaskTemp
late,
addStatusTaskTemplate, orTaskTemplate, acknowledgeTaskTemplate,
conditionTaskTemplate, routeTaskTemplate,
validateTaskTemplate, customTaskTemplate
```

Add the registry information for this task.

```
# Edit->Template->Custom Task
# -------
customTaskTemplate.NAME=EPMCustomTaskTemplate
customTaskTemplate=com.teamcenter.rac.workflow.common.actions.CustomTaskTemplateActi
on
customTaskTemplate.ICON=images/unableToComplete_16.png
customTaskTemplate.POPUP=true
customTaskTemplate.COMMANDID=com.teamcenter.rac.taskTemplateModeCustomTask
# No command associated with this action as its a UI mode setting independent of
# server state
```

6. Add the following to include the tool tip.

```
# Edit->Template->Custom Task
# ------
customTaskTemplate.TIP=Custom Task Template
# No command associated with this action as its a UI mode setting independent of
# server state
```

Creating and enabling the custom task template

1. Choose **File** → **New Root Template**.

The **New Root Template** dialog box appears.

- 2. In the **New Root Template** dialog box:
 - Select the Task option for Template Type.
 - Type a name in the **New Root Template Name** box.
 - Select **Empty Template** from the **Based on Root Template** list.
- 3. Click **OK**.
- 4. Select the **Set Stage to Available** check box to make the template available.
- 5. Select **Tools** \rightarrow **Export**.
- 6. Select the newly created task and add it to the list of selected tasks.

Click **OK**.

7. From the desktop, open the exported task template XML file.

Add the following:

- objectType=" EPM<YOUR CUSTOM TASK>TaskTemplate "
- iconKey="<YOUR CUSTOM TASK KEY>"
- 8. Save the XML file.
- 9. Select **Tools** \rightarrow **Import** to import the template.

The task is now available.

Creating subprocesses

What are workflow subprocesses?

Subprocesses are child workflow processes of a parent workflow process. You can create subprocesses while performing tasks from your worklist.

A typical scenario is one in which you receive a task in your worklist that is dependent upon the completion of an additional workflow process. You decide to create a workflow subprocess to track the work which must be completed before you can complete the task in the parent workflow.

Subprocesses are created in two locations:

Parent workflow templates Administrators can configure workflow templates to create subprocesses. For example, a parent workflow template can be configured to automatically launch subprocesses for each target of the parent workflow.

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When you create a workflow subprocess from an in-process task in your worklist, you create a dependency between the selected task in the parent process and the newly created subprocess. The targets of the active parent workflow process are carried over if you check the **Inherit Targets** box. If a subprocess is created from an in-process task, the task cannot complete until the subprocess completes.

Note:

The behavior of the **Inherit Targets** box is determined by the **EPM_multiple_processes_targets** and **EPM_sub_process_target_inheritance** preferences.

Regardless of how these two preferences are set to control the inheritance of target objects from the parent process, users can always manually add or remove targets from subprocesses.

Note:

Workflow subprocesses are not always dependent on parent processes. The WRKFLW_skip_abort_on_sub_process preference is honored only for *independent* subprocesses.

Set the **WRKFLW_skip_abort_on_sub_process** preference to **true** to skip abort of subprocess when a parent process is aborted.

If there is a dependency from a parent process to its subprocesses, aborting the parent will abort the *dependent* subprocesses, irrespective of the value of the preference.

The default value is **false** which will abort the subprocesses along with parent process.

Creating subprocesses from a workflow template

Sometimes you want a workflow process to generate additional workflows as it proceeds. For example, you may want a workflow to generate additional workflows (subprocesses) for each target of the parent process. This would be useful if you want each target to undergo a separate review and signoff process.

Use the EPM-create-sub-process action handler to create subprocesses. You can add the handler multiple times to a single task action, allowing you to use different workflow process templates per target object type. Use the handler to:

- Set dependencies between the parent process and its subprocesses.
- Define targets and attachments for the subprocesses.
- Transfer attachments from the parent process to a subprocess.
- Create subprocesses for multiple targets.
- Create subprocesses for assemblies.
- Create subprocesses for related objects.

The handler accepts numerous arguments, allowing you to create a wide variety of instances for generating subprocesses. For example:

• The following argument settings create a subprocess based on the **Clinical Trials Phase I** template, which inherits all the targets and reference attachments from the parent process. Because the workflow process name is not defined, a workflow process name for the child process is automatically generated in the format *parentprocess:count*.

Argument	Value
-template	Clinical Trials Phase I
-from_attach	ALL
-to_attach	ALL

• The following argument settings launch a subprocess based on the **Clinical Trials Phase I** workflow process template. All item revisions from the parent process are excluded as targets for the new workflow process.

Argument	Value
-template	Clinical Trials Phase I
-from_attach	ALL
-to_attach	TARGET
-exclude_type	ItemRevision

The following argument settings launch multiple subprocesses based on the Clinical Trials Phase I workflow process template. Each item revision that was a target or reference attachment of the parent process launches a new subprocess with that item revision as the target.
 For example, if the parent process contained three item revisions as targets, three different subprocesses are launched.

Argument	Value
-template	Clinical Trials Phase I
-from_attach	ALL
-to_attach	TARGET
-include_type	ItemRevision
-multiple_processes	

Creating subprocesses for multiple targets

You can use various configurations of the **EPM-create-sub-process** action handler to create subprocesses for multiple targets from a parent process.

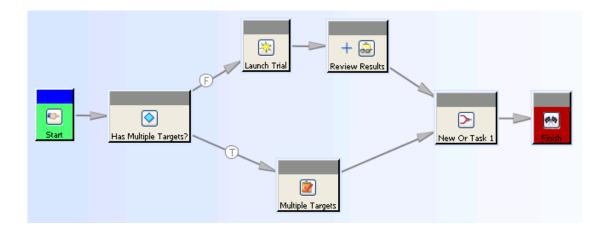
The most straightforward method to create subprocesses for multiple targets is to use the - **multiple_processes** argument to create individual subprocesses for each target in the parent process. The newly created subprocesses can either be a clone of the parent process or a different workflow process.

You can refine this method by using the **-include_type** argument along with the **-multiple_processes** argument to create individual subprocesses for each target of a specific type in the parent process. Or you can use the **-exclude_type** argument along with the **-multiple_processes** argument to create individual subprocesses for each target except the specified types in the parent process.

All these methods are based on the concept of the parent process always creating one or more subprocesses.

Depending on your business process needs, a more elegant method is to create a workflow process branched with a **Condition** task that is configured to query for multiple targets. The technique of querying for multiple targets means a subprocess is only created when there are multiple targets. When there is a single target, the other branch of the parent process is followed. This is an efficient design if subprocesses are only needed when multiple targets are involved.

Consider the following workflow template, in which a generic task template is named **Multiple Targets** and configured to create subprocesses for each target.



In this example, Pharmaceuticals, Inc., uses such a workflow for its drug trial reviews. The typical trial contains multiple products, but occasionally a trial contains only one product.

If this workflow process is initiated on an item revision containing three targets, the **Condition** task query returns **True** and follows the **True** path containing the **Multiple Targets** task, which creates three subprocesses: one subprocess for each target in the parent process. Each subprocess is a clone of the parent process.

Because each of the subprocesses always only contains a single target, as each subprocess is initiated the **Condition** task query returns **False** and follows the **False** path containing the **Launch Trial** and **Review Results** tasks.

In trials that review only a single product, the parent process follows the **False** path. No unnecessary subprocess is created.

The following procedure illustrates how to configure the workflow in this example:

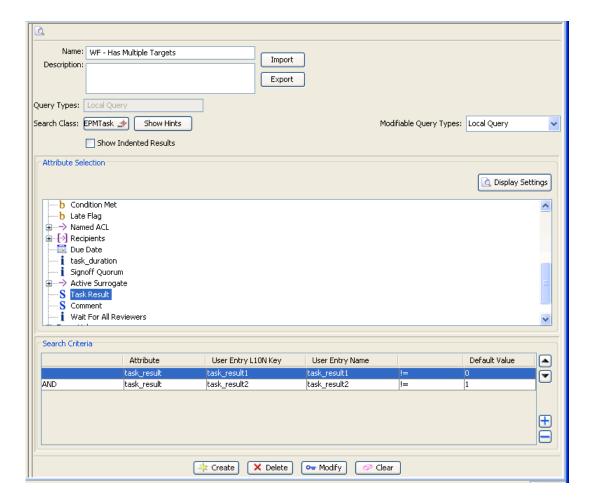
Note:

Before you begin, confirm that the **EPM_multiple_processes_targets** preference is set to **ON** by choosing **Edit**—**Options** to launch the **Options** dialog box and locating the preference using the **Filters** link.

If the preference is not created at your site, create the preference and set it to ON.

- In Workflow Designer, choose File→New Root Template to create a new workflow process template.
- 2. Type a name for the new workflow process in the **New Root Template Name** box, select **Empty Template** from the **Based On Root Template** list, and click **OK**. The workflow process template appears in the process flow pane.
- 3. On the toolbar, ensure you are in **Edit ★** mode. This allows you to edit the workflow process template.

- 4. Insert a **Condition** task into the workflow process by clicking the **Condition Task** button ⋄ on the toolbar, and then double-clicking in the process flow pane to the right of the **Start** node. The new **Condition** task is inserted at the cursor point.
- 5. Rename the **Condition** task by selecting the task in the task hierarchy tree, and then typing **Has Multiple Targets?** in the **Name** box in the template manager pane, and pressing the Enter key.
- 6. Create a query for the **Has Multiple Targets?** task to determine whether the workflow process contains multiple targets by completing the following steps:
 - a. In Teamcenter, switch to the Query Builder application.
 - b. In *Query Builder*, create a new query called **WF Has Multiple Targets** by completing the query boxes as shown and clicking **Create**.



- c. Return to Workflow Designer.
- 7. Associate the WF Has Multiple Targets query with the Has Multiple Targets? task.

- Select the Has Multiple Targets? task and click Task Attributes

 in the template manager pane.
- b. In the **Task Attributes** dialog box, click the **Condition Query** box. (The box currently indicates it is empty because no queries are associated with the **Condition** task.)

 The **Condition Query** dialog box appears.
- In the Condition Query dialog box, scroll down the Build/Select Query list to the WF Has Multiple Targets query and double-click the query.
 The query name appears in the New Query box at the bottom of the dialog box.
- d. Select **Task** as the **Query Against** option.
- e. Click **OK** to choose the query and exit the dialog box.
 The **Task Attributes** dialog box reappears. **WF Has Multiple Targets** displays in the **Condition Query** box.
- f. Close the **Task Attributes** dialog box.

 The **Has Multiple Targets?** task is now configured to query whether the workflow process contains multiple targets. When the workflow process contains multiple targets the **True** path is followed; when the workflow process contains a single target, the **False** path is followed.
- 8. Configure the **Has Multiple Targets?** task to retrieve the number of targets from the **Multiple Targets** task by completing the following steps:
 - a. In the process flow pane, select the **Has Multiple Targets?** task and click **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane.
 - b. In the task action in the left-side of the dialog box, select the **Start** action.
 - c. In the right-side of the dialog box, select **Action Handler** $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ for the handler type.
 - d. In the **Action Handler** list, select **EPM-set-task-result-to-property**.
 - e. Type -property in the Argument box and num_targets in the Value(s) box.
 - f. Click **Add** in the right side of the dialog box to add another argument/value line.
 - g. Type -source in the Argument box and task in the Value(s) box.
 - h. Click **Create** at the bottom of the dialog box to add the handler to the **Start** action of the **Has Multiple Targets?** task.
- 9. When you created the WF Has Multiple Targets query on the Has Multiple Targets? task, the EPM-set-condition handler was automatically placed on the task's Start action. Confirm the handler contains the following settings:

- a. The -query in the Argument box and WF - Has Multiple Targets in the Value(s) box.
- The -query_type in the Argument box and Task in the Value(s) box. b.
- 10. Select the EPM-set-task-result-to-property handler in the folder list and click the Up button under the folder list to move it above the **EPM-set-condition** handler in the **Start** action.

Note:

The order of the two handlers on the Start action is important. EPM-set-task-result-toproperty must be before EPM-set-condition.

- 11. Close the **Handlers** dialog box.
- 12. Insert a **Do** task **above and to the right of the **Condition** task.
- 13. Rename the **Do** task to **Launch Trial**.
- 14. Configure the Launch Trial task to attach the dataset and BOM view revision by completing the following steps:
 - In the process flow pane, select the Launch Trial task and click Task Handlers 🚉 in the a. template manager pane.
 - In the task action tree in the left side of the dialog box, select the **Start** action. b.
 - In the right side of the dialog box, select **Action Handler** \$\frac{1}{2}\$ for the handler type. c.
 - In the Action Handler list, select EPM-attach-related-objects. d.
 - Type -relation in the Argument box and IMAN_specification in the Value(s) box. e.
 - f. Click **Add** in the right side of the dialog box to add another argument/value line.
 - Type -attachment in the Argument box and target in the Value(s) box. q.
 - h. Click **Create** in the bottom of the dialog box to add the handler.
 - i. Select the EPM-attach-related-objects handler you just created from the folder list on the
 - Replace IMAN_specification with PSBOMViewRevision as the value for the -relation argument and click Create. You should have two EPM-attach-related-objects handlers in the Start action, one with the **IMAN specification** relation and one with the **PSBOMViewRevision** relation.

- k. Close the **Handlers** dialog box.
- 15. Insert a **Review** task $\stackrel{.}{\Rightarrow}$ to the right of the **Launch Trial** task.
- 16. Rename the **Review** task to **Review Results**.
- 17. Insert a generic task pelow and to the right of the Has Multiple Targets? task.
- 18. Rename the task to Multiple Targets.
- 19. Configure the Multiple Targets task to generate subprocesses by completing the following steps:
 - a. In the process flow pane, select the **Multiple Targets** task and click **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane.
 - b. In the task action tree in the left side of the dialog box, select the **Complete** action.
 - c. In the right side of the dialog box, select **Action Handler** ? for the handler type.
 - d. In the **Action Handler** list, select **EPM-create-sub-process**.
 - e. Type -from_attach in the Argument box and Target in the Value(s) box.
 - f. Click **Add** in the right side of the dialog box to add another argument/value line.
 - g. Type -to_attach in the Argument box and Target in the Value(s) box.
 - h. Click **Add** in the right side of the dialog box to add another argument/value line.
 - i. Type -process_name in the Argument box and SubProcess in the Value(s) box.
 - j. Click **Add** in the right side of the dialog box to add another argument/value line.
 - k. Type -multiple_processes in the Argument box. Do not type a value in the Value(s) box.
 - I. Type **-template** in the **Argument** box and the name for this template that you used in step 2 in the **Value(s)** box.
 - m. Click **Create** in the bottom of the dialog box to add the handler to the **Complete** action of the **Multiple Targets** task.
 - The system responds with a warning that says The use of EPM-create-sub-process handler has resulted in a loop. Teamcenter detected that the -template argument referenced the template that you are creating. However, since the subprocesses generated will follow the False path, no loop occurs. Click OK.
 - n. Close the **Handlers** dialog box.

- 20. Create an **Or** task to reconcile the **True** and **False** paths by clicking the **Or** task button ➤ on the toolbar, and then double-click in the process flow pane to the right of the **Review Results** and **Multiple Targets** tasks.
- 21. Draw a flow path from the **Start** task to the **Has Multiple Targets?** task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Start** task and dragging it to the body of the **Has Multiple Targets?** task.
- 22. Draw a flow path from the **Has Multiple Targets?** task to the **Launch Trial** task. By default, the path is a **True** path.
- 23. Change the flow path to a **False** path by right-clicking the line you have just drawn and choosing **Set Path To False Path**.

 The flow path changes to a **False** path.
- 24. Draw a flow path from the **Has Multiple Targets?** task to the **Multiple Targets** task. By default, the path is a **True** path.
- 25. Draw a flow path from the **Launch Trial** task to the **Review Results** task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Launch Trial** task and dragging it to the body of the **Review Results** task.
- 26. Draw a flow path from the **Review Results** task to the **Or** task.
- 27. Draw a flow path from the **Multiple Targets** task to the **Or** task.
- 28. Draw a flow path from the **Or** task to the **Finish** node.
- 29. Select the **Set Stage to Available** check box to put your template online.

The template is now ready to use.

Creating subprocesses for assemblies

In workflow processes that contain assemblies, there are various arguments you can use with the EPM-create-sub-process action handler to create subprocesses for components of the assemblies.

Argument	Behavior
-process_assembly	Searches for assemblies in the target, reference, or all (as specified by the - from_attach argument) and creates subprocesses for each component.
-depth	Specifies the depth to which the assembly is traversed.
-rev_rule	Specifies the revision rule applied to the assembly.

Argument	Behavior
-include_related_type	Creates subprocesses only for assembly components of the types specified in this argument.
-exclude_related_type	Does not creates subprocesses for assembly components of the types specified in this argument.

Note:

The -include_related_type and -exclude_related_type arguments can be used in conjunction with each other. If used in conjunction, the -include_related_type argument takes precedence; first the objects are processed against -include_related_type and then processed against -exclude_related_type.

Creating subprocesses for related objects

There are various arguments you can use with the **EPM-create-sub-process** action handler to create subprocesses for related objects of target and reference data.

Argument	Behavior
-relation	Creates subprocesses for each object attached by the specified relation to the target or reference object. (Specify a particular target, or reference object, or all, using the -from_attach argument.)
-include_related_type	Creates subprocesses only for related objects of the type(s) specified in this argument.
-exclude_related_type	Does not creates subprocesses for related objects of the type(s) specified in this argument.

Note:

The -include_related_type and -exclude_related_type arguments can be used in conjunction with each other. If used in conjunction, the -include_related_type argument takes precedence; first the objects are processed against -include_related_type, and then -exclude_related_type.

Creating ad hoc subprocesses

End users can create ad hoc workflow subprocesses while performing tasks from their worklist or from *Workflow Viewer*.

For example, users might want to create a workflow subprocess after receiving a task in their worklist dependent upon the completion of one or more tasks not tracked by the existing workflow. They create a workflow subprocess to track the additional tasks.

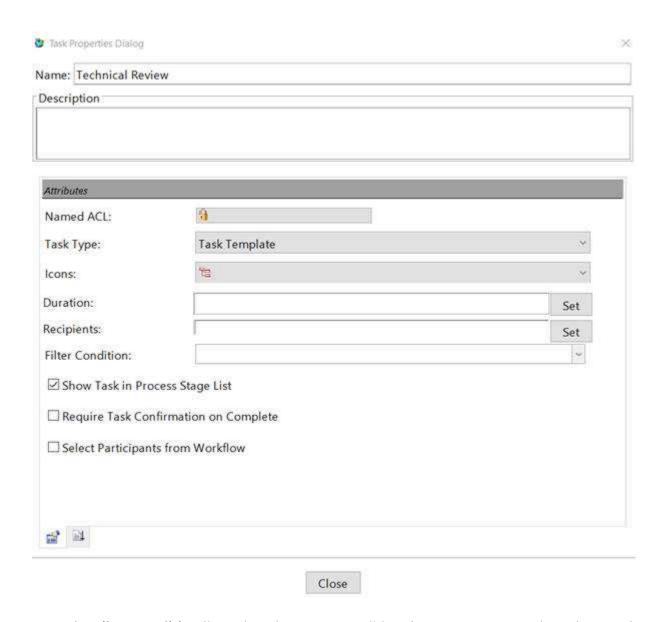
Associate templates with a target object type and a user group

Filter conditions set on a template control who can see and use specific templates. Administrators define the conditions and set their parameters. Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends that you use Business Modeler IDE conditions to associate templates with a target object type and a user group. Conditions offer greater versatility, with criteria such as session group, role, and user; target project and target release status; and custom criteria, both session-specific and target-specific, that an administrator can create. See *Use conditions to filter workflow template availability* in the Configure your business data model in BMIDE guide.

To associate templates with a target object type and a user group:

1. In Workflow Designer, when the template is under construction, select the root task and choose View→Task Properties.

The **Task Properties** dialog box opens.



- 2. From the **Filter Condition** list, select the BMIDE condition that you want to apply to the template.
- 3. Close the dialog.

Adding targets to a worklist after submitting a workflow

It may be necessary to add additional targets after the process has started. This is still governed by ACL access on the task first. If you have permission then you can add additional targets:

- If the CR_allow_alternate_procedures preference is set to any or Assigned, there is no restriction on what type of target can be added.
- If the CR_allow_alternate_procedures preference is set to none and WRKFLW_allow_adding_target_behavior is set to 1 (default value), there is no restriction on what type of target can be added.

• If the CR_allow_alternate_procedures preference is set to none and WRKFLW_allow_adding_target_behavior (see the following paragraph) is set to 0, any targets added by satisfy the condition criteria of the template.

To allow targets to be manually added or pasted at a specific task level, use the preference **WRKFLW_allow_adding_target_behavior**. This is useful when adding a target after a workflow is initiated. Values include:

- **0**: Allows specific target(s) that satisfy the **fnd0FilterCondition** condition when the value of **CR_allow_alternate_procedures** preference is set to **none**.
- 1: Allows any target(s). This is the default value.

Filtering conditions

The preference **CR_allow_alternate_procedures** manages the visibility of workflow templates in the **Submit to Workflow** panel in Active Workspace. Values include:

- Any: The All option is pre-selected and all templates are listed when a user submits a workflow.
- Assigned: This is the default value. The Assigned option is pre-selected when a user submits a workflow. Only templates that match the condition criteria (as defined in the BMIDE condition) are displayed.
- **None**: Only valid templates that match the condition criteria (as specified in the BMIDE condition) are displayed. The options **All** and **Assigned** are not visible when a user submits a workflow.

Core templates

The following table lists the templates and their associated types included with the rich client.

Template name	Task template definition type	Task type value specified in task template	Executing task's real type	Executing task's task type
Process	EPMTaskDefinition	EPMTask	EPMTask	EPMTask
Review Process	EPMTaskDefinition	EPMTask	EPMTask	EPMTask
Task	EPMTaskDefinition	EPMTask	EPMTask	EPMTask
Review Task	EPMTaskDefinition	EPMReview Task	EPMTask	EPMReviewTas k
Do Task	EPMDoTask Definition	EPMDoTask	EPMTask	EPMDoTask
Or Task	EPMTaskDefinition	EPMTask	EPMTask	EPMTask

Template name	Task template definition type	Task type value specified in task template	Executing task's real type	Executing task's task type
Add Status Task	EPMTaskDefinition	EPMTask	EPMTask	EPMTask
Change Manageme nt Procedure	EPMTaskDefinition	EPMTask	EPMTask	EPMTask
Change Manageme nt Item	EPMTaskDefinition	EPMTask	EPMTask	EPMTask

Delete workflow process templates

1. Select the template you want to delete from the **Process Template** list.

Warning:

Do not delete the **Process** template. Teamcenter needs this template to create new templates. You cannot create new templates unless you import or create another one with this name.

- 2. At the top of the task hierarchy tree, select the template.
- 3. In the toolbar, click the **Delete** × button.
- 4. In the **Delete** dialog box, click **Yes**.

The selected template is removed from the system.

Workflow examples

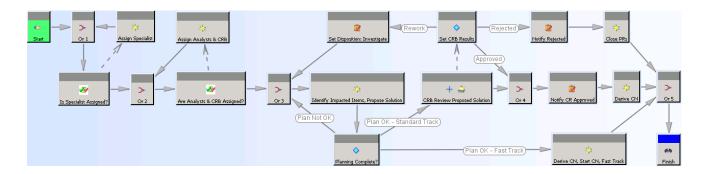
Change Manager workflow example

You can change this example to match your participants, organization, and conditions.

Note:

If you are using Aerospace and Defense business objects (for example, AdcoChangeRqstRevision), you can add them to the -type and -include_types arguments.

When this example is completed, the workflow should look like the following.



In Workflow Designer, choose File→New Root Template, name your template, select Empty
Template as your root template, and then click OK.

Note:

Ensure that the **EPM-assign-team-selector** and **EPM-auto-assign-rest** handlers are attached to the **Start** task action.

2. To the **Start** task action, add the **EPM-set-property** handler with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values	
-property	CMIsFastTrack	
-value	No	
-to_attach	TARGET	
-include_type	ChangeRequestRevision	
-bypass		

These arguments set the ECR **CMIsFastTrack** property to **No**, which ensures that the ECR starts on the standard track.

- 3. Create an **Or** task named **Or 1**, and draw a path from the **Start** task.
- 4. Create a **Validate** task named **Is Specialist Assigned?**, to check the ECR for an assigned change specialist.
 - Add the **EPM-check-object-properties** handler to the **Start** task action with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values
-include_type	Change Request Revision
-property	Change Specialist
-attachment	target

• Draw a path from the **Or 1** task.

A **Validate** task needs tasks at the end of a **Complete** path and **Error** path. If a change specialist is not assigned, you must correct that error.

- 5. In case a change specialist is not assigned, create a **Do** task named **Assign Specialist**.
 - For the **Do** task, add the **EPM-auto-assign** handler to the **Start** task action with the following argument and value:

Arguments	Values
-assignee	resourcepool:Change Management::Manager

- Draw an Error path from the Is Specialist Assigned? task.
- Draw a **Complete** path to the **Or 1** task.

This assigns the task to any user who has the Manager role in the Change Management group. The Manager must edit the ECR object to add a change specialist 1 to it. Once that is done, the user can go back to the workflow, click **Complete** on the task, and the workflow moves along the **Complete** path.

Note:

By default, the **Do** task has automatically configured **EPM-check-condition**, **EPM-inherit**, and **EPM-hold** handlers. You do not have to alter these.

- 6. Create an **Or** task named **Or 2**, and draw a **Complete** path from the **Is Specialist Assigned?** task.
- 7. Create a **Validate** task named **Are Analyst & CRB Assigned?**, to check if an analyst or change review board members are assigned to the ECR.
 - Add the **EPM-check-object-properties** handler to the **Start** task action of this task with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values
-include_type	Change Request Revision
-property	Analyst, Change Review Board
-attachment	target

- Draw a **Complete** path from the **Or 2** task.
- 8. In case an analyst or change review board members are not assigned, create a **Do** task named **Assign Analyst & CRB**.
 - For the **Do** task, add the **EPM-auto-assign** handler to the **Start** task action with the following argument and value:

Arguments	Values
-assignee	\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1

- Draw an Error path from the Are Analysts & CRB Assigned? task.
- Draw a Complete path to the Or 2 task.

This assigns the task to the user who has been assigned as the change specialist 1 for the ECR. The change specialist 1 must edit the ECR object to add the missing analyst or change review board members to it. Once that is done, the user can go back to the workflow, click **Complete** on the task, and the workflow moves along the **Complete** path.

Note:

By default, the **Do** task has automatically configured **EPM-check-condition**, **EPM-inherit**, and **EPM-hold** handlers. You do not have to alter these.

- 9. Create an **Or** task named **Or 3**, and draw a **Complete** path from the **Are Analysts & CRB Assigned?** task.
- 10. Create a **Do** task named **Identify Impacted Items, Propose Solution**.
 - Add the **EPM-auto-assign** handler to the **Start** task action with the following argument and value:

Arguments	Values
-assignee	\$ANALYST

• Draw a **Complete** path from the **Or 3** task.

This assigns the task to the user who has been assigned as the analyst for the ECR. The analyst follows the instructions in the workflow. Once that is done, the analyst can go back to the workflow, click **Complete** on the task, and the workflow moves along the **Complete** path.

Note:

By default, the **Do** task has automatically configured **EPM-inherit** and **EPM-hold** handlers. You do not have to alter these.

- 11. Create a **Condition** task named **Planning Complete?**.
 - Add the **EPM-auto-assign** handler to the **Start** task action with the following argument and value:

Arguments	Values
-assignee	\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1

- Draw a **Complete** path from the **Identify Impacted Items, Propose Solution** task.
- Draw a custom path named Plan Not OK to the Or 3 task.

This assigns the task to the user who has been assigned as the change specialist 1 for the ECR. The change specialist 1 follows the instructions in the workflow. Once that is done, the analyst can go back to the workflow and select one of the three paths based on the results. The three paths are added once more tasks further along the workflow are created.

Note:

By default, the **Condition** task has automatically configured the **EPM-check-condition** handler. You do not have to alter it.

- 12. Create a **Review** task named **CRB Review Proposed Solution**.
 - Add the **EPM-set-property** handler to the **Start** task action with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values
-property	CMMaturity
-value	Reviewing
-to_attach	TARGET

Arguments	Values
-include_type	ChangeRequestRevision
-bypass	

• Draw a custom path named Plan OK – Standard Track from the Planning Complete? task.

This sets the ECR's **Maturity** property to **Reviewing**, which notes that the change review board is looking at the proposed change.

Note:

By default, the **Review** task has automatically configured the **EPM-inherit**, **EPM-set-rule-base-protection**, and **EPM-execute-follow-up** handlers. You do not have to alter these.

- 13. Create a **Condition** task named **Set CRB Results**.
 - Add the EPM-auto-assign handler to the Start task action with the following argument and value:

Arguments	Values
-assignee	\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1

• Draw an Error path from the CRB Review Proposed Solution task.

This assigns the task to the user who has been assigned as the change specialist 1 for the ECR. The change specialist 1 follows the instructions in the workflow. Once that is done, the analyst can go back to the workflow and select one of the three paths based on the results. The three paths are added once more tasks further along the workflow are created.

Note:

By default, the **Condition** task has automatically configured the **EPM-check-condition** handler. You do not have to alter it.

- 14. Create a custom task named **Set Disposition: Investigate**.
 - Add the EPM-set-property handler to the Start task action with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values	
-property	CMDisposition	
-value	Investigate	
-to_attach	TARGET	
-include_type	ChangeRequestRevision	
-bypass		

- Draw a custom path named **Rework** from the **Set CRB Results** task.
- Draw a **Complete** path to the **Or 3** task.

This sets the ECR's **Disposition** property to **Investigate**, which indicates the analyst needs to do more work on the ECR.

Note:

By default, the task has automatically configured the **EPM-check-condition** handler. You do not have to alter it.

- 15. Create a custom task named **Notify Rejected**.
 - Add the **EPM-set-property** handler to the **Start** task action with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values
-property	CMDisposition
-value	Disapproved
-to_attach	TARGET
-include_type	ChangeRequestRevision
-bypass	

This sets the ECR's **Disposition** property to **Disapproved**, which indicates no further action is to be taken with the ECR.

• Add the **EPM-notify** handler to the **Start** task action with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values
-recipient	\$REQUESTOR,\$ANALYST
-subject	CR Rejected
-attachment	\$TARGET

This sends an e-mail to the ECR requestor and analyst notifying them that the ECR has been rejected by the change review board.

• Draw a custom path named **Rejected** from the **Set CRB Results** task.

Note:

By default, the task has automatically configured the **EPM-check-condition** handler. You do not have to alter it.

16. Create a **Do** task named **Close PRs**.

• Add the **EPM-auto-assign** handler to the **Start** task action with the following argument and value:

Arguments	Values
-assignee	\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1

This assigns the task to the user who has been assigned as the change specialist 1 for the ECR. The analyst follows the instructions in the workflow. Once that is done, the analyst can go back to the workflow, click **Complete** on the task, and the workflow moves along the **Complete** path.

• To the **Start** task action, add a **EPM-set-property** handler with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values
-property	CMClosure,CMMaturity
-value	Closed,Complete
-to_attach	TARGET
-include_types	Change Request Revision
-bypass	

This sets the ECR's **Closure** and **Maturity** properties to **Closed** and **Complete**, respectively, which closes out the ECR.

• Draw a **Complete** path from the **Notify Rejected** task.

Note:

By default, the **Do** task has automatically configured **EPM-inherit** and **EPM-hold** handlers. You do not have to alter these.

- 17. Create an **Or** task named **Or 4**.
 - Draw a custom path named **Approved** from the **Set CRB Results** task.
 - Draw a **Complete** path from the **CRB Review Proposed Solution** task.
- 18. Create a custom task named Notify CR Approved.
 - Add the **EPM-set-property** handler to the **Start** task action with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values	
-property	CMDisposition	
-value	Approved	
-to_attach	TARGET	
-include_type	ChangeRequestRevision	
-bypass		

This sets the ECR's **Disposition** property to **Approved**, which allows a change notice to be derived from the ECR.

• Add the **EPM-notify** handler to the **Start** task action with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values
-recipient	\$REQUESTOR,\$ANALYST
-subject	CR Approved
-attachment	\$TARGET

This sends an e-mail to the ECR requestor and analyst notifying them that the ECR has been approved by the change review board.

• Draw a **Complete** path from the **Or 4** task.

19. Create a **Do** task named **Derive CN**.

• Add the **EPM-auto-assign** handler to the **Start** task action with the following argument and value:

Arguments	Values
-assignee	\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1

This assigns the task to the user who has been assigned as the change specialist 1 for the ECR. The analyst follows the instructions in the workflow. Once that is done, the analyst can go back to the workflow, click **Complete** on the task, and the workflow moves along the **Complete** path.

• To the **Start** task action, add a **EPM-set-property** handler with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values	
-property	CMMaturity	
-value	Reviewing	
-to_attach	TARGET	
-include_type	ChangeRequestRevision	
-bypass		

This sets the ECR's **Maturity** property to **Reviewing**, which allows an ECN to be derived.

• To the **Complete** task action, add a **EPM-set-property** handler with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values
-property	CMMaturity
-value	Executing
-to_attach	TARGET
-include_type	ChangeRequestRevision
-bypass	

This sets the ECR's **Maturity** property to **Executing**, which closes out the ECR after the ECN has been derived.

Note:

By default, the **Do** task has automatically configured **EPM-inherit** and **EPM-hold** handlers. You do not have to alter these.

- 20. Create a **Do** task named **Derive CN, Start CN, Fast Track**.
 - Add the **EPM-auto-assign** handler to the **Start** task action with the following argument and value:

Arguments	Values
-assignee	\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1

This assigns the task to the user who has been assigned as the change specialist 1 for the ECR. The analyst follows the instructions in the workflow. Once that is done, the analyst can go back to the workflow, click **Complete** on the task, and the workflow moves along the **Complete** path.

• To the **Start** task action, add a **EPM-set-property** handler with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values	
-property	CMMaturity, CMD is position	
-value	Reviewing,Approved	
-to_attach	TARGET	
-include_type	ChangeRequestRevision	
-bypass		

This sets the ECR's **Maturity** and **Disposition** properties to **Reviewing** and **Approved**, respectively, which allows the ECR to be placed on the fast track.

• To the **Start** task action, add another **EPM-set-property** handler with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values
-property	CMIsFastTrack
-value	Yes
-to_attach	TARGET

Arguments	Values
-include_type	Change Request Revision
-bypass	

This sets the ECR's **Is Fast Track?** property to **Yes**, which notes the ECR went through the fast track process.

• To the **Complete** task action, add another **EPM-set-property** handler with the following arguments and values:

Arguments	Values
-property	CMMaturity
-value	Executing
-to_attach	TARGET
-include_type	ChangeRequestRevision
-bypass	

This sets the ECR's **CMMaturity** property to **Executing**, which completes the ECR in the change process and allows a change notice to be derived from it.

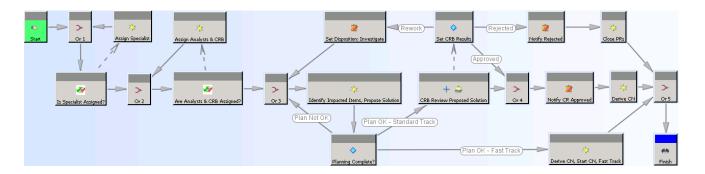
Note:

By default, the **Do** task has automatically configured **inherit** and **EPM-hold** handlers. You do not have to alter these.

21. Create an Or task named Or 5.

- Draw a Complete path from the Close PRs task.
- Draw a Complete path from the Derive CN task.
- Draw a **Complete** path from the **Derive CN, Start CN, Fast Track** task.
- Draw a **Complete** path to the **Finish** task.

You can apply this workflow to any ECR revision object.



Add Status task example: Replace status of target objects

ACMERP workflow process

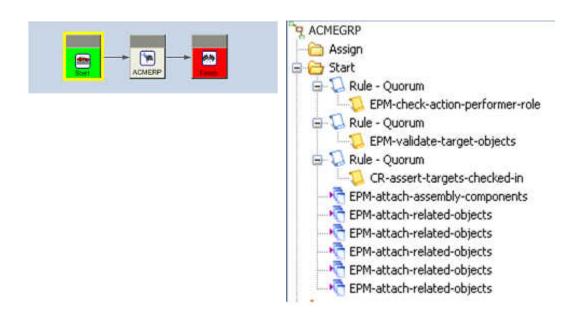
This workflow process example illustrates how to add status to objects which, for whatever reason, do not have the required status.

For example, after importing numerous objects from another system, a one-time change of status may be required so the status of the newly imported objects conform with the current system.

This workflow process applies a status of **ACMERP** to all target objects. If any targets have a different status, that status is replaced with **ACMERP**.



Start task



The **Start** node contains all the handlers for the root task. The root task contains all the other tasks within a workflow process. It is the first task to start and the last task to complete. Therefore, the handlers placed on the root task control the beginning and end of the workflow process itself, not merely the behavior of an individual task.

In this workflow example, handlers placed on the **Start** action of the root task:

- Confirm the workflow process is initiated by the correct role.
- Confirm the correct target objects are selected.
- Confirm the selected target objects are checked in.
- Automatically attach the correct target objects to the workflow.
- Attach all the components of the target assembly as targets of the workflow process.
- Configure the assembly to Working.
- Exclude any release objects from being attached.
- Attach all assembly components that were not added as targets as references.
- Attach all objects with various specified relations as targets of the workflow.

Note:

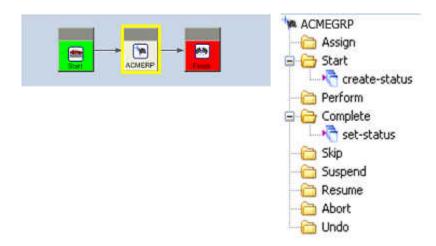
Do not place handlers on the **-perform** action of an **Add Status** task, as they are not executed on this task type.

Start action	Rule handler: EPM-check-action-performer-role	
Arguments: Values	-responsible:DBA	
	-responsible:ME	
Description:	Checks whether a member of the DBA or ME groups initiated the workflow. If not, the workflow does not proceed.	
Start action	Rule handler: EPM-validate-target-objects	
Arguments: Values	-include_type:ACMEPartMfgRevision,ACMEMEProcessRevision,ACMEMEOPRevision	
Description:	Restricts the types of objects that can be added as target objects to ACMEPartMfgRevision, ACMEMEProcessRevision and ACMEMEOPRevision.	

Start action	Rule handler: EPM-assert-targets-checked-in			
Arguments: Values	No arguments set. (This handler does not accept arguments.)			
Description:	Confirms that all objects selected as targets of the workflow process are checked in.			
Start action	Action handler: PS-attach-assembly-components			
Arguments: Values	-depth:1			
vuides	-exclude_released			
	-rev_rule:Working			
	-include_related_type:ACMETypes			
	-add_excluded_as_ref			
Description:	Traverses one level into the assembly and attaches all the components of the target assembly as targets of the workflow process, and then configures the assembly to Working .			
	Excludes any release objects, collects only ACMETypes objects, and attaches all assembly components that were <i>not</i> added as targets as references.			
Start action	Action handler: EPM-attach-related-objects			
Arguments: Values	-relation:IMAN_METarget			
	-attachment:target			
Description:	Attaches all objects with an IMAN_METarget relation as targets of the workflow.			
Start action	Action handler: EPM-attach-related-objects			
Arguments: Values	-relation:IMAN_specification			
	-attachment:target			
Description:	Attaches all objects with an IMAN_specification relation as targets of the workflow.			
Start action	Action handler: EPM-attach-related-objects			
Arguments: Values	-relation:IMAN_Rendering			

Description:	-attachment:target Attaches all objects with an IMAN_Rendering relation as targets of the workflow.		
Start action	Action handler: EPM-attach-related-objects		
Arguments: Values	-relation:IMAN_Reference -attachment:target		
Description:	Attaches all objects with an IMAN_Reference relation as targets of the workflow.		
Start action	Action handler: EPM-attach-related-objects		
Arguments: Values	-relation:PSBOMViewRevision -attachment:target		
Description:	Attaches all objects with a PSBOMViewRevision relation as targets of the workflow.		

ACMERP (Add Status task)



In this workflow example, handlers placed on the **Start** action of the **ACMERP** task:

• Attach the **ACMERP** status to the **ACMERP** task.

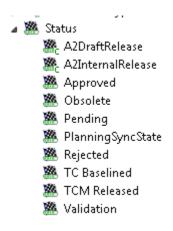
Handlers placed on the **Complete** action of the **ACMERP** task:

• Delete all existing statuses assigned to any target objects and replace them with the **ACMERP** status.

Start action Action handler: EPM-create-status Arguments: -status:ACMERP **Values Description:** Attaches the **ACMERP** status to the **ACMERP** task. Note: The ACMERP status should be already defined in the Business Modeler IDE. Action handler: EPM-set-status Complete action **Arguments:** -action:replace **Values Description:** Deletes all existing statuses assigned to any target objects and replaces them with the ACMERP status.

Create a custom release status

This workflow example illustrates how to add a custom release status with a custom icon. The example uses two custom release statuses and matching icons for a **DraftRelease** and an **InternalRelease**. The status names and icon names are for illustrative purposes only.



The process requires configuration in BMIDE and Workflow Designer.

Configure BMIDE

- 1. Add two custom release statuses in BMIDE. Release status examples:
 - A2DraftRelease with the display name DraftRelease.





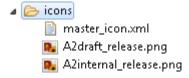
• A2InternalRelease with the display name InternalRelease.



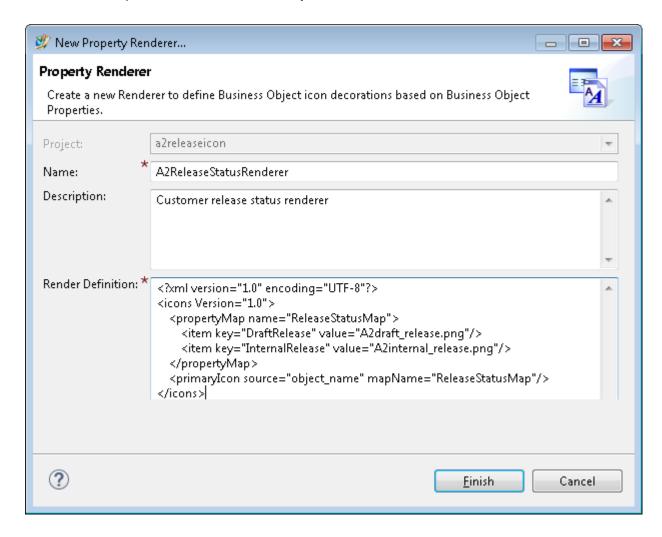


2. Right-click the icons folder in the Navigator view and select Add Business Object Icon.

Add the icons A2draft_release.png and A2internal_release.png.



3. Right-click the **Property Renderers** folder in the **Extensions** view and add a **New Property Renderer**. Complete the **Name** and **Description** fields, as shown.



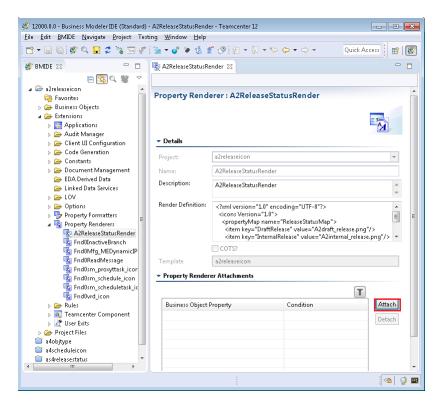
4. Complete the **Render Definition** field. You must include the display name of the two custom release statuses in the rendering definition. Refer to the syntax in the code example.

Note:

When entering the XML for the **Render Definition** make sure there are no extra characters at the end of each line.

Example:

5. Double-click the property renderer you created from the **BMIDE** list to view all of its properties.

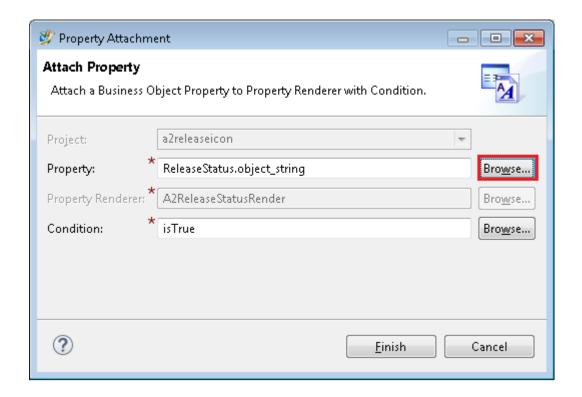


6. Select the **Attach** button.

For the **Property** field, click **Browse** and select **ReleaseStatus** and **object_string**.

For the **Condition** field, click **Browse** and select **isTrue**.

Click **Finish** to save the BMIDE template.



7. Deploy the BMIDE template through TEM or hot deploy.

Configure Workflow Designer

In this example, you will create a new process template in Workflow Designer and apply the newly created custom release status types.

1. To create a new **Process Template**, choose **File** \rightarrow **New Root Template**.

The **New Root Template** dialog box appears.

2. Enter a descriptive name for your new template in the **New Root Template Name** box.

In this example, add the name CustomerReleaseProcess1.

For **Template Type**, select **Process**.

3. Make sure the template is in **Edit** mode.

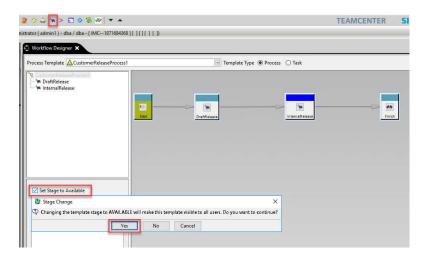
Add two **Add Status** tasks. Draw the process flow arrows connecting the tasks.

4. Right-click on each of the new status task icons and select **Task Properties**.

For each status task, assign one of the new status types to the task.



5. Set the stage to available.



Modify the Teamcenter customer properties

- 1. Create a new customer.properties file in the TC_ROOT\portal\plugins \configuration_11000.2.0 and add the following.
 - release_status_list.DraftRelease.ICON=images/A2draft_release.png
 - release status list.InternalRelease.ICON=images/A2internal release.png

Note:

This properties must match the display name, icon name, and file names.

- 2. Copy the icon image files A2draft_release.png and A2internal_release.png to TC_ROOT\portal \plugins\configuration 11000.2.0\images folder.
- 3. Run the genregxml.bat in the TC ROOT\portal\registry\: to regenerate the registry.

After running genregxml.bat double check the TC_ROOT\portal\plugins\
configuration_11000.2.0\ folder to make sure the customer.properties file is generated and contains the two icon entries and. Also, open the TC_ROOT\portal\plugins\
configuration_11000.2.0\ images folder and verify the new icon images were generated.

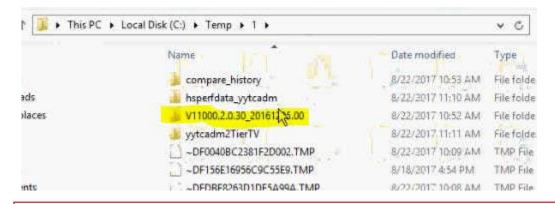
Finalize the process

Finalize the process of creating a custom release status by clearing out the caches listed below.

- Clear RAC client cache.
- Clear FCC cache.
- Clear shared memory cache. Go to **%temp%** and clear the directory similar to the following example.

Note:

Each install will generate a different shared memory cache, yours may be different than this example.



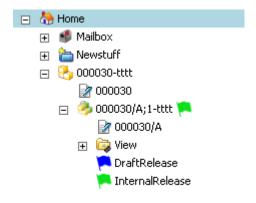
Warning:

If any of these failed, it indicates that a process is running and a machine reboot is required to make sure cleanup is performed as expected.

After finishing all of the tasks, validate and verify everything is working as designed.

- 1. Login to Teamcenter and create an item.
- 2. Select **Item Revision** and create a new Workflow process **CustomerReleaseProcess1**. Your custom statuses and icons are listed.

2. Creating workflow process templates



3. Editing workflow process templates

Determining which editing options to use

Perform edits on existing workflow process templates by selecting the template to be edited and clicking the **Edit Mode** button.

Consider the following questions before editing a workflow template.

Editing task	Description
Edit offline or online?	Offline editing prevents users from accessing the workflow template while you edit. Use this option when you do not want the old version of the workflow template available for use until your edits are complete.
	Online editing allows users to initiate workflows based on the old version of the workflow template, while you edit a copy of the same template. When you switch the edited version to the Available stage, the older copy is overwritten; only the edited copy remains available from the interface.
Apply edits to running workflow processes?	After editing a workflow template, you can apply the edits to all active processes that are based on the template. When you select the Set Stage to Available check box, the Apply Template Changes dialog box asks whether to apply the edits to all active workflow processes based on the template.
	Select the Apply template changes to all active workflow processes check box to update each active workflow process based on the workflow template as follows:
	• If the edits in the workflow template occur <i>later</i> in the workflow than the active workflow process has reached, the edits are applied to the workflow.
	• If the edits in the workflow template occur earlier, and the active workflow has already passed the place where the edits were made, the edits do not take effect unless the task or path is re-run (using backward branching or loops) or the task is demoted.
	 If the edits in the workflow template impact an active task, the edits are applied after the task completes and take effect only if the task is re-run.

Editing task	Description
	If the edits delete the currently active task, the next task is started.
Which workflow components can be edited?	You can edit any aspect of the workflow process template, including:
	Changing the template name
	Adding and removing tasks
	 Adding, deleting, redrawing, and resetting flow paths
	 Adding, deleting, and resetting handlers, attributes, task attributes, and attachments

Editing offline versus online

Deciding whether to edit a workflow template online or offline is determined by whether you want to grant users access to the existing version of the workflow template while you edit it.

- Offline editing prevents users from accessing the workflow template while you edit it. Use this option when you do not want the old version of the template available until your edits are complete. Select Yes in the Offline? dialog box to edit offline. With this option, there is only one instance of the template. The system sets the workflow template to the Under Construction stage. The template is not available to users initiating workflow processes against objects; it does not appear in the Process Template list in the New Process dialog box.
 Only users with privileges to edit workflow templates can see the workflow template in the Process Template list, which is marked with the Under Construction symbol. When you switch the workflow template to the Available stage, the edited workflow template becomes available to users.
- Online editing allows users to initiate workflows based on the existing version of the workflow template while you edit a copy of the same template.
 Select No in the Offline? dialog box to edit online. The system makes a copy of the workflow template and sets it to the Under Construction stage; this is the version you edit. Both versions of the workflow template appear in the Process Template list in the New Process dialog box. The Under Construction symbol appears next to the version being edited. You also have the option of not displaying templates under construction by unchecking the Show Under Construction Templates checkbox in the New Process dialog box.
 Users can continue to use the existing version of the workflow template. When you switch the edited version to the Available stage, the existing copy is overwritten; only the edited copy remains available.

How process template edits are applied to active processes

When you edit a workflow process template, you can apply the edits to active processes that are based on the template. This action modifies all of the template's active processes simultaneously.

Note:

- The EPM_enable_apply_template_changes preference value must be set to OPTIONAL or AUTOMATIC.
- You can set up background processing to apply template edits asynchronously, without pausing your Workflow Designer interaction.

If template edits	They are applied to the active process	
Occur at a point that the active process has not reached	When you click OK in the Apply Template Changes dialog box, with the Apply template changes to all active workflow processes check box selected.	
Occur at a point that the active process has passed	Only if the edited task or path is rerun in a backward-branching path, is rerun in a loop, or if the task is demoted.	
	Otherwise, the edits do not take effect until the next new process that is based on the template.	
Affect a task that is in progress	After the task is complete.	
	Unless the task is rerun in a backward-branching path, is rerun in a loop, or is demoted, the edits do not take effect until the next new process that is based on the template.	
	Note:	
	If the edits delete a task that is in progress, the next task is started. The deleted task is removed from the	

Active workflow processes can be updated in a similar manner when importing updated versions of a workflow template, through either Workflow Designer or the **plmxml_import** utility.

Enable template edits for active processes

Applying workflow template edits to active workflow processes requires editing the **EPM_enable_apply_template_changes** preference value.

1. Choose **Edit→Options** to open the **Options** dialog box.

worklists of users who log in subsequently.

- At the bottom left of the dialog box, click the Filter tab. Type
 EPM_enable_apply_template_changes in the Search by preference name box.
- 3. Select the **EPM_enable_apply_template_changes** option and set the value to one of the following:

The following values are available.

Value	Description	
NONE	Default value. Suppresses applying all edits to active processes.	
OPTIONAL	Applies workflow template edits to active processes based on each selected workflow template.	
AUTOMATIC	Automatically applies edits to a workflow template to all active workflow processes based on the edited template.	

Edit a workflow process template

- 1. Select the template from the **Process Template** box.
- 2. On the main toolbar, click **Edit Mode** ... A dialog box asks whether you want to take the selected process template offline. Select **Yes** to take the workflow template offline, preventing users from initiating workflow processes based on this template while you edit. The workflow template is not available to users from the **Process Template** list while you keep the template offline.
- 3. (Optional) Rename the template by selecting the existing template name in the **Name** box under the **Set Stage to Available** check box and typing a new name over the selection. Alternatively, backspace from the end of the name to delete the characters. After you type a new name, click one of the tasks in the task hierarchy tree to set the new name. You cannot change the name using the **Process Template** box.

Warning:

You cannot select the existing name and use the Delete key to delete the entire name at once. The system interprets use of the Delete key as a command to delete an object from the database.

- 4. (Optional) Add, place, and remove tasks; also, add, delete, redraw, and reset flow paths.
- 5. (Optional) Add, remove, and modify task attributes by clicking the Task Attributes 🚅 button.

Note:

Process Template attributes also include the Filter Condition option.

- Add a filter condition in the **Task Attributes** panel using the dropdown.
- To remove an applied **Filter Condition**, select the condition text in the dialog box and clear the field.
- Optionally, after editing is complete and the updated **Process Template** is available, click **Purge Templates** in the **Tools** menu to remove the template cache.
- 6. (Optional) Edit task handlers by clicking the Task Handlers [all button.
- 7. (Optional) Edit perform signoff teams by clicking the Task Signoff [8] button.
- 8. After you finish your edits, select the **Set Stage to Available** check box.

 The **Stage Change** message states that changing the template stage to **Available** makes the template visible to all users, and asks if you want to continue.
- 9. To make the template available, click **Yes**. The **Apply Template Changes** dialog box opens.



Note:

If you click **No** in the **Stage Change** message, the template remains in **Edit** mode for further changes.

10. Click **OK** to save your edits and apply them in the background to the template's active workflow processes.

Caution:

- The EPM_enable_apply_template_changes preference value must be set to OPTIONAL or AUTOMATIC.
- Your system must be set up for background processing.

- If you clear the **Apply template changes to all active workflow processes** check box and click **OK**, your edits are saved but are not applied, and the template returns to **Browse** mode.
- The Update processes in background check box is selected by default. If you clear the
 check box, your edits are applied in real time, and Teamcenter may be unavailable until the
 updates complete. Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends that you leave the
 check box selected, so that template edits are applied asynchronously, without pausing
 your Workflow Designer interaction.

Apply process template edits to active processes

After editing a workflow process template, you can make the template available to users and apply the edits to active processes based on the template.

The setting configured in the **EPM_enable_apply_template_changes** option determines how and when the processes are applied. Only the **OPTIONAL** or **AUTOMATIC** values apply edits to active processes.

NONE

Default value that suppresses applying all edits to active processes.

OPTIONAL

Applies workflow template edits to active processes based on each selected workflow template.

It allows you to choose on a case-by-case basis whether to apply workflow template edits to active workflow processes based on the workflow template.

AUTOMATIC

Automatically applies edits to a workflow template to all active workflow processes based on the edited template.

By default, this setting applies the edits in the background. However, background processing requires a four-tier architecture environment. (In a two-tier environment, you can successfully submit requests for asynchronous processing if a four-tier Teamcenter environment is available to accept them.)

Note:

Dispatcher must be enabled and configured for asynchronous processing.

Select the Set stage to available check box to change the workflow template's stage to Available.
 The Apply Template Changes dialog box appears asking whether to apply your edits to all active workflow processes based on the template.

Note:

You can also change a workflow template's stage from **Under Construction** to **Available** when closing Workflow Designer. The **Set To Available Stage Template** dialog box displays whenever under construction workflow templates exist when you close Workflow Designer.

Using this dialog box to change a template's stage does *not* allow you to apply template edits to active workflow processes.

- 2. Select the **Apply template changes to all active workflow processes** check box. Your edits are applied to each active workflow process based on that workflow template.
- (Optional) Select the Update processes in background check box.
 Your edits are applied in the background. The updates run asynchronously, and you are notified by Teamcenter mail when the updates complete.

Typically, you only want to update workflow processes in real time when your changes impact 10–20 active workflow processes, as in testing scenarios.

Note:

Updating the workflow processes in the background is recommended. The **Update processes** in background check box is selected by default.

If background processing is not configured and supported at your site, active workflow processes are updated in real time.

Note:

If you apply the updates in real time, Teamcenter is unavailable until the updates complete. Although this method is suitable for testing, it is not recommended for updating more than 30 to 50 workflow processes.

Update duration depends on the type of edits made to the workflow processes. For example, it takes longer to remove tasks than to add tasks. Edits within tasks (handlers, attributes, etc.) require minimal processing time.

You can also edit an active workflow process in *Workflow Viewer*, in which you edit the particular active workflow process, not the workflow template on which it is based. This method allows you to edit only one active workflow process at a time.

3. Editing workflow process templates

4. Viewing workflow process templates

Viewing templates in the task hierarchy tree or process flow pane

The task hierarchy tree presents a root-level workflow process, along with its tasks and subtasks, in a hierarchical listing.

The process flow pane provides graphical views of the different levels of a workflow process. You can view all the tasks in an entire workflow process, or the subtasks in a task, or the subtasks of subtasks, and so on.

View a subtask

You can move down a level in a workflow process template from either the task hierarchy tree or the process flow pane while in either **Edit **** or **Browse ***** mode.

- In the task hierarchy tree, select a task whose subtasks you want to view. Click Go→Down a Task Level.
 - The subtasks display in the process flow pane.
 - For example, selecting a container task displays the task's subtasks in the process flow pane. Selecting the root task displays the first task listed in the task hierarchy tree in the process flow pane.
- In the process flow pane, double-click the task node whose subtasks you want to view. The process flow pane displays the subtasks of the selected task.

Note:

If you select a task node with no subtasks, the process flow pane displays an empty template, with only the **Start** and **Finish** nodes showing.

• In the task hierarchy tree, select the task node whose subtasks you want to view. Click **Down a Task** Level.

The process flow pane displays the subtasks of the selected task node.

View a parent task

You can move up a level in a workflow process template from either the task hierarchy tree or the process flow pane, while in either **Edit** ** or **Browse** ** mode.

You can view the parent task in one of these ways:

• In the process flow pane, select the task node whose parent task you want to view. Click **Up a Task Level**.

The process flow pane displays the parent task of the selected task.

Note:

If the root task's subtasks are showing in the process flow pane, you are already at the top level and the system ignores the **Up a Task Level** action.

• In the task hierarchy tree, select the task node whose parent task you want to view. Click **Up a Task Level**.

The process flow pane displays the parent task of the selected task.

View the root task

You can move to the top level from anywhere in a workflow process template from either the task hierarchy tree or the process flow pane, while in either edit or browse mode.

In the process flow pane, select any task node. Choose Go→Top Level.
 The process flow pane displays the top level of the workflow process.

Note:

If the root task's subtasks are showing in the process flow pane, you are already at the top level.

In the task hierarchy tree, select any task node. Click Go→Top Level.
 The process flow pane displays the top level of the workflow process.

Viewing a subprocess

Subprocesses are started from the parent workflow process under each task of the parent workflow process. You can cut and paste a workflow process to create a new subprocess.

When you expand a task in **My Worklist**, a subprocess folder displays with **Target** and **Reference** folders. All the subprocesses of the parent workflow process display under this folder. If the workflow process does not have any workflow subprocesses, the system does not display any folders.

View task attributes

When you view task attributes in browse mode, you have read only access.

- 1. Click **Browse Mode**.
- 2. Select the task whose attributes you want to view.
- 3. Click **Task Properties** in the toolbar.

The **Task Properties** dialog box appears. The **Name** box displays the name of the selected workflow process or task template. The **Description** box lists the task description.

- 4. The Attributes Pane dialog box appears.
 - The **Named ACL** box lists the one assigned to this task.
 - The **Task Type** box lists the type of task template assigned to the selected task.
 - The **Icons** box displays the symbol that has been assigned to the selected task. You can also add custom symbols to this list.
 - If a **Condition** task is selected, the **Condition Query** box displays the name of the assigned query. If a query has not yet been defined, only the **Condition Query** button displays. If a **Condition** task is selected, the **Condition Result** box displays the result of the query: either true or false. If a query has not yet been defined, the result is listed as unset.
 - The **Duration** box displays the length of time allowed for the completion of the project. You can define the duration length in the template of the selected task. You can also define the duration length in the **Attributes** dialog box when the selected task is in a **Pending** state and you are in **Edit** mode.
 - The **Recipients** list displays the names of users selected to receive program mail when the selected task becomes overdue. You can set the **Recipients** list from this dialog box if you are in **Edit** mode.
- 5. Select **Show Task in Process Stage List** to enable template staging functionality. The **Set Stage to Available** check box is displayed for new templates.
- 6. If the **Process in Background** check box is selected, the task runs in the background, so the user can continue to work with Teamcenter while the task is executing. If the check box is cleared, the task runs in the foreground, and the user must wait for it to complete.
- 7. Click **Close**.

Set Duration

The **Duration** box displays the length of time allowed for the completion of the project. You can define the duration length in the template of the selected task. You can also define the duration length in the **Attributes** dialog box when the selected task is in a **Pending** state.

- 1. Click **Set** to the right of the **Duration** box. The **Set Duration** dialog box appears.
- 2. Type an integer value for any or all of the following fields to indicate the length of time that can pass before the selected tasks need to reach completion:

- Years
- Weeks
- Days
- Hours
- Minutes
- 3. Click one of the following:
 - **OK** to save the changes to the database and close the dialog box.
 - Clear to clear all boxes.
 - Cancel to close the dialog box without applying the changes.

Set Recipients list

The **Recipients** list displays the names of users selected to receive program mail when the selected task becomes overdue. You can set the **Recipients** list from this dialog box.

- Click Set to the right of the Recipient box.
 The Select Recipients dialog box is displayed.
- 2. Type the user, group, or address list search criteria for users you want to select.
- 3. Click either **User**, **Group**, or **Address List**, based on the search criteria you entered. The search results display in the boxes below. To display all users in the selected grouping, type an asterisk and click the appropriate button. All users in the selected grouping are displayed in the box below.
- 4. Select the users you want to define as recipients from the search results. You can choose multiple users by pressing **Ctrl** and selecting the desired names.
- 5. Click **User**.

The selected users display in the box in the right side of the dialog box. These are the selected recipients.

- 6. Click one of the following:
 - **OK** to save the changes to the database and close the dialog box.
 - Cancel to close the dialog box without applying the changes.
- 7. (Optional) Select the **Show Task in Process Stage List** to display the task in the **Process Stage List** property for the target object.
- 8. Click Close.

View task handlers

Viewing task handlers in browse mode allows read access only.

- 1. Click Browse Mode.
- 2. Select the task whose handlers you want to view. To view handler information for the root task of the workflow process (the initial **Start** task), select the workflow process.
- 3. Click the **Task Handlers** panel.

 The **Task Handlers** dialog box appears. In the left pane, the **Handler** lists the handlers assigned to the selected task.
- 4. Click Expand All Folders or Collapse All Folders to view the contents of the Handler. Based on the type of handler selected, either the Rule Handler or Action Handler appear, listing the name of the rule or action handler assigned to the selected task. If the selected task involves selecting signoff teams or performing signoffs, the Quorum box lists the number or percentage required for an approval quorum. The Argument list shows the arguments assigned to the selected task. The Task Action list shows the actions assigned to the selected task.
- 5. Click Close.

4. Viewing workflow process templates

5. Adding tasks to workflow process templates

Workflow task actions and states

A *task* is a building block in a workflow process template. Each task defines a set of actions, rules, and resources used to accomplish that task, and every task is always in one of seven defined states. Each instance of a task uses a *task template*, enabling you to use each task template as a blueprint for creating multiple tasks.

When workflow process templates are used in run time, that is, when the templates are used to run an actual workflow process in Workflow Viewer or My Teamcenter, the workflow process moves through actions and states.

Actions

Transition a task from one state to another. The goal for each task is to eventually reach the **Completed** state.

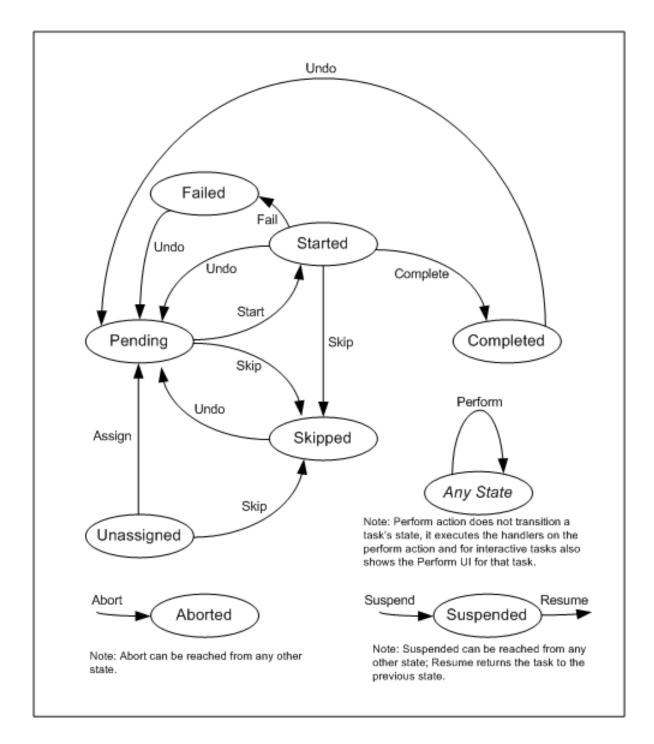
States

Control and coordinate the execution of each individual task in a workflow process.

The workflow process is run by the state-transition engine. This engine controls workflow process flow by:

- Executing handlers and related internal logic.
- Setting tasks to their required state, based on task execution results.
- Placing workflow tasks in the appropriate My Worklist folders.

The following graphic shows how the workflow states and actions interact. States are circled; actions are designated by arrowed lines, indicating the direction the action moves from one state to another.



The following table lists the possible beginning states each action can transition from, and the possible ending states each action can transition to:

Action	Beginning state	Ending state	Description
Assign	Unassigned	Pending	Assigns a task to a responsible party.
Start	Pending	Started	Starts a task.

Action	Beginning state	Ending state	Description
Complete	Started	Completed	Completes a task.
Perform	Any state	Any state	Runs any handlers placed on the Perform action. For interactive tasks, displays the appropriate perform dialog box for that task.
			This action does not transition a task's state.
			This action can be performed multiple times on any given task, and can be triggered by both the state transition engine and by handlers.
Suspend	Any state	Suspended	Puts a task on hold.
Resume	Unassigned Pending Started	Any state	Resumes a suspended task by returning the task to its previous state.
Skip	Started Completed Unassigned Pending Failed	Skipped	Bypasses the current task and starts the successor task(s).
Undo	Started Completed Skipped Failed	Pending	Undoes a task by returning the task to the Pending state.
Fail	Started	Failed	Indicates a task configured with a failed path is unsuccessful in fulfilling its requirements.
Abort	Any state	Aborted	Cancels a task without attempting to complete it.

An example of how *actions* and *states* work is that when a **Start** action is triggered on a task, all the handlers placed on that action are run in the order listed. If the handlers all complete successfully, then the task's state transitions to **Started**. The **Complete** action is automatically triggered on the task and all the handlers placed on that action are run in the order listed. If the handlers all complete successfully, the task's state transitions to **Complete**. The system attempts to start the successor tasks.

Note:

Use the INBOX_hide_suspended_tasks preference to configure how a user's inbox displays tasks that are in either the Suspend or Resume state.

Note:

The workflow preference **WRKFLW_allow_skipped_task_restart** controls the behavior of a skipped task. The default setting restarts a skipped task.

Task templates

Task template definitions

This table lists the task templates available in Workflow Designer. Click the task template name for step-by-step instructions on adding the task template to a workflow process template.

Symbol	Task Template	Definition	
Ż	Task	The default task template (EPMTaskTemplate type). Use it as a starting point for creating your own custom tasks, such as tasks to carry your custom forms or other site-specific tasks for users to complete.	
*	Do Task	Has two options if at least one failure path is configured: Complete confirms the completion of a task and triggers the branching to a success path. Unable to Complete indicates the task is unable to complete, for various reasons.	
		Uses the EPM-hold handler, which stops the task from automatically finishing when started.	
	Review Task	Uses the select-signoff-team and perform-signoffs subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.	
		Full Participation Required is an option that allows the workflow designer user to set the Review task to wait for all reviewers to submit their decisions before finishing and following the appropriate path.	
+800	Add Status Task	Creates and adds a release status to the target objects of the workflow process. It is a visual milestone in a workflow process. No dialog box is associated with this type of task.	
>	Or Task	Continues the workflow process when any <i>one</i> of its multiple task predecessors is completed or promoted. There is no limit to the number of predecessors an or task may have.	
•	Acknowledge Task	Uses the Acknowledged and Not Acknowledged subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.	

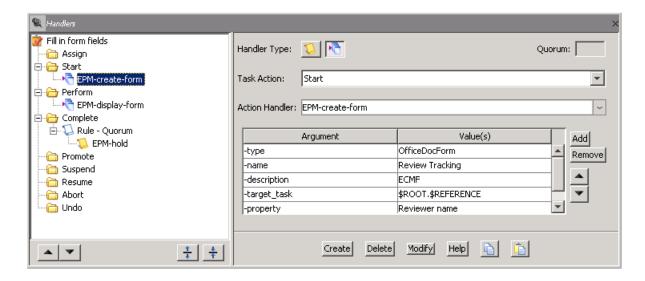
Symbol	Task Template	Definition
\Q	Condition Task	Branches a workflow according to defined query criteria. Requires that the succeeding task contains an EPM-check-condition handler that accepts a Boolean value of either True or False .
	Route Task	Uses the Review , Acknowledge , and Notify subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.
₹	Validate Task	Branches a workflow along two or more paths. Active paths flowing out of the task are determined by whether specified workflow errors occur. Use this task to design workflows around anticipated errors.

Custom tasks

The **Task** template is the default task template (**EPMTaskTemplate** type). Use it as a starting point for creating your own custom tasks, such as tasks to carry your custom forms or other site-specific tasks for users to complete.

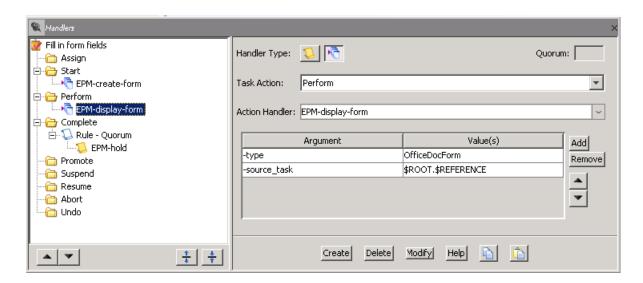
For example, you may want a task to display a form with fields that users fill in. To set up the custom **Task** template, you use the **Handlers** panel. Your steps can be similar to those in the following example.

• Place the **EPM-create-form** action handler on the **Start** action.



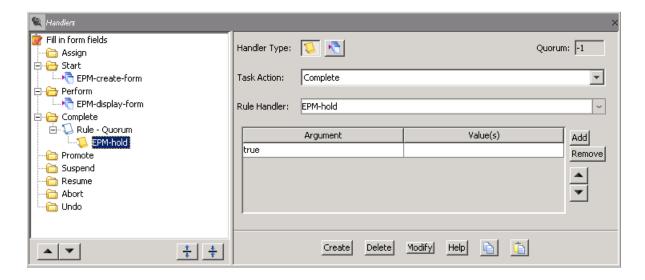
Using the handler arguments, you define the form and attach it to the task. The handler generates the form when the **Start** action is initiated.

• Place the **EPM-display-form** action handler on the **Perform** action.



You specify the form type and the task with the handler arguments. The handler displays the form when the **Perform** action is initiated.

• Place the **EPM-hold** rule handler on the **Complete** action.



The handler checks the **task_result** property of the task. If that property value is not **Completed**, the handler pauses the task. The user fills in the form fields, and then performs a manual **Complete** action.

Tip:

If **Show Task in Process Stage List** is selected in the **Attributes** panel, users can perform the task when the target object is selected or opened in its home location. Click **Display the Task Attributes Panel** at the bottom of the template manager pane to open the **Attributes** panel.

Do tasks

Use the **Do** task to define actions for a user to complete. When this task is performed in a workflow process, it displays the required actions to the user in the **Instruction** box of the task.

Note:

Configure the WRKFLW_task_complete preference to use single click functionality for a **Do** task. Setting the value to **true**, the **Complete** value is selected by default for the **Done** button.

If you require user authentication before this **Do** task is performed, add the **EPM-require-authentication** handler to the **Perform** action of the task. When you implement user authentication for this task, a password box appears below the **Comments** box. Users must type their user password in this box before they can click **Apply** and complete the task.

After completing the instructions, the user must select the **Complete** check box. The task does not complete until the user selects the check box. (This task is automatically configured with the **EPM-hold** handler to stop the task from completing until the check box is selected.) When the user selects the check box, the task sets the handler's argument to **False** and changes the status to **Complete**.

If the task is configured with a failure path the user can select one of the following check boxes:

- **Complete** confirms the completion of the task and continues the workflow down the success path.
- **Unable to Complete** indicates the user is unable to complete the instructions and continues the workflow down the failure path.

Review tasks

Use the **Review** task to route workflow targets (documents, parts, designs, and so on) for review.

Note:

Configure the WRKFLW_task_complete preference to use single click functionality for a Select Signoff Team review task. Setting the value to true, the Ad-hoc Done check box is selected by default. This also sets the associated task_result property to Complete by default.

The task includes two subtasks:

- The **select-signoff-team** subtask requires the workflow process initiator to select the users who will perform the review (the signoff team). You can configure this subtask with predefined group/role profiles that the workflow process initiator must select or allow the workflow process initiator to selector users of his choice in an ad hoc manner.
 - This subtask uses selection functionality from the Organization application, allowing the selector to search by group/role/user and to select signoff members individually or by project teams or address lists.

• The **perform-signoffs** subtask is then distributed to the selected signoff team, prompting them to review the target objects and signoff.

Caution:

Do not add or delete subtasks from the **Review** task. It may cause an error that prevents the task from executing.

When this task is performed in a workflow process, the **perform-signoffs** task displays three options to each signoff team member: **Approve**, **Reject**, and **No Decision**. Selecting either **Approve** or **Reject** performs the task. **No Decision** is the default selection, selecting this option does not perform the task.

If you require user authentication before this **Review** task can be performed, add the **EPM-require-authentication** handler to the **Perform** action of the task. When you implement user authentication for this task, a password box appears below the **Comments** box. Users must type their user password in this box before they can click **Apply** and complete the task.

If a user manually promotes a **Review** task that has both an **Approve** path and **Reject** path using the **Actions**—**Promote** command in My Teamcenter or Workflow Viewer, then they must select which path the workflow process is to follow at that time.

Add Status tasks

Use the **Add Status** task template to create and add a **Release** status to the target objects of the workflow process.

This template is a visual milestone in the workflow process. There is no action for the user to perform, and therefore, no dialog box associated with the **Add Status** task.

Or tasks

Use an **Or** task template to continue the workflow process when any one of its multiple task predecessors is completed or promoted. There is no limit to the number of predecessors an Or task may have. Typically, **Or** tasks are used to unite parallel paths create by:

- True/false condition paths branching from **Condition** tasks.
- Parallel links branching from a single task.

This template is a visual milestone in the workflow process. There is no dialog box associated with the **Or** task.

Acknowledge tasks

Use the **Acknowledge** task to define the **Signoff Team** profiles with which a user complies to assign acknowledgment responsibilities to other users. This template also provides the **perform-signoffs** task for the **Signoff Team** members to complete.

Caution:

- Do not add or delete subtasks from the **Acknowledge** task. It may cause an error that prevents the task from executing.
- Signoff profiles are unavailable for the **Acknowledge** task if it is a subtask within the **Route** task template. The **Route** task does not function properly if signoff profiles are defined for the subtasks. The **Route** task template is designed to be used as an electronic routing sheet, and the workflow process initiator assigns specific signoff members.

When this task is performed in a workflow process, the **Acknowledge** task displays two decision commands to members of the selected signoff team: **Acknowledged** and **No Decision**. Signoff team members choose one of the above commands to perform the signoff.

If you require user authentication before this **Acknowledge** task is performed, add the **EPM-require-authentication** handler to the **Perform** action of the task. When you implement user authentication for this task, a password box appears below the **Comments** box. Users must type their user password in this box before they can click **Apply** and complete the task.

Condition tasks

Use the **Condition Task** template to branch your workflow process according to defined criteria. Because this task template is used to branch workflow process flow, you must always create at least two paths branching off from the task. The paths can be either success paths, failure paths, or a combination of the two.

- Success paths can be either true paths, false paths, or paths with a customized result.
- Failure paths can only be generated from manual **Condition** tasks. They allow an alternate course when a specified task is rejected, a user determines the path cannot be completed, or an error occurs.

Tip:

If you use a **Condition** task to branch your workflow process, you can use one or more **Or** tasks later in the workflow process to resolve the paths into a single path.

The system determines which of the branches flowing from a **Condition** task to perform based on the *task result*. The task result is stored in the **Condition** task. The successor tasks have a handler configured with a value that may match the task result. After the task result is set, the successor tasks are examined

and any successor tasks containing a value matching the task result are started. Use any of the following methods to set the task results:

- Create a query against the target (automatic only).
- Create a query against the task (automatic only).
- Create a query against subprocesses (automatic only). If there are multiple subprocesses, a query runs on the associated subprocesses and the results are used to branch accordingly. The query is typically configured to look at the root task's **result** attribute for all the subprocesses.
 - If there is only one subprocess and it is configured to set the result on the **Condition** task, no query is needed, and the workflow follows the branch based on the result.
- Configure the task result from the manual **Condition** task's dialog box.

A **Condition** task can be configured to complete either automatically or manually. You need to determine which configuration is best suited for the workflow process template you are defining. Typically, if a handler can determine the criteria, it is best to configure the task as automatic.

Task	Description
Automatic Condition task	Add an action handler that sets the task's result to true, false, or a customized value.
	The simplest way to achieve this is to use the task template's interface to define a condition query at design time; this automatically inserts the action handler. Alternatively, you can create a custom action handler that uses ITK to verify criteria.
Manual Condition task	During design, you do not define a query or add an action handler to the task template.
	Because no query is defined and no action handler is configured to set the task result, when the workflow process is run, the end user must manually indicate a value using an interactive dialog box. The value chosen by the end user is used to set the task result.

Caution:

To ensure desired results, condition tasks that run queries in workflows should always have at least one target object when a condition query is run against workflow targets.

• When a condition task runs a condition query against workflow targets, the system searches the database for that query class and filters the results based on the workflow target objects.

• Because handlers can move objects between targets and references in a workflow, the workflow may have objects in the references folder, but no objects in the targets folder. The condition query will not search in the database if the workflow does not have any targets. This will set a false path of the condition task.

Route tasks

Use the **Route** task as a router sheet with which a user assigns review, acknowledge and notification responsibilities to specified users.

Note:

Configure the WRKFLW_task_complete preference to use single click functionality for a **Select Signoff Team** route task. Setting the value to **true**, the **Ad-hoc Done** check box is selected by default. This also sets the associated **task_result** property to **Complete** by default.

When this task is performed in a workflow process, the **Route** task displays three subtasks: **Review**, **Acknowledge**, and **Notify**. The workflow process initiator can then assign other users to perform these tasks. The selected users are the signoff team.

Caution:

- Do not add or delete subtasks from the **Route** task. It may cause an error that prevents the task from running.
- Signoff profiles are unavailable for the Acknowledge subtask within the Route task template.
 The Route task does not function properly if a signoff profile is defined for the Acknowledge
 subtask. The Route task template is designed to be used as an electronic routing sheet, and the
 workflow process initiator assigns specific signoff members.

After the **Route** task is performed, the selected signoff team is prompted to perform the **Review** or **Acknowledge** tasks or simply notified of the review through program mail. Notified users do not need to perform any task.

If you want to require user authentication before the **Review** or **Acknowledge** subtasks can be performed, add the **EPM-require-authentication** handler to the **Perform** action of the subtask (the **perform-signoffs** task of either the **Review** or **Acknowledge** subtasks). When you implement user authentication for either of these subtasks, a password box appears below the **Comments** box. Users must type their user password in this box before they can click **Apply** and complete the task.

If a user manually promotes a **Route** task that has both an **Approve** path and **Reject** path using the **Actions**—**Promote** command in My Teamcenter or Workflow Viewer, then they must select which path the workflow process is to follow at that time.

You can also route or reassign tasks to another user from your inbox, in the same manner as selecting a signoff task. You can select options and designate specific users to notify, acknowledge, or review tasks.

To set up the display of the **Task View** pane, configure the **WORKFLOW_new_route_task_panel** preference. Display choices are **ON** for list box view or **OFF** for option button view.

Validate tasks

The **Validate** task branches a workflow along two or more paths. The path followed is determined by whether specified errors occur during a workflow. Use this task to design workflows around anticipated errors (such as checked out targets), unexpected errors (such as failed scripts or failure of custom handlers), or to track any and all workflow errors.

Configure the **Validate** task by defining one or more *success* and *failure* paths flowing from the task. The success path is followed if no error occurs. The failure path is followed when errors occur.

When errors occur, you determine if the failure path is followed when:

- Any error occurs.
- Only when an error you specify on a list of error codes occurs.

Note:

In the context of the **Validate** task, *workflow error* means any error generated by a workflow handler.

Configure the task to follow a failure path by **pairing** a workflow handler and an error code. Place a handler to be validated on the **Validate** task and then add the respective error code to the path's error list (or set the path to fail on *any* error).

Adding tasks to a process template

Create your own specific workflow requirements with a Custom task

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ※**.
- 2. On the toolbar, click **Task** 📸.
- 3. In the process flow pane, double-click where you want to place the new **Custom** task. A new task appears, with a default name of **New Task** #, where # is incremented until the task name becomes unique within this workflow process template.
- 4. (Optional, but recommended) In the **Name** box, type a new name for the task.
- 5. (Optional) In the **Instructions** box, type the actions the user must perform.
- 6. Explicitly link the task to the predecessor tasks.

- 7. (Optional) Configure task attributes by clicking **Task Attributes** on the template manager pane. Use **task attributes** to manage task security, duration, display, and quorum behavior.
- 8. Configure task handlers by clicking **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane. Handlers are essential to designing flexible, complex workflows. Use action handlers to perform all types of digital actions, such as running scripts, sending e-mail, creating forms, and assigning responsibility for various workflow tasks. Use rule handlers to implement workflow rules, such as adding status, demoting tasks, displaying forms, and notifying workflow participants.

Specify user actions with a Do task

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ※**.
- 2. On the toolbar, click **Do Task** 🔆.
- 3. In the process flow pane, double-click where you want to place the new **Do** task.

 A new **Do** task appears with the default name of **New Do Task #**, where # is incremented until the task name becomes unique within this workflow process template.
- 4. (Optional, but recommended) In the **Name** box, type a new name for the task.
- 5. (Optional) In the **Instructions** box, type the actions the user must perform.
- 6. Explicitly link the task to the predecessor tasks.
- 7. (Optional) Configure task attributes by clicking **Task Attributes** on the template manager pane. Use **task attributes** to manage task security, duration, display, and quorum behavior.
- 8. Configure task handlers by clicking **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane. Handlers are essential to designing flexible, complex workflows. Use action handlers to perform all types of digital actions, such as running scripts, sending e-mails, creating forms, and assigning responsibility for various workflow tasks. Use rule handlers to implement workflow rules, such as adding status, demoting tasks, displaying forms, and notifying workflow participants.

When this task is performed in a workflow process, it displays required actions to the user in the **Instruction** box of the task. After completing the specified action, the user must select the **Complete** check box.

If the task is configured with a failure path, the user can select one of the following check boxes:

- Complete confirms the completion of the task and continues the workflow down the success path.
- **Unable to Complete** indicates the user is unable to complete the instructions and continues the workflow down the failure path.

Require users to look at targets with a Review task

Caution:

Do not add or delete subtasks from the **Review** task. It may cause an error that prevents the task from executing.

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ¼**.
- 2. On the toolbar, click **Review Task** 🔝.
- 3. In the process flow pane, double-click where you want to place the new **Review** task. A new **Review** task displays with a default name of **New Review Task #**, where # is incremented until the task name becomes unique within this workflow process template.
- 4. (Optional, but recommended) In the **Name** box, type a new name for the task.
- 5. (Optional) In the **Instructions** box, type the actions the user must perform.
- 6. Explicitly link the task to the predecessor tasks.
- 7. (Optional) Configure task attributes by clicking **Task Attributes** on the template manager pane. Use **task attributes** to manage task security, duration, display, and quorum behavior.
- 8. Configure task handlers by clicking **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane. Handlers are essential to designing flexible, complex workflows. Use action handlers to perform all types of digital actions, such as running scripts, sending e-mail, creating forms, and assigning responsibility for various workflow tasks. Use rule handlers to implement workflow rules, such as adding status, demoting tasks, displaying forms, and notifying workflow participants.
- 9. Define a signoff profile.
 - Double-click the Review task in the task hierarchy tree.
 The task expands, listing the select-signoff-team and perform-signoffs subtasks.

Note:

You can change the names of the **select-signoff-team** and **perform-signoffs** subtasks. For example, you can rename the subtasks to specify their parent task or the current step in the process (such as **select-design-signoff-team**).

• Select the **select-signoff-team** subtask, and then click **Task Signoff** in the lower left of the Workflow Designer pane.

The **Signoff Profiles** dialog box appears.

Select a Group and Role.

Note:

Define the signoff profiles by group or role, not by individual users. For example, if you want three managers from the Marketing group, all managers from the Engineering group, and 51% of the engineers from the Engineering group to sign off on this particular **Review** task, create three group profiles: a **Marketing/manager** profile, an **Engineering/manager** profile, and an **Engineering/engineer** profile.

You can use the wildcard (*) to leave both the group and role category undesignated.

- Select and type the number or percentage of reviewers required for this particular group/role signoff profile. In the previous example, the **Marketing/manager** profile requires three reviewers, the **Engineering/manager** profile requires all reviewers, and the **Engineering/engineer** profile requires 51% of reviewers.
- Select the **Allow sub-group members** check box to grant members of subgroups permission to sign off instead of members of the designated group.
- Click **Create** to add this profile to the **Signoff Profiles** list.
- Click **Modify** to change an existing profile in the **Signoff Profiles** list.
- Click **Delete** to delete an existing profile in the **Signoff Profiles** list.
- 10. Select and enter the number or percentage of reviewers required to satisfy an approval quorum. You can designate the number or percentage of reviewers required for the approval quorum, to be between one and the total number of users required for the selected signoff. The default setting is Numeric with the value of All. Select Full Participation Required if you want all of the required users to have a chance to review and comment before the workflow process can be rejected or approved.

Note:

If you set the WRKFLW_allow_wait_for_undecided_override preference to False, the Full Participation Required option is hidden.

11. After you add all the customer profiles, close the **Signoff Profiles** dialog box by choosing **Close** in the upper right corner of the dialog box.

Attach a status to targets with an Add Status task

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ※**.
- 2. Click **Add Status** task.

- 3. Double-click the location in the process flow pane, where you want to place the new Add Status task node.
 - A new **Add Status** task node displays with a default name of **New Add Status Task #**, where # is incremented until the task name becomes unique within this workflow process template.
- 4. (Optional, but recommended) In the **Name** box, type a new name for the task.
- 5. (Optional) In the **Instructions** box, type the actions the user must perform.
- 6. Explicitly link the task to the predecessor tasks.
- 7. (Optional) Configure task attributes by clicking **Task Attributes** on the template manager pane. Use **task attributes** to manage task security, duration, display, and quorum behavior.
- 8. Configure task handlers by clicking **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane. Handlers are essential to designing flexible, complex workflows. Use action handlers to perform all types of digital actions, such as running scripts, sending e-mail, creating forms, and assigning responsibility for various workflow tasks. Use rule handlers to implement workflow rules, such as adding status, demoting tasks, displaying forms, and notifying workflow participants.

Continue the workflow with an Or task

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ※**.
- 2. On the toolbar, click **Or** task \rightarrow .
- 3. Double-click the location in the process flow pane where you want to place the new **Or** task node. A new **Or** task node displays with a default name of **Or Task #**, where # is incremented until the task name becomes unique within this workflow process template.
- 4. (Optional, but recommended) In the **Name** box, type a new name for the task.
- 5. (Optional) In the **Instructions** box, type the actions the user must perform.
- 6. Explicitly link the task to the predecessor tasks.
- 7. (Optional) Configure task attributes by clicking **Task Attributes** on the template manager pane. Use **task attributes** to manage task security, duration, display, and quorum behavior.
- 8. Configure task handlers by clicking **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane. Handlers are essential to designing flexible, complex workflows. Use action handlers to perform all types of digital actions, such as running scripts, sending e-mail, creating forms, and assigning responsibility for various workflow tasks. Use rule handlers to implement workflow rules, such as adding status, demoting tasks, displaying forms, and notifying workflow participants.

Inform users of a the progress of a workflow with an Acknowledge task

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ※**.
- 2. On the toolbar, click **Acknowledge Task** ...
- 3. In the process flow pane, double-click where you want to place the new **Acknowledge** task.

A new **Acknowledge** task appears, with a default name of **New Acknowledge Task #**, where # is incremented until the task name becomes unique within this workflow process template.

- 4. (Optional, but recommended) In the **Name** box, type a new name for the task.
- 5. (Optional) In the **Instructions** box, type the actions the user must perform.
- 6. Explicitly link the task to the predecessor tasks.
- 7. (Optional) Configure task attributes by clicking **Task Attributes** on the template manager pane. Use **task attributes** to manage task security, duration, display, and quorum behavior.
- 8. Configure task handlers by clicking **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane.

Handlers are essential to designing flexible, complex workflows. Use action handlers to perform all types of digital actions, such as running scripts, sending e-mail, creating forms, and assigning responsibility for various workflow tasks. Use rule handlers to implement workflow rules, such as adding status, demoting tasks, displaying forms, and notifying workflow participants.

9. Define a signoff profile.

Warning:

Signoff profiles are unavailable for the **Acknowledge** task if it is a subtask within the **Route** task template. The **Route** task does not function properly if signoff profiles are defined for the subtasks. The **Route** task template is designed to be used as an electronic routing sheet, and the workflow process initiator assigns specific signoff members.

a. Double-click the **Acknowledge** task in the task hierarchy tree.

The task expands, listing the **select-signoff-team** and **perform-signoffs** subtasks.

Note:

You can change the names of the **select-signoff-team** and **perform-signoffs** subtasks. For example, you can rename the subtasks to specify their parent task or the current step in the process (such as **select-design-signoff-team**).

b. Select the **select-signoff-team** subtask, and then click the **Task Signoff Panel** button in the lower left of the Workflow Designer window.

The **Signoff Profiles** dialog box appears.

- c. Select a group from the **Group** list.
- d. Select a role from the **Role** list.

Note:

Define the signoff profiles by group or role, not by individual users. For example, if you want three managers from the Marketing group, all of the managers from the Engineering group, and 51% of the engineers from the Engineering group to sign off on this particular **Acknowledge** task, create three group profiles: a **Marketing/manager** profile, an **Engineering/manager** profile.

You can use the wildcard (*) to leave both the group and role category undesignated.

e. Select or type the number of reviewers or percentage required for this particular group/role signoff profile.

In the previous example, the **Marketing/manager** profile requires three reviewers, the **Engineering/manager** profile requires all reviewers, and the **Engineering/engineer** profile requires 51% of reviewers.

- f. Select the **Allow sub-group members** check box to grant members of subgroups permission to sign off instead of members of the designated group.
- g. Click **Create** to add this profile to the **Signoff Profiles** list.
- h. Click **Modify** to change an existing profile in the **Signoff Profiles** list.
- i. Click **Delete** to delete an existing profile in the **Signoff Profiles** list.
- 10. Select and type the number or percentage of reviewers required to satisfy an approval quorum.

You can designate the number or percentage of reviewers required for the approval quorum to be between one and the total number of users required for the selected signoff. The default setting is **Numeric** and the value is **All**. Select **Full Participation Required** if you want all of the required

users to have a chance to review and comment before the workflow process can be rejected or approved.

11. After you add all the customer profiles, close the **Signoff Profiles** dialog box by clicking **Close** in the upper right corner of the dialog box.

Branching a workflow with a Condition task

Creating manual Condition tasks

Condition tasks configured to proceed manually require a user action before the task can proceed to completion.

- When the workflow reaches this task's **Start** action, the task appears in the selected user's worklist.
- The user completes the instructions, defines the condition path as **True** or **False**, clicks **OK** to complete the task and allow the workflow to continue.

 You should type text in the **Task Instructions** box that poses a question or set of parameters that require a true or false answer.
- If the user selects **Unset**, the task does not complete.

Use a manual **Condition** task when it requires additional information from the user and cannot be automated.

Example:

For example, the task may require a part temperature reading from a usage test. In this case, because the stress test results are not input into Teamcenter, the database cannot be queried on the resulting temperature range. Instead, you can create a manual **Condition** task whose instructions state: **Check part temperature. If more than 100°F, set to True.** The task displays in the assigned user's Inbox. The user can then carry out the instructions and set the condition path either to **True** (if the part temperature was more than 100°F) or to **False** (if the part temperature was less than 100°F).

Create a manual **Condition** task by inserting the **Condition Task** template into the workflow process. Do not define a condition query or any custom handler that defines a result for the task.

If you want to require user authentication before a manual **Condition** task can be performed, add the **EPM-require-authentication** handler to the **Perform** action of the task. When you implement user authentication for this task, a password box appears below the **Comments** box. Users must type their user password in this box before they can click **Apply** and complete the task.

Creating automatic Condition tasks

Condition tasks configured to proceed automatically act as visual milestones in the workflow process. There is no action for a user to perform, and therefore, no dialog box is associated with the automatic **Condition** task.

Use an automatic **Condition** task when a database query can be defined for the decision branch; whether a specific part review has been approved, for example. If all part reviews are tracked through workflow, this information is in the database. To determine if the review of a specific part came back approved or rejected, you can perform a database query.

Example:

For example, use a **Condition Task** template to create a conditional task that routes to an approval form if a selected part has been approved, but routes to a request form if the same selected part has *not* been approved. This is accomplished by defining a query that asks: Has 00431/C been approved?

- If the query result is true, the workflow continues along the **Condition** task's true path, proceeding to a **Do** task containing instructions to complete an approval form.
- If the query result is false, the workflow moves to the **Condition** task's false path, proceeding to a **Do** task containing instructions to complete a **Request for Change** form.

You can also query multiple subprocesses, and the results are used to branch accordingly. The query is typically configured to look at the root task's **result** attribute for all the subprocesses.

Example:

For example, use a **Condition Task** template to create a conditional task for a change request object that initiates two subprocesses: one that checks to see if a change specialist has been assigned and one that checks if an analyst has been assigned. The task is configured to check if all subprocesses return **true**.

- If the query results are true for both subprocesses, the workflow continues along the **Condition** task's true path, proceeding to a **Do** task containing instructions for the assigned users to identify impacted items and propose solutions.
- If the query results are not true for both subprocesses, the workflow moves to the **Condition** task's false path, proceeding to a **Do** task to assign a user to the change specialist or analyst role.

If there is only one subprocess and it is configured to set the result on the **Condition** task, no query is needed, and the workflow follows the branch based on the result.

Alternatively, you can create a custom action handler that uses ITK to check for the required criteria, as long as the handler uses the **EPM_set_condition_task_result** ITK call to set the task result to **true** or **false**.

Note:

If the system encounters a problem with performing the query as defined for an automatic **Condition** task, it sends the task to the responsible party's Inbox for manual completion.

Configuring Condition tasks

Do not have a true path and false path converge on the **Finish** node. Paths are explicitly **AND** tasks and need a successor task at the merge point to complete. Typically, an **Or** task, which is specifically configured to require only one predecessor path to complete for it to start, is used to join the two paths. However, you can also use a **Generic** task or another kind of task.

Do not place a **Condition** task as the last task in a workflow process. The **Finish** node is not a task and should not be linked as a successor task to the **Condition** task.

Add a Condition task to a process template

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ※**.
- 2. On the toolbar, click **Condition Task ()**.
- 3. In the process flow pane, double-click where you want to place the new **Condition** task. A new **Condition** task appears with a default name of **New Condition Task**#, where # is incremented until the task name becomes unique within this workflow process template.
- 4. (Optional, but recommended) Type a new name for the task in the **Name** box.
- 5. (Optional) Type any instructions for the task into the **Instructions** box. If this is a manual **Condition** task, these instructions should prompt for the configuration of the task's true and false paths.
- 6. Right-click the new **Condition** task and choose **Task Properties**.
- 7. Create an automatic **Condition** task by creating a database query for the task by performing the following subtasks. Do not define a query if you want to create a manual **Condition** task.
 - a. Click the Condition Query button.
 The Condition Query Dialog dialog box appears.
 - b. Perform one of the following:
 - If the required guery already exists, select the guery from the guery list.

- If the required query does not exist, create a new query.
- Select Target, Task, or Sub-Process to determine if the query is performed on the workflow c. process attachments, the task to which the query is attached, or the subprocesses that the **Condition** task depends on, respectively. When Target is selected, the Include Replica Proposed Targets is active. Select the Include **Replica Proposed Targets** to include targets on the remote workflow task in the search.
- d. Select All, Any, or None to determine whether all, any, or none of the target attachments or subprocesses must meet the guery criteria to set the **Condition** task's result to **True**. If you clicked Task, these buttons are unavailable.
- Click **OK** or **Apply** to assign the query to the **Condition** task. The query is assigned to the task and is performed when the task reaches a **Started** state.
- Create two or more tasks to succeed the **Condition** task; the true/false condition paths link the 8. **Condition** task to the succeeding tasks.
- 9. (Optional) Configure task attributes by clicking **Task Attributes** are in the template manager pane. Use task attributes to manage task security, duration, display, and guorum behavior.
- 10. Configure task handlers by clicking **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane. Handlers are essential to designing flexible, complex workflows.
 - Use action handlers to perform all types of digital actions, such as running scripts, sending email, creating forms, and assigning responsibility for various workflow tasks.
 - Use rule handlers to implement workflow rules, such as adding status, demoting tasks, displaying forms, and notifying workflow participants.

Set Condition task paths

Because **Condition** tasks are used to branch your workflow process according to defined criteria, you must always create at least two paths branching off from the task. The paths can be either success paths, failure paths, or a combination of the two.

To draw and configure success paths from a **Condition** task:

- On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode X**. 1.
- 2. Create one or more tasks to succeed the **Condition** task.
- Select the **Condition** task, placing the cursor in the body of the task (not the blue bar at the top). Draw a path from the **Condition** task to the succeeding task by dragging the cursor to the succeeding task.
 - A blue path displays between the two tasks.

- 4. Right-click the path and select the desired path type.
 - The **Set Path to True Path** option creates a forward-branching path. Creating this path automatically places a rule handler on the **Condition** task to check the condition of the specified target. When the condition is **True**, the workflow process proceeds along this path.
 - The **Set Path to False Path** option creates a backward-branching path. Creating this path automatically places a rule handler on the **Condition** task to check the condition of the specified target. When the condition is **False**, the workflow process proceeds along this path.
 - The Set Custom Result option allows you to define a custom task result. Enter any string to
 define the task result.
 For example, you could enter Production to indicate the workflow process flowing into a

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production-ready branch.

If you select this option and want the **Condition** task to be automatically processed, you must ensure the task result is sent to the **Condition** task. You can do this either by writing custom code or using the **EPM-set-task-result-to-property** handler. Custom conditions can also appear as manual condition options and appear as buttons in the **Condition** dialog box.

5. If you selected a true or false path, the flow path displays **True** or **False**, respectively. If you defined a custom result, the flow path displays the string you entered. In this example, the flow path displays **Production**.

Create as many paths off of the **Condition** task as required for your workflow process. In this example, after creating a production-ready branch, you could create **Design** and **Release** branches by creating additional succeeding tasks and creating additional customized flow paths from the **Condition** task.

Distribute targets to users with a Route task

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ※**.
- 2. On the toolbar, click **Route Task**
- 3. In the process flow pane, double-click where you want to place the new **Route** task node.

 A new **Route** task node displays with a default name of **New Route Task #**, where # is incremented until the task name becomes unique within this workflow process template.
- 4. (Optional, but recommended) In the **Name** box, type a new name for the task.
- 5. (Optional) In the **Instructions** box, type any instructions for the task.

Note:

Signoff profiles are unavailable for the **Acknowledge** subtask within the **Route** task template. The **Route** task does not function properly if a signoff profile is defined for the **Acknowledge** subtask. The **Route** task template is designed to be used as an electronic routing sheet, and the workflow process initiator assigns specific signoff members.

- 6. Explicitly link the task to the predecessor tasks.
- 7. (Optional) Configure task attributes by clicking **Task Attributes** on the template manager pane. Use **task attributes** to manage task security, duration, display, and quorum behavior.
- 8. Configure task handlers by clicking **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane. Handlers are essential to designing flexible, complex workflows. Use action handlers to perform all types of digital actions, such as running scripts, sending e-mail, creating forms, and assigning responsibility for various workflow tasks. Use rule handlers to implement workflow rules, such as adding status, demoting tasks, displaying forms, and notifying workflow participants.
- 9. (Optional) You can change the names of the **Review**, **Acknowledge**, their **select-signoff-team** and **perform-signoffs** subtasks, and **Notify** subtasks. For example, you can rename the subtasks to specify their parent task or the current step in the process (such as **select-design-signoff-team** or **Design Review**).

Check for errors with a Validate task

Find error codes

All error codes are documented in the *Integration Toolkit Function Reference*. Error codes are grouped by module. For example, Application Encapsulation (AE) errors are listed within the AE module, Appearances errors are listed within the Appearances module, and so forth.

Most workflow errors are displayed within the Enterprise Process Modeling (EPM) module.

To display a list of error messages:

- 1. Open the Integration Toolkit Function Reference on Support Center.
- 2. At the top of the page, select the **Modules** header.
- 3. In the **Modules** page, scroll down to the appropriate module.

 For example, to see all Enterprise Process Modeling (EPM) errors, which contain the majority of workflow errors, scroll to **EPM Errors** and click the link.
- 4. The error page displays all errors for that module. Error numbers are defined as *module base value* + error code.

For example, the **EPM_internal_error** error has an error code of **EMH_EPM_error_base + 1**.

- 5. To determine the error base value for the selected module:
 - a. Return to the **Modules** page.
 - b. Scroll down to **EMH Constants** and click the link.
 - The Error Message Handler (EMH) Constants page displays the error base of each module. For example, the error base value of EMH_EMP_error_base is 33000.
 Thus, the error number for the EPM_internal_error error is the concatenation of the EPM modules error base (33000) and the error code (1), creating an error code of 33001.

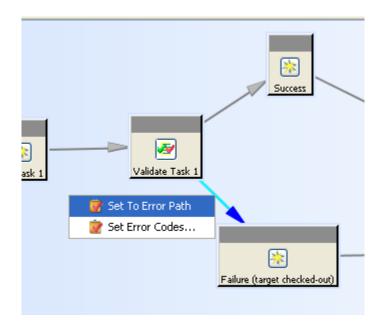
Although using workflow (EPM) error codes with the **Validate** task may be the most common usage, the task works with any error code. You can add error codes from any module, or custom error codes, to the **Results List**.

Add error codes

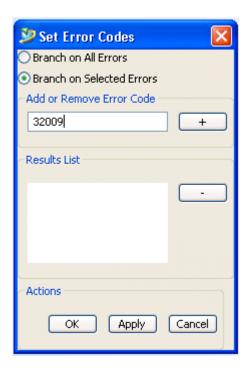
After drawing a failure path between the **Validate** task and a successor task, you must specify how you want the failure path to respond to workflow errors.

The failure path can be configured to activate when:

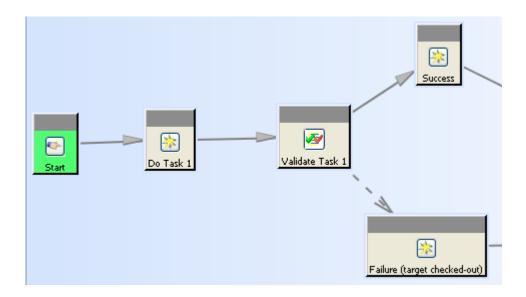
- Any error occurs by selecting Set To Error Path.
 This option automatically configures the failure path to activate upon any error. No additional steps are required.
- Specific errors occur by selecting **Set Error Codes** and completing the following procedure.



- 1. Right-click the path you want to configure as a failure path.
- 2. Select **Set Error Codes** to specify which error codes you want the **Validate** task to check. The **Set Error Codes** dialog box appears.
- 3. In the **Set Error Codes** dialog box, select the **Branch on Selected Errors** option.
- 4. In the **Add or Remove Error Code** box, type an EPM error code. For example, type **32009** (**RES_OBJECT_IS_RESERVED**) to ensure the failure path is followed whenever a target is not checked in.



- 5. Click **Add** + to add this error to the **Results List**.
- 6. Continue adding errors to the **Results List** until you have specified all the errors you want to cause the workflow process to follow the failure path.
- 7. Click **OK** to close the **Set Error Codes** dialog box. The selected path appears as a broken path, indicating it is now a *failure* path.



Insert and configure a Validate task

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ¼**.
- 2. On the toolbar, click Validate Task 🌠.
- 3. In the process flow pane, double-click where you want to place the new **Validate** task. A new **Validate** task appears with the default name of **New Validate Task #**, where # is incremented until the task name becomes unique within this workflow process template.
- 4. (Optional, but recommended) In the **Name** box, type a new name for the task.
- 5. (Optional) In the **Instructions** box, type the actions the user must perform.
- 6. Explicitly link the predecessor task to the Validate task.
- 7. (Optional) Configure task attributes by clicking **Task Attributes** on the template manager pane. Use **task attributes** to manage task security, duration, display, and quorum behavior.
- 8. Configure task handlers by clicking **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane. Handlers are essential to designing flexible, complex workflows. Use action handlers to perform all types of digital actions, such as running scripts, sending e-mail, creating forms, and assigning responsibility for various workflow tasks. Use rule handlers to implement workflow rules, such as adding status, demoting tasks, displaying forms, and notifying workflow participants.

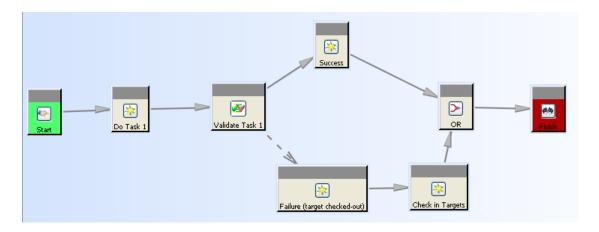
Validate task example: Close gaps in your workflow

At Design, Inc., employees check out documents that are targets of workflows and sometimes neglect to check them back in. Teamcenter does not allow users to initiate a workflow process on a target that is

checked out. However, at Design, Inc., no business rules prevent users from checking out targets *after* a workflow process is initiated. When the workflow reaches the review stage, and the required targets are checked out, the workflow cannot complete.

In this example, this situation is anticipated and the **Validate** task is used to provide a correction. The task is placed before the review stage of the workflow and configured to verify that all targets are checked in. If so, a *success* path is followed. If not, the workflow follows a *failure* path that includes an additional **Do** task assigned to a manager. The **Do** task instructs the manager to get the targets checked in, and then complete the **Do** task. After the error condition is corrected, the **Do** task's success path traverses back into the main workflow.

The **Validate** task is configured to validate whether targets are checked in by placing the **EPM-assert-targets-checked-in** rule handler on the **Start** action, and specifying the **target-checked-out** error in the error list.



The following procedure illustrates how to configure the workflow in this example.

- 1. Choose **File**→**New Root Template** to create a new workflow process.
- 2. Type a name for the new workflow process in the **New Root Template Name** box and click **OK**. The workflow process template appears in the process flow pane.
- 3. On the toolbar, click **Edit **** . This puts the application in **Edit** mode, allowing you to edit the workflow process template.
- 4. Insert a **Do** task into the workflow process by clicking the **Do** task button \Rightarrow on the toolbar, and then double-clicking in the process flow pane to the right of the **Start** node. The new **Do** task is inserted at the cursor point.
- 5. Draw a success path from the **Start** node to the **Do** task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Start** node and dragging it to the body of the **Do** task. By default, flow paths are success paths. No configuration is necessary to create a success path.

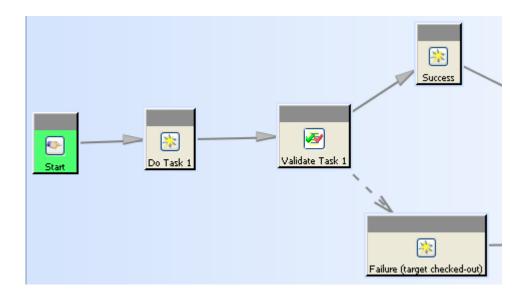
- 6. Insert a **Validate** task **W** to the right of the **Do** task.
- 7. Draw a success path from the **Do** task to the **Validate** task.
- 8. Configure the **Validate** task to check whether the target is checked in by adding the **EPM-assert-targets-checked-in** rule handler to the **Start** action:
 - In the process flow pane, ensure the Validate task is still selected. In the Template view, click the Handlers button .
 The Handlers dialog box appears.
 - b. In the task action in the left-side of the dialog box, select the **Start** action.
 - c. In the right-side of the dialog box, select **Rule Handler** 🦲 for the handler type.
 - d. In the **Rule Handler** list, select **EPM-assert-targets-checked-in**. No handler arguments are required for this handler in this example.
 - e. Click **Create** at the bottom of the dialog box to add the handler to the **Start** action of the new **Validate** task.
 - f. Close the **Handlers** dialog box.
- 9. Insert a **Do** task ** above and to the right of the **Validate** task. This is the first of the two successor tasks used in this example.
- 10. Rename the **Do** task by selecting the task in the task hierarchy tree, and then typing **Success** in the **Name** box in the template manager pane.
- 11. Draw a success path from the **Validate** task to the **Success** task.
- 12. Insert a **Do** task \Rightarrow below and to the right of the **Validate** task. This is the second of the two successor tasks uses in this example.
- 13. Rename this second successor task to Failure (target checked-out).
- 14. Create a failure path between the **Validate** task and the **Failure** (target checked-out) task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Validate** task and dragging it to the body of the **Failure** (target checked-out) task.
- 15. Right-click the path you have just drawn. A list provides you with two options. Selecting either option creates a *failure* path.

 For this example, select **Set Error Codes** to specify the specific error code you want the **Validate** task to validate.

The **Set Error Codes** dialog box appears.

- 16. In the dialog box, type the EPM error code you want to cause the workflow process to follow the failure path. For this example, type **32009** (**RES_OBJECT_IS_RESERVED**) to ensure the failure path is followed whenever a target is not checked in.
- 17. Click Add + to add this error to the Results List.
- 18. Click **OK** to close the **Set Error Codes** dialog box.

 The selected path appears as a broken path, indicating it is now a *failure* path.



- 19. Insert another **Do** task ** after the **Failure (target checked-out)** task.
- 20. Rename the **Do** task to **Check in Targets**.
- 21. In the **Instructions** box of the **Check in Targets** task, type instructions directing the manager to ensure all workflow targets are checked in, and to then complete the task.
- 22. Draw a success path from the Failure (target checked-out) task to the Check in Targets task.
- 23. Reconcile the success and failure paths by inserting an **Or** task and linking it to the **Success** task (the final interactive task of the success path) and the **Check in Targets** task (the final interactive task of the failure path).
 - Click the **Or** task button \rightarrow on the toolbar, and then double-click in the process flow pane to the right of the **Success** and **Check in Targets** tasks.
 - Draw a flow path from the Success task to the Or task.

- Draw a flow path from the **Check in Targets** task to the **Or** task.
- 24. Link the **Or** task to the **Finish** node to complete the workflow.

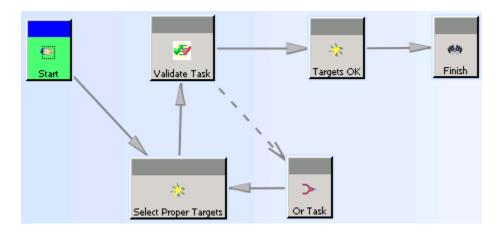
When the workflow is run, either the success or failure path is followed, depending on whether the **RES_OBJECT_IS_RESERVED** error is triggered.

Validate task example: Improve user response time

At Business Corporation, the product review process has become increasingly complicated. Different products require different sets of review documents and the exponential growth of the product line has generated twenty different review documents that can be chosen as workflow targets.

Over the past year, the Teamcenter administrator has had to demote and restart more than 100 review workflows because users have selected inappropriate target objects. The administrator has long used the **EPM-validate-target-objects** rule handler at the beginning of the workflow to display an error to the project initiator at the time the workflow is launched. But too often the initiator ignores or misunderstands the message. As Business Corporation review processes become more complex, more workflows stall as team members ignore the error as they launch the workflow, and team leads do not track the error logs in a timely manner.

The administrator solved this problem using the **Validate** task and backward branching. He added a **Validate** task to the workflow, with the **Validate** task configured to branch down the failure path when the **EPM_invalid_target_type** error occurs. The failure path branches backward to the **Select Proper Targets** task, prompting the workflow process initiator to select the correct target. Once the targets are correct, the workflow process continues down the success path.



The following procedure illustrates how to configure the workflow in this example:

- 1. Choose **File**→**New Root Template** to create a new workflow process.
- 2. Type a name for the new workflow process in the **New Root Template Name** box and click **OK**. The workflow process template appears in the process flow pane.

- 3. On the toolbar, click **Edit **** . This puts the application in **Edit** mode, allowing you to edit the workflow process template.
- 4. Insert a **Do** task into the workflow process by clicking the **Do** task button $\frac{1}{2}$ on the toolbar, and then double-clicking in the process flow pane below and to the right of the **Start** node. The new **Do** task is inserted at the cursor point.
- 5. Rename the **Do** task by selecting the task in the task hierarchy tree, and then typing **Select Proper Targets** in the **Name** box in the template manager pane.
- 6. Draw a success path from the **Start** node to the **Select Proper Targets** task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Start** node and dragging it to the body of the **Select Proper Targets** task. By default, flow paths are success paths. No configuration is necessary to create a success path.
- 7. Insert a Validate task wabove the Select Proper Targets task and to the right of the Start node.
- 8. Draw a success path from the **Select Proper Targets** task to the **Validate** task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Select Proper Targets** task and dragging it to the body of the **Validate** task. If proper targets are selected, the workflow flows from **Select Proper Targets**, through the **Validate** task, and on to the next **Do** task you create.
- 9. Insert an **Or** task **→** to the right of the **Select Proper Targets** task.
- 10. Draw a failure path from the Validate task to the Or task by placing the cursor in the body of the Validate task and dragging it to the body of the Or task.
 When proper targets are not selected, the workflow branches backward to the Or task and then to the Select Proper Targets task, prompting the user to select proper targets.
- 11. Configure the path as a failure path by right-clicking the path you have just drawn. A shortcut menu provides you with two options. Selecting either option creates a *failure* path. For this example, select **Set Error Codes** to specify the specific error code you want the **Validate** task to validate.

The **Set Error Codes** dialog box appears.

- 12. In the dialog box, type the EPM error code you want to cause the workflow process to follow the failure path. For this example, type **33127** (EPM_invalid_target_type) to ensure the failure path is followed whenever a target is not checked in.
- 13. Click **Add** + to add this error to the **Results List**.
- 14. Click **OK** to close the **Set Error Codes** dialog box.

 The selected path appears as a broken path, indicating it is now a *failure* path.
- 15. Draw a success path from the **Or** task to the **Select Proper Targets** task and another one from there to the **Validate** task.

- 16. Configure the **Validate** task to check whether correct target types have been selected by adding the **EPM-validate-target-objects** rule handler to the **Start** action:
 - In the process flow pane, ensure the Validate task is still selected. In the Template view, click the Handlers button .
 The Handlers dialog box appears.
 - b. In the task action in the left-side of the dialog box, select the **Start** action.
 - c. In the right-side of the dialog box, select **Rule Handler** 1 for the handler type.
 - d. In the **Rule Handler** list, select **EPM-validate-target-objects**. No handler arguments are required for this handler in this example.
 - e. Click **Create** to add the handler to the **Start** action of the new **Validate** task.
 - f. Close the **Handlers** dialog box.
- 17. Insert a **Do** task ** to the right of the **Validate** task.
- 18. Rename the **Do** task to **Targets OK**.
- 19. Draw a success path from the **Validate** task to the **Targets OK** task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Validate** task and dragging it to the body of the **Targets OK** task.
- 20. Draw a success path from the **Targets OK** task to the **Finish** node to complete the workflow.

When the workflow is run, it cannot progress past the **Validate** task until the workflow targets are validated as correct. The workflow raises user awareness of incorrect targets by sending an interactive task to the workflow process initiator each time the **EPM_invalid_target_type** error occurs, prompting the user to select valid targets.

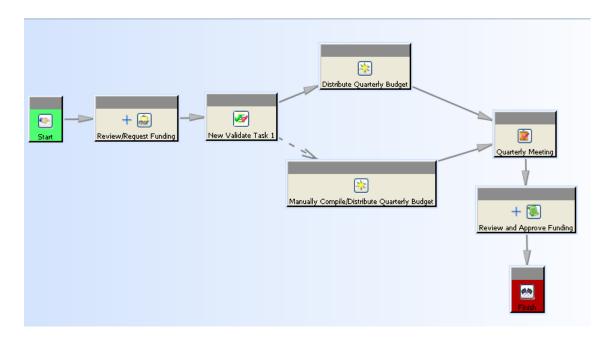
Validate task example: Track errors from custom handlers

Corporate Ltd. uses a workflow to manage its quarterly budget analysis and review. The workflow includes a custom handler that runs a script to generate and distribute a budget report from various Excel files. The custom handler was placed on the **Start** action of a **Do** task (named **Distribute Quarterly Budget**) immediately succeeding a **Review** task.

Occasionally the script cannot complete because of computation errors. The custom handler generates an error when the script cannot complete. But as the script runs overnight, the error does not immediately display. Because the error recipient (in this case, the workflow process initiator) is not logged in at time of error, the error does not redisplay when the user logs in. The result is that the workflow has stalled one or more days before the workflow process initiator notices the delay.

The Teamcenter administrator solved this problem by inserting a **Validate** task before the **Do** task and drawing a success path between them. Then the administrator inserted another **Do** task (named **Manually Compile/Distribute Quarterly Budget**) parallel to the first, connected it to the **Validate** task with a failure path and assigned the task to the lead accountant. The **Validate** task is configured to follow the failure path when the script error is thrown. Whenever the compilation script fails, the lead accountant is prompted to recompile the budget.

Because the **Validate** task can be configured to respond to any specific error, even errors thrown by custom handlers, the failure of the custom handler can be taken into consideration and managed.



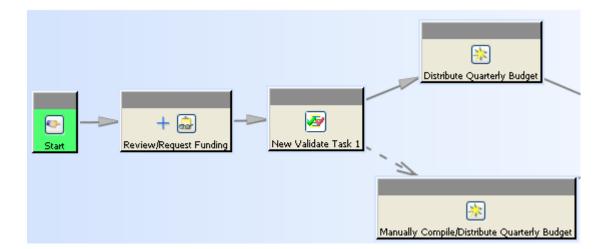
The following procedure illustrates how to configure the workflow in this example:

- 1. Choose **File**→**New Root Template** to create a new workflow process.
- 2. Type a name for the new workflow process in the **New Root Template Name** box and click **OK**. The workflow process template appears in the process flow pane.
- 3. On the toolbar, click **Edit **** . This puts the application in **Edit** mode, allowing you to edit the workflow process template.
- 4. Insert a **Review** task into the workflow process by clicking the **Review** task button and then double-clicking in the process flow pane to the right of the **Start** node. The new **Review** task is inserted at the cursor point.
- 5. Rename the **Review** task by selecting the task in the task hierarchy tree, and then typing **Review/ Request Funding** in the **Name** box in the template manager pane.

- 6. Draw a success path from the **Start** node to the **Review/Request Funding** task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Start** node and dragging it to the body of the **Review/Request Funding** task. By default, flow paths are success paths. No configuration is necessary to create a success path.
- 7. Insert a Validate task we to the right of the Review/Request Funding task.
- 8. Draw a success path from the **Review/Request Funding** task to the **Validate** task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Review/Request Funding** task and dragging it to the body of the **Validate** task.
- 9. Configure the **Validate** task to check whether the script fails by adding the custom handler used to run the **budget-compilation** script to the **Start** action:
 - In the process flow pane, ensure the Validate task is still selected. In the Template view, click the Handlers button .
 The Handlers dialog box appears.
 - b. In the task action in the left-side of the dialog box, select the **Start** action.
 - c. In the right-side of the dialog box, select **Action Handler ?** for the handler type.
 - d. In the **Action Handler** list, type **budget-compilation**. No handler arguments are required for this handler in this example.
 - e. Click **Create** at the bottom of the dialog box to add the handler to the **Start** action of the new **Validate** task.
 - f. Close the **Handlers** dialog box.
- 10. Insert a **Do** task * above and to the right of the **Validate** task. This is the first of the two successor tasks uses in this example.
- 11. Rename the **Do** task to **Distribute Quarterly Budget**.
- 12. Draw a success path from the **Validate** task to the **Distribute Quarterly Budget** task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Validate** task.
- 13. Insert another **Do** task ** above the **Distribute Quarterly Budget** task. This is the second of the two successor tasks used in this example.
- 14. Rename this second successor task Manually Compile/Distribute Quarterly Budget.

- 15. In the **Instructions** box of the **Manually Compile/Distribute Quarterly Budget** task, type instructions directing the lead accountant to manually compile and distribute the budget report, then to complete the task.
- 16. Create a failure path between the **Validate** task and the **Manually Compile/Distribute Quarterly Budget** task by placing the cursor in the body of the **Validate** task and dragging it to the body of the **Manually Compile/Distribute Quarterly Budget** task.
- 17. Right-click the path you have just drawn. A list provides you with two options. Selecting either option creates a *failure* path.
 - For this example, select **Set Error Codes** to specify the specific error code you want the **Validate** task to validate.
 - The **Set Error Codes** dialog box appears.
- 18. In the dialog box, type the custom error code you want to cause the workflow process to follow the failure path. For this example, type **99001** (custom error **budget-compilation**).
- 19. Click **Add** + to add this error to the **Results List**.
- 20. Click **OK** to close the **Set Error Codes** dialog box.

 The selected path appears as a broken path, indicating that it is now a *failure* path.



- 21. Reconcile the success and failure paths by inserting a generic task and linking it to the **Distribute**Quarterly Budget task (on the success path) and the Manually Compile/Distribute Quarterly

 Budget task (on the failure path).
 - Click the **Task** task button on the toolbar, then double-click in the process flow pane to the right of the **Distribute Quarterly Budget** and **Manually Compile/Distribute Quarterly Budget** tasks.
 - The new generic task is inserted at the cursor point.
 - Rename the generic task Quarterly Meeting.

- Draw a success path from the **Distribute Quarterly Budget** task to the **Quarterly Meeting** task.
- Draw a success path from the **Manually Compile/Distribute Quarterly Budget** task to the **Quarterly Meeting** task.
- 22. In the **Instructions** box of the **Quarterly Meeting** task, type instructions directing the finance officer to host the cross-team finance meeting to discuss budget needs and to then complete the task.
- 23. Insert a **Route** task **1** below the **Quarterly Meeting** task.
- 24. Rename the **Route** task to **Review and Approve Funding**.
- 25. In the **Instructions** box of the **Review and Approve Funding** task, type instructions directing the finance officer to route the revised budget requests to all stakeholders and interested parties.
- 26. Link the Quarterly Meeting task to the Review and Approve Funding task.
- 27. Link the **Review and Approve Funding** task to the **Finish** node to complete the workflow.

When the workflow is run, the success path is followed if the budget script successfully completes, or the failure path is followed if the script fails. This workflow raises user awareness of the script failure by having an interactive task sent to the lead accountant when this error occurs.

Validate task behavior

The **Validate** task's behavior depends upon how its failure path is configured and what errors are received.

Failure criteria you specified	Error thrown (if any)	Task behavior
Fail if any error	Any error	Failure path is followed.
Fail if error on error list occurs	Error on error list	Failure path is followed.
Fail if error on error list occurs	Error <i>not</i> on error list	Workflow process halts. Task remains in Started state and an error appears.
No failure path configured	Any error	Workflow process stops. Task remains in Started state and an error appears.
Regardless of whether failure path was configured, and whether errors occurred	No errors occur	Success path followed. If no success path was configured, workflow process stops.

Automatically reassign tasks for inactive users

Workflow tasks can be redirected around inactive users, for example, users who are out of the office. There are two preferences that can be set: WRKFLW_admin_for_inactive_user and WRKFLW error on invalid dynamic participant.

When a task or signoff is assigned to a user, Workflow checks to see if the user has an out-of-office turned on. If the user is out of the office or otherwise inactive, Workflow reassigns the task to the resource pool corresponding to the user's group and role.

In the case of an adhoc signoff, the signoff task is reassigned to the user's group resource pool.

When a task is reassigned from an inactive participant, an email indicating the task reassignment is sent to a mailing list defined in the WRKFLW_admin_for_inactive_user preference. If the preference is not set, the email is sent to the process owner.

Insert a task into a template

1. On the Workflow Designer toolbar, click **Edit Mode *** .



On the toolbar, click one of the task buttons. 2.

Button	Task	Definition
*	Do Task	Has two options if at least one failure path is configured: Complete confirms the completion of a task and triggers the branching to a success path. Unable to Complete indicates the task is unable to complete, for various reasons.
		Uses the EPM-hold handler, which stops the task from automatically completing when started.
•	Acknowledge Task	Uses the Acknowledged and Not Acknowledged subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.
	Review Task	Uses the select-signoff-team and perform-signoffs subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.
		Full Participation Required is an option that allows the workflow designer user to set the Review task to wait for all reviewers to submit their decisions before completing and following the appropriate path.

Button	Task	Definition
	Route Task	Uses the Review , Acknowledge , and Notify subtasks, each of which has its own dialog box.
	Task	Use it as a starting point for creating your own custom tasks, such as tasks to carry your custom forms or other site-specific tasks for users to complete. This task template is synonymous with the EPMTask template.
♦	Condition Task	Branches a workflow according to defined query criteria. Requires that the succeeding task contains a EPM-check-condition handler that accepts a Boolean value of either True or False.
₩	Validate Task	Branches a workflow along two or more paths. Active paths flowing out of the task are determined by whether specified workflow errors occur.
		Use this task to design workflows around anticipated errors.
+88	Add Status Task	Creates and adds a release status to the target objects of the workflow process. It is a visual milestone in a workflow process. No dialog box is associated with this type of task.
>	Or Task	Continues the workflow process when any <i>one</i> of its multiple task predecessors is completed or promoted. There is no limit to the number of predecessors an or task may have.

3. In the process flow pane, double-click where you want to place the new task.

A new task appears with the default name of **New** *task_type***Task** #, where *task_type* is the kind of task you selected and # is incremented until the task name becomes unique within this workflow process template.

- 4. (Optional, but recommended) In the **Name** box, type a new name for the task.
- 5. (Optional) In the **Instructions** box, type the actions users must perform for this task.
- 6. Explicitly link the task to the predecessor tasks.
- 7. (Optional) Configure task attributes by clicking **Task Attributes** on the template manager pane. Use task attributes to manage task security, duration, display, and quorum behavior.

8. Configure task handlers by clicking **Task Handlers** in the template manager pane.

Handlers are essential to designing flexible, complex workflows. Use action handlers to perform all types of digital actions, such as running scripts, sending e-mails, creating forms, and assigning responsibility for various workflow tasks. Use rule handlers to implement workflow rules, such as adding status, demoting tasks, displaying forms, and notifying workflow participants.

9. Follow the additional steps listed based on the task you inserted.

Task	Additional steps	
Do Task 🌟	None.	
Acknowledge Task 🕌 or Review Task 違	For more information about completing the insertion process, see step 10.	
Route Task	None.	
	Warning:	
	The Route task is designed to be used as an electronic routing sheet. The workflow process initiator assigns specific signoff members. Signoff profiles for the Review subtask should not be defined within this task. Signoff profiles are unavailable for the Acknowledge subtask. The task does not function properly if signoff profiles are defined at this stage.	
Task 📸	None.	
Condition Task 🔷	Additional steps are required for the Condition task.	
Validate Task 🌌	Additional configuration steps are required for the Validate task.	
Add Status Task	None.	
Or Task >	None.	

- 10. For an **Acknowledge Task** 🕶 or **Review Task** 🚉:
 - a. Define a signoff profile.
 - A. Double-click the task in the task hierarchy tree.

The task expands, listing the **select-signoff-team** and **perform-signoffs** subtasks.

B. Select the **select-signoff-team** subtask, and then click the **Task Signoff Panel** button in the lower left of the Workflow Designer window.

The **Signoff Profiles** dialog box appears.

C. Select a group from the **Group** list then select a role from the **Role** list.

Note:

Define the signoff profiles by group or role, not by individual users. For example, if you want three managers from the Marketing group, all of the managers from the Engineering group, and 51% of the engineers from the Engineering group to sign off on this particular **Acknowledge** task, create three group profiles: a **Marketing/manager** profile, an **Engineering/manager** profile, and an **Engineering/engineer** profile.

You can use the wildcard (*) to leave both the group and role category undesignated.

D. Select or type the number of reviewers or percentage required for this particular group/role signoff profile.

In the previous example, the **Marketing/manager** profile requires three reviewers, the **Engineering/manager** profile requires all reviewers, and the **Engineering/engineer** profile requires 51% of reviewers.

- E. Select the **Allow sub-group members** check box to grant members of subgroups permission to sign off instead of members of the designated group.
- F. Click **Create** to add this profile to the **Signoff Profiles** list.
- G. Click **Modify** to change an existing profile in the **Signoff Profiles** list.
- H. Click **Delete** to delete an existing profile in the **Signoff Profiles** list.
- b. Select and type the number or percentage of reviewers required to satisfy a quorum.

You can designate the number or percentage of reviewers required for the quorum to be between one and the total number of users required for the selected signoff. The default setting is **Numeric** and the value is **All**. Select **Full Participation Required** if you want all of the required users to have a chance to review and comment before the workflow process can be rejected or approved.

c. After you add all the customer profiles, close the **Signoff Profiles** dialog box by clicking **Close** in the upper right corner of the dialog box.

Drag and drop a task

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit ※**.
- 2. In the process flow pane, identify the task you want to move. If the task has paths linking it to other tasks, delete the paths.
- 3. Select the task you want to move by clicking the blue title bar.
- 4. Drag the task to the desired location in the workflow process template.
- 5. Draw a path from the task you want to be the preceding task to the newly moved task. The path you draw, (also called an explicit link) determines the order in which tasks are performed.

Note:

Moving tasks and their associated paths in the process flow pane changes the order in which tasks are performed. Using the process flow pane to manage task order is the recommended method.

It is important to note that the task hierarchy tree lists tasks in the order they were first created. This order is *not* altered as you change task order within the process flow pane. The order displayed in the task hierarchy tree does not indicate task execution order.

Cut and paste a task

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit ※**.
- 2. In the process flow pane, select the task you want to move by clicking the body of the task.
- 3. Click one of the following, as needed:
 - Click **Cut** if you want to remove the task from its current location and paste it elsewhere. The system removes the task from its location in the workflow process template and sends it to the clipboard.
 - Click **Copy** if you want a copy of the existing task to be pasted elsewhere. A copy of the task is sent to the clipboard.
- 4. Click Paste.

The task is pasted to the upper left-hand corner of the process flow pane.

- 5. Select the newly pasted task by clicking the blue title bar.
- 6. Drag the task to the desired location in the workflow process template.

Note:

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Delete a task

- On the toolbar, click Edit Mode X6.
- 2. Click the task node you want to delete. Once selected, the task bar turns blue.
- 3. Click **Delete**.

 The selected task and any attached links are deleted.

Note:

If you do not replace the deleted links with explicit links, Workflow Designer creates assumed links for you.

Localize task names

To localize workflow task names for a workflow process:

- In the Business Modeler IDE, set the Localizable constant to true on the EPMTaskTemplate business object template_name property.
- 2. In Workflow Designer in the rich client:
 - a. Select a process template.
 - b. Display the **Properties** dialog.
 - c. Provide the localized value for the **template_name** property.
- 3. Do this for each task in the workflow template.
- 4. Create the workflow process using the workflow template.

5. Adding tasks to workflow process templates

6. Linking tasks in a workflow process template

Explicit and assumed links

A link establishes the sequence by which peer-level tasks are run, indicating that the task on the arrow end of the path cannot start until the task on the start end is completed.

Explicit links Manually created links, drawn from the predecessor task to the successor task.

Assumed Automatically created by the system if no explicit links have been created from the

links Start node by the time the template is set to the **Available** stage.

When you put a workflow template in **Edit** mode and draw a single link from the **Start** node to another task node, assumed link behavior is disabled. The system does not draw assumed links, even if you leave tasks unlinked and change the workflow template to the **Available** stage. Any unlinked tasks are skipped when a workflow process based on the workflow template is initiated, and no error messages appear.

Caution:

When you place workflow templates created before Teamcenter 8.3 and 8.1.1.1 in **Edit** mode, the system removes all links originating from the **Start** node. If this occurs, manually redraw any removed links.

Link tasks manually

Each workflow requires an execution sequence. Arrows represent paths between tasks, whether assumed or explicit. The arrow identifies the sequence from a starting task to an ending task. Tasks must be completed in sequence.

Creating a link manually produces an *explicit task* and should be linked immediately after inserting tasks. Saving the workflow process, or switching away from Workflow Designer before manually linking tasks, prompts Teamcenter to automatically insert *assumed links*.

Tip:

Always explicitly link your tasks to ensure predictable results.

Each link consists of a predecessor task and a successor task.

1. On the Workflow Designer toolbar, click **Edit Mode ※**.

- 2. Insert tasks.
- 3. Click a predecessor task node.

Note:

Do not click the title bar of the task node. Clicking the title bar begins a drag process.

- 4. Hold the mouse button and drag the cursor to a successor task.

 A link arrow follows the cursor. When the cursor moves over a task node, the node is highlighted.
- Release the mouse button.
 A link arrow connects the predecessor and successor nodes creating an explicit task.

Delete links

When you delete a task from a template, the system deletes its links along with the task. If you do not reestablish explicit links among the remaining tasks, the system creates assumed links.

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ¼**.
- 2. In the process flow pane, click the link you want to delete. The link turns blue.
- 3. Click **Delete**.

The system deletes the selected link.

Note:

If you do not replace a deleted link with an explicit link, Workflow Designer automatically creates a link from the **Start** node to each unlinked task.

Creating failure paths

A failure path gives an alternate course that a workflow process can follow in any of the following scenarios:

- A task is rejected.
- The user determines that the task cannot be completed.
- There is an error.

When creating a workflow, each path is configured as either a success path or a failure path. A failure path must be configured into the workflow process template at design time. A task follows the appropriate path based on the task's outcome. A success path is traversed when a task's state transitions to **Complete** or when a task is promoted and it transitions to a **Skipped** state. A task completes upon the successful execution of the task's handlers on the **Complete** action.

It is important to note that a handler will not execute on a fail path. When a task traverses the failure path, the task state changes to **Failed** (not completed). The complete handlers will only execute when a success path is taken and the task state changes to **Completed**.

Note:

An available option to still execute handlers when a task state changes to failed is to connect the task's failure path to a non-interactive task. The sole purpose of this non-interactive task would be to act as a place where handlers can be added along the failure path, if you want those handlers to execute, such as when a task fails. Subsequently, the non-interactive task's path can then flow into the next task that you want to execute in the workflow.

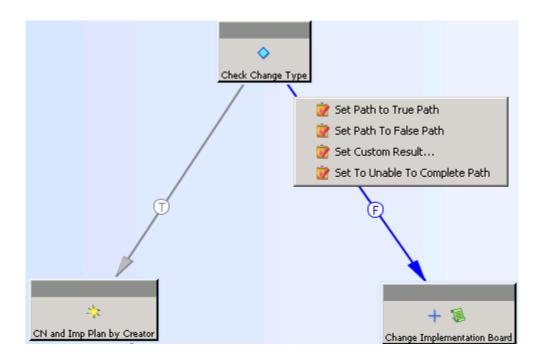
For example, if a Review task in a workflow gets rejected, including a non-interactive task along the failure path can execute a notify handler (EPM-notify) to communicate that the task was rejected with a failure email.

Backward branching allows a path to be routed backward to some previous task in the workflow process flow, including the **Start** node. Both success and failure paths are capable of branching in a backward direction. Backward branching allows the re-execution of a task with a **Complete** or **Skipped** task state.

To create a failure path, right-click an arrow and select the appropriate failure option. Failure path options display differently for different tasks.

Task	Failure option
Do	Set to Unable to Complete
Review	Set to Reject
Route	Set to Reject
Condition	Set to Unable to Complete
Validate	Set to Error Path
EPM	Set to Unable to Complete

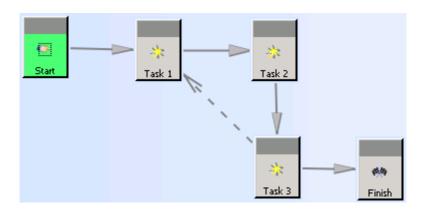
This example shows the options for an existing **Condition** task failure path.



Developing workflow process templates with backwards branches

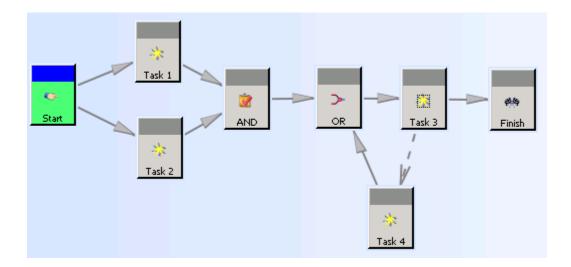
You might need to construct a workflow process template that branches backwards, in other words, one that links directly or indirectly to a task earlier in the flow that has already been performed.

In this example, Task 3 branches backwards to Task 1, which was already performed.



The way Teamcenter processes tasks repeated in the backwards-branching loop depends on the version of Teamcenter you are using.

- In the legacy versions (Teamcenter versions 9.1 and earlier, 8.3.3.2 and earlier), the workflow automatically determines if the repeated task could be restarted.
- In later versions (Teamcenter versions 10.1 and later, 9.1.1 and later, 8.3.3.3 and later), you must design the workflow with **Or** tasks or custom tasks that act as **And** tasks to determine the behavior of the repeated tasks shown in the following example.



In this case, because of the custom **And** task, both **Task 1** and **Task 2** must complete before the workflow moves to **Task 3**. If **Task 3** is rejected, the workflow moves to **Task 4** and then with the **Or** task moves back to **Task 3** again.

Newly created templates have the new behavior even if based on a legacy template that has the legacy behavior.

Converting legacy backwards branching templates to the new behavior

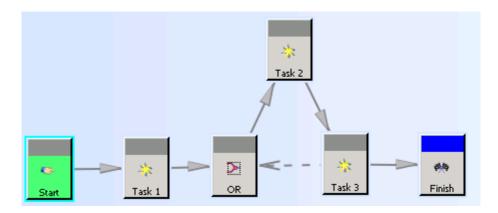
If the workflow process template was created in a legacy version, it retains the legacy behavior unless the user converts it to the new behavior.

Note:

If the user converts the template, it might need to be redesigned to produce the required workflow correctly. For example, if the legacy template looks like the following:



And the user converts this template to the new style, any process based on this template stalls because **Task 2** is waiting for **Task 3** to complete and **Task 3** is waiting for **Task 2** to complete. To complete successfully using the new style, the template should be redesigned to look like the following:



The introduction of the **Or** task allows the process to complete because **Or** tasks do not require all predecessor tasks to complete.

To convert to the new behavior, the **WRKFLW_convert_backward_path_representation** preference must be set to **true** so the option to convert is displayed when the legacy template is taken offline.

When the legacy template is taken offline, the user can select the **Convert Backward Branches to New Style** check box to convert the template or clear the check box to keep it in the legacy style.

Note:

- If the user converts the template to the new style, it cannot be converted back to the legacy style.
- An imported legacy template retains its legacy behavior until it is taken offline and converted by a user.

Siemens Digital Industries Software encourages you to convert your templates. A future version will automatically convert the templates for you.

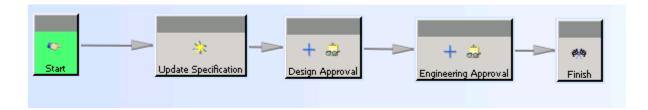
Moving to a previous task after Review or Route task is rejected

When designing a workflow process that moves back to a previous task if a **Review** or **Route** task is rejected, you must determine if the workflow should be demoted to a previous task or follow a failure path.

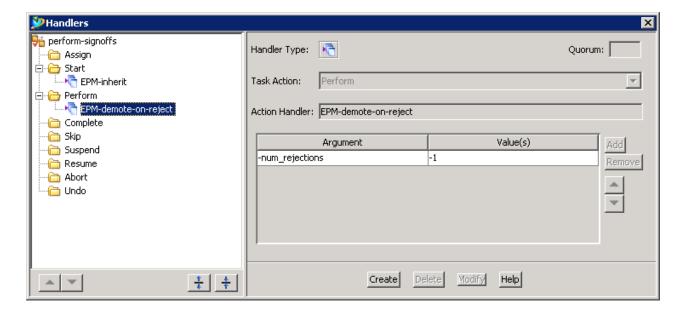
Note:

Do not use a failure path together with the **EPM-demote-on-reject** and **EPM-demote** handlers—use either the failure path or the handlers.

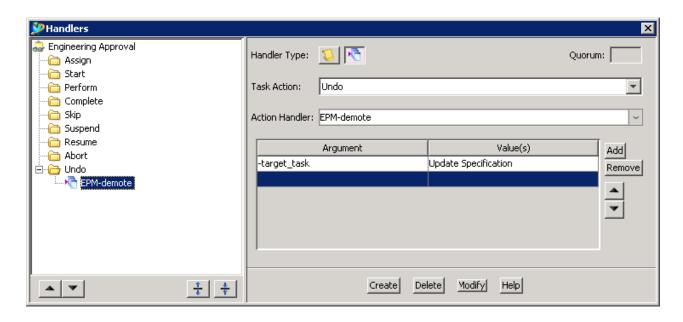
• EPM-demote-on-reject and EPM-demote handlers
Use these handlers to move the workflow backwards to a previous task.



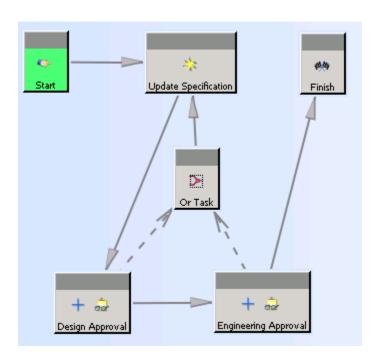
If the Design Approval Review task is rejected, the EPM-demote-on-reject handler with the num_rejections=-1 argument placed on the Perform action of its perform-signoffs subtask
demotes the task when a quorum cannot be reached. The EPM-demote handler with no arguments
on the Undo action of the Review task demotes the workflow back to the Update Specification
Do task. The Do task must be completed again before moving the workflow forward again.



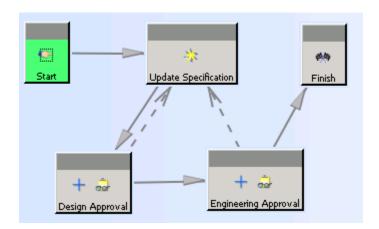
If the Engineering Approval Review task is rejected, the EPM-demote-on-reject handler with the
 -num_rejections=-1 argument placed on the Perform action of its perform-signoffs subtask
 demotes the task when a quorum cannot be reached. The EPM-demote handler with the task_target=Update Specification argument on the Undo action of the Review task demotes the
 workflow back to the Update Specification Do task. The Do task must be completed again before
 moving the workflow forward again.



- Once both **Review** tasks are approved, the workflow completes.
- Failure path
 You can design a workflow process so that if any of several **Review** tasks are rejected, the workflow is
 sent back to the same point. However, you must insert an **Or** task to receive the failure path from the
 rejected tasks. For example:



In the following *invalid* configuration without an **Or** task, the **Update Specification Do** task awaits rejection from all **Review** tasks, which stalls the workflow.



If a **Review** or **Route** task is rejected and there is no failure path or **EPM-demote-on-reject** handler attached, the task remains in the **Started** state and the workflow does not move forward until a user intervenes.

6. Linking tasks in a workflow process template

7. Modifying task behavior

Using attributes and handlers to modify tasks

Modify task behavior within a workflow process template using attributes and handlers.

Attributes

Allows you to set requirements and/or restrictions on a task. Possible task attributes are:

- Named ACI
- Template name
- Signoff quorum
- · Release status
- Icons

• Handlers:

Small ITK programs or functions. Handlers are the lowest-level building blocks in EPM. You use handlers to extend and customize tasks. The following is a list of the types of functions you can add to a task:

- Set protections
- Assign reviewers
- Demote a task
- Perform a signoff
- · Change a status

There are two kinds of handlers:

Action handlers:

Extend and customize task actions. Action handlers perform such actions as displaying information, retrieving the results of previous tasks (inherit), notifying users, setting object protections, and launching applications.

• Rule handlers:

Integrate workflow business rules into EPM workflow processes at the task level. Rule handlers attach conditions to an action.

Many conditions defined by a rule handler are binary (that is, they are either true or false). However, some conditions are neither true nor false. EPM allows two or more rule handlers to be combined using logical **AND/OR** conditions. When several rule handlers are combined using a logical **OR** condition, rule handler quorums specify the number of rule handlers that must return go for the action to complete.

For more information on handlers refer to What are workflow handlers.

Caution:

You cannot modify shipped task templates by changing the structure of the subtasks. Modifying the original task templates shipped with Teamcenter in this manner affects all subsequent workflows. This may affect the database during a future upgrade when the upgrade script attempts to update the task templates.

Instead of modifying templates, create custom tasks to perform the desired actions. You can extend shipped task templates using attributes and handlers.

Example:

You want to add a task to your process that notifies users of a deadline inherent to the process. You know that the **Route** task shipped with Teamcenter contains within it a **Notify** subtask. You would not strip out the **Acknowledge** and **Review** subtasks within the **Route** task. Rather, you would create a new task, for example, **NotifyDeadline**, and add the **EPM-notify** action handler to the task.

Edit task attributes

You can customize a task by editing its attributes.

- 1. On the Workflow Designer toolbar, click **Edit Mode ※**.
- 2. Click **Task Properties** in the toolbar.

The system displays the **Task Properties** dialog box.

The **Name** box lists the name of the selected workflow process template or task template.

- 3. (Optional) Type task instructions into the **Instructions** box.
- Click the Attributes Panel tab.
 The system displays the Attributes Panel dialog box.
- 5. Note:

This step is for Access Manager-enabled systems.

Click **Named ACL** to add permissions for target objects.

- a. Use one of the following methods to select an ACL to apply to the task.
 - In the **ACL Name** box, select an existing ACL.
 - Click the system Named ACL
 ACL button to list ACL names created in Access Manager.

- Click the workflow **Named ACL** \(\frac{1}{12} \) button to list ACL names created in Workflow Designer.
- In the ACL Name box, type a new ACL name and click Create *.
 The new ACL is added to the list of workflow named ACLs.
 - A. Add access control entries (ACEs) to define the permissions for the named ACL.
 - B. Click **Save** to save the ACEs for the named ACL.
- b. Click Assign to ACL Name to update the Assigned ACL Name box. This action creates the EPM-set-rule-based-protection handler on the Start action for the task.
- c. (Optional) To verify the assignment, view the **Task Handler** panel.
- 6. If the selected task is a Condition task, you can:
 - Select a graphic from the **Icons** list.
 - Click Condition Query to define a query.
 The system displays the Condition Query dialog box.
 - Define a query for the Condition task.

 The **Duration** box displays the length of time allowed for the completion of the project. You can define the duration length in the template of the selected task. You can also define duration length in the **Attributes** dialog box when the selected task is in a **Pending** state.

Note:

The **Task Manager** daemon must be installed to see color-coding relating to task completion.

7. To set the **Duration** box:

- Type an integer value for any or all of the following boxes to indicate the length of time that can pass before the selected tasks needs to reach completion:
 - Years
 - Weeks
 - Days
 - Hours
 - Minutes
- Click one of the following, as needed:

OK

Saves the changes to the database and closes the dialog box.

Clear

Clears all boxes.

Cancel

Closes the dialog box without making any changes.

The **Recipients** list displays the names of users selected to receive program mail when the selected task becomes overdue. You can set the **Recipients** list from this dialog box.

8. To set the **Recipients** list:

- Click Set to the right of the Recipient box.
 The system displays the Select Recipients dialog box.
- Type the user, group, or address list search criteria for users you want to select.
- Based on the search criteria you entered, click either User, Group, or Address List.
 The search results display in the box below. To display all users in the selected grouping, type * and click the appropriate button. All users in the selected grouping display in the box.
- Select the users you want to define as recipients from the search results. You can choose multiple users by pressing Ctrl and clicking the desired names.

• Click Users.

The selected users display in the box in the right side of the dialog box. These are the selected recipients.

- To delete a recipient, click **Delete**.
- Close the Named ACL dialog box.

Note:

When a named ACL is applied to a task and the **Named ACL** dialog box is closed, the **Show Task in Process Stage List** property on the **Tasks Attributes Panel** is automatically selected.

- The **Show Task in Process Stage List** displays the task in the **Process Stage List** property for the target object.
- Tasks in the **Process Stage List** are used to determine the ACL for the target objects.

- 9. Select **Show Task in Process Stage List** to display the task in the **Process Stage List** property for the target object.
 - Select the **Show Task in Process Stage List** property when a named ACL is defined for a task.
 - Clear Show Task in Process Stage List when there are no named ACL and EPM-set-rule-based-protection handler defined for this task, and the task does not need to appear in the target object Process Stage List. For example, clear this box for subtasks or parent tasks.

Note:

The **Process Stage List** property displays all root tasks currently started for workflow targets. Tasks are written to the following:

• **process_stage_list** property

Displays the started root task(s) of the workflow that includes this as a target.

• fnd0StartedTasks property

This property is included in the EPMTask object and is populated on the root task, and displays the started subtasks of that particular root task.

The run-time property **fnd0StartedWorkflowTasks** included in WorkspaceObject provides the combined content of these two properties.

The **Process Stage List** also determines the task's attributes, such as responsible party or signoff approvers, factored into the currently active named ACL.

10. Select **Require Task Confirmation on Complete** to require users to confirm a selected interactive task is completed in Active Workspace.

Selecting a root task requires completion confirmation on all child tasks.

Note:

The confirmation of completion dialog displays with a task-specific message in Active Workspace.

- 11. Select **Process in Background** to run the task in the background so the user can continue to work with Teamcenter while the task is executing.
 - Clear **Process in Background** to run the task in the foreground. The user must wait for it to complete.
- 12. Click **Close** to save the changes to the database and close the dialog box.

What are task handlers?

You can customize task behavior by creating and modifying task handlers. A task handler is a small ITK program or function. Handlers are the lowest level building blocks in EPM and are used to extend and customize tasks.

View task handlers

You can display the task handlers of a selected task from Workflow Designer or from Workflow Viewer while in design mode by performing the following steps:

- 1. Click Browse Mode.
- 2. Select the task whose handlers you want to view. To view handler information for the root task of the workflow process (the initial **Start** task) select the workflow process.
- 3. Click the **Task Handlers** pane.
 - The system displays the **Task Handlers** dialog box. In the left pane, the handler tree lists the handlers assigned to the selected task.
 - To more easily view the contents of the handler tree, you can click **Expand All Folders** or **Collapse All Folders**.

Create task handlers based on existing handlers

You can create new task handlers based on an existing handler. Use this procedure when one or more attributes of the new handler are contained in an existing handler. To create a handler, perform the following steps from the **Task Handlers** dialog box in either Workflow Designer or when in design mode in Workflow Viewer:

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ¼**.
- 2. Select the handler from the handler tree that you want to use as a template for the new handler. The **Handler Type**, **Quorum**, **Task Action**, and **Action/Rule Handler** boxes display the current settings for the selected handler.
- 3. Edit the data in the boxes as required for the new handler.

 If the selected task involves selecting signoff teams or performing signoffs, select and enter type the number or percentage required for the approval quorum in the **Quorum** box.
- 4. Edit existing arguments in the **Argument** table by selecting the value cell to the right of the argument cell and deleting the existing values. Add new value information by double-clicking in the cell to initiate the text-field editor, and then entering the required values. Separate multiple values by a comma.

- 5. Add a new argument row by clicking the **Argument** table. Type the new argument name into the argument cell by double-clicking in the cell to initiate the text-field editor, then entering the required argument name. Type the corresponding values into the value cell to the right of the argument cell by double-clicking in the cell to initiate the text-field editor, then entering the required values.
 - Separate multiple values by a comma. You can display documentation for the selected handler by clicking **Help**.
- 6. Change the argument order by selecting an argument row and clicking **Up** ▲ or **Down** ▼ (located to the right of the table) to move the argument row up or down, respectively.
- 7. Change the handler order by selecting a handler in the handler tree and clicking **Up** ▲ or **Down** ▼ (located below the tree) to move the argument row up or down, respectively.
- 8. Click **Create** to create a new handler based on the data now displayed in the dialog box. The system creates the new handler and displays it in the handler tree.

Create new task handlers

You can create new task handlers with no preexisting data. Use this procedure when no existing handlers contain the necessary attributes. To create a new handler, perform the following steps from the **Task Handlers** dialog box in either Workflow Designer or when in design mode in Workflow Viewer:

- 1. Decide the type of handler you want to create:
 - Rule handler Click Rule Handler.
 - Action handler Click Action Handler.
- 2. Select a handler from the **Action Handler** or **Rule Handler** list.
- 3. Add a new argument row by clicking **Add** next to the **Argument** table. Type the new argument name into the argument cell by double-clicking in the cell to initiate the text-field editor, then typing in the required argument name. Type the corresponding values into the value cell to the right of the argument cell by double-clicking in the cell to initiate the text-field editor, then entering the required values.
 - Separate multiple values by a comma. You can display documentation for the selected handler by clicking **Help**.
- 4. Change the argument order by selecting an argument row and clicking **Up** ▲ or **Down** ▼ (located to the right of the table) to move the argument row up or down, respectively.
- 5. Change the handler order by selecting a handler in the handler tree and clicking **Up** ▲ or **Down** ▼ (located below the tree) to move the argument row up or down, respectively.

6. Click **Create** to create a new handler based on the data currently displayed in the handler's display area.

The system creates the new handler and displays it in the handler tree.

Edit task handlers

To modify task handlers, you must edit the argument table. To edit a handler, perform the following steps from the **Task Handlers** dialog box in either Workflow Designer or when in design mode in Workflow Viewer:

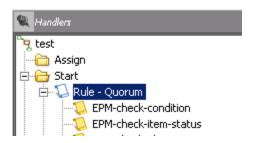
- 1. Select the handler you want to edit from the handler tree.

 The **Handler Type**, **Quorum**, **Task Action** and **Action/Rule Handler** boxes display the current settings for the selected handler.
- Edit existing arguments in the **Argument** table by deleting the existing values from the value cell
 to the right of the argument cell, and then double-clicking in the cell to initiate the text-field editor
 and entering the required values.
 Separate multiple values by a comma. You can display documentation for the selected handler by
 clicking **Help**.
- 3. Change the argument order by selecting an argument row and clicking Up ▲ or Down ▼ (located to the right of the table) to move the argument row up or down, respectively.
- 4. Change the handler order by selecting a handler in the handler tree and clicking Up ▲ or Down ▼ (located below the tree) to move the argument row up or down, respectively.
- 5. Add a new argument to the **Argument** table.
 - a. Type the new argument name in the argument cell by double-clicking in the cell to initiate the text-field editor, then entering the required argument name.
 - b. Type the corresponding values in the value cell to the right of the argument cell by doubleclicking in the cell to initiate the text-field editor, and then entering the required values. Separate multiple values by a comma.
- 6. Click **Modify** to update the selected handler to reflect the data currently displayed in the handler's display area.

The system modifies the selected handler.

Configuring rule quorums

You can include one or more rule handlers under a **Rule** container.



You can then set the **Rule** container **Quorum** value to specify whether one rule, all rules, or a number of rules must be satisfied for the task to progress.



For example, if a **Rule** container has five rule handlers, but you only require two of them to pass, you can set the rule handler quorum value to **2**.

The **Rule** container label changes automatically based on the number of handlers in the container and the **Quorum** value, which specifies the number of handlers that must be satisfied for the task to proceed.

The **Rule** container label can be:

- Rule Quorum: displayed when the Quorum value is set to:
 - -1, which is equivalent to All. In this case, every rule must pass to meet the quorum.
 - A number greater than 1, but less than the number of rules in the Rule container.
- Rule OR:displayed when the Quorum value is set to 1 and there are two or more rules in the Rule container.
- **Rule AND**: displayed when the quorum number is equal to the number of rules in the **Rule** container.

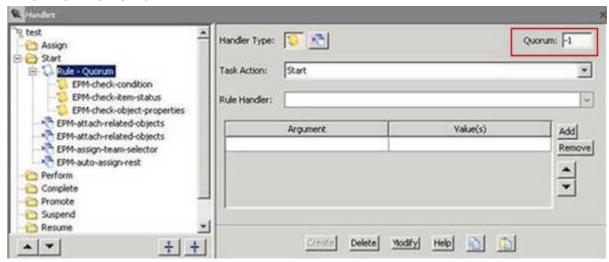
Note:

If you set the **WRKFLW_allow_quorum_override** value to *False* the user cannot modify the quorum value. This will remove the **Numeric** or **Percent** options, as well.

Examples

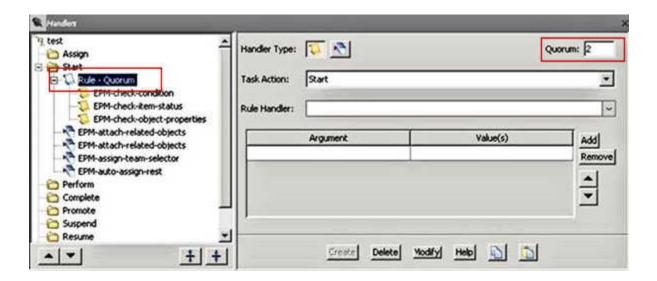
- Condition to satisfy: Every rule in the **Rule** container must be satisfied for the workflow to continue.
 - **Quorum** value: -1, which is equivalent to All. In this case, every rule must be satisfied to meet the quorum.
 - Rule container label: Rule Quorum.

In this example, there are three rule handlers in the **Rule** container and the **Quorum** value is -1, so all rules must be satisfied.



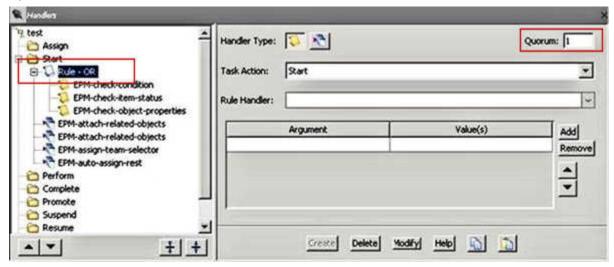
- Condition to satisfy: More than one rule but less than the number of rules in the **Rule** container must be satisfied for the workflow to continue.
 - Quorum value: Greater than one but less than the total number of rules.
 - Rule container label: Rule Quorum.

In this example, the **Quorum** value is **2**, so if any two of the three rules is satisfied, the workflow can continue.



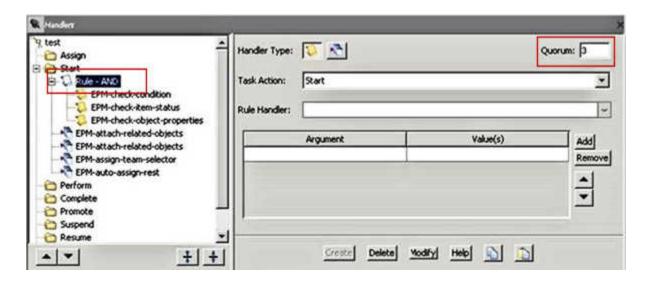
- Condition to satisfy: if any of the rules is satisfied, the workflow can continue.
 - Quorum value: 1, and there are several rules in the Rule container.
 - Rule container label: Rule OR.

In this example, the **Quorum** value is **1**, so if any of the three rules is satisfied, the workflow can continue.



- Condition to satisfy: All rules must be satisfied for the workflow to continue.
 - Quorum value: Equal to the number of rules in the Rule container.
 - Rule container label: Rule AND.

In this example, the **Quorum** value is **3**, which matches the number of rule handlers.



Delete task handlers

When a handler is no longer required, you can delete it as explained in this section. To delete a handler, perform the following steps from the **Task Handlers** dialog box in either Workflow Designer or when in design mode in Workflow Viewer:

• Select the desired handler from the handler tree and click **Delete**.

The system deletes the selected handler and no longer displays it in the tree.

Create an ACL and recipients for a task

- 1. On the toolbar, click **Edit Mode ※**.
- Click Task Properties in the toolbar.
 The system displays the Task Properties dialog box.
 The Name box lists the name of the selected workflow process template or task template.
- Click the Attributes Panel tab.
 The system displays the Attributes Panel dialog box.
- 4. Click **Named ACL** to add permissions for the task and target objects.
 - a. Click Assign to ACL Name to update the Assigned ACL Name box.
 This action creates the EPM-set-rule-based-protection handler on the Start action for the task.
 - b. (Optional) To verify the assignment, view the **Task Handler** panel.
- 5. Use one of the following methods to select an ACL to apply to the task.

- In the **ACL Name** box, select an existing ACL.
 - Click the system Named ACL 🔒 button to list ACL names created in Access Manager.
 - Click the workflow **Named ACL** \(\frac{1}{2} \) button to list ACL names created in Workflow Designer.
- 6. In the **ACL Name** box, type a new ACL name and click **Create** *. The new ACL is added to the list of workflow named ACLs.
 - a. Add access control entries (ACEs) to define the permissions for the named ACL.
 - b. Click **Save** to save the ACEs for the named ACL.
- 7. To set the **Recipients** list:
 - Click Set to the right of the Recipient box.
 The system displays the Select Recipients dialog box.
 - Type the user, group, or address list search criteria for users you want to select.
 - Based on the search criteria you entered, click either User, Group, or Address List.
 The search results display in the box below. To display all users in the selected grouping, type * and click the appropriate button. All users in the selected grouping display in the box.
 - Select the users you want to define as recipients from the search results. You can choose multiple users by pressing Ctrl and clicking the desired names.
 - Click Users.

The selected users display in the box in the right side of the dialog box. These are the selected recipients.

- To delete a recipient, click **Delete**.
- Close the Named ACL dialog box.

Note:

When a named ACL is applied to a task and the **Named ACL** dialog box is closed, the **Show Task in Process Stage List** property on the **Tasks Attributes Panel** is automatically selected.

- The **Show Task in Process Stage List** displays the task in the **Process Stage List** property for the target object.
- Tasks in the **Process Stage List** are used to determine the ACL for the target objects.

- 8. Select **Show Task in Process Stage List** to display the task in the **Process Stage List** property for the target object.
 - Select the **Show Task in Process Stage List** property when a named ACL is defined for a task.
 - Clear the **Show Task in Process Stage List** when there are no named ACL and **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** handler defined for this task, and the task does not need to appear in the target object **Process Stage List**. For example, clear this box for subtasks or parent tasks.

Note:

The **Process Stage List** also determines the task's attributes, such as responsible party or signoff approvers, factored into the currently active named ACL.

9. Click **Close** to save the changes to the database and close the dialog box.

Requiring a PKI digital signature during a workflow

If you wish users to apply their PKI digital signature to objects in workflow, place the **EPM-apply-digital-signature** handler on an interactive workflow task. Where the handler is placed depends upon when you want the user to apply the digital signature.

Application of the digital signature	Place the handler as follows	Results
User applies signature to the workflow targets.	On the Complete action of a Do , select-signoff-team , perform-signoffs , Condition , or form task.	If the PKI authentication passed, their digital signature is applied to the workflow targets.
		If a schedule task is attached as a schedule attachment to the workflow, the digital signature is also applied to it.
User needs to be authenticated while selecting signoff members during the routing of the task.	On the Complete action of the select-signoff-team subtask of the Review task under the Route task.	
Multiple reviewers usually need to sign off the task.	On the Perform action of the perform-signoffs task.	Every user signing off the task is prompted for authentication. The digital signature from each user is applied when that user signs off.

If you want to check for valid digital signatures during the workflow, place the **EPM-verify-digital-signature** handler on a workflow task. You can use this handler on a **Validate** task and configure a

failure path if the minimum number of valid signatures is not present or if there are void signatures, depending on the arguments used in the handler.

Note:

- You can configure which attributes of an object cannot be changed after a digital signature is applied.
- Do not design the workflow to modify the configured attributes of the object using other handlers on the same or a subsequent task in the workflow, including final approval. Modifications to configured attributes should be performed in tasks previous to applying the digital signature.
- If a schedule task is attached to workflow with a schedule task attachment, do not configure the **State**, **Actual Finish Date**, and **Percent Complete** attributes because they are updated when workflow completes after the digital signature is applied.
- For change management objects, do not configure the change states (**Closure**, **Maturity**, and **Disposition**) because they are updated following a digital signature.

Digital signatures are PKI authentication attempts and are logged as an audit event.

Requiring PKI authentication to perform a workflow task

If you want users to authenticate themselves before they can complete a workflow task, place the **EPM-request-PKI-authentication** handler on an interactive workflow task. The task is completed only after the user provides valid PKI authentication, but does not apply a digital signature on any object.

PKI authentication attempts are logged as an audit event.

Adding schedule tasks and attachments to a workflow process

You can locate the schedule tasks attached to the workflow and add their related change objects as target or reference objects to the workflow as well as the schedule task itself.

Use the **EPM-attach-related-objects** handler with the **-from_attch** argument on a task in the workflow process to add them.

7. Modifying task behavior

8. Manage signoff behavior

Signoff profile creation

Signoff profiles are created by administrators based on group or role, making it easier to assign approvers to a task. Defined in the process template, signoff profiles are particularly useful in enforcing groups and roles in a signoff. For example, if you want three managers from the Marketing group, all managers from the Engineering group, and 51% of the engineers from the Engineering group to sign off on a particular **Review** task, the administrator creates three group profiles: a **Marketing/manager** profile, an **Engineering/manager** profile, and an **Engineering/engineer** profile.

To enhance project-based user assignments, administrators can use the WRKFLW_show_user_assignment_options preference to determine which tab in the signoff tree is active by default: the Organization tab or the Project Teams tab. By default, Organization is selected. You can also choose to show only the Organization tab and hide the Project Teams tab, or vice-versa. Users are filtered using group or role membership criteria.

Once an administrator has defined a signoff profile, you, as a member of the signoff profile, can choose to approve tasks by one of the following methods:

- Quorum format: approval based on a specified minimum number of approvers
- Percentage: approval based on specified percent of approvers
- All: approval based on return of all review and comments

Quorum and required signoff behavior

Use quorums for task signoffs to indicate the number (percentage) of users who must approve the task in order for it to complete.

- Use a quorum when a signoff task should proceed without waiting for undecided reviewers.
- Use a quorum to reduce the number of decisions required for the task to proceed.

Use required reviewers to ensure that the key reviewers have provided their decision.

Note:

You can use required signoffs with quorums to prevent the task from completing until all required reviewers provide a signoff decision.

For example:

- When a task has five reviewers, but none are required, and quorum is set to 2; the task proceeds when two reviewers provide their decisions.
- If, however, one of the five reviewers is marked as required; the task does not proceed until the required reviewer provides a decision, even if the quorum is met.

You can make a reviewer required using one of the following methods:

- Use the **Assign All Tasks** tab when a workflow is created.

 The **EPM_valid_user_to_apply_assingment_list** preference determines which users are authorized for assigning resources.
- Assign when selecting a signoff team.
- Use the **EPM-adhoc-signoffs** or **EPM-fill-in-reviewers** handlers with the **-required** setting.

Use the **SIGNOFF_adhoc_quorum** preference to configure constraints on the quorum value during team selection. When ad hoc signoff is enabled, you can set quorum value limits or no constraints.

Workflow task assignment options

There are two categories of workflow task assignment options:

Interactive	task
assignment	

Interactive tasks can use individual users or resource pools, but requires user input to complete. It includes manual assignment of tasks and the creation and application of process assignment lists (PALs).

Automated task assignment

Automated task assignment can use individual users, resource pools, or dynamic participants. Four action handlers perform automated assignment:

- EPM-auto-assign
- EPM-auto-assign-rest
- EPM-adhoc-signoffs
- EPM-fill-in-reviewers

Note:

Use the WRKFLW_allow_signoff_assignment_to_OOO_user preference to control task assignment of a signoff when the delegate is a member of the signoff team.

True assigns the signoff to the out-of-office user, while **False** assigns it to the resource pool of the out-of-office user.

Create a signoff profile

1. Double-click the **Review** task in the task hierarchy tree.

The task expands, listing the **select-signoff-team** subtasks.

Note:

You can change the names of the **select-signoff-team** and **perform-signoffs** subtasks. For example, you can rename the subtasks to specify their parent task or the current step in the process (such as **select-design-signoff-team**).

2. Select the **select-signoff-team** subtask, and then click **Task Signoff** in the lower left of the Workflow Designer pane.

The **Signoff Profiles** dialog box appears.

3. Select a **Group** and **Role**.

Note:

Define the signoff profiles by group or role, not by individual users. For example, if you want three managers from the Marketing group, all managers from the Engineering group, and 51% of the engineers from the Engineering group to sign off on this particular **Review** task, create three group profiles: a **Marketing/manager** profile, an **Engineering/manager** profile, and an **Engineering/engineer** profile.

You can use the wildcard (*) to leave both the group and role category undesignated.

- 4. Type the number or percentage of reviewers required for this particular group/role signoff profile.
- 5. Select the **Allow sub-group members** check box to grant members of subgroups permission to sign off instead of members of the designated group.
- 6. Click **Create** to add this profile to the **Signoff Profiles** list. To change an existing profile in the **Signoff Profiles** list, click **Modify**. To delete an existing profile in the **Signoff Profiles** list, click **Delete**.

Define a surrogate for another user (requires administrative privileges)

- Click My Worklist in the navigation pane.
 The system displays your inbox.
- 2. Choose Tools→Workflow Surrogate.

The system displays the **Workflow Surrogate** dialog box.

3. Select the group, role, and user for whom you are defining surrogates.

The dialog box displays surrogates for the selected user in the **Current Surrogate User(s)** list.

Note:

You can choose all roles within a group by selecting the asterisk (*) rather than selecting a specific role.

- 4. Select the group, role, and user to be a surrogate.
- 5. Set the **Surrogate Effective Dates** effectivity start date for the surrogate user as follows:
 - a. Click the calendar button in the **From** box to open the popup calendar.
 - b. Select the month in which the surrogate user becomes effective. Click the back arrow to scroll to the previous month or click the forward arrow to scroll to the next month.
 - c. Type the year in which the surrogate user becomes effective.

 Click the back arrow to scroll to the previous month or click the forward arrow to scroll to the next month.
 - d. Select the day the surrogate user becomes effective by clicking the appropriate square on the calendar.
 - e. Type the hour, minute, and second at which the surrogate user's effectivity begins in the **h**, **m**, and **s** boxes.
 - Use the 24-hour clock format; for example, type 1:30 p.m. as **13 h**, **30 m**, and **00 s**. If you do not specify another time or clear the boxes, the current time is entered.
 - f. Click **OK** to accept the effectivity start date and time and close the calendar.
- 6. Set the **Surrogate Effective Dates** effectivity end date for the surrogate user:
 - a. Click the calendar button in the **To** box to open the popup calendar.
 - b. Select the month in which the surrogate user's effectivity ends.

 Click the back arrow to scroll to the previous month or click the forward arrow to scroll to the next month.
 - c. Select the year in which the surrogate user's effectivity ends.

 Click the back arrow to scroll to the previous year or click the forward arrow to scroll to the next year.
 - d. Select the day the surrogate user's effectivity ends by clicking the appropriate square on the calendar.

e. Type the hour, minute, and second at which the surrogate user's effectivity ends in the **h**, **m**, and **s** boxes.

Use the 24-hour clock format; for example, type 1:30 p.m. as **13 h**, **30 m**, and **00 s**. If you do not specify another time or clear the boxes, the current time is entered.

f. Click **OK** to accept the effectivity end date and time and close the calendar.

Tip:

To allow the surrogate user to be effective indefinitely, leave the end date unset. To reset the effectivity dates, click **Reset**.

7. Click **Add**.

The system displays the surrogate user in the **Current Surrogate Users** list, the surrogate user is notified via email, and a link is created in the surrogate user's inbox.

The link in the surrogate user's inbox allows the surrogate user to access the inbox of the user for whom they are acting surrogate.

Note:

Configure the **WRKFLW_mail_surrogates** to send email notifications in the Workflow application. **True** sends email notifications to all active surrogate users. To prevent sending email notifications to all active surrogate users set the value to **false**.

8. Manage signoff behavior

9. Using workflows to manage security and project data

Managing security and project data using custom forms

Developers create custom forms in the Business Modeler IDE. The workflow administrator can use those forms to customize workflow task templates for the following purposes:

· Assigning members to projects

In the Business Modeler IDE, the developer creates a custom form with properties for members (privileged and nonprivileged) and a property for projects. Attached to each property, a dynamic List of Values (LOV) gathers all of the available members or projects.

Assigning and removing projects on workflow targets

In the Business Modeler IDE, the developer creates a custom form with properties for assigning and removing projects. Attached to each property, a dynamic List of Values (LOV) gathers all of the available projects.

· Setting security classifications on workflow targets

In the Business Modeler IDE, the developer creates a custom form with properties for government classification, intellectual-property (IP) classification, or both classifications. A classification property contains a List of Values (LOV) from which the responsible party can select the classification to set on the target.

Assign members to projects using workflow arguments

The workflow initiator can access the form properties and modify the target. Then, the workflow administrator configures the task template to assign the members to the project, using the **PROJ-assign-members** handler.

In the task, the responsible party first creates an instance of the form. The responsible party then selects the appropriate value from each list of values (LOV).

You can add project members by using form properties attached to the workflow template.

1. From the Workflow Designer main screen, select a **Process Template** from the drop-down list. Ask your Business Modeler IDE administrator if you are unsure of the template name.

Alternately, you can create a new workflow process. Go to File→New→Workflow Process.

- 2. In the workflow, click the task (for example, **Assign Project Members**). The **Handlers** dialog box displays.
- 3. The PROJ-assign-members handler displays under the **Complete** folder. Enter the arguments and values. For example:
 - The projects to receive members are named Proj1 and Proj2.
 - The user named John is to be added to both projects as a nonprivileged member. This user has the **Designer** role in the **Engineering** group.
 - The user named Jane is to be added to both projects as a privileged member. This user has the **Manager** role in the **Engineering** group.

Argument	Values
-projects	Proj1,Proj2
-members	Engineering/Designer/john
-privileged_members	Engineering/Manager/jane

- 4. Click **Create**. The members you entered into the argument are displayed in the **Member Selection** list for the project.
- 5. Go to **My Worklist** and select the task from the **Task to Perform** folder.
- 6. Select **Action** and then **Perform** from the menu at the top of the screen.
- 7. From the LOV on the **Assign Member** form, select the name of the user you want to add.
- 8. Select **Complete** and click **OK**. The selected members are added to the project.

Assign a project to workflow targets

The responsible party can access the form properties and modify the target. Then, the workflow administrator configures the task template to:

- Create a form instance and relate it to the task, using the EPM-create-form handler.
- Display the form, using the **EPM-display-form** handler.
- Copy the values from the form to the target, using the **PROJ-update-assigned-projects** handler.
- 1. For the item you want to assign, select the **Item Revision**.

- 2. Select the **Process Template** from the drop-down list. Ask your Business Modeler IDE administrator if you are unsure of the template name.
 - Alternately, you can select the **Item Revision** and go to **File** \rightarrow **New** \rightarrow **Workflow Process** to create a new process.
- 3. To display the form, click the name of the form (for instance, Create ProjMemberForm). The **Handlers** dialog box displays.
- 4. Select the EPM-display-form handler under the **Perform** folder. Enter the arguments and values.
- 5. Click **Create**.
- 6. Go to **My Worklist** and select the item revision. From the **New Process Dialog**, select **Approve Project Updates** from the **Complete** folder.
- 7. Select the PROJ-update-assigned-projects handler under the **Perform** folder. Enter the arguments and values.
- 8. Click **Create**.
- 9. Select **Action**, and then **Perform** from the menu at the top of the screen.
- 10. Select **Complete** and click **OK** in the **Perform Do Task** dialog box.

Setting the security classification on a workflow target

Once a form is created in Business Modeler IDE, the workflow administrator can perform any of the following:

- Create a process template and task templates that display the custom form to the user.
- Allow the user to read and write to the objects involved with the handler.
- Set the classification on the target. Security classifications are set using the **EPM-set-property** handler.

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10. Using workflow templates at multiple Teamcenter sites

Distributing workflow templates using Multi-Site Collaboration

Replicate a workflow template

You can distribute your workflow templates to different Teamcenter sites by replicating templates using Multi-Site Collaboration. You can replicate your workflow templates, including those under construction, on several Teamcenter sites by using the **data_share** utility and update them with the **data_sync** utility. You cannot edit the replicas, only the template at the owning site. Also, handlers attached to the templates must exist at all sites where the templates are replicated.

- 1. If necessary, create template you want to replicate.
- 2. Run the **data_share** utility with the following arguments:

data_share -u=user-id **-p**=password **-g**=group **-f**=**send -site**=remote-site-name1 **- name**=workspace-object-**class**=class-name

For example, if you want to replicate the **demotemplate** workflow template at the **teamcentersite2** site, run the following utility command (the required logon information is omitted from the example):

data_share -f=send -site=teamcentersite2 -name=demotemplate -class=EPMTaskTemplate

Note:

- If you want to transfer ownership to the specified site, add the **-transfer** argument to the command.
- If you want to import the template at another site to the current site, change the -f argument to -f=remote_import.
- If you want to replicate the template at more than one site, add more **-site** arguments to the command.
- If you want to replicate several templates, type the template names in a text file and replace the **-name** and **-class** arguments with the **-filename** and **-classoffile** arguments, respectively.

The replicate template appears at the new site with the $_{looplum}$ symbol.

Synchronize replicated templates

Update the template at the owning site that is replicated at another site.

Note:

If you want *active* workflow processes based on the synchronized template to be updated at the replica site, set the **WRKFLW_multisite_apply_template_changes** preference to **true**.

2. Run the **data_sync** utility with the following arguments:

data_sync -u=user-id **-p=**password **-g=**group **-f=sync -site=**remote-site-name1 **-class=**class-name **-update**

For example, if you changed the **demotemplate** workflow template and wanted to update the replica at the **teamcentersite2** site, run the following utility command (the required logon information is omitted from the example):

data_sync -f=sync -site=teamcentersite2 -class=EPMTaskTemplate -update

Note:

If you want to synchronize the template at more than one site, add more **-site** arguments to the command.

The replicate template is updated at the specified sites.

Distributing workflow templates using Workflow Designer

Importing and exporting workflow templates

You can distribute your workflow templates to different Teamcenter sites by importing and exporting workflow process and task templates from the Teamcenter database in an XML format.

- You can import workflow process and task templates into the Teamcenter database from an exported workflow template file. Importing templates is useful for transferring workflow templates between different Teamcenter sites. The templates must first be exported from a Teamcenter database into an export file, after which you can import the file into the Teamcenter database at another site.
- You can export workflow process and task templates from the Teamcenter database in XML format, storing the templates in a single export file. After exporting the templates, you can import the file into the Teamcenter database at another site. You can also easily search the XML to determine handler and argument usage.

Note:

You can import and export workflow templates using the Workflow Designer **Tools** menu, or you can use the **admin_data_export** and **admin_data_import** utilities for these tasks.

Best practice

If your enterprise encompasses more than one site, always make workflow template changes at the master site, and then propagate the changes by exporting the workflow template from the master site to other sites. If additional changes are required at a later date, again make the workflow template changes at the master site, export the workflow template from the master site, and then import it at all other sites.

This method ensures that the **origin_uid** value of each workflow template continues to match from site to site. If you export/import a workflow template between nonmaster sites, its **origin_uid** value eventually becomes mismatched between versions, resulting in the following error when you choose to overwrite during import:

```
The origin_uid's of the importing template(s) do not match with the origin_uid's of the existing template(s). The import of template(s) in overwrite mode failed.

Matching origin_uid's are required to apply template changes to active workflow processes. You can replace the existing template by deleting it, and then re-importing, but this will prevent you from applying template changes to active workflow processes.
```

If you receive this error, you can manually replace the existing template with the importing template by first deleting the importing template, then repeating the import. However, using this method breaks the link between **origin_uid** values. If you use this method, the system cannot **apply template changes to active workflow processes**.

Import workflow templates

- Choose Tools→Import.
 The system displays the Import Workflow Templates dialog box.
- 2. Type the path to the directory containing the export file in the **Import File** box, or click the **Browse** button to locate the directory.
- 3. (Optional) If you want the system to continue the transfer if one or more workflow templates fail to transfer, select the **Continue On Error** check box. If one or more workflow templates fail to transfer, the system records transfer errors in its log files, bypasses the failed workflow templates, and transfers the remaining workflow templates.

If you do not select this option, the system stops the transfer process if one workflow template fails to transfer and only includes in the transfer those workflow templates that transferred successfully.

4. (Optional) If you want the system to overwrite any workflow template of the same name that already exists in the database, select the **Overwrite Duplicate Templates** check box. The system does not display or log any errors.

Select this option when the imported workflow template contains changes that you want applied to the database.

For example, you have added two custom tasks to the **QuarterlyReview** workflow template and thoroughly tested the revised template in your test database. Now you are ready to import the changes to the production database. By choosing to overwrite duplicate templates when importing the workflow template to the production database, you are effectively editing the **QuarterlyReview** workflow template. On import, the original **QuarterlyReview** workflow template is overwritten by the importing workflow template; it now contains the two custom tasks. If you do not select this option, any importing template with the same name as an existing template is ignored and the import process continues. A message is logged that a workflow template of the same name exists.

5. (Optional) If you chose to overwrite duplicate templates, you can also choose ignore the origin ID of the template you are importing by selecting the **Ignore origin ID check** check box. Select this option if you get the following error when attempting to import workflow templates:

```
The importing template(s) do not match with the existing template(s). The import of template(s) in overwrite mode failed.
```

6. (Optional) If you chose to overwrite duplicate templates, you can also choose to apply the differences in the imported templates to all active workflow processes based on the original version of the workflow template. In other words, you can choose to apply the edits you have made to the importing template to active workflow processes.

To continue the example in the previous step, if you select the **Apply template changes to all active workflow processes** check box while importing the **QuarterlyReview** workflow template into the production database, the two custom tasks added during import are also applied to all active workflow processes that were based on the original version of the **QuarterlyReview** workflow template.

When you import templates from a Teamcenter version prior to 10.1, do not select the **Apply template changes to all active workflow processes** check box. If you do, Teamcenter does not successfully import the template.

Updates are applied as described in *How process template edits are applied to active processes*.

Note:

- This check box is visible only if the **EPM_enable_apply_template_changes** preference is set to **OPTIONAL**.
- This check box is not available if you selected the **Ignore origin ID check** check box.

7. (Optional) If you chose to apply edits to active workflow processes, you can also choose to process the edits in the background by selecting the **Update processes in background** check box. Your edits are applied in the background. The updates run asynchronously, and you are notified by Teamcenter mail when the updates complete. Typically, you only want to update workflow processes in real time when your changes impact 10–20 active workflow processes, as in testing scenarios.

Caution:

Asynchronous processing must be configured.

8. Click **OK** to import the templates contained within the file you selected into the Teamcenter database.

The imported template names now exist in the database and appear in the **Process Template** list.

Export workflow templates

- Choose Tools→Export.
 The Export Workflow Templates dialog box appears.
- 2. Type the path to the directory containing the objects you want to export in the **Export Directory** box, or click the **Browse** button to locate the directory.
- 3. Specify the name of the export file in the **File Name** box, for example, **template_export**.
- 4. In the **Templates** section of the dialog box, select the templates you want to export from the **All Templates** list. (Use the Ctrl key to select multiple templates.)
- 5. Add the selected templates to the **Selected Templates** list. These are the templates the system exports.
- 6. If you want the system to continue the transfer if one or more templates fail to transfer, select Continue On Error. If one or more templates fail to transfer, the system records transfer errors in its log files, bypasses the failed templates, and transfers the remaining templates. If you do not choose this option, the system stops the transfer process if one template fails to transfer and only includes in the transfer those templates that transferred successfully.
- 7. Click **OK** to export the templates in the **Selected Templates** list and close the dialog box. The selected templates are exported in XML format to the file name you defined in step 3 in the directory you defined in step 2.

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11. Working with remote inboxes

Enabling remote inboxes

Remote inboxes are created when you subscribe to your account inbox at a remote site. This action creates a connection to your local site, which launches a new Active Workspace client session that runs against the remote site. You can then see and perform tasks in your worklist on the remote site.

Remote inboxes let you interact with workflow tasks that originated at remote sites.

- When you have a user account at a remote site, you can subscribe to that site to access your inbox, called your *remote inbox*, and access tasks assigned to you at the remote site.
- After you subscribe to your inbox at a remote site, your local site worklist displays a remote site inbox you can use to launch an Active Workspace client to let you access the remote site inbox.

Note:

The remote inbox also shows the number of unread tasks in your worklist at the remote site. However, this number is not refreshed automatically. Tasks are updated at the specified intervals using the TASK_MONITOR_SLEEP_TIME preference. This preference sets the sleep time for the task monitor daemon. Sleep time should be an integer specifying the desired number of minutes. For example, 1 for one minute, 30 for 30 minutes, 60 for one hour and 120 for two hours. Once logged in, you must manually update the page to see the count update.

- A remote site inbox in the local site worklist cannot be expanded in the local tree display.
- When you connect to the remote site, Teamcenter launches an Active Workspace session.

Subscribe to a remote inbox

- Choose Tools → Remote Inbox Subscription.
 The system displays the Remote Inbox Subscription Dialog.
 - Sites with remote inboxes to which you are already subscribed are listed as Selected Inboxes.
 - Sites with remote inboxes to which you are not already subscribed are listed as **Available Inboxes**.
- To subscribe to available inboxes, select the site in the Available Inboxes list and click > to add one site inbox or >> to select them all.
 To unsubscribe from any of your subscribed inboxes, select the relevant inboxes in the Selected

Inboxes list and click the < button to remove one site inbox or << to remove them all.

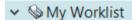
3. When the subscriptions are listed correctly, click **OK** or **Apply**.

Note:

Configure the **AWC_REMOTE_SITE_URL** preference to define the Active Workspace hosting URLs for remote sites.

Launch remote inbox

- 1. Select **My Worklist** from the **Quick Links**.
- 2. Select the Site Inbox you are subscribed to.



- > iii Designer, Deb (deb) Inbox
- 3. Right-click on the Site Inbox and choose the **Launch Remote Inbox** command.
- 4. A new window will open and Active Workspace will launch.
 - It is not required to enter your credentials to various applications if single sign-on (SSO) is configured.
 - See the Enable remote inboxes section in the Active Workspace Workflows and Tasks Guide for more information.

A. Workflow handlers

What are workflow handlers?

Handlers are the lowest-level building blocks in workflow. They are small ITK programs used to extend and customize tasks. There are two kinds of handlers:

- Action handlers extend and customize task actions. They perform such actions as displaying information, retrieving the results of previous tasks (inherit), notifying users, setting object protections and launching applications.
- Rule handlers integrate workflow business rules into EPM workflow processes at the task level. They
 attach conditions to an action. Rule handlers confirm that a defined rule has been satisfied. If the rule
 is met, the handler returns the EPM_go command, allowing the task to continue. If the rule is not
 met, it returns the EPM_nogo command, preventing the task from continuing. If there are multiple
 targets for a single rule handler, all targets must satisfy the rule for EPM_go to be returned (AND
 condition).

Many conditions defined by a rule handler are binary (that is, they are either true or false). However, some conditions are neither true nor false. EPM allows two or more rule handlers to be combined using logical **AND/OR** conditions. When several rule handlers are combined using a logical **Or** condition, rule handler quorums specify the number of rule handlers that must return **EPM_go** for the action to complete.

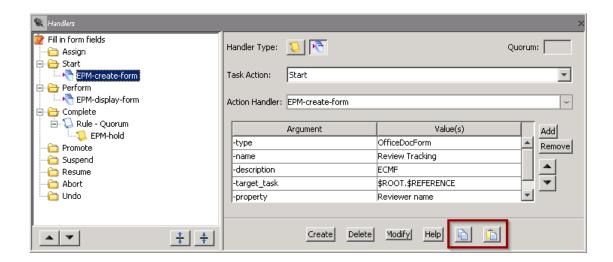
Action and rule handlers in the **Handlers** panel can be copied:

- From one action to another action in a task.
- From one task to another task in the same template.
- From a task in one template to a task in another template.

For the selection in the action tree, click **Performs a Copy action** or **Performs a Paste action** as desired.

Note:

For **Performs a Paste action**, the process template must be in **Edit X** mode.



- To paste on another task in the same template, select the target task in the task hierarchy tree.
- To paste on a task in another template, select the target template from the **Process Template** list.

Executing workflow handlers

Handlers that require access execute according to either the default (**regular**) access or **system** access. The preference **WRKFLW_access_level_for_handlers_execution** indicates the access level to be used. This preference value takes effect on all handlers collectively (not individually).

- **Regular** access: In a typical user session, there are several factors that control access. Some of those factors include access rules, ACLs, and handler logic. Allowing these factors to determine access without overriding them is referred to as **regular** access. Regular access allows handlers to execute with their default access. This is the default preference setting.
- **System** access: When a handler executes with system access, the handler's default access will be overridden and the handler will be granted system access. This means that in a session where the preference is set to **system**, a handler would be granted access; whereas in a session where the preference is set to **regular**, the same handler would be denied access.

The following examples demonstrate the difference in handler behavior according to the preference setting. The **EPM-attach-related-objects** handler is used in these examples.

Consider the scenario where object access is denied and **EPM-attach-related-objects** is attempting to attach that object to a workflow.

- If the value for WRKFLW_access_level_for_handlers_execution is set to regular, then the handler will not be allowed to attach the object and an error will occur.
- If the value for WRKFLW_access_level_for_handlers_execution is set to system, then the default access will be overridden and access to the object will be granted, and the handler will be allowed to attach the object without error.

Working with Access Manager

The EPM-set-rule-based-protection handler indicates that an ACL will be passed to Access Manager. Access Manager will then apply access as defined by the ACL. Although EPM-set-rule-based-protection will indicate an ACL, it does not apply the ACL. Access Manager picks up the ACL and applies and enforces it. The ACL set by EPM-set-rule-based-protection is not exposed to Access Manager until a task's state has been set to Started. A task's state does not transition to Started until all the handlers on the Start action execute successfully. This means that other handlers that are located on the same Start action as EPM-set-rule-based-protection will not execute under the access indicated by EPM-set-rule-based-protection. In order for other handlers to adhere to the access indicated by EPM-set-rule-based-protection, they can either be placed on the Complete action of the current task or the Start action of a successor task. It is important to understand this concept because some handlers rely on access, and therefore a proper configuration is required to ensure the intended access is being applied when these handler execute.

For example, a desired configuration may be to have all of the following happen on a single task:

- 1. **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** indicates an ACL.
- 2. Access Manager picks up the ACL and applies the access.
- 3. **EPM-attach-related-objects** executes based on the access of the ACL that was indicated by **EPM-set-rule-based-protection**.

Since the ACL will not be applied until the task starts, to achieve the desired behavior, the **EPM-attach-related-objects** should be placed on the Complete action.

In this example, the configuration should look like this:

- Task Start handler: EPM-set-rule-based-protection
- Task Complete handler: EPM-attach-related-objects

With this configuration the processing will execute as follows:

- 1. Current task state is Pending.
- 2. Task is triggered to start.
- 3. Handlers on the Start action will execute, which in this example is the **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** handler, and **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** will indicate an ACL.
- 4. After the handlers on the Start action execute successfully, the task state is set to Started. The indicated ACL will now be applied (and this access will remain until a different access is set).
- 5. Handlers on the Complete action will execute, which in this example is the **EPM-attach-related-objects** handler.

6. The **EPM-attach-related-objects** executes under the intended ACL, which is the ACL indicated by **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** in step 3.

Updating your task templates to use the new handler and argument names

Starting with Teamcenter version 10.1, many of the workflow handlers, their arguments, and accepted argument values were changed to make them more consistent. The effect of the renaming depends on your situation:

- If you did not have an installation of Teamcenter prior to version 10.1, the renaming has no effect for you.
- If your installation was upgraded from a Teamcenter version prior to 10.1 to the current version, the **migrate_wf_handlers** utility was run during the upgrade and the handlers and arguments provided by Teamcenter were automatically renamed.
- If you are importing templates from a Teamcenter version prior to 10.1 to the current version, you must run the **migrate_wf_handlers** utility after importing the templates to rename the handlers and arguments.
 - When you import templates from a Teamcenter version prior to 10.1, do not select the **Apply template changes to all active workflow processes** check box in the rich client or use the **apply_template** argument in the **plmxml_import** utility. If you do, Teamcenter does not successfully import the template.
- If you have custom handlers, you can use the **migrate_wf_handlers** utility and a custom mapping file to rename your custom handlers and arguments.

Renaming your custom handlers and arguments

You can use a custom XML mapping file and the **migrate_wf_handlers** utility to rename your custom handlers and arguments to make them consistent with the Teamcenter handlers and arguments. The elements of the mapping file are:

Element	Attributes	Usage
<mapping></mapping>	None.	The <mapping> element is the root level element in the XML file.</mapping>
<remove></remove>	None.	Removes a handler or handler argument depending on where it is placed and its child elements.
		If <remove> is the top level element, it may only have a <handler> element as a child.</handler></remove>
		If <remove> is the child of a <handler> element, it may only have one or more <argument></argument></handler></remove>

Element	Attributes	Usage
		elements as children. If an Argument value is specified, the Argument is removed only if the Argument value in the mapping file is a subset of the actual Argument Value in the system. If an Argument value is not specified, the Argument is removed, ignoring whether it has any value or not.
<replace></replace>	None.	Replaces a handler with more than one handler as specified by subsequent <add> elements. The <handler> child element of the <replace> names the handler to be replaced. The arguments that need to be copied over to the new handlers (for example, see arg3 below) should be explicitly identified. If an argument from the old handler is not explicitly defined to be copied over, it is not added to a new handler, unlike the update/rename handler case.</replace></handler></add>
		For replacing one handler with another single handler, use the <update> element.</update>
<update></update>	None.	Changes a handler's name and/or arguments.
<argument></argument>	 name (optional) The current name of an argument. value (optional) The current value of an argument. newName (optional) The new name to be given to an argument. newValue (optional) 	Specifies the current and possibly new names and values for arguments of a handler.
	 The new value to be given to an argument. index (optional) Position of the argument in the handler. The index and name attributes are mutually 	
<handler></handler>	exclusive.name	Specifies the current and possibly new name of a handler.

Element	Attributes	Usage
	The current name of a handler.	
	 newName (optional) The new name to be given to a handler. 	
	• transformAssignees= to-be-argname (optional) Use this attribute when your existing handler has any number of users, groups, roles, address lists, and/or resource pools as arguments where they are not already specified in the form of a - argname=argvalue pair (such as - participant=Smith).	
• match (optional) false—the result of the criteria should be negated. true—default value.	false—the result of the criteria should be negated.	Specifies restrictions on the <handler> element in which it is embedded. The action specified by the <handler> element is only applied if the criteria evaluate to true.</handler></handler>
	<pre><criteria> may have two child elements: <template name="template-name"></template>, and <argument name="arg-name" value="arg-value"></argument> that may be specified alone or together. The template-name is compared to the name of template containing the handler. The arg-name and arg-value are compared to the list of handler arguments. If both <template> and <argument> are specified, a handler must match both of the respective attributes.</argument></template></criteria></pre>	
<template></template>	 name=template-name Compared to the name of the template containing the handler. 	Restricts the <criteria> element in which it is embedded to the specified template. If both <template> and <argument> are specified, a handler must match both of the respective attributes.</argument></template></criteria>
<argument></argument>	 name=arg-name Compared to the list of handler argument names. 	Restricts the <criteria> element in which it is embedded to the specified argument name and value. If both <template> and <argument> are</argument></template></criteria>

Element	Attributes	Usage
	 value=arg-value Compared to the list of handler argument values. 	specified, a handler must match both of the respective attributes.
<add></add>	None.	Adds a handler or handler argument. Unlike the <remove> element, <add> is never a top level element, but is always a child of a <handler> element.</handler></add></remove>
<modify></modify>	None.	Modifies a handler argument.
<split></split>	 name An argument name. 	Splits any handler argument old-name=old-value pair into separate arguments name1=old-name and name2=old-value.
	 newName An argument value. 	A wildcard may be used for the name to match <i>old-name</i> .
	• Delimiter (optional) For splitting two delimited values existing only in the handler name field. For example, values delimited by two colons (::).	For example, <split name="*" newname="- source, -decision"></split> splits Cond1=Checked and Cond2=true into -source=Cond1, - decision=Checked, and -source=Cond2, - decision=true. Because handler arguments with the same name are combined into a single argument, this finally results in - source=Cond1,Cond2 and - decision=Checked,true.

Note:

For any handler matched and processed by the **migrate_wf_handlers** utility, arguments having the same name are combined into a single argument with a resulting value composed of a comma-separated list.

Here is a full example of a mapping file:

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<Argument name="arg4" value="val4"/>
            <!-- if value is not specified, remove argument irrespective
            of its value -->
            <Argument name="arg5" />
         </Remove>
      </Handler>
   <Replace>
    <Handler name="old-handler-name">
      <bb/><bb/>Add>
         <Handler name="new-handler1">
            <!-- copy value from arg1 to new-arg1 -->
            <Argument name="arg1" newName="new-arg1" />
            <!-- if arg2 has val2 (substring match) on old handler,
            add new argument new-arg2, copy over the value and
            replace the substring to new-sub-value2 -->
            <Argument name="arg2" value="sub-val2-1" newName="new-arg2"</pre>
            newValue="new-sub-val2-1" />
            <!-- The same argument can be repeated multiple times for
different
            substring value -->
            <Argument name="arg2" value="sub-val2-2" newName="new-arg2"</pre>
            newValue="new-sub-val2-2" />
            <!-- if arg3 is defined on old handler, add it to new
handler
            and copy its value from old handler -->
            <Argument name="arg3" />
            <!-- add new argument with new value -->
            <Argument newName="new-arg6" newValue="new-val6"/>
         </Handler>
         <Handler name="new-handler2">
            <Argument newName="new-arg5" newValue="new-val5"/>
            <!-- copy value from arg1 to new-arg1 -->
            <Argument name="arg1" newName="new-arg1"/>
         </Handler>
      </Add>
   </Replace>
   <Update>
      <!-- Rename the old handler, as well as removing, adding and
modifying
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its arguments. -->
      <!-- If any handler argument names are not mentioned in remove/
modify
      sections, they are copied over to new handler. -->
      <Handler name="old-handler-name" newName="new-handler-name">
         <Remove>
            <!-- if value is specified, remove the argument only if arg4
has
            val4 -->
            <Argument name="arg4" value="val4"/>
            <!-- if value is not specified, remove argument irrespective
of its
            value -->
            <Argument name="arg5"/>
         </Remove>
         <Add>
            <Argument name="new-arg6" value="new-val6"/>
            <!-- if value is not specified or is empty, set the argument
value
            to empty -->
            <Argument name="new-arg7" value=""/>
         </Add>
         <Modify>
            <Argument name="arg1" value="val1" newName="new-arg1"</pre>
            newValue="new-val1"/>
            <!-- if newValue is not specified, copy the old argument
value to
            new argument -->
            <Arqument name="arg2" value="val2" newName="new-arg2" />
         </Modify>
      </Handler>
   </Update>
   <Remove>
      <!-- Remove Handler if the criteria matches (arg1 exists with
value
      val1 and arg2 exists) -->
      <Handler name="old-handler-name">
         <Criteria>
            <Argument name="arg1" value="val1"/>
            <Argument name="arg2"/>
         </Criteria>
      </Handler>
   </Remove>
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<Update>
      <!-- Rename Handler if arg3 does not exist on the handler -->
      <Handler name="old-handler-name" newName="new-handler-name">
         <!-- If match set to 'false', the result of the criteria should
be
         negated. (!) -->
         <Criteria match="false">
            <Argument name="arg3"/>
         </Criteria>
      </Handler>
   </Update>
   <Update>
      <!-- Add one or more handler arguments -->
      <Handler name="old-handler-name">
         <Add>
            <Argument name="new-arg1" value="new-val1"/>
            <Argument name="new-arg2" value="new-val2"/>
         </Add>
      </Handler>
   </Update>
   <Update>
      <Handler name="old-handler-name">
         <Modify>
         <Argument name="arg1" value="val1" newName="new-arg1"</pre>
         newValue="new-val1"/>
         <!-- if newValue is not specified, copy over the old argument
value to
         new argument -->
         <Argument name="arg2" value="val2" newName="new-arg2"/>
         <!-- if newValue is empty, clear the value for new argument. If
val3 is
         a substring of original value, special care should be taken in
         removing ',' -->
         <Argument name="arg3" value="val3" newName="new-arg3"</pre>
newValue=""/>
         <!-- if new argument name is not specified, do not rename the
argument,
         but modify the argument value -->
         <Argument name="arg8" value="val8" newValue="new-val8" />
         <!-- Rename Handler Argument, keeping/copying-over the value -->
         <Argument name="arg9" newName="new-arg9" />
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<!-- Irrespective of the name of the argument, rename it to
new-arg1
         and copy the argument name as value of the new argument. If the
new
         argument name is already defined/added on the handler, append
the
         value to existing value of that argument with delimiter set in
the
         preference. -->
         <Argument name="*" newName="new-arg11" newValue="$ARGNAME"/>
         <!-- Replace the argument value by another value which includes
the
                  original value. If value is a comma separated list,
                             the new value will be a comma separated
list
                             with the static string (user:) added
                  to each value in the list. -->
         <Argument name="user" newName="-assignee"</pre>
newValue="user:$ARGVALUE"/>
         <!-- index attribute will mention the arguments sequence in the
                    handler. name and index are mutually exclusive. -->
         <Argument index="1" newName="year" newValue="$ARGNAME"/>
         <Argument index="2" newName="week" newValue="$ARGNAME"/>
         </Modify>
      </Handler>
   </Update>
   <Update>
      <!-- Rename Handler example. Rename "old-handler-name" handler to
            "new-handler-name" for all instances of "old-handler-name"
handler -->
      <Handler name="old-handler-name" newName="new-handler-name">
   </Update>
</Mapping>
```

Handler argument values

Syntax for handler arguments and values

Define handler arguments and values using the **Handlers** dialog box.

When you select a handler name, the existing arguments and values for the selected handler populate the argument table. You can enter additional arguments by typing argument and value data into the table cells. To assign multiple values to a single argument, separate the values with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference. For example:

Argument	Values
-relation	IMAN_specification
-type	UGMASTER, UGPART
-att_type	target

Note:

- Handler values are case sensitive and must be accurate to the letter.
- If an argument calls for the name of an object, attribute, or property defined in the Business Modeler IDE, it must use the actual name, not its display name.
- In Assignee and Recipient fields in Active Workspace, if an argument value has a comma in its name, you must use the EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator preference to specify another separator for multiple values.

For example, if you have a **Recipient 1**, **Recipient 2**, **and Recipient 3** group and use it as an argument value, you must change the preference to use a different separator character, such as a semi-colon (;).

Keywords as argument values

What are handler keywords?

Keywords are special arguments that extract values from the system, inserting the data into the handler's argument values in place of the keyword. Keyword syntax is the dollar sign (\$) followed by the keyword name. For example, **\$USER** extracts the logon ID of the current user and inserts that value into the handler argument.

Some keywords are common keywords. You can use common keywords with many Teamcenter handlers. You can use some common keywords with custom handlers by using the EPM_substitute_keyword and EPM_substitute_task_keyword ITK functions. Use of these functions is illustrated within some of the sample workflow handlers delivered in the sample directory.

Other keywords are handler-specific keywords. You can handler-specific keywords only with specific handlers. The documentation for each handler lists any handler-specific keywords that you can use with that handler.

Common keywords

Table The following table lists common keywords that you can use with many Teamcenter handlers and with custom handlers by using the **EPM_substitute_keyword** ITK function.

Keyword	Description
\$USER	Extracts the user ID of the current user.
\$GROUP	Extracts the group ID of the current user.
\$ROLE	Extracts the role of the current user.

The following table lists common keywords that you can use with many Teamcenter handlers and with custom handlers by using the **EPM_substitute_task_keyword** ITK function.

Keyword	Description
\$PROCESS_OWNER	Extracts the user ID of the owner of the current workflow process.
\$PROCESS_GROUP	Extracts the group ID of the owner of the current workflow process.
\$TARGET_OWNER[[(Class) Type]]	Extracts the user ID of the owner of the current workflow process's target.
	You can define an optional type or bracketed class in square brackets to specify the type or class of target object from which to extract the owner ID. If you do not define a class or type, the system uses the class of ItemRevision by default.
	If the system finds more than one object, it returns the owner ID from the first object.
	For example, \$TARGET_OWNER[(Dataset)] extracts the owning user ID from the first dataset target found, and \$TARGET_OWNER[UGMASTER] extracts the owning user ID from the first UGMASTER target found.
\$TARGET_GROUP[[(Class) Type]]	Extracts the group ID of the owner of the current workflow process's target. Only the first owner is returned.
	As with \$TARGET_OWNER , you can provide a type or bracketed class in square brackets to specify the type or class of target object from which to extract the owning group ID.
\$TARGET_OWNERS[[(Class) Type1[,Type2,]]]	Extracts the user IDs of the owners of the current workflow process's targets. Only the first owner is returned.
	This keyword works the same as \$TARGET_OWNER , except that it returns a unique comma-separated list of the different owning user IDs from all specified target types.
\$TARGET_GROUPS[[(Class) Type1[,Type2,]]]	Extracts the group IDs of the owners of the current workflow process's targets.

Keyword	Description
	This keyword works the same as \$TARGET_OWNERS , except it returns group IDs.
\$ROLE_IN_GROUP	Extracts the user's current logged-on group ID and role in the format of a resource string, for example, group::role.

Handler-specific keywords

The following table lists keywords that you can only use with specific handlers.

The documentation for each action handler and rule handler lists any handler-specific keywords that you can use with that handler. You can search the handler documentation for a particular handler-specific keyword to find all handlers that accept that keyword and to read a description of its functionality.

Keyword	Handlers
\$ANALYST	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-auto-assign
	EPM-auto-assign-rest
	EPM-assign-team-selector
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-auto-assign
	EPM-auto-assign-rest
	EPM-assign-team-selector

Keyword	Handlers
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-auto-assign
	EPM-auto-assign-rest
	EPM-assign-team-selector
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST3	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-auto-assign
	EPM-auto-assign-rest
	EPM-assign-team-selector
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$CURRENT_DATE	EPM-set-property
\$OWNER	EPM-check-action-performer-role
	EPM-late-notification
\$PROCESS	EPM-notify
	EPM-notify-signoffs
\$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-auto-assign
	EPM-auto-assign-rest
	EPM-assign-team-selector
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$PROJECT_AUTHOR	EPM-adhoc-signoffs

Keyword	Handlers
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$PROJECT_MEMBER	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-auto-assign
	EPM-auto-assign-rest
	EPM-assign-team-selector
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-auto-assign
	EPM-auto-assign-rest
	EPM-assign-team-selector
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$REFERENCE	EPM-attach-related-objects
	EPM-create-form
	EPM-create-relation
	EPM-display-form
	EPM-remove-objects

Keyword	Handlers
	EPM-set-property
	EPM-notify
	EPM-notify-signoffs
\$RELEASE_STATUS	EPM-create-form
	EPM-create-relation
	EPM-display-form
\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-check-action-performer-role
	EPM-late-notification
	EPM-notify
\$REQUESTOR	EPM-adhoc-signoffs
	EPM-auto-assign
	EPM-auto-assign-rest
	EPM-assign-team-selector
	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-notify
\$REVIEWERS	EPM-fill-in-reviewers
	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-late-notification
	EPM-notify
\$SIGNOFF	EPM-create-form
	EPM-create-relation
	EPM-display-form
\$TARGET	EPM-attach-related-objects
	EPM-check-target-attachments
	EPM-create-form
	EPM-create-relation
	EPM-display-form
	EPM-remove-objects

Keyword	Handlers
	EPM-set-property
	EPM-notify
	EPM-notify-signoffs
\$UNDECIDED	EPM-notify-report
	EPM-late-notification
	EPM-notify

Use keywords to implement dynamic participants in handlers

You can use the following keywords to invoke dynamic participants:

\$ANALYS1	\$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR
\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1	\$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR
\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2	\$PROJECT_AUTHOR
\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST3	\$PROJECT_MEMBER

\$REQUESTOR

CODOLECT ADMINISTRATOR

\$CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD

\$CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD

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If you want to use your custom dynamic participants, follow these steps:

- 1. In Business Modeler IDE, create a child of the **Participant** business object.
- 2. For each child you create, associate a keyword in Business Modeler IDE.
- 3. In Workflow Designer, use the keyword you associated with a **Participant** business object child in a handler.

The handler associates the keyword with the dynamic participant defined in Business Modeler IDE and users with the specified role.

Configuring assigning participants automatically

You can configure your workflow to automatically assign participants with a set of Business Modeler IDE constants that have conditions as values. You can also use assign participants by adding workflow handlers that use properties that have participants as values.

Workflow constants

A set of constants is provided in the form:

cprefix><participant-name>AssignableCondition

The variable *<prefix>* is the Business Modeler IDE template prefix and *<participant-name>* is an existing participant name.

Note:

If the participant name also has a template prefix, the prefix appears twice.

For example, if the prefix is **Fnd0** and the participant name is **PROPOSED RESPONSIBLE PARTY**, the constant is **Fnd0ProposedResponsiblePartyAssignableCondition**.

The constants are for item revisions and change item revisions.

Workflow conditions

The values of the constants are conditions in the form:

is<participant-name>Assignable

For example, if the participant name is **PROPOSED RESPONSIBLE PARTY**, the condition is **isProposedResponsiblePartyAssignable**.

This is used while assigning dynamic participants. Teamcenter gets the value of the cprefix><participant-name>AssignableCondition constant to get the condition name to evaluate before assigning the participant.

Search for condition names

You can search for the constant name given an object type and participant type using pattern matching.

For example, to find a constant associated with an item revision and the **Fnd0MyNewParticipant** participant, search for a constant that ends with **Fnd0MyNewParticipantAssignableCondition**. The actual constant name is **Fnd0Fnd0MyNewParticipantAssignableCondition**.

If there are multiple matches, choose the one which has the same prefix as the prefix of the participant name.

Creating constants and conditions

If you have your own participant types, you must create your own constants and conditions for them.

For example, if your template prefix is **CUS1** and the new participant name is **MyParticipant**:

- 1. Create a participant named **CUS1MyParticipant**.
- 2. Create a constant named **CUS1CUS1MyParticipantAssignableCondition** with a value of **isMyParticipantAssignable**.

The participant creation code looks up the constant and corresponding condition and evaluates it.

Assigning participants with workflow handlers

You can use the following workflow handlers when automatically assigning participants:

- EPM-assign-responsible-party-dynamic-participant
- EPM-assign-signoff-dynamic-participant

The following handlers can be used to get assignees from a property value:

- EPM-adhoc-signoffs
- EPM-assign-team-selector
- EPM-auto-assign
- EPM-auto-assign-rest
- EPM-fill-in-reviewers

You can use the **user:PROP::**property_name, **resourcepool:PROP::**property_name, or **allmembers:PROP::**property_name values for the **-assignee** argument to get the name of the assignee from a property of the target, reference, or schedule task.

You can find the object type with the **-include_related_type**, **-exclude_related_type**, **-include_type**, **-exclude_type**, **-from_relation**, and **-from_attach** arguments.

For more information, see the full handler description.

Lists of values as argument values

Using lists of values (LOVs) in handler arguments

Some handlers have the ability to work on many objects, or may require many pieces of information to fully define what it is required of them. In these cases, it is cumbersome to supply all of the information as arguments or to add the handler several times to the same task, defining multiple arguments each time.

In cases when a handler is placed several times in a workflow process on different tasks (or in different workflow processes), adding many arguments to each instance of the handler is time consuming. If arguments later need to be modified, they may need to be changed in every instance of the handler, which is also time consuming.

Using LOVs as handler arguments is an efficient alternative. Standard LOVs supply a list of possible values to form attributes. LOVs used in handler arguments are created in the same way, using the Business Modeler IDE; however they do not need to be attached to any attributes. Each line in the LOV supplies configuration information relevant to the specific handler it is used for and in the format required by the handler.

LOV syntax

Any handler using an LOV accepts the **-lov=**lov-name argument, which specifies the LOV to be used.

The format of the data in a handler LOV is dependent on the information required by the handler, therefore, it is not the same across all handlers that accept LOV arguments. Where similar types of information are required, however, a consistent format is used. For example, when multiple fields of information are required in an LOV line, the fields are separated by tildes (~). The individual handler documentation describes the LOV line format required for that handler.

Note:

The name of an LOV used with a handler can be anything, but the Business Modeler IDE may enforce a particular naming convention, for example, an **M4**_ prefix. You can add the handler name as a suffix to help identify LOVs used by handlers.

Defining multilevel object paths

With some handlers, you can specify a multilevel path for locating objects using relation type/object type pairs, or relation type/class pairs. Typically, you use this method when working with LOVs.

The general syntax is:

relation.{type[,type]|(class)[!type]} . relation .{type[,type]|(class)[!type]}

You specify multiple types in a comma-separated list. For any relation or type field in the path, you can use either an asterisk (*) or ALL as a wildcard to mean any relation, type, or class.

You can specify target and reference relations within a workflow process using the **\$TARGET** and **\$REFERENCE** keywords.

For example, use multilevel object paths to find forms of a specific type attached to revisions within revisions. Consider this scenario:

A change item revision is currently in a change process. The change object contains item revisions with the **Solution Items** relation. Each of these solution revisions contain an **Affected Item Form**

type in a reference relation that needs to be attached to the change process. You can identify these forms using this syntax:

```
$TARGET.(ItemRevision).CMHasSolutionItem.(ItemRevision).Reference.Affected Item Form
```

The previous example uses three relation pairs, as follows:

Pair	Description
\$TARGET.(ItemRevision)	Finds objects of the class ItemRevision attached as workflow process targets.
CMHas Solution Item. (Item Revision)	For each of the revisions found by the first pair, the system searches the CMHasSolutionItem relation to find objects of the class ItemRevision .
Reference.Affected Item Form	For each of the revisions found by the second pair, the system searches the Reference relations to find objects of the type Affected Item Form .

The individual handler documentation indicates which handlers accept this syntax.

LOV syntax example

This LOV example can be used with the **EPM-attach-related-objects** handler. Each line is a separate value in the LOV.

Argument	Values
-lov	M4_EPM_attach_objects

The M4_EPM_attach_objects LOV contains this data:

Value	Description
\$TARGET.(ItemRevision).Specification.*	Attach all objects in target revision Specification relation
\$TARGET.(ItemRevision).Specification.(Dataset). Form.(Form)!UGPartAttr	Attach all forms attached to datasets in target revision Specification relation

Value	Description
\$TARGET.(ItemRevision).PSBOMViewRevision.*	Attach all BOM View Revisions in target revision
\$TARGET.(ItemRevision).Manifestation.(Form)	Attach all forms in target revision Manifestation relation

Differentiating between classes and types

The purpose of many handlers is to locate and/or act on specified *types* or *classes*. Specifying a type directs the system to identify an object type. But specifying a class directs the system to identify *any* of the many types within that class. Therefore, it can be difficult to distinguish between types and classes.

For example, in the case of item revisions, some handlers perceive **ItemRevision** as a class of item revisions, making it difficult to designate the **ItemRevision** type.

Some handlers have the ability to distinguish between a class and type definitively. These handlers accept syntax that uses round brackets () to specify a class. For example, (ItemRevision) specifies the class and ItemRevision specifies the type. When this bracket notation is accepted, an exclamation point (!) can be used to exclude specific types, using this format:

```
(Class) [!Type1[!Type2[!...]]]
```

For example, given the four item types defined:

- Item
- Document
- Design
- Software

then:

(Item)	Matches any object of the Item class.
(Item) ! Software	Matches any object of the Item class except for the type Software .
(Item)! Document! Item	Matches any object of class Item except for the Document and Item types.
Design	Matches only the Design type.

The individual handler documentation indicates which handlers accept this syntax.

Specifying relations

Some relations for certain objects cannot be specified with standard generic relationship management (GRM) relation types. For example, you cannot specify to select all the revisions in an item. The following table lists available types of relations, including GRM relations and special relations.

Class	Relation	Description
Item A	Any GRM relation	Identifies any GRM-related objects attached to items.
		For example: (Item).IMAN_reference
	Revisions	Identifies all revisions from items.
		For example, to find all the datasets in the IMAN_specification relation of all revisions in any items found:
		(Item).Revisions.*.IMAN_specification. (Dataset)
		Note:
PSBOMView or BV		The type of revision is not relevant as there is only one type of revision in any item; therefore, an asterisk (*) is used to specify any type.
	PSBOMView or BV	Identifies all BOM views from items.
		For example, to select all BOM views:
		(Item). PSBOMView
		Select only the view BOM views:
		(Item).BV.BOMView Revision
Revision	Any GRM relation	Identifies any GRM-related objects attached to revisions.
		For example, to identify all reference objects from revisions:
		(ItemRevision).IMAN_reference
		Identifies all specification objects in document revisions that are attached as requirements to design revisions:
		Design Revision.IMAN_requirement.Document Revision.IMAN_specification.*

Class	Relation	Description
	PSBOMViewRevision or BVR	Identifies all BOM view revisions from revisions.
Dataset	Any GRM relation	Identifies any GRM-related objects attached to datasets.
		For example:
		(Dataset).IMAN_Rendering
	Any reference	Identifies any objects attached as references to datasets, such as UGPART-ATTR forms attached to UGMASTER and UGPART datasets.
		For example:
		(Dataset).UGPART-ATTR
Folder	*	Identifies objects in folders.
		For example, to identify all revisions in a folder:
		(Folder).*.(ItemRevision)
Job	\$TARGET or Targets	Identifies targets attached to a job.
		For example:
		(Job).\$TARGET
	\$REFERENCE or References	Identifies targets attached to a job.
		For example:
		(Job).\$REFERENCE

Debugging handler data

The following handlers offer debugging functionality, enabled through the **TC_HANDLERS_DEBUG** environment variable:

- EPM-check-target-object
- EPM-validate-target-objects
- EPM-check-target-attachments
- EPM-attach-related-objects
- EPM-remove-objects

The debugging data displays in the system log file. Use the debugging information to solve small usability issues, such as incorrect argument usage. You can also submit the data in incident reports to customer service.

You can enable debugging functionality for all the above handlers and their subfunctions by setting the **TC HANDLERS DEBUG** environment variable to **ALL**.

Alternatively, you can enable debugging functionality for specific handlers by entering one or more of the above handler names as the value.

Action handlers

Action Handlers

Action handlers extend and customize task actions. They perform such actions as displaying information, retrieving the results of previous tasks (inherit), notifying users, setting object protections and launching applications.

Al-export-AH

DESCRIPTION

This handler has two modes of operation, depending on whether the required **type** argument is used with or without additional arguments.

- When **type** is the only argument:
 - When there already is an **AlObject** in the reference attachments, this handler does nothing.
 - When there is initially no AlObject in the reference attachments, this handler creates a new AlObject of the specified type and a new CCObject of type CCObject and name ERPObject. The handler creates a StructureContext for each ItemRevison found in the target attachments. The Latest Working revision rule is used in the StructureContext that is attached to the CCObject.
- When type is specified with at least one of the available optional arguments:
 - Exports the objects found in target attachments to one or more **AlObjects**, based on the settings of the optional arguments.
 - Searches the reference attachments for an **AlObject** of the type specified by the **type** argument.
 - When an **AlObject** is found, it is used. Otherwise this handler creates an **AlObject** of the specified type.

The objects attached to the targets attachments can be filtered by the list of types specified by **targetTypes** argument.

The types listed must be one of the following supported types:

- **♦ ItemRevision**
- ♦ Item
- **♦ PSBOMView**
- **♦ PSBOMViewRevision**
- **♦ CCObject**
- ♦ AppearanceGroup

If a targetTypes value is not provided, then all types are included.

- If the **multipleAl** value is equal to **1**, the handler creates an **AlObject** for each object in the target attachments.
- If the multipleAI value is equal to 0 and createRequests is equal to 1, the handler creates a single AIObject with a new RequestObject for each object in the target attachments.
- If **createCC** is equal to **1**, the handler creates a **CCObject** of the type specified by the **ccType** argument for non CC/SC objects in the target attachments, and exports the **CCObject**.

SYNTAX

Al-export-AH -type=ai-object-type [-multipleAl= 0 | 1] [-createCC= 0 | 1] [-ccType= cc-object-type] [-createRequests= 0 | 1] [-targetTypes= delimited list of object types by which to filter target attachments]

ARGUMENTS

-type

The type of **AlObject** to search for in the reference attachments or, if none are found, the type of **AlObject** to be created. The created **AlObject** is attached to the root task.

-multipleAl

If equal to **0**, creates a single **AlObject**. This is the default value.

If equal to 1, creates an AlObject for each object found in the target attachments.

-createCC

If set equal to 1, creates a **CCObject** with the type specified in the **-ccType** argument. The default value is **0**.

-ccType

The type of **CCObject** to be created.

-createRequests

If -multipleAI is equal to 0 and -createRequests is equal to 1, this handler creates a single AIObject with a new RequestObject for each object in target attachments. The default value is 0.

-targetTypes

Uses a delimited list of object types for filtering target attachments. The types listed must be of the following supported types: ItemRevision, Item | PSBOMView | PSBOMViewRevision | CCObject | AppearanceGroup.

The delimiter can be a colon (:) or a comma (,).

If no types are provided, all types are considered without filtering.

PLACEMENT

This handler can be placed on any task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

Select an **ItemRevision** and submit to a workflow with this handler. This handler creates and exports the **AlObject**, and then attaches it to the root task.

Argument	Values
-type	NX_AI
-createCC	1
-ссТуре	CCObject

Al-process-import

DESCRIPTION

Imports the PLM XML associated with the target **RequestObject** objects.

RequestObject objects are contained within ApplicationInterface (AI) objects.

SYNTAX

Al-process-import

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

The attachments must be placed under the root task.

EXAMPLES

To import the PLM XML associated with a new **RequestObject** object created by any client application under an existing AI object, use a workflow template containing this handler. Initiate the workflow against the AI and select one or more **RequestObject** objects as target attachments, including the new **RequestObject**. Optionally, also select an **ICRevision** object as a reference attachment. The structure is updated with the contents of the PLM XML contained within the **RequestObject** object.

Al-process-export

DESCRIPTION

Creates a new **RequestObject** object under the target **ApplicationInterface** (AI) object without changing the base references of the AI object.

An AI object is a persistent workspace object that is the repository for the import and export transactions between Teamcenter and an external application for a predefined and configured structure. It contains:

- An ordered list of request objects.
- The transfer mode (import or export).
- The root or top-level object of the structures to exchange. This can be any object that is valid to export from Teamcenter using PLM XML, for example, a structure context, item, or BOM view revision.
- Tracking information to allow updates of changed data (deltas).

Use this handler in workflows containing at least one AI object as a target, and containing reference attachments such as **StructureContext** or **CollaborationContext** objects, or objects accepted by PLM XML export (such as BOM views, BOM view revisions, items, and item revisions).

Note:

Without a **StructureContext** or **CollaborationContext** object, the PLM XML cannot export a structure, because there is no configuration; only the **workspaceObject** is exported. Typically, a **StructureContext** or **CollaborationContext** object is used as a reference attachment.

SYNTAX

Al-process-export

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

The attachments must be placed under the root task.

EXAMPLES

To share an existing **CollaborationContext** object with another application using PLM XML format, use a workflow template containing this handler. Initiate the workflow against an Al object, selecting the Al object as the target attachment and the **CollaborationContext** object as the reference attachment. The workflow creates a new **RequestObject** object. The Al can now be shared with another application.

AR-mark-archive

DESCRIPTION

Note:

This handler is deprecated and will be obsolete in a future release. Do not add this handler to new workflow processes.

Generates archive requests for datasets of item revisions with the specified status. This handler should be used only when the targets of a workflow process are item revisions. This handler is very useful in archiving the experimental, prototype data and keeping only the real data.

SYNTAX

AR-mark-archive [-exclude_related=relation::type [, relation::type..] **],-status_to_keep=**status::number-of-item-revs-to-keep [, status::number-of-item-revs-to-keep..]

ARGUMENTS

-exclude_related

Excludes the specified relation or type or type in relation from having an archive request being generated. This argument is optional. If this argument is used, either a relation or type should be specified. If only a relation is specified, :: need not be appended (for example: - exclude_related=IMAN_specification). If only a type is used, prepend the type with :: (for example: -exclude_related=::UGPART).

-status_to_keep

Release status **names::number** of item revisions to keep.

This means not to mark for archive the datasets of a specified number of item revisions with the specified release status.

Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends that the number of revisions to keep should be 1 or more. This way, at least one item revisions per release status is not archived. This assures that there are no product structure configuration problems.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement. Typically placed on the **Complete** action of the root task so that the objects are marked for archive at the end of completion of the workflow process.

RESTRICTIONS

Target objects must be item revisions.

EXAMPLES

In this example, consider the scenario:

An item has 20 item revisions out of which item revisions 1-4 have no release status, item revisions 5-9 have release status **Released**, item revisions 10-14 have release status **R**, and item revisions 15-19 have release status **X** set.

The **AR-mark-archive** handler with the following arguments is added to the **Complete** action of the root task.

Argument	Values
-exclude_related	IMAN_manifestation::UGPART
-status_to_keep	R::3, X::2

The previously created item revision workflow process template is initiated on the 20th item revision. After the workflow process is completed, the following results are expected.

All datasets except those:

- With manifestation relation
- Of type **UGPART**

of the item revisions, 10-11 and 15-17, are marked for archive.

ASBUILT-attach-physical-components

DESCRIPTION

Traverses the as-built structure and attaches as-built physical parts as targets to the workflow.

SYNTAX

```
ASBUILT-attach-physical-components [-depth=level | all]
        [-owned_by_initiator] [-owned_by_initiator_group]
        [initiator_has_write_prev]
        {[-exclude_released] [-traverse_released_component]}
        [-exclude_types=types]
        [-add_excluded_as_ref][-include_missing]
```

ARGUMENTS

-depth

Defines the depth to which the traversal should take place.

- For example, specify 1 to traverse one level deep or all to traverse all levels.
- If not specified, the handler traverses all levels.

-owned_by_initiator

Adds the components owned by the initiator as targets to the workflow process.

-owned_by_initiator_group

Adds all components owned by the initiator's group as targets to the workflow process.

-initiator_has_write_prev

Adds all component item revisions where the initiator has write access as targets to the workflow process.

-exclude_released

Excludes released components from being added as targets.

If the released component is a subassembly, the handler does not traverse the components of the released component unless **-traverse_released_component** is also specified.

-traverse_released_component

Note:

This argument can only be used in conjunction with the **-exclude_released** argument.

Traverses the structure of the released component and adds the components as targets to the workflow process.

- If the -depth argument is set to 1, -traverse_released_component only traverses one level deep.
- If the -depth argument is set to all, -traverse_released_component traverses all levels of the subassembly.

-exclude_types

Defines the types to be excluded from being added as targets.

-add_excluded_as_ref

Adds components that are not included as targets to the workflow process as references.

-include_missing

Includes missing components as targets.

If this is not specified, an error is displayed for structures that contain missing components.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement, but preferably after review/approval completion, if any.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

ASBUILT-release-asbuilt-structure

DESCRIPTION

Releases or freezes the as-built physical structures. Given a top or root physical part revision, this handler navigates the as-built structure relationships and releases each of the physical part revision objects in the structure by attaching a release status object. Target objects are officially released after this handler runs.

SYNTAX

ASBUILT-release-asbuilt-structure -release status [-depth=/eve/ | all] [-owned_by_initiator] [-owned_by_initiator_group] [-initiator_has_write_prev] {[-exclude_released] [-traverse_released_component]} [-exclude_types=types] [-add_excluded_as_ref] [-include_missing]

ARGUMENTS

-release status

Applies the specified release status to each of the physical parts.

-depth

Defines the depth to which the traversal should take place.

For example, specify 1 to traverse one level deep or all to traverse all levels.

If not specified, the handler traverses all levels.

-owned_by_initiator

Adds the components owned by the initiator as targets to the workflow process.

-owned_by_initiator_group

Adds all components owned by the initiator's group as targets to the workflow process.

-initiator_has_write_prev

Adds all component item revisions where the initiator has write access as targets to the workflow process.

-exclude_released

Excludes released components from being added as targets.

If the released component is a subassembly, the handler does not traverse the components of the released component unless **-traverse_released_component** is also specified.

-traverse_released_component

Traverses the structure of the released component and adds the components as targets to the workflow process.

This argument can only be used in conjunction with the **-exclude_released** argument.

If the **-depth** argument is set to **1**, **-traverse_released_component** only traverses one level deep. If the **-depth** argument is set to **all**, **-traverse_released_component** traverses all levels of the subassembly.

-exclude_types

Defines the types to be excluded from being added as targets.

-add_excluded_as_ref

Adds components that are not included as targets to the workflow process as references.

-include_missing

Includes missing components as targets.

If this is not specified, an error is displayed for structures that contain missing components.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement, but preferably after review/approval completion, if any.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

ASMAINTAINED-attach-physical-components

DESCRIPTION

Traverses the as-maintained structure and attaches as-built physical parts as targets to the workflow.

SYNTAX

ASMAINTAINED-attach-physical-components [-depth=/eve/ | all]
[-owned_by_initiator] [-owned_by_initiator_group]
[initiator_has_write_prev]
{[-exclude_released] [-traverse_released_component]}
[-exclude_types=types]
[-add_excluded_as_ref][-include_missing]

ARGUMENTS

-depth

Defines the depth to which the traversal should take place.

- For example, specify 1 to traverse one level deep or all to traverse all levels.
- If not specified, the handler traverses all levels.

-owned_by_initiator

Adds the components owned by the initiator as targets to the workflow process.

-owned_by_initiator_group

Adds all components owned by the initiator's group as targets to the workflow process.

-initiator_has_write_prev

Adds all component item revisions where the initiator has write access as targets to the workflow process.

-exclude_released

Excludes released components from being added as targets.

If the released component is a subassembly, the handler does not traverse the components of the released component unless **-traverse_released_component** is also specified.

-traverse_released_component

Note:

This argument can only be used in conjunction with the **-exclude_released** argument.

Traverses the structure of the released component and adds the components as targets to the workflow process.

- If the -depth argument is set to 1, -traverse_released_component only traverses one level deep.
- If the -depth argument is set to all, -traverse_released_component traverses all levels of the subassembly.

-exclude_types

Defines the types to be excluded from being added as targets.

-add_excluded_as_ref

Adds components that are not included as targets to the workflow process as references.

-include_missing

Includes missing components as targets.

If this is not specified, an error is displayed for structures that contain missing components.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement, but preferably after review/approval completion, if any.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

ASMAINTAINED-release-asmaintained-structure

DESCRIPTION

Releases or freezes the as-maintained physical structures. Given a top or root physical part revision, this handler navigates the as-maintained structure relationships and releases each of the physical part revision objects in the structure by attaching a release status object. Target objects are officially released after this handler runs.

SYNTAX

ASMAINTAINED-release-asmaintained-structure -release status [-depth=level | all] [-owned_by_initiator] [-owned_by_initiator_group] [-initiator_has_write_prev] {[-exclude_released] [-traverse_released_component]} [-exclude_types=types] [-add_excluded_as_ref] [-include_missing]

ARGUMENTS

-release status

Applies the specified release status to each of the physical parts.

-depth

Defines the depth to which the traversal should take place.

For example, specify 1 to traverse one level deep or all to traverse all levels.

If not specified, the handler traverses all levels.

-owned_by_initiator

Adds the components owned by the initiator as targets to the workflow process.

-owned_by_initiator_group

Adds all components owned by the initiator's group as targets to the workflow process.

-initiator_has_write_prev

Adds all component item revisions where the initiator has write access as targets to the workflow process.

-exclude_released

Excludes released components from being added as targets.

If the released component is a subassembly, the handler does not traverse the components of the released component unless **-traverse_released_component** is also specified.

-traverse_released_component

Traverses the structure of the released component and adds the components as targets to the workflow process.

This argument can only be used in conjunction with the **-exclude_released** argument.

If the **-depth** argument is set to **1**, **-traverse_released_component** only traverses one level deep. If the **-depth** argument is set to **all**, **-traverse_released_component** traverses all levels of the subassembly.

-exclude_types

Defines the types to be excluded from being added as targets.

-add_excluded_as_ref

Adds components that are not included as targets to the workflow process as references.

-include_missing

Includes missing components as targets.

If this is not specified, an error is displayed for structures that contain missing components.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement, but preferably after review/approval completion, if any.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

BC-perform-export

DESCRIPTION

Performs a Briefcase/PDX export using a workflow process.

SYNTAX

BC-perform-export -site=site-name [-optionset=transfer-option-set] [-usegs=True | False] [-revisionrule=revision-rule-name] [-bomlevel=depth] [-vendors=vendor-names] [-reason=export-reason-string] [-immediate=True | False] [-notify=True|False] [-emailaddrs=email-ids]

ARGUMENTS

-site

Specifies the destination site where the Briefcase or PDX package is to be exported.

-optionset

Specifies the transfer option set to be used during export. If none is specified, the system uses either **TIEPDXOptionSetDefault** (for a PDX export) or **TIEUnconfiguredExportDefault** (for a Briefcase export) based on availability of the set.

-usegs

Specifies whether the transaction should go through Global Services or not. Valid values are **True** and **False**. The default value is **False**, which is a non-Global Services-based transaction.

-revisionrule

Specifies the revision rule to be used to perform the BOM configuration.

-bomlevel

Specifies the depth to which the BOM must be traversed for export.

-vendors

Specifies the list of vendor names whose manufacturer parts are to be exported. Only parts from these vendors get exported.

-reason

Specifies the reason for the export (up to 240 characters).

-immediate

Specifies whether the transaction should be performed immediately or not. This argument is applicable only when **-usegs=True**. Valid values are **True** and **False**. The default value is **False**.

-notify

Specifies whether the users listed in the **-emailaddrs** argument are notified when the transaction is completed. This argument is applicable only when **-usegs=True**. Valid values are **True** and **False**. The default value is **False**.

-emailaddrs

Lists the email IDs of users to be notified when the transaction is completed. This argument is applicable only when **-usegs=True** and when the **-notify=True**.

Separate the email IDs with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This example exports a package to **Supplier-site-1** using a custom option set without using Global Services.

Argument	Values
-site	Supplier-site-1
-optionset	CustomOptionSet1
-usegs	False

CAE-attach-related-cae-folder-objects

DESCRIPTION

At some sites, not all simulation tools are integrated with Teamcenter. In such cases, simulation analysts can run the simulation tools on their local desktop and periodically upload or download the data to or from Teamcenter. The analysts can create a CAE folder structure within an item revision to manage the different types of files from different simulation tools.

Simulation administrators can configure a workflow process using the **CAE-attach-related-cae-folder-objects** action handler to allow simulation analysts to release the item revision containing the CAE folder structure and it contents.

This action handler attaches the specified related **CAE Folder** (**CAEOFileCollection**) objects of the target objects as target or reference attachments to the workflow process. It searches all the target objects, finds the **CAE Folder** objects recursively, and then adds them as a target or as reference attachments. If a **CAE Folder** object is already part of the target list, it is ignored.

SYNTAX

CAE-attach-related-cae-folder-objects -attachment=target | reference

ARGUMENTS

-attachment target | reference

The attachment type with which the objects are attached to the workflow process.

The **-tool** argument is mandatory and requires the simulation tool ID value. The rest of the arguments are optional and can be specified without any values.

PLACEMENT

It is typically placed on the **Start** action of the root task so that the list of target attachments is updated during the workflow process initiation.

RESTRICTIONS

Requires one or more target objects to find the related **CAE Folder** objects. The placement should allow at least one target object before the execution of this handler takes place.

EXAMPLES

This example attaches all the **CAE Folder** objects as target objects to the workflow process when a workflow process is initiated on an CAE item revision.

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Argument	Values
-attachment	target

CAE-mark-up-to-date

DESCRIPTION

In a complex product development environment, different analysts perform different tasks of the overall analysis. For example, abstractions are delivered by one group, models built by another group, and load cases defined by another group. In such scenarios, it becomes critical to know when the analysis data, possibly with multiple dependencies, is out-of-date. The analyst can then act on it and ensure that the analysis is built with the correct set of data to deliver accurate results.

When analysts complete their work, they have to mark the revisions they worked on as up-to-date. Instead of the analyst manually doing this, the simulation administrator can configure a workflow process using the **CAE-mark-up-to-date** action handler. This allows the system to automatically mark revisions as up-to-date when they are released through a workflow process.

SYNTAX

CAE-mark-up-to-date

ARGUMENTS

None

PLACEMENT

Typically, before the release action.

RESTRICTIONS

Configure only for CAE items.

CAE-simulation-process-launch-handler

DESCRIPTION

Launches the specified simulation tool.

SYNTAX

CAE-simulation-process-launch-handler -tool=*tool*_*ID* -**launch**=*LOCAL*_*OR*_*SERVER*_*OR*_*REMOTE* - **nosync -continue -noref -param:**:

ARGUMENTS

-tool

The ID of the simulation tool to launch.

Note:

The simulation tool ID you specify here must match the simulation tool ID defined in the **Simulation Tool Configuration** dialog box in CAE Manager.

The **-tool** argument is mandatory and requires the simulation tool ID value. The rest of the arguments are optional and can be specified without any values.

Tool names and revisions are no longer supported. The tool is now launched with the latest released revision. If you have an existing action handler with a tool name and revision values, you must modify them and use only the tool ID value.

-launch

This argument is mandatory if you select the **Remote Launch** option in the **Simulation Tool Configuration** dialog box in CAE Manager.

Note:

If this value is not specified, the handler assumes the launch type to be local, this is, the machine on which Teamcenter server is running.

-nosync

If specified, a synchronous process running in the background does not inform the task about its completion. As a result, the control from the current task goes to the next task (if any) as soon as the current task starts.

If not specified, the system displays the following warning:

A simulation batch run is in progress. The task will complete offline after the process completes.

Note:

This argument is valid for local launch only. Remote launch is always run in non-synchronous mode.

-continue

If specified, the current task moves to the next task after completion even if the current task fails.

If not specified, the task stops on failure.

Note:

This argument is valid for local launch only. Remote launch is always run in nonsynchronous mode.

This argument is not valid if you specify the **-nosync** argument.

-noref

If specified, the handler does not add output objects as reference attachments.

If not specified, the handler adds output objects as reference attachments in the **Reference** folder.

Note:

This argument is valid for local launch only. Remote launch is always run in nonsynchronous mode and output objects are never added as reference attachments.

This argument is not valid if you specify the **-nosync** argument.

-param::paramName

Used to assign run-time parameter values for any parameters already defined as part of the tool configuration in the **Simulation Tool Configuration** dialog box in CAE Manager.

Launches the tool with the *paramValue* value for the *paramName* parameter as defined in the tool configuration. The specified parameters are processed according to the defined configuration.

Note:

The paramName value must be defined as a run-time parameter for the tool configuration in the **Simulation Tool Configuration** dialog box. Any run-time parameters defined in the tool configuration that are not indicated as action handler arguments get the default values defined in the tool configuration. The paramValue value can be an empty string, in which case the default value of the corresponding paramName is overridden with an empty value.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

CFG0-attach-allocations

DESCRIPTION

Attaches allocation objects that reference variant option values, families, or family groups. Such objects may be located in the target attachment or reference attachment folder. The **-configuration** argument specifies whether to attach the allocation's **Latest Working** or **Latest Released** revision.

For more information, see Create workflows to release configurator datain Administering Product Configurator.

SYNTAX

CFG0-attach-allocations
[-attachment = {target | reference}]
[-configuration = {Latest Working | Latest Released}]
[-attachedConfiguratorContext = {false | true}]
[-debug = {false | true}]

ARGUMENTS

-attachment

Attachment type with which the objects are attached to the workflow process. If any subsequent workflow handler depends on the allocation objects to be attached, either as a reference or as a target attachment, use this argument to configure two instances of this handler in the same workflow process. In such cases, the first handler is configured with -attachment=target-configuration=Latest Working in order to attach the working revisions (if any). It is followed by the same handler configured with -attachment=reference -configuration=Latest Released to attach the related released objects (if any). Possible values are:

target

Allocation revisions are attached as target objects. This is the default value.

reference

Allocation revisions are attached as reference objects.

Note:

If another revision of the same configurator object thread is already attached to this workflow (either as target or reference), the handler silently skips the object. That is, the handler does not attach a second revision of the same thread.

-configuration

Specifies whether to attach the **Latest Working** or **Latest Released** revision. If any subsequent workflow handler depends on the allocation objects to be attached, either as a reference or as a target attachment, use this argument to configure two instances of this handler in the same workflow process. In such cases, the first handler is configured with **-attachment**=target-

configuration=*Latest Working* in order to attach the working revisions (if any). It is followed by the same handler configured with **-attachment**=*reference* **-configuration**=*Latest Released* to attach the related released objects (if any). Possible values are:

Latest Working

The most recently created revision with no release status is attached. This is the default value.

Latest Released

The most recently released revision is attached.

- attached Configurator Context

Specifies whether relevant **Configurator Context** items for which allocation objects are to be added are attached to this workflow process. This argument can be used as a filter to attach only the allocation objects that are targeting product contexts, which are attached to the workflow process. This is useful when releasing variant features, families, or family groups that are allocated to multiple contexts: Filtering by configurator context prevents from accidentally attaching (and hence releasing) additional allocations to other configurator contexts that are not intended. Possible values are:

false

Configured revisions for allocations to all **Configurator Context** items will be attached. This is the default value.

• true

The configured allocation revisions to attach are filtered by the **Configurator Context** items attached to this workflow. If no **Configurator Context** items are found to be attached to the workflow process, no additional allocations are added to the workflow process.

-debug

Whether or not to log status information to the syslog file. Possible values are:

false

No status information is written to the syslog file. This is the default value.

• true

Status information is written to the syslog file for debugging purposes.

PLACEMENT

A typical placement is below the **EPM-create-status** action handler that creates and adds the release status to the workflow process. In many cases, it is useful to add the **CFG0-attach-allocations** handler below a **CFG0-attach-familygroups** handler.

RESTRICTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

• This example illustrates the use of the handler that attaches **Latest Working** revisions of variant option value, family, and family group allocations for variant option values, families, and family groups in this workflow process as target attachments so that they are processed along with the variability that is already attached to the workflow. The list of allocations to add is filtered by the **Configurator Context** items attached to this workflow.

Argument	Values
-attachment	target
-configuration	Latest Working
$\hbox{-} attached Configurator Context$	true

CFG0-attach-constraint-rules

DESCRIPTION

Attaches configurator constraint rules that reference a variant option value or variant option family. Such objects may be located in the target attachment or referenced attachment folder. The - **configuration** argument specifies whether to attach the **Latest Working** or **Latest Released** revision of the constraint rules.

Note:

A configurator constraint rule references the option family if the family has free-form values. Otherwise, it references the option value directly.

For more information, see Create workflows to release configurator datain Administering Product Configurator.

SYNTAX

CFG0-attach-constraint-rules

[-attachment = {target | reference}]

[-configuration = {Latest Working | Latest Released}] [-attachedConfiguratorContext = {false | true}]

[-debug = {false | true}]

ARGUMENTS

-attachment

Attachment type with which the objects are attached to the workflow process. If any subsequent workflow handler depends on constraint rules to be attached, for example, **CFG0-attach-rule-variability**, either as a reference or as a target attachment, use this argument to configure two instances of this handler in the same workflow process. In such cases, the first handler is configured with -attachment=target -configuration=Latest Working in order to attach the working revisions (if any). It is followed by the same handler configured with -attachment=reference - configuration=Latest Released to attach the related released objects (if any). Possible values are:

target

Constraint rules are attached as target objects. This is the default value.

reference

Constraint rules are attached as reference objects.

Note:

If another revision of the same configurator object thread is already attached to this workflow (either as target or reference), the handler silently skips the object. That is, the handler does not attach a second revision of the same thread.

-configuration

Specifies whether to attach the **Latest Working** or **Latest Released** revisions. If any subsequent workflow handler depends on constraint rules to be attached, for example, **CFG0-attach-rule-variability**, either as a reference or as a target attachment, use this argument to configure two instances of this handler in the same workflow process. In such cases, the first handler is configured with **-attachment**=*target* **-configuration**=*Latest Working* in order to attach the working revisions (if any). It is followed by the same handler configured with **-attachment**=*reference* **-configuration**=*Latest Released* to attach the related released objects (if any). Possible values are:

Latest Working

The most recently created revision that does not have any release status is attached. This is the default value.

Latest Released

The most recently released revision is attached. Use this setting with care as there could be a large number of released constraint rules to attach.

$\hbox{-} attached Configurator Context$

Specifies whether **Configurator Context** items that are attached to the workflow process should be used to filter constraint rules. This argument can be used as a filter to attach only constraint rules that are targeting product contexts, which are attached to the workflow process. This is useful when releasing variant features or families that are also used in constraint rules for other contexts: Filtering by configurator context prevents from accidentally attaching (and hence releasing) additional constraint rules for the configurator contexts that are not intended. Possible values are:

false

The configured revision of all constraint rules are attached, irrespective of their **Configurator Context** item scope. This is the default.

• true

The configured revision of constraint rules are attached that reference a **Configurator Context** item that is attached to this workflow, for example, as a reference attachment. If no **Configurator Context** items are found to be attached to the workflow process, no additional constraint rules are added to the workflow process.

-debug

Whether or not to log status information to the syslog file. Possible values are:

false

No status information is written to the syslog file. This is the default value.

• true

Status information is written to the syslog file for debugging purposes.

PLACEMENT

A typical placement is below the **EPM-create-status** action handler that creates and adds the release status to the workflow process. In many cases it is useful to add the **CFG0-attach-constraint-rules** action handler followed by a **CFG0-attach-rule-variability** action handler.

RESTRICTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

• This example illustrates the use of the handler that attaches **Latest Working** revisions of constraint rules as target attachments so that they are processed along with the values and families that are already attached to the workflow. The list of constraint rules to attach is not filtered by **Configurator Context**.

Argument	Values
-attachment	target
-configuration	Latest Working
-attachedConfiguratorContext	false

CFG0-attach-families

DESCRIPTION

Attaches to the workflow process variant option families that are referenced by variant option values in the target attachment or reference attachment folder. The **-configuration** argument specifies whether to attach the **Latest Working** or **Latest Released** revisions of the variant option families.

For more information, see Create workflows to release configurator datain Administering Product Configurator.

SYNTAX

CFG0-attach-families [-attachment = {target | reference}] [-configuration = { Latest Working | Latest Released}] [-debug = {false | true}]

ARGUMENTS

-attachment

Attachment type with which the objects are attached to the workflow process. Possible values are:

target

Variant option families are attached as target objects. This is the default value.

reference

Variant option families are attached as reference objects.

Note:

If another revision of the same configurator object thread is already attached to this workflow (either as target or reference), the handler silently skips the object. That is, the handler does not attach a second revision of the same thread.

-configuration

Specifies whether to attach the Latest Working or Latest Released revisions. Possible values are:

Latest Working

The most recently created revision that doesn't have any release status is attached. This is the default value.

• Latest Released

The most recently released revision is attached.

-debug

Whether or not to log status information to the syslog file. Possible values are:

- false

 No status information is written to the syslog file. This is the default value.
- **true**Status information is written to the syslog file for debugging purposes.

PLACEMENT

A typical placement is below the **EPM-create-status** action handler that creates and adds the release status to the workflow process. In many cases, it is useful to add the **CFG0-attach-families** action handler between a **CFG0-attach-rule-variability** handler and a **CFG0-attach-familygroups** handler.

RESTRICTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

• This example illustrates the use of the handler that attaches **Latest Released** revisions of variant option families for the variant option values in this workflow process as reference attachments so that they are processed along with the variant option values that are already attached to the workflow.

Argument	Values
-attachment	reference
-configuration	Latest Released

CFG0-attach-familygroups

DESCRIPTION

Attaches to the workflow process variant option family groups that reference variant option families in the target attachment or reference attachment folder. The **-configuration** argument specifies whether to attach the **Latest Working** or **Latest Released** revisions of the variant option families.

Note:

Family group objects are not subject to revision rule configuration from 12.3 release. You cannot revise family groups.

For more information, see Create workflows to release configurator datain Administering Product Configurator.

SYNTAX

CFG0-attach-familygroups
[-attachment = {target | reference}]
[-configuration = {Latest Working | Latest Released}]
[-debug = {false | true}]

ARGUMENTS

-attachment

Attachment type with which the objects are attached to the workflow process. Possible values are:

target

Variant option family groups are attached as target objects. This is the default value.

reference

Variant option family groups are attached as reference objects.

Note:

If another revision of the same configurator object thread is already attached to this workflow (either as target or reference), the handler silently skips the object. That is, the handler does not attach a second revision of the same thread.

-configuration

Specifies whether to attach the **Latest Working** or **Latest Released** revisions. Possible values are:

Latest Working

The most recently created revision that doesn't have any release status is attached. This is the default value.

• Latest Released

The most recently released revision is attached.

-debug

Whether or not to log status information to the syslog file. Possible values are:

false

No status information is written to the syslog file. This is the default value.

• true

Status information is written to the syslog file for debugging purposes.

PLACEMENT

A typical placement is below the **EPM-create-status** action handler that creates and adds the release status to the workflow process. In many cases, it is useful to add the **CFG0-attach-familygroups** action handler between a **CFG0-attach-families** handler and a **CFG0-attach-allocations** handler.

RESTRICTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

• This example illustrates the use of the handler that attaches **Latest Released** revisions of variant option family groups for the variant option families in this workflow process as reference attachments so that they are processed along with the variant option families that are already attached to the workflow.

Argument	Values
-attachment	reference
-configuration	Latest Released

CFG0-attach-rule-variability

DESCRIPTION

Attaches variant option values and families that are referenced by a constraint rule. Such constraint rules may be located in the target attachment or reference attachment folder. The **-configuration** argument specifies whether to attach the **Latest Working** or **Latest Released** revisions of the values, families, and family groups.

Note:

A configurator constraint rule references the option family if the family has free-form values. Otherwise, it references the option value directly.

For more information, see Create workflows to release configurator datain Administering Product Configurator.

SYNTAX

CFG0-attach-rule-variability
[attachment = {target | reference }]
[-configuration = {Latest Working | Latest Released }]
[-attachConfiguratorContext = {false | true }]
[-debug = { false | true }]

ARGUMENTS

-attachment

Attachment type with which the objects are attached to the workflow process. Possible values are:

target

Variant option families and values are attached as target objects. This is the default value.

reference

Variant option families and values are attached as reference objects.

Note:

If another revision of the same configurator object thread is already attached to this workflow (either as target or reference), the handler silently skips the object. That is, the handler does not attach a second revision of the same thread.

-configuration

Specifies whether to attach the Latest Working or Latest Released revisions. Possible values are:

· Latest Working

The most recently created revision that has no release status is attached. This is the default value.

· Latest Released

The most recently released revision is attached.

-attachConfiguratorContext

Specifies whether **Configurator Context** items that are referenced by the constraint rules in this workflow process should be attached as **reference** attachments.

Note:

The **Configurator Context** items are always added as **reference** attachments. This behavior is not affected by the **-attachment** parameter value.

Options are:

• true

Configurator Context items that are referenced by the constraint rules in this workflow process are attached as **reference** attachments. This is the default value.

false

No additional Configurator Context items are attached.

-debug

Whether or not to log status information to the syslog file. Possible values are:

false

No status information is written to the syslog file. This is the default value.

• true

Status information is written to the syslog file for debugging purposes.

PLACEMENT

A typical placement is below the **EPM-create-status** action handler that creates and adds the release status to the workflow process. In many cases, it is useful to add the **CFG0-attach-rule-variability** action handler between a **CFG0-attach-constraint-rules** handler and a **CFG0-attach-families** handler.

RESTRICTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

• This example illustrates the use of the handler that attaches **Latest Working** revisions of variant option values and families that are used in the constraint rules in this workflow process as target attachments so that they are processed along with the constraint rules that are already attached to the workflow. The list of **Configurator Context** items to which the constraint rules apply are added as a reference attachments to this workflow.

Argument	Values
-attachment	target
-configuration	Latest Working
-attachConfiguratorContext	true

CFG0-find-constraint-conflict

DESCRIPTION

Creates the report of constraint conflicts for a given variant rule and its subtypes. The generated report is attached to the workflow process as a reference to execute this handler.

The solve profile to find the constraint conflicts are taken from the input variant rule. If no session info (solve profile) is saved on the variant rule, the system displays an error.

Similarly, the other session information such as revision rule and rule date are considered from the session information saved on the input variant rule.

If the argument values mentioned below are provided, those values override the values from session information.

The results of workflow handler are in the form of a .json file report with the specific schema as below:

For more information, see Create workflows to release configurator datain Administering Product Configurator.

- TC_DATA\json\configurator\schema\CFGO_configurator_definitions.json

After you generate a report using the workflow handler, you can refer these schemas to get more information about the report such as constraints, severity, conflicts, session info, and variant rule name.

SYNTAX

CFG0-find-constraint-conflicts
-revisionRuleName=revision-rule
-ruleDate=
rule date

ARGUMENTS

-revisionRuleName

Specifies the revision rule for generating the report.

If the value is empty, then the revision rule from the input variant rule is considered.

-ruleDate

Specifies the rule date for generating the report.

The date should be in the ISO 8601 format.

EXAMPLES

Variability data:

Family	Values
• Engine	• Diesel
	• Petrol
	• Hybrid
• Powertrain	• Manual
	• Automatic

Configurator rules:

DefaultRule D1 = (Powertrain=Manual \rightarrow Engine=Diesel)

DefaultRule D2 = (Powertrain=Manual → Engine=Petrol)

Variant rule:

Variant rule VR1 = Powertrain = Manual

Note:

All data is configured for Latest Working Revision Rule.

When we start the workflow on variant rule VR1.

The workflow handler output report contains the conflicts between **D1** and **D2**.

Argument	Values
-revision Rule Name	Latest Working
-ruleDate	

CM_Approve_ECO_Markup_Handler

DESCRIPTION

Applies the markups created under the target object (ECN) to a new revision of the corresponding impacted item revisions, provided the following conditions are met.

- The impacted item revision is not currently checked out.
- Another revision may be created on which to apply the markup.

Note:

To verify if you can create another revision, the handler checks MaxAllowedWorkRevsForItemCreate, MaxAllowedWorkRevsForItemCopyRev, and MaxAllowedWorkRevsItemCpRevExist.

- The **BOMViewRevision** of the impacted item revision is of the default view type.
- The **BOMViewRevision** of the impacted item revision has a release status attached.

Note:

The item revision and the **BOMViewRevision** require a release status.

If there is an error during **Revise** or **Apply Markup**, the impacted item revision and its markup will revert to their original state.

The **BOMViewRevision** of the new item revision will have the same release status attached.

Note:

Designed for use in the **Review and Apply BOM Markups** process template.

SYNTAX

CM-Approve-ECO-Markup

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement. Typically placed on the **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

The item revision and the **BOMViewRevision** require a release status.

CM-baseline-solution-item-revisions-on-change-notice

DESCRIPTION

Performs a smart baseline on the assemblies of any item revisions listed as **Solution Items** on target **ChangeNoticeRevisions**.

SYNTAX

CM-baseline-solution-item-revisions-on-change-notice [-baseline_rev_rule=<revision rule name>] [-baseline_process=<workflow process name>]

ARGUMENTS

-baseline_rev_rule

Defines the name of the revision rule used to configure the item revision's assembly structure for baselining.

Will use the default **Structure Manager** revision rule if omitted.

-baseline_process

Defines the name of the workflow process used to release the baseline revisions.

Will use the default baseline process TC Default Baseline Process if omitted.

PLACEMENT

Place on any action. Typically attached to the **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

CM_Cancel_ECO_Markup_Handler

DESCRIPTION

Sets the active markups for the impacted assemblies of the target object (ECN) to inactive.

If an error occurs, the markup will revert to its original state.

Note:

Designed for use in the Review and Apply BOM Markups process template.

SYNTAX

CM-Cancel-ECO-Markup

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement. Typically placed on the **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

CM-derive-change

DESCRIPTION

A user would be able to update COTS workflow templates using the **CM-derive-change** handler to automate deriving a change request from a problem report, or a change notice from a change request. Setting **auto_derive** to *true* will automatically derive the proper result when submitted using the default workflow template.

SYNTAX

CM-derive-change [-from_type=<valid change object type]

[-to_type=<valid change object type]

[-synopsis=<valid string]

[-description=<valid string or empty]

[-template=<process-template-name or default>]

ARGUMENTS

-from_type

Target object type to derive from. **Derive** will derive from all workflow targets of this type, or subtypes of this.

-to_type

The change object type to be created by the **Derive** operation. Must be a valid change type that can implement the designated **–from_type**.

-synopsis

Synopsis to be assigned to create change object.

-description

Description to be assigned to created change object.

-template

If the value component of the **-template** argument specifies the name of a workflow template, the newly created change object is submitted to a workflow using that defined workflow template.

If the value component of the **-template** argument is empty, the newly created change object is submitted to a workflow using the default workflow template of the created change type.

Note:

If the **-template** argument is not provided, then the newly created change object will not be submitted to a workflow.

PLACEMENT

Place on any action. Typically attached to the **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

CM-inactivate-edit-context

DESCRIPTION

Deactivates the change space associated with the change notice revision of the target.

SYNTAX

CM-inactivate-edit-context

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

CM-promote-change-notice

DESCRIPTION

Performs the following operations within a transaction and rolls back all changes if there is a failure:

- 1. Applies release status to **ChangeNoticeRevision** workflow target objects.
- 2. Receives any change space data objects from the **ChangeNoticeRevision** POM Space and promotes or shares them to public data objects.

Note:

If specific object types contained in the POM space require pre- or post-promote validation, this can be accomplished by overriding the following methods on the respective types:

- fnd0ValidateBOTypePrePromote
- fnd0ValidateBOTypePostPromote
- Applies release status to all of the solution items of the ChangeNoticeRevision target objects and any other targets not addressed in step 1.

Note:

If specific object types require pre-release validation, this can be accomplished by overriding the following method on the respective type:

fnd0ValidateBOTypeForRelease

Note:

The arguments and their effect on the behavior are all related to how the release status is applied to the target objects and **ChangeNoticeRevision** solution objects. The handler arguments are a copy of the arguments and processing behavior of the **EPM-set-status** handler.

SYNTAX

CM-promote-change-notice -action=append | replace | rename | delete [-status=old_name,] [-new_status=new_name] [-retain_release_date] [-set_effectivity] [-status_not_shared] [-promote=share]

ARGUMENTS

-action

append

Attaches the status objects from the root task to the target objects, not impacting any previous status objects applied to the same targets.

replace

Deletes all existing status objects attached to target objects and attaches the status objects from the root task to the target objects.

rename

Renames an existing status object attached to the target objects from old_name to new_name.

• If a status object with the **old_name** status is not found, it renames the last status object attached to the target objects.

If the target object has an existing status, the status object is renamed from **old_name** to **new_name**.

delete

Deletes the status **status_name** specified by the **-status** argument from the target object.

- If the **delete** argument is not used in combination with the -status argument, all status objects are removed from the target objects.
- If the status objects being removed from the target objects were created in the same workflow, they are attached to the root task upon creation and are not removed from the root task by this handler.

-status

Used with the **-action** argument to define the status.

- If the action is **append** or **replace** and the status by the name given is not present on the root task, it will create a new status with this name and attach it to the root task.
- If the action is **delete**, it deletes the status objects from the target object but does not delete it from the root task.
- If the action is **rename**, it renames the status objects to the new value specified in **-new_status**.

The value provided should be the name of a status type already defined in the Business Modeler IDE, not the display name.

-new_status

Specifies the new name for the status object.

• The name provided should be the name of a status type already defined in the Business Modeler IDE, not the display name.

- This argument is only used in case of **rename** option for **-action** argument.
- If the status type is not already defined, a status object is not based on a status type, which means that effectivity and configuration may not work against it.

-retain_release_date

Retains the original release date on the target object if it had previously been released.

Note:

This option is not valid when **-action=replace** is used.

-set_effectivity

When used, the system creates the open-ended date effectivity with release date as start date.

-status_not_shared

The default behavior is to share a single release status object reference for all target objects. When this argument is present, it changes that behavior and an individual copy of the release status object is added to each target object.

-promote

share

Specifies that the change space data objects from the **ChangeNoticeRevision** POM Space will be shared to public.

Any value other than **share** promotes the change space data objects from the **ChangeNoticeRevision** POM Space to public.

PLACEMENT

Place on any action. Typically attached to the **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

If no argument is supplied or if an argument other than the one specified is supplied to the handler, the default behavior is to treat it as an action **append** argument.

If **replace** is used and there is more than one status object attached to the root task, the status on the target objects is replaced by the latest status on the root task.

EXAMPLES

• This example adds the status object of the root task to the target object.

Argument	Values
-action	append

• This example creates a new status with this name and attaches to the root task if status by the name given is not present on the root task already.

Argument	Values
-action	append
-status	released

• This example adds the status object of the root task to the target object and retains the original released date of the target object.

Argument	Values
-action	append
-retain_release_date	

• This example replaces all existing status objects with the status object of the root task.

Argument	Values
-action	replace

• This example replaces existing status objects with the status object of the root task. It also sets an open-ended effectivity with release date as the start date on the new status object.

Argument	Values
-action	replace
-set_effectivity	

• This example renames all the status objects named **pre-released** to the name of the new status object, released.

Argument	Values
-action	rename
-status	pre-released
-new_status	released

• This example deletes all status objects from the target object but does not delete it from the root task.

Argument	Values
-action	delete

• This example deletes a **released** status from the target object but does not delete it from the root task.

Argument	Values
-action	delete
-status	released

• This example takes the release status attached to root task and creates an individual copy of the release status object for each target object.

Argument	Values
-action	append
-status_not_shared	

• This example creates a new status with name **released** and attaches it to the root task if status by the name given is not present on the root task already. Also it creates an individual copy of the release status object for each target object.

Argument	Values
-action	append
-status_not_shared	
-status	released

• This example shares the change space contents to public and attaches **shared** status to the root task. Each time the **shared** operation is performed, the **shared** status is replaced and a copy of the release status object for each target object is created.

Argument	Values
-action	replace
-status_not_shared	
-status	Cm0TC Shared
-promote	share

CM_validate_ECO_Markup_Handler

DESCRIPTION

Verifies that the **Review and Apply BOM Markups** process template contains at least one target object.

Note:

If the target object is missing, it triggers a PS_markup_target_invalid error.

SYNTAX

CM-validate-ECO-Markup

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement. Typically placed on the **Start** action of the root task.

RESTRICTIONS

CONFMGMT-cut-back-effectivity

DESCRIPTION

Reduces the effectivity range of problem item objects attached to a change object so it does not overlap with the combined effectivity range of the solution items. This facilitates the release of solution items to replace problem items for a given effectivity range.

Note:

This handler should be used only for 4th Generation Design (4GD) objects.

For example, a cast component C is a solution item for a forged component F, a problem item with a unit effectivity of 1 through 10 in 4G Designer on 4GD data. C is assigned the same effectivity (unit 1 through 10) because it has the same purpose. To replace C with F with unit effectivity 3 through 10, a change notice is created that tracks F as a problem item and C as a solution item. The change notice is assigned an unit effectivity of 3 and up. The handler applies the change notice effectivity to the solution item and then reduces the effectivity range of the problem item. As a result, C has an effectivity range of 3 through 10 and F's effectivity is reduced to 1 through 2. For every unit in the range of 1 through 10, either C or F is effective. The effective ranges of C and F neither overlap nor do they have a gap.

The effectivity range of the change is determined either by the release status attachment of the workflow process or by the effectivity range on the change object using **EffectivityConfigurable** behavior.

If the process does not have a release status attachment, the release statuses of the change object are used. An error occurs if multiple release statuses with effectivity data are found and handler arguments are used that require the definition of the effectivity range of the change object. By default, the system uses the effectivity range of the release statuses, unless user provides the **useECNEffectivity** argument.

If the **useECNEffectivity** argument is used, the effectivity range of the change object is determined as the effectivity of the change object using **EffectivityConfigurable** behavior. An error is returned if the change object does not have **EffectivityConfigurable** behavior

EffectivityConfigurable objects with no effectivity data behave as if they had an effectivity condition **Unit=1 OR Unit!=1** (in other words, **TRUE** unless explicitly stated otherwise). For more information, see the **defaultSolveTypePreferenceName** argument.

The effectivity range to be subtracted from a problem item attachment is the combined effectivity range of all **EffectivityConfigurable** objects in the corresponding solution item set. You can use the **designatorProperty** argument to define corresponding sets of solution and problem items. Solution item sets that do not correspond to a problem item set do not affect problem item effectivity ranges. Problem item sets that do not correspond to a solution item will be effected out permanently. Solution items without **EffectivityConfigurable** behavior (for example, datasets) are skipped in the computation of the effectivity range to be subtracted.

The handler only modifies problem item objects exposing **EffectivityConfigurable** behavior, such as **Cpd0DesignElement**. These modifications are not subject to access control rules.

SYNTAX

```
CONFMGMT-cut-back-effectivity

[-engineeringChangeTypeName = { ChangeNoticeRevision | object-type-name } ]

[-problemItemRelationshipName = { CMHasProblemItem | relationship-type-name } ]

[-solutionItemRelationshipName = { CMHasSolutionItem | relationship-type-name } ]

[-verifyEffectivity = { NoAction | Compare | Validate} ]

[-solutionItemEffectivity = { NoAction | ApplyCMEffectivity | MergeCMEffectivity | ResetToCMEffectivity } ]

[-designatorProperty = { "" | property-name} ]

[-defaultSolveTypePreferenceName = { "" | preference-name} ]

[-dropEndItemQualification ]

[-useECNEffectivity ]
```

ARGUMENTS

-engineeringChangeTypeName

Sets the type of the target object managing the change. Any object type name is valid as long as there is only one such target attachment and the object type supports the relationship types specified below. The default value is **ChangeNoticeRevision**.

-problemItemRelationshipName

Sets the type name of the relationship that associates objects to be replaced by the objects specified by the **-solutionItemRelationshipName** argument with the change object. The type name must be compatible with the above change object type. The default value is **CMHasProblemItem**, but Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends you use **CMHasImpactedItem** as the relationship name.

-solutionItemRelationshipName

Sets the type name of the relationship that associates objects, which replace the objects specified by the **-problemItemRelationshipName** argument, with the change object. The type name must be compatible with the change object type. The default value is **CMHasSolutionItem**.

-verifyEffectivity

Specifies the action to take with respect to the effectivity range of the change object and its solution item attachments. The action skips solution items for which no **EffectivityConfigurable** effectivity is saved or which do not expose **EffectivityConfigurable** behavior. Possible values are:

NoAction

Takes no action. This is the default.

Compare

Displays a separate warning for every solution item whose effectivity range does not equal the effectivity range of the change object. An error is returned if no effectivity has been saved for the change object.

Validate

Returns an error if any solution item's **EffectivityConfigurable** effectivity range does not equal the effectivity range of the change object. An error is returned if no effectivity has been saved for the change object.

-solutionItemEffectivity

Specifies the action to take for solution item effectivity. Possible values are:

NoAction

Takes no action. This is the default.

ApplyCMEffectivity

Reduces the **EffectivityConfigurable** effectivity range of each solution item to be within the range of the change object (in other words, combines both with a logical **AND**). An error is returned if no release status effectivity is saved for the change object. The result is identical to action **ResetToCMEffectivity** for solution items, for which no **EffectivityConfigurable** effectivity has been saved, or which do not expose **EffectivityConfigurable** behavior.

MergeCMEffectivity

Sets the **EffectivityConfigurable** effectivity range of each solution item to equal the range of the change object for the common effectivity intent; the effectivity range of the solution item having other intents are kept unchanged.

- If effectivity ranges of the solution item and the change object do not have a common effectivity intent, then the solution item effectivity range is extended with the effectivity range of the change object.
- An error is returned if no effectivity range has been saved for the change object or the effectivity range on the solution item or the change object has multiple effectivity intents or intent families.

Note:

This mode is supported only with the **-useECNEffectivity** parameter.

ResetToCMEffectivity

Sets the **EffectivityConfigurable** effectivity range of each solution item to equal the range of the release status effectivity of the change object. An error is returned if no release status effectivity has been saved for the change object. The result is identical to action **NoAction** for solution items, which do not expose **EffectivityConfigurable** behavior.

-designatorProperty

Specifies the property to use to group change object attachments into sets for the purpose of replacing problems items with corresponding solution items. These sets are formed by virtue of

having a common value for the same property (for example, a logical designator as stored on a partition membership in the preferred partition scheme). If a property is specified, the solution item attachments of the change object are grouped into sets formed by the value for this property. If the property name is an empty string (the default) there is one set for all solution items that corresponds to one set for all problem items.

- default Solve Type Preference Name

By default, EffectivityConfigurable objects without effectivity condition behave as if they had an effectivity condition Unit=1 OR Unit!=1, that is, equivalent to the Boolean constant TRUE. If the value for this argument is different from the empty string (default) it is expected to specify a preference having the same semantics as defined for TC_Default_Solve_Type in the confmgmt module, which can be used to define whether or not EffectivityConfigurable objects without effectivity condition pass effectivity filter criteria. If the given preference is not found in the scope specified by the defaultSolveTypePreferenceScope argument a default solve type of 529 is assumed, that is solveMismatch|solveFalse|solveInvert except where explicitly otherwise stated. The effectivity range that is assumed for EffectivityConfigurable objects without effectivity condition can be configured to be the following:

• Unit=1 OR Unit!=1

Equivalent to the Boolean constant **TRUE**, if the solve type specifies that **EffectivityConfigurable** objects without effectivity condition pass effectivity filters.

• Unit=1 AND Unit!=1

Equivalent to the Boolean constant **FALSE**, if the solve type specifies that **EffectivityConfigurable** objects without effectivity condition do not pass effectivity filters.

-dropEndItemQualification

(Optional) If provided and if an end item qualification is present, it is dropped and changed to an effectivity condition when it is copied from

- the ReleaseStatus attachment of the workflow process.
- the ReleaseStatus of the attached change notice if the workflow process does *not* have a ReleaseStatus attachment.

-useECNEffectivity

(Optional) If provided, the effectivity range of the change is determined by the effectivity range on the change notice object. The change notice object should carry the effectivity range using **EffectivityConfigurable** behavior. An error is returned if this argument is provided and the change notice object does not have **EffectivityConfigurable** behavior.

PLACEMENT

A typical placement is to precede the **add-status** action handler that attaches the release status to the change object, so that the release status is not attached to the change object if this handler errors out.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example illustrates the use of the handler with a change object type that is available in the Teamcenter foundation template. It configures the handler to reduce the effectivity of the solution item attachments to not be effective beyond the effective range of the change.

Argument	Values
-engineeringChangeTypeName	ItemRevision
-problem I tem Relationship Name	IMAN_reference
-solutionItemRelationshipName	IMAN_manifestation
-verifyEffectivity	NoAction
-solutionItemEffectivity	ApplyCMEffectivity
-designator Property	object_desc
-defaultSolveTypePreferenceName	TC_Default_Solve_Type
-dropEndItemQualification	None
-useECNEffectivity	None

CONTMGMTS1000D-increment

DESCRIPTION

Sets properties depending on whether the **Civ0DM4Revision** object in a workflow is rejected or released.

- If the **Civ0DM4Revision** object is *rejected*, the **inWork** number is incremented.
- If the **CivODM4Revision** object is *released*, the following properties are set:
 - The **issueNum** property is incremented.
 - The **inWork** number is reset to **00**.
 - The issue_day, issue_month and issue_year properties are set to the current date.

SYNTAX

CONTMGMTS1000D-increment {-inclnWork | -inclssueNum}

ARGUMENTS

-inclnWork

Increments only the **inWork** number. Use this argument for this handler on tasks after reviewers rejections.

-inclssueNum

Increments **issueNum**, resets **inWork** to **00**, and sets **issue_day**, **issue_month** and **issue_year** to the current date. Use this argument for this handler on a task after the document gets final approval.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** or **Perform** action of a normal task.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler can be used only with **Civ0DM4Revision** objects.

CONTMGMTS1000D-setQAStatus

DESCRIPTION

Sets the **Quality Assurance Status** property of the data module and updates the XML of the data module to reflect the QA status.

SYNTAX

CONTMGMTS1000D-setQAStatus -verification=status**-vertype=**type

ARGUMENTS

-verification

Sets the QA verification status for the data module. You can use one of the following three values:

- unverified
- firstVerification
- secondVerification

-vertype

Sets the verification type of the QA status on the data module. You can use one of the following three values:

tabtop

The content was verified without the physical presence of the equipment or system, such as with design documentation.

onobject

The content was verified by practical demonstration of the procedure on the product.

• ttandoo

Both table top and on object verifications have been performed.

This argument is ignored if the **-verification** argument is set to **unverified**:

PLACEMENT

Place on the Start or Perform action of a Do task.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler can be used only with **Civ0DM4Revision** objects.

CPD-collect-related-items

DESCRIPTION

Collects objects related to design elements from a designated source pseudofolder in a change object. For example, this handler collects the source item revision, parent design elements (such as reuse) and their corresponding source item revisions, and adds them to designated target pseudofolder of the change object.

SYNTAX

CPD-collect-related-items

- -source_folder_relation_type=relation-name
- -processing_type=parent|assembly|default
- -destination_folder_relation_type=relation-name

ARGUMENTS

-source_folder_relation_type

Processes the design elements from the pseudofolder of the change object specified by the relation type. The value can be one of the following:

- CMHasProblemItem
- CMHasImpactedItem
- CMHasSolutionItem

-processing_type

Defines how the design elements from the source folder are navigated to collect the related objects. The following modes are supported:

parent

The parent design element corresponding to the input design element and its source object are retrieved and copied to the target pseudofolder of the change object.

• assembly

Reuse design element for the input design element and the corresponding source object that are retrieved and copied to the target pseudofolder of the change object.

default

Reuse design element and parent design element for the input design element and their corresponding source objects that are retrieved and copied to the target pseudofolder of the change object.

-destination_folder_relation_type

The related objects collected for the objects in the source folder based on the processing type are copied to the pseudofolder of the change object. Processes the design elements from the

pseudofolder of the change object specified by the relation type. The value can be one of the following:

- CMHasProblemItem
- CMHasImpactedItem
- CMHasSolutionItem

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler is specific to design elements as the source objects.

EXAMPLES

• This example collects the reuse design element for the input design element in the **Problems** folder of an ECN, which would be a subordinate design element, and the source item revision for them. It then copies them to the **Impacted** folder of the ECN.

Argument	Values
-source_folder_relation_type	CMHasProblemItem
-processing_type	assembly
-destination_folder_relation_type	CMHasImpactedItem

• This example collects the immediate parent for the input design element in the **Problems** folder of an ECN and the source item revision. It then copies them to the same **Problems** folder of the ECN.

Argument	Values
-source_folder_relation_type	CMHas Problem Item
-processing_type	parent
-destination_folder_relation_type	CMHasProblemItem

CPD-update-item-realization

DESCRIPTION

Updates the realization of all reuse design elements attached as references, using the source assembly item revision or installation assembly item revision provided by the target.

If the realization update fails, this handler reports the failed subordinates and corresponding error codes in the log file.

SYNTAX

CPD-update-item-realization

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Complete** action of any task.

RESTRICTIONS

CPD-where-used-item-revision

DESCRIPTION

Finds all realized reuse design elements in the database for a specific revision of the source item assembly or installation assembly provided by the target in the process. If specified, the search scope is restricted to certain collaborative designs that are attached as references to the process.

All found reuse design elements are added to the references.

SYNTAX

CPD-where-used-item-revision

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Complete** action of any task.

RESTRICTIONS

CPD0WORKSET collect impacted worksets handler

DESCRIPTION

Collects disclosed worksets where impacted 4GD design components of the change item are a part of its subset content.

SYNTAX

CPD0WORKSET_collect_impacted_worksets_handler-disclosureType= *disclosure-workset-type* **sourceRelationType=** *source-relation-type* **reuseOnly-targetRelationType=** *target-relation-type*

ARGUMENTS

-disclosureType

Defines the type of the disclosure workset revision. The default value is **Cpd0WorksetRevision**.

-sourceRelationType

Defines the type of relation to extract the design components attached to the change item. The default value is **CMHasImpactedItem**.

-reuseOnly

Fetches the disclosed workset for reuse design components only, if specified. Else, fetches the disclosed workset for all included design components from **sourceRelationType**.

-targetRelationType

Defines the type of relation to attach the disclose workset revision to the change item. The default value is **CMHasImpactedItem**.

EXAMPLES

The following example shows how a workflow set with the CPDOWORKSET_collect_impacted_worksets_handler handler finds a disclosed workset and attaches it to a change item.

Workset1

Subset1 ReuseDE1

Workset2

Subset2 SubordinateDE1 ChangeNotice1

Problems

RootItem1 ChildItem1 Impacted

> ReuseDE1 SubordinateDE1

Scenario 1 — **ChangeNotice1** is submitted to the workflow set with the default arguments. In this case, the workflow first gets **ReuseDE1** and **SubordinateDE1** design elements from **ChangeNotice1**. The workflow then locates the worksets, **Workset1** and **Workset2**, that contain these design elements and attaches the worksets to the **Impacted** folder.

ChangeNotice1

Problems

RootItem1 ChildItem1 Impacted

> ReuseDE1 SubordinateDE1 Workset1 Workset2

Scenario 2 — ChangeNotice1 is submitted to the workflow with -reuseOnly and targetRelationType=CMHasSolutionItem arguments. In this case, the workflow only finds Workset1 and attached it to the Solution folder.

ChangeNotice1

Problems

RootItem1 ChildItem1 Impacted

ReuseDE1 SubordinateDE1 Solution

Workset1

CSI-propagate-folder-contents

DESCRIPTION

Copies change objects in the change folders to the corresponding schedule task change folders.

SYNTAX

CSI-propagate-folder-contents -relation=relation-name [-no_condition_check= true|false][[-exclude_type=types-to-be-excluded] | [-include_type=types-to-be-included]][[-allowed_status=status-to-be-propagated]]

ARGUMENTS

-relation

Propagates the change objects with the specified relation. The value can be one of the following:

- CMHasProblemItem
- CMHasImpactedItem
- CMHasSolutionItem
- CMReferences

To propagate objects that have different relations, add another instance of the handler to the task. For example, to propagate objects with the CMHasProblemItem and the CMHasImpactedItem relation, add the CSI-propagate-folder-contents handler with the -relation=CMHasProblemItem argument and value along with another CSI-propagate-folder-contents handler with the -relation=CMHasImpactedItem argument and value.

-bypass_condition_check

(Optional) Specifies whether to bypass condition checking. Valid values are **true** and **false**. If this argument is not specified, condition checking is used.

-exclude_type=object-type

(Optional) Does not propagate objects of the specified type.

The **-exclude_type** and **-include_type** arguments are mutually exclusive. Only one of these can be specified as arguments to the handler. If both arguments are specified, an error is displayed when running a workflow process using this handler.

-include_type=object-type

(Optional) Propagates objects of the specified type.

The **-exclude_type** and **-include_type** arguments are mutually exclusive. Only one of these can be specified as arguments to the handler. If both arguments are specified, an error is displayed when running a workflow process using this handler.

-allowed_status

(Optional) Propagates objects with the specified status.

The **-allowed_status** and **-disallowed_status** arguments are mutually exclusive. Only one of these can be specified as arguments to the handler. If both arguments are specified, an error is displayed when running a workflow process using this handler.

-disallowed_status

(Optional) Does not propagate objects with the specified status.

The **-allowed_status** and **-disallowed_status** arguments are mutually exclusive. Only one of these can be specified as arguments to the handler. If both arguments are specified, an error is displayed when running a workflow process using this handler.

PI ACEMENT

Place on the **Start** task of the workflow process.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example propagates change objects with the **CMHasProblemItem** relation.

Argument	Values
-relation	CMHas Problem Item

• This example propagates change objects with the **CMHasProblemItem** relation, but does not check conditions.

Argument	Values
-relation	CMHasProblemItem
-bypass_condition_check	true

• This example propagates change item revisions with the **CMHasProblemItem** relation and **Completed** status, but does not check conditions.

Argument	Values
-relation	CMHas Problem Item
-bypass_condition_check	true
-include_type	ItemRevision
-allowed_status	Completed

DOCMGTAPP-apply-pdf-control

DESCRIPTION

Applies a system stamp, watermark, logo (if attached), distribution statement text (if attached), workflow signoff table (if the target object is in a review task), and Teamcenter attributes when the logical object is related to the attached PDF dataset. A target object can be an item, an item revision or its subtype, or the PDF dataset itself.

The system stamp is an imprint comprising data such as a watermark and optional boilerplate text. In Business Modeler IDE, the data model administrator creates a system stamp configuration, associating the configuration with the XML command file that defines the watermark and text.

For this handler to apply the stamp and watermark, the following conditions are required:

- The PDF dataset must be related to the item revision or its subtype.
- The system stamp configuration must be enabled for the item revision or its subtype. The **Applies To** attribute of the system stamp configuration must be set to **PDF_Control**.
- The **PDF Control** access privilege must be granted.

SYNTAX

DOCMGTAPP-apply-pdf-control -user_stamp=text string

ARGUMENTS

-user_stamp

(Optional) Specifies any string for the text portion of the stamp.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action or the **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

None

DOCMGTAPP-insert-pdf-cover-page

DESCRIPTION

Inserts a cover page to a PDF dataset attached to the target being sent in the workflow. The target can be an item, an item revision or its subtype, or the PDF dataset itself. The cover page is a PDF dataset that is related to the item revision by using the **Document Page Type** relation. Its **Page Type** relation property is set to **Cover Page**.

For this handler to insert a PDF cover page, the following conditions are required:

- The PDF dataset must be related to the item revision or its subtype. If it is related using the **Document Page Type** related, its **Page Type** relation property must be set to **Base Document**.
- The PDF cover page must be related to the item revision or its subtype.

SYNTAX

DOCMGTAPP-insert-pdf-cover-page [-create_new_dataset= <true|false> [-new_dataset_suffix= <text>]]

ARGUMENTS

-create_new_dataset

(Optional) If **true**, creates a new PDF dataset with the cover page inserted. If **false**, the original PDF file is modified.

-new_dataset_suffix

If **-create_new_dataset** argument is specified as true, you can enter any text string for the dataset suffix name.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action or the **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

None

DOCMGT-render-document-revision

DESCRIPTION

Translates Source Datasets associated with target Item revisions to Derived Datasets, for example, MSWordX Datasets to PDF Datasets. Settings from the Item Revision Definition Configuration (IRDC) and Dispatcher Service Configuration determine the file formats of the input Source Dataset and output Derived Datasets.

Note:

- This handler requires Teamcenter Dispatcher RenderMgtTranslator for the translation, previewservice and Teamcenter Visualization Convert and Print.
- Target item revisions must be valid and checked in.

The translation is asynchronous; the workflow can continue while translation begins and runs to completion. The translated files are stored as Derived Datasets in Teamcenter and may be related to the input Source Datasets and Item revisions.

Tip:

You can use a **Do** task to wait for the RenderMgtTranslator dispatcher translation process to set the **Complete** action before the workflow continues. The RenderMgtTranslator dispatcher process sets the task state to **Completed** when the translation is successful.

SYNTAX

DOCMGT-render-document-revision -existing_file=[replace | preserve]

ARGUMENTS

-existing_file

- replace
 - The new translated file replaces the existing Derived Dataset file (the Source Dataset must be related to its Derived Dataset) or added to the newly created output Derived Dataset.
 - For Released Items or Source Datasets, set preferences
 Fnd0DM_AllowRenderAllReleasedItemsOrSrcDatasets to "true" in order to replace existing
 Derived Dataset file.

• preserve

This is the default value.

- The existing Derived Dataset must be related to its Source Dataset
- If the Source Dataset last modified date is later than its related Derived Dataset last modified date, then the new translated file will replace the existing Derived Dataset file. Otherwise the new translated file will not replace its existing Derived Dataset file.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of a **Do** task.

Note:

Whenever this handler is used, upon successful completion, an Active Workspace user gets notified: either the process initiator, the task responsible party, or the *Dispatcher-client-proxy-user* user.

When the workflow administrator sets up the workflow:

- If there is only one **Do** task in the workflow to render documents, the handler is placed on the **Start** action of the **Do** task and the workflow initiator gets a notification.
- If there are several tasks in the workflow, including a **Do** task for rendering documents, and the handler is placed on the **Start** action of the **Do** task, the notification goes to the user who completed the predecessor task.
- If a successor task invokes this same handler or the **DOCMGT-update-document-property** handler, an administrator can add a predecessor **Do** task to ensure that the user who completes the predecessor task receives the notification. Otherwise, the Dispatcher client user receives the notification.

You can use a **Do** task to wait for the RenderMgtTranslator dispatcher translation process to set the **Complete** action before the workflow continues.

Caution:

Do not place this handler on the **perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** task. Otherwise, this handler runs multiple times.

RESTRICTIONS

- Requires Dispatcher to translate the dataset's file.
- Item revisions with attached datasets such as Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel must be included as targets of the workflow.
- Do not use this handler with a workflow that is running in the background.

DOCMGT-update-docprop-logicalobject

DESCRIPTION

Updates the datasets (for example, MSWordX with a .docx extension or MSExcelX with a .xlsx extension) associated with the target item revisions with the latest attribute exchange data. Attribute exchange data can include Teamcenter properties, logos, distribution statements, and workflow sign off tables, if the target object is in a review task. Attributes are exchanged between Teamcenter and the files.

Note:

- The generic (logical object) attribute exchange currently supports Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint datasets only.
- The Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint datasets must be related to the logical objects for the generic attribute exchange to occur.
- Target item revisions must be valid and checked in.
 - The attribute exchange process from this workflow action handler bypasses the **Fnd0TriggerLOAttrExch** business object constant configuration.
- Logos and distribution statements must be enabled based on their document configuration setting.
- System stamp must be enabled for a business object revision and logical objects must be defined for its datasets.

The update is synchronous.

SYNTAX

DOCMGT-update-docprop-logicalobject

ARGUMENTS

None

PLACEMENT

Place on the Start action of a Task.

Caution:

Do not place this handler on the **perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** task. Otherwise, this handler runs multiple times.

RESTRICTIONS

Item revisions with attached datasets such as Microsoft Word, Excel, or PowerPoint must be included as targets of the workflow process.

DOCMGT-update-document-property

DESCRIPTION

Update the MSWordX Datasets with .docx file extension associated with the target Item **Revisions** with the latest attribute exchange data, if there are any from Teamcenter to file (.docx file).

Note:

- This handler requires Teamcenter Dispatcher for the update.
- The **RenderMgtTranslator** service must be enabled.
- Use the Business Modeler IDE to set up and deploy IRDC and dispatcher service configuration objects to the Teamcenter database.
- Target item revisions must be valid and checked in.

The update is asynchronous. The workflow continues while the update begins and runs to completion.

Tip:

You can use a **Do** task to wait for the update process to initiate the **Complete** action before the workflow continues. The update process sets the task state to **Completed** when the update is successful.

SYNTAX

DOCMGT-update-document-property

ARGUMENTS

None

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of a **Do** task.

Note:

Whenever this handler is used, upon successful completion, an Active Workspace user gets notified: either the process initiator, the task responsible party, or the *Dispatcher-client-proxy-user* user

When the workflow administrator sets up the workflow:

- If there is only one **Do** task in the workflow to update document properties, the handler is placed on the **Start** action of the **Do** task and the workflow initiator gets a notification.
- If there are several tasks in the workflow, including a **Do** task for updating document properties, and the handler is placed on the **Start** action of the **Do** task, the notification goes to the user who completed the predecessor task.
- If a successor task invokes this same handler or the **DOCMGT-render-document-revision** handler, an administrator can add a predecessor **Do** task to ensure that the user who completes the predecessor task receives the notification. Otherwise, the Dispatcher client user receives the notification.

Caution:

Do not place this handler on the **perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** task. Otherwise, this handler runs multiple times.

RESTRICTIONS

- Requires Dispatcher to update the dataset's files.
- Item revision with attached datasets containing Microsoft WordX . docx extension must be included as targets of the workflow process.
- Do not use this handler with a workflow that is running in the background.

EPM-adhoc-signoffs

DESCRIPTION

Note:

The Teamcenter rich client displays the **Ad Hoc done** checkbox, but the Active Workspace client does not.

Determines the behavior of the **Ad-hoc done** check box in the **select-signoff-team** task's interface, allowing the initializing user, address list members and resource pool members to add users to the signoff team in an ad hoc manner. If the task template contains predefined signoff profiles, the ad hoc selections add one-time-only additions to the required signoff team. Alternatively, if the task template contains no predefined signoff profiles, the ad hoc additions comprise the whole of the signoff team.

When this handler is attached to the **select-signoff-team** task, the check box is not selected by default. You can modify this behavior using the **-auto_complete** argument.

Note:

When this handler is *not* attached to the **select-signoff-team** task, the check box displays by default as checked, in expectation that ad hoc additions are not required. Users can still clear the check box, add additional signoff team members to the signoff team, and then select the check box again.

Remember that the check box only indicates that the user has completed any ad hoc additions to the signoff team; it does not signify that the required profiles have been added to the signoff team. Even if the user fits into any of the signoff profiles, it is added only as an ad hoc user and not as the signoff profile member.

Using the **-auto_complete** argument with this handler allows the **select-signoff-team** task to complete automatically. If the system's **ad hoc done** query is returned as **true** and any predefined signoff profiles have been selected, the task automatically completes without user interaction. Therefore, the **select-signoff-team** task template can be configured to automatically choose a signoff team and decide whether or not to allow users to modify this predefined signoff team at execution of the task.

This handler's arguments are listed in order of precedence, meaning that the system attempts to find a match for the argument as a user before it tries to find a match as an address list, and so on. When a **select-signoff-team** task is created, based on a task template that uses this handler, it parses these arguments and add those signoffs to the task.

If the **-required** argument is specified; the signoffs will be added as required signoffs which cannot be removed or marked as optional by users. After that point, the ad hoc signoff functionality allows subsequent modifications to the signoff list. Therefore, what is specified in this handler is only used to initialize this task; during execution of the workflow process, the ad hoc signoff functionality accepts further changes.

By default, this handler is run at workflow process initiation, rather than at the task where it is assigned. It initializes the signoff lists at workflow process initiation, allowing the workflow process initiator to view signoff assignments early in the workflow process and set the assignments as desired. However, this also means that assignments are based on target/assignment data as it exists at the time of initiation. For instance, if you use the **\$TARGET_GROUP** keyword argument with this handler and the handler is run at workflow process initiation, it looks at the group that owns the targets when the workflow process is initiated, not when the task using this handler is run. When you use this method, keyword arguments always resolve to the workflow process initiator.

Alternatively, if the **-ce** argument is used, the handler is not run when the workflow process is initiated. The handler is run instead when the **select-signoff-team** task starts.

If the –condition_name argument is specified; the handler will add the reviewers or set auto complete only if the condition is met. However, it will not reset the auto-complete flag if it is already set on the select-signoff-team task.

SYNTAX

```
EPM-adhoc-signoffs
[-auto_complete]
[-assignee= {user:user | person:person
| addresslist:list
I resourcepool:group::role
| allmembers:group::role
| user:PROP::property_name
| resourcepool:PROP::property_name
| allmembers:PROP::property name
| $PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY | $PROPOSED_REVIEWERS | $USER
| $PROCESS_OWNER | $TARGET_OWNER [type]
| $PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT TEAM ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_AUTHOR | $PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]
| $REQUESTOR | $ANALYST
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST1 | $CHANGE_SPECIALIST2 | $CHANGE_SPECIALIST3
| $CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD | $CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD}]
[-from_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from_attach=target | reference | schedule_task]
[-from_relation=relation-type]
[-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...] |
```

```
[-from_exclude_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-quorum=quorum-value]
```

[-ce]
[-clear_signoffs]
[-target_task=multilevel-task-path]

[-required]

[-project_scope=all | owning_project]

[-check_first_object_only=true | false]

[-condition_name=condition1]

[-condition_scope=all | any | none]

ARGUMENTS

-auto_complete (optional)

(Optional.) Allows the task to complete without user interaction. Automatically selects the **Ad-hoc done** check box in the **select-signoff-team** task interface. The task is assumed to be populated; no **select-signoff-team** task needs to be performed through the interface (providing at least one of the signoff profiles have been fulfilled).

When this argument is not used, the system does not automatically select the **Ad-hoc done** check box, preventing the **select-signoff-team** task from completing until the user manually checks it, typically after ad hoc signoffs have been added. Absence of the **EPM-adhoc-signoffs** handler implies the presence of this argument, and the **Ad-hoc done** check box is selected and behaves accordingly.

-assignee

(Optional.) Assigns signoff members to select-signoff-team or Notify task under a Route task.

Separate multiple assignees with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

The following value formats are allowed:

• user:user

Adds the user specified to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter user ID.

• user:PROP::property_name

Adds the user specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• resourcepool:PROP::property_name

Adds the resource pool specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• allmembers:PROP::property_name

Adds all members of a group/role combination that is specified by the property name to the signoff member list.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• person:person

Adds the user whose name is specified to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter person name.

Note:

If the person's name includes a comma, you must include an escape character (1) to add the correct person. For example, to use wayne, joan:

-assignee=person:wayne\, joan

• addresslist:/ist

Adds all members of the address list specified to the signoff member list.

• resourcepool:group::role

Results in a single assignment which can be performed by any single member of this group/role. You can define resource pools in the form of *group*::, *group*::role, or role.

Note:

When a resource pool task is performed by a user it is automatically claimed by that user. If that task is a **Review** task and it is started again, the task is assigned to the user who performed it in the previous iteration, rather than the resource pool, unless the following arguments are used.

- -auto_complete
- -clear_signoffs
- -ce

Accepts valid Teamcenter resource pool names and these keywords:

• \$GROUP

Current user's current group.

• \$ROLE

Current user's current role.

• **\$TARGET_GROUP**[type]

Owning group of the first target object of the specified type. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROCESS_GROUP

Owning group of the workflow process.

• allmembers:group::role

Adds all members of a group/role combination to the signoff member list. You can define role in groups in the form of *group::role*, or *role*. Accepts valid Teamcenter resource pool names and these keywords:

\$GROUP

Current user's current group.

• \$ROLE

Current user's current role.

• **\$TARGET_GROUP**[type]

Owning group of the first target object of the specified type. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROCESS GROUP

Owning group of the workflow process.

\$PROPOSED RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Affects assignments based on the user assigned as the responsible party for the first target object.

\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS

Affects assignments based on members assigned as reviewers for the first target object.

• \$USER

Adds the current user to the signoff member list.

• \$PROCESS_OWNER

Adds the workflow process owner to the signoff member list.

\$TARGET_OWNER [type]

Adds the owner of the first target of specified type to the signoff member list. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_AUTHOR, \$PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]

Dynamically adds the project team members belonging to the role specified in the argument value. The project team is determined by the project team associated with the first target object. If the **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role] argument is specified, only the project members of the qualifying projects which belong to the specified group and role are selected for assignment. If the group and role are not specified, all the project members from qualifying projects are selected.

You can specify a sub-group with the syntax group++sub-group::role.

\$REQUESTOR, \$ANALYST, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST3

\$CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD, \$CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD

Dynamically resolves to the user or resource pool associated with the first Change target object in the workflow process. The particular user or resource pool is determined by the role specified in the argument value.

If custom participants are define by the customer, those participants can be used as recipients.

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the workflow process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, **Change Management** must be selected under **Extensions**→**Enterprise Knowledge Foundation** in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

-from include type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from exclude type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task

(Optional) Specifies which type of attachment (target, reference, or schedule_task) to get the property value from when a property is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, -assignee=user:PROP::property_name). If this argument is not specified, the default is target.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_relation

(Optional) Specifies the relation of the objects to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). It must be a valid relation.

- For manifestations, use IMAN manifestation.
- For specifications, use **IMAN_specification**.
- For requirements, use **IMAN_requirement**.
- For references, use **IMAN_reference**.
- For BOM views, use **PSBOMViewRevision**.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies the related object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)) and you use the -from_relation argument.

This argument should not be used with the **-from_exclude_related_type** argument.

-from_exclude_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies related object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)) and you use the -from_relation argument.

This argument should not be used with the **-from_include_related_type** argument.

-quorum

(Optional.) Determines the approval quorum for the **perform-signoffs** task. The value can either be a percentage or a number. For example, if it is set to **51%** then of all the signoff members, 51% of members need to approve for the task to move ahead. If it is set to **5**, then 5 members need to approve for the task to move ahead. The value specified here will override the quorum specified on the **select-signoff-team** task template. If no value is specified, the quorum specified on the **select-**

signoff-team task template is used. This argument is ignored if the handler is placed on a **Notify** task.

-ce

(Optional.) Disables the default behavior of running this handler when the workflow process is initiated. Instead, the handler is run when the **select-signoff-team** task is initiated in the workflow.

If **-ce** is specified, the **select-signoff-team** task does not auto-complete even if a process assignment list is assigned during process initiation. For the **select-signoff-team** task to auto-complete, you must also use the **-auto_complete** handler argument.

-clear_signoffs

(Optional.) If specified, all existing signoffs are removed from the **select-signoff-team** subtask before the new signoffs are added. If you specify this argument, you must also use the **-ce** argument before it.

-target_task

(Optional) Specifies the multilevel task path to which the reviewers are added. The path is from the root task to the **select-signoff-team** subtask with the path levels separated with colons (:). For example: **Change Request Review:QA Review:select-signoff-team**

-required

(Optional) If specified, all signoffs added through this handler instance are marked as mandatory.

-project_scope

(Optional) Specifies which projects are used to resolve project-based assignments. The **all** value specifies all projects in the list of projects. The **owning_project** value specifies the owning project only.

If this argument is not specified, the default value is the first project in the project list.

-check_first_object_only

(Optional) The **true** value specifies that only the first object is checked. If the value is **false**, all objects are checked. If this argument is not specified, or if it is specified without a value, only the first object is checked.

If the **-include_type**, **-exclude_type**, **-include_related_type**, or **-exclude_related_type** arguments are specified, they determine the types of objects that are checked.

-condition_name

(Optional) The name of the condition to evaluate against the objects identified for assigning reviewers from. The condition signature should accept a **WorkspaceObject & UserSession**. The handler assigns the reviewers only if the condition results are successful, based on the – **condition_scope** argument.

-condition_scope

(Optional) The criteria for evaluating condition results against workflow objects.

all All objects should meet the condition. This is the default behavior if this argument

is not supplied with the **-condition_name** argument.

any Any object should meet the condition.

none No object should meet the condition.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of a **select-signoff-team** subtask.

This handler runs at workflow process initiation if the **-ce** argument is not specified. If **-ce** is specified, the handler runs in a conventional manner at the point of handler placement on the task action.

Place on the **Undo** action of a **select-signoff-team** subtask and specify the **-ce** argument to clear the **Ad-hoc done** check box when the subtask is demoted. In this situation, the next time the subtask reaches the **Start** action of the **select-signoff-team** subtask, the user is again prompted to select a signoff team.

RESTRICTIONS

Ignores any invalid arguments without reporting an error.

The keywords always refer to the initiating user because all instances of this handler in a workflow process are run when the workflow process is initiated, not when tasks are approved.

If the **-ce** argument is not specified, all instances of this handler are run when the workflow process is initiated and in this case the keywords refer to the initiating user.

EXAMPLES

This example places the handler on the Undo action of the select-signoff-team subtask. If the select-signoff-team subtask is demoted, the -ce argument clears the Ad-hoc done check box. When the workflow process returns to the select-signoff-team subtask, the responsible party is again prompted to select the signoff team because the Ad-hoc done check box is clear, indicating the task is not yet complete.

Argument	Values
-ce	

This example has a valid user, resource pool, address list and handler-specific keywords as argument values. So Smith, the current logged on users group/role resource pool, members of the List1 address list, and the members assigned as reviewers are added as signoff attachments to the select-signoff-team task on which this handler is added. The handler is run at the time of workflow process initiation.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:Smith, resourcepool:\$GROUP::\$ROLE, addresslist:List1, \$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-quorum	80%

If the handler with the above arguments is specified on the **Notify** task under the **Route** task, the signoff attachments are added to the **Notify** task and used for sending notifications. The quorum is set to **80%** which means that of all the signoff members, 80% need to approve for the task to move ahead.

• This example has a valid user, resource pool, address list, and handler-specific keywords as argument values. So Smith, the current logged on users group/role resource pool, members of List1 address list, and the members assigned as reviewers are added as signoff attachments to the select-signoff-team task on which this handler is added. Because of the -ce option, the handler is run when the task action on which it is attached is run. The quorum is set to 80% which means that of all the signoff members, 80% need to approve for the task to move ahead.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:Smith, resourcepool:\$GROUP::\$ROLE, addresslist:List1, \$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-quorum	80%
-ce	

If the handler with the above arguments is specified on the **Notify** task under the **Route** task, the signoff attachments are added to the **Notify** task and used for sending notifications.

• This example assigns the user whose ID is Smith to the signoff team

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:Smith

• This example assigns the owning user ID of the first **UGMASTER** target found by the system to the signoff team.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:\$TARGET_OWNER[UGMASTER]

• This example assigns the project team administrator of the project team associated with the first target found by the system to the signoff team.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:\$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR

• This example assigns all members of the **jhList** address list to the signoff team.

Argument	Values
-assignee	addresslist:jhList

• This example assigns the **manufacturing** resource pool (any role within the manufacturing group) to the signoff team.

Argument	Values
-assignee	resourcepool:manufacturing::

• This example assigns the **\$PROCESS_GROUP** resource pool (any role within the **xyz** group, where **xyz** is the owning group of the workflow process) to the signoff team.

Argument	Values
-assignee	resourcepool:\$PROCESS_GROUP::

• This example assigns the **\$TARGET_GROUP** resource pool (any roles within the **abc** group, where **abc** is the group of the first item revision target) to the signoff team.

Argument	Values
-assignee	resourcepool:\$TARGET_GROUP::

• This example assigns the engineer role within the manufacturing group resource pool to the signoff team.

Argument	Values
-assignee	resourcepool:manufacturing::engineer

• This example assigns the current logged on role within the current logged on group resource pool to the signoff team.

Argument	Values
-assignee	resourcepool:\$GROUP::\$ROLE

• This example assigns the engineer role within any group resource pool to the signoff team.

Argument	Values
-assignee	resourcepool:::engineer

• This example adds user **smith** and all reviewers of the first target item revision object to the signoff team. The quorum is set to **51%** which means that at least more than half of the signoff members need to approve for the **perform-signoffs** task to move ahead. Because of the **-ce** option, the handler is run when the task action on which it is attached is run.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:smith, \$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-quorum	51%
-ce	

• This example adds all members of the **Engineering** group and **Engineer** role to the signoff team. The members are dynamically evaluated when the **select-signoff-team** task completes. The quorum is set to **80**% which means that of all the signoff members, 80% need to approve for the task to move ahead. Because of the **-ce** option, the handler is run when the task action on which it is attached is run.

Argument	Values
-assignee	allmembers:Engineering::Engineer
-quorum	80%
-ce	

• This example adds all members of the **list1** address list and the **Engineering:Engineer** resource pool to the signoff team. The quorum is set to **5** which mean that of all the signoff members, 5 need to approve for the task to move ahead. Because of the **-ce** option, the handler is run when the task action on which it is attached is run.

Argument	Values
-assignee	resourcepool:Engineering::Engineer, addresslist:list1
-quorum	5
-ce	

• This example has a valid user, resource pool, address list, and handler specific keywords as argument values. So **smith**, the current logged on users group/role resource pool, members of the **list1** address

list, and the members assigned as reviewers are assigned to the signoff team. Because of the **-ce** option, the handler is run when the task action on which it is attached is run.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:smith,resourcepool:\$GROUP::\$ROLE, addressList:list1,\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-ce	

If the handler with these arguments is specified on the **Notify** task under the **Route** task, the signoff attachments are added to the **Notify** task and used for sending notifications.

• This example has a valid user, resource pool, and handler-specific keywords as values. So **smith**, the current logged on users group/role resource pool, members of the project associated with the first target object, and members assigned as reviewers are added to the signoff team. Because of the **-ce** option, the handler is run when the task action on which it is attached is run.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:smith,resourcepool:\$GROUP::\$ROLE, \$PROJECT_MEMBER,\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-ce	

If the handler with these arguments is specified on the **Notify** task under the **Route** task, the signoff attachments are added to the **Notify** task and used for sending notifications.

• This example has a valid user, resource pool, and handler-specific keywords as values. So **smith**, the current logged-on user group/role resource pool, and **CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD** and **ANALYST** associated with the first change target object are added to the signoff team. Because of the **-ce** option, the handler is run when the task action on which it is attached is run.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:smith,resourcepool:\$GROUP::\$ROLE, \$CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD,\$ANALYST
-ce	

If the handler with these arguments is specified on the **Notify** task under the **Route** task, the signoff attachments are added to the **Notify** task and used for sending notifications.

This example removes all existing members of the signoff team and adds
 PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY. Because of the -ce option, the handler is run when the task action on which it is attached is run. The -auto_complete option allows the task to complete without user

interaction by automatically selecting the **Ad-hoc done** check box in the **select-signoff-team** subtask interface, and the task does not need to be performed through the interface.

Argument	Values
-ce	
-clear_signoffs	
-assignee	\$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
-auto_complete	

If the handler with these arguments is specified on the **Notify** task under the **Route** task, the signoff attachments are added to the **Notify** task and used for sending notifications.

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the first project team associated with the first target found by the system to the signoff team as optional signoffs.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the owning project team associated with the first target found by the system to the signoff team as required signoffs.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]
-project_scope	owning_project
-check_first_object_only	
-required	

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of all project teams associated with the first target found by the system to the signoff team as optional signoffs.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]
-project_scope	all
-check_first_object_only	true

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the first project team associated with each target found by the system to the signoff team as optional signoffs.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]
-check_first_object_only	false

• This example places the handler on the **Start** action of the **select-signoff-team** subtask. The **-ce** argument ensures that the **\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS** variable is not set until the **select-signoff-team** subtask is initiated. Without the **-ce** argument, the **\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS** variable is assigned the values of **\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS** that existed at process initiation.

Note:

These dynamic variables can change value throughout a process, so care needs to be taken to ensure the desired functionality.

Argument	Values
-ce	
-assignee	\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS

EPM-apply-digital-signature

DESCRIPTION

Applies the digital signature of the logged-on user to the target objects and, optionally, the schedule task.

SYNTAX

EPM-apply-digital-signature [-include_schedule_task]

ARGUMENTS

-include_schedule_task

(Optional) Applies the digital signature to the schedule task and all target objects of the workflow. If this argument is not provided, the digital signature is applied only on the target objects of the workflow.

PLACEMENT

Place either on the **Perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** task or the **Complete** action of the following tasks:

- Do task
- Condition task
- select-signoff-team task

On a Route task, place on the Complete action of the select-signoff-team subtask of the Review task.

RESTRICTIONS

Do not place a workflow handler that modifies digital signature key property values before this handler on the same action on the same workflow task. Modifying digital signature key properties after applying a digital signature voids the signature.

EPM-assign-responsible-party-dynamic-participant

DESCRIPTION

Assigns the specified user or resource pool as the dynamic participant to the target attachment.

Note:

Participants can be assigned to **Item Revision** subtypes only. **Non-Revision Items** are removed from processing and, if no **Targets** are left, may result in this warning: **No attachment of the specified type can be found.**

If the BMIDE constant **Fnd0ParticipantEligibility** is defined for the dynamic participant, the handler gets the corresponding group member which matches the group and role criteria defined in the BMIDE constant. If the user identified through the **–assignee** argument does not have the correct group and role membership, the handler reports an error and does not assign the user to the dynamic participant.

If the value is specified as **\$PROJECT_AUTHOR** or **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role], the relevant first project member is selected.

Note:

Use the **WRKFLW_display_participants** preference to specify which dynamic-participant types are displayed when assigning dynamic participants for an object.

SYNTAX

```
EPM-assign-responsible-party-dynamic-participant
-name= {PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
| ANALYST
| CHANGE_SPECIALIST1
I CHANGE_SPECIALIST2
| CHANGE SPECIALIST3 |
[-assignee= [user:user | person:person
| resourcepool:group::role
| user:PROP::property_name
I resourcepool:PROP::property name
| $PROPOSED RESPONSIBLE PARTY | $USER
| $PROCESS_OWNER | $TARGET_OWNER [type]
| $PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_AUTHOR | $PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]
| $REQUESTOR | $ANALYST
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST1
| $CHANGE SPECIALIST2
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST3]]
[-from_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
```

```
-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-to_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
-to_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task]
[-from_relation=relation-type]
[-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...] |
-from_exclude_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-first_object_only]
[-bypass_condition_check]
[-project_scope=all | owning_project]
[-check_first_object_only=true | false]
[-condition_name=condition1]
[-condition_scope=all | any | none]
```

ARGUMENTS

-name

Specifies the keyword of the dynamic participant that you want to assign participants. Accepts one of the following:

- PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
- ANALYST
- CHANGE_SPECIALIST1
- CHANGE_SPECIALIST2
- CHANGE SPECIALIST3

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the workflow process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, **Change Management** must be selected under **Extensions**→**Enterprise Knowledge Foundation** in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

-assignee

Makes the user or resource pool the specified keyword evaluates to the responsible party for the task to which this handler is added. Accepts one of the following in the format specified below:

• user:user

Adds the user specified to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter user ID.

• person:person

Adds the user whose name is specified to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter person name.

Note:

If the person's name includes a comma, you must include an escape character (\) to add the correct person. For example, to use **wayne**, **joan**:

-assignee=person:wayne\, joan

• resourcepool:group::role

Results in a single assignment which can be performed by any single member of this group/role. You can define resource pools in the form of *group::, group::role*, or *role*. Accepts valid Teamcenter resource pool names and these keywords:

\$GROUP

Current user's current group.

• \$ROLE

Current user's current role.

• \$TARGET_GROUP [type]

Owning group of the first target object of the specified type. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

\$PROCESS GROUP

Owning group of the workflow process.

• user:PROP::property_name

Adds the user specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• resourcepool:PROP::property_name

Adds the resource pool specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

\$PROPOSED RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Affects assignments based on the user assigned as the responsible party for the first target object.

• \$USER

Adds the current user to the signoff member list.

• \$PROCESS_OWNER

Adds the workflow process owner to the signoff member list.

• \$TARGET_OWNER [type]

Adds the owner of the first target of specified type to the signoff member list. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_AUTHOR, \$PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]

Dynamically adds the project team members belonging to the role specified in the argument value. The project team is determined by the project team associated with the first target object. If the **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role] argument is specified, only the project members of the qualifying projects which belong to the specified group and role are selected for assignment. If the group and role are not specified, all the project members from qualifying projects are selected.

You can specify a sub-group with the syntax group++sub-group::role.

\$REQUESTOR, \$ANALYST, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2, \$CHANGE SPECIALIST3

Dynamically resolves to the user or resource pool associated with the first change target object in the workflow process. The particular user or resource pool is determined by the role specified in the argument value.

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the workflow process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, **Change Management** must be selected under **Extensions**→**Enterprise Knowledge Foundation** in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

-from_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from exclude type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-to_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be used while assigning participants on the target attachment. They must be valid object types.

The **-to_include_type** and **-to_exclude_type** arguments are mutually exclusive. If you use one, you cannot use the other.

-to_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be excluded while assigning participants on the target attachment. They must be valid object types.

The **-to_include_type** and **-to_exclude_type** arguments are mutually exclusive. If you use one, you cannot use the other.

-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task

(Optional) Specifies which type of attachment (**target**, **reference**, or **schedule_task**) to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). If this argument is not specified, the default is **target**.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_relation

(Optional) Specifies the relation of the objects to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). It must be a valid relation.

- For manifestations, use IMAN_manifestation.
- For specifications, use **IMAN specification**.
- For requirements, use **IMAN requirement**.
- For references, use **IMAN reference**.
- For BOM views, use **PSBOMViewRevision**.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies the related object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)) and you use the -from_relation argument.

-from exclude related type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies related object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)) and you use the -from_relation argument.

-first_object_only

(Optional) Sets the participants on the first target attachment matching the **-to_include_type** and **-to_exclude_type** arguments. If this argument is not specified, the participants are set on all target attachments matching the **-to_include_type** and **-to_exclude_type** arguments.

-bypass_condition_check

(Optional) Bypasses the Business Modeler IDE condition check before assigning participants. If this argument is not specified, the Business Modeler IDE conditions are checked before assigning participants.

-project_scope

(Optional) Specifies which projects are used to resolve project-based assignments. The **all** value specifies all projects in the list of projects. The **owning_project** value specifies the owning project only.

If this argument is not specified, the default value is the first project in the project list.

-check_first_object_only

(Optional) The **true** value specifies that only the first object is checked. If the value is **false**, all objects are checked. If this argument is not specified, or if it is specified without a value, only the first object is checked.

If the **-include_type**, **-exclude_type**, **-include_related_type**, or **-exclude_related_type** arguments are specified, they determine the types of objects that are checked.

-condition name

(Optional) The name of the condition to evaluate against the identified objects from which to assign participants. The condition signature should accept a **WorkspaceObject & UserSession**. The handler assigns the reviewers only if the condition results are successful, based on the – **condition_scope** argument.

-condition_scope

(Optional) The criteria for evaluating condition results against workflow objects. Values are the following:

all All objects should meet the condition. This is the default behavior if this argument

is not supplied with the **-condition_name** argument.

any Any object should meet the condition.

none No object should meet the condition.

PLACEMENT

Place on the Start action.

RESTRICTIONS

Can only be used to assign dynamic participants that resolve to a single user. For example:

PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY or ANALYST

EXAMPLES

• Assigns the user **Smith** as the **PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY** participant for all target objects in the workflow process.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
-assignee	user:Smith

 Reads the owning_user property from the target and assigns the user as the PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY participant for the first target object only.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
-assignee	user:PROP::owning_user
-first_object_only	

• Reads the **owning_user** property from the **Document Revision** type target and assigns the user as the **PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY** participant.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
-assignee	user:PROP::owning_user
-from_include_type	DocumentRevision

• Traverses the **References** relation from the **Part Revision** types of the targets to get the **Document Revision** objects. It then reads the **owning_user** property from the **Document Revision** and assigns the user as the **PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY** participant for all target objects.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
-assignee	user:PROP::owning_user
-from_include_type	Part Revision
-from_relation	IMAN_reference
-from_include_related_type	DocumentRevision

• This example assigns the first member of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the first project team associated with the first target found by the system to the dynamic participant.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]

EPM-assign-signoff-dynamic-participant

DESCRIPTION

Assigns the specified users or resource pools as the dynamic participant to the target attachment.

If the BMIDE constant **Fnd0ParticipantEligibility** is defined for the dynamic participant, the handler gets the corresponding group member which matches the group and role criteria defined in the BMIDE constant. If the user identified through the **–assignee** argument does not have the correct group and role membership, the handler reports an error and does not assign the user to the dynamic participant.

SYNTAX

```
EPM-assign-signoff-dynamic-participant
-name= {PROPOSED REVIEWERS
| CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD
| CHANGE IMPLEMENTATION BOARD}
[-assignee= [user:user | person:person | resourcepool:group::role
I user:PROP::property_name
| resourcepool:PROP::property name
| $PROPOSED RESPONSIBLE PARTY | $USER
| $PROCESS OWNER | $TARGET OWNER [type]
I $PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_AUTHOR | $PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]
| $REQUESTOR | $ANALYST
| $CHANGE SPECIALIST1
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST2
[$CHANGE SPECIALIST3]]
[-from_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-to include type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-to_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task]
[-from relation=relation-type]
[-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...] |
-from exclude related type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-clear] [-first object only]
[-bypass_condition_check]
[-project_scope=all | owning_project]
[-check_first_object_only=true | false]
[-condition name=condition1]
[-condition_scope=all | any | none]
```

ARGUMENTS

-name

Specifies the keyword of the dynamic participant that you want to assign participants to. Accepts one of the following:

- PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
- CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD
- CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the workflow process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, **Change Management** must be selected under **Extensions**→**Enterprise Knowledge Foundation** in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

-assignee

Makes the user or resource pool the specified keyword evaluates to the responsible party for the task to which this handler is added. Accepts one of the following in the format specified below:

• user:user

Adds the user specified to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter user ID.

• person:person

Adds the user whose name is specified to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter person name.

Note:

If the person's name includes a comma, you must include an escape character (\) to add the correct person. For example, to use wayne, joan:

-assignee=person:wayne\, joan

• resourcepool:group::role

Results in a single assignment which can be performed by any single member of this group/role. You can define resource pools in the form of *group::, group::role*, or *role*. Accepts valid Teamcenter resource pool names and these keywords:

\$GROUP

Current user's current group.

• \$ROLE

Current user's current role.

• \$TARGET_GROUP [type]

Owning group of the first target object of the specified type. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROCESS_GROUP

Owning group of the workflow process.

• user:PROP::property name

Adds the user specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• resourcepool:PROP::property_name

Adds the resource pool specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• \$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY

Affects assignments based on the user assigned as the responsible party for the first target object.

• \$USER

Adds the current user to the signoff member list.

• \$PROCESS OWNER

Adds the workflow process owner to the signoff member list.

\$TARGET_OWNER [type]

Adds the owner of the first target of specified type to the signoff member list. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_AUTHOR, \$PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]

Dynamically adds the project team members belonging to the role specified in the argument value. The project team is determined by the project team associated with the first target object. If the **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role] argument is specified, only the project members of the qualifying projects which belong to the specified group and role are selected for assignment. If the group and role are not specified, all the project members from qualifying projects are selected.

You can specify a sub-group with the syntax group++sub-group::role.

\$REQUESTOR, \$ANALYST, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2, \$CHANGE SPECIALIST3

Dynamically resolves to the user or resource pool associated with the first change target object in the workflow process. The particular user or resource pool is determined by the role specified in the argument value.

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the workflow process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, **Change Management** must be selected under **Extensions**→**Enterprise Knowledge Foundation** in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

-from_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-to_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be used while assigning participants on the target attachment. They must be valid object types.

The **-to_include_type** and **-to_exclude_type** arguments are mutually exclusive. If you use one, you cannot use the other.

-to_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be excluded while assigning participants on the target attachment. They must be valid object types.

The **-to_include_type** and **-to_exclude_type** arguments are mutually exclusive. If you use one, you cannot use the other.

-from attach= target | reference | schedule task

(Optional) Specifies which type of attachment (target, reference, or schedule_task) to get the property value from when a property is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, -assignee=user:PROP::property_name). If this argument is not specified, the default is target.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from relation

(Optional) Specifies the relation of the objects to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). It must be a valid relation.

- For manifestations, use IMAN_manifestation.
- For specifications, use IMAN_specification.
- For requirements, use **IMAN_requirement**.
- For references, use **IMAN reference**.
- For BOM views, use **PSBOMViewRevision**.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies the related object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

Use this argument when a property is designated

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)) and you use the -from_relation argument.

-from_exclude_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies related object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)) and you use the -from_relation argument.

-clear

(Optional) Removes all previously assigned participants before assigning new participants. If this argument is not specified, new participants are appended to existing participants list.

-first_object_only

(Optional) Sets the participants on the first target attachment matching the **-to_include_type** and **-to_exclude_type** arguments. If this argument is not specified, the participants are set on all target attachments matching the **-to_include_type** and **-to_exclude_type** arguments.

-bypass_condition_check

(Optional) Bypasses the Business Modeler IDE condition check before assigning participants. If this argument is not specified, the Business Modeler IDE conditions are enforced before assigning participants.

-project_scope

(Optional) Specifies which projects are used to resolve project-based assignments. The all value specifies all projects in the list of projects. The **owning project** value specifies the owning project only.

If this argument is not specified, the default value is the first project in the project list.

-check_first_object_only

(Optional) The true value specifies that only the first object is checked. If the value is false, all objects are checked. If this argument is not specified, or if it is specified without a value, only the first object is checked.

If the -include_type, -exclude_type, -include_related_type, or -exclude_related_type arguments are specified, they determine the types of objects that are checked.

-condition_name

(Optional) The name of the condition to evaluate against the identified objects from which to assign participants. The condition signature should accept a WorkspaceObject & UserSession. The handler assigns the reviewers only if the condition results are successful, based on the condition scope argument.

-condition_scope

(Optional) The criteria for evaluating condition results against workflow objects. Values are the following:

All objects should meet the condition. This is the default behavior if this argument all

is not supplied with the **-condition** name argument.

Any object should meet the condition. any

No object should meet the condition. none

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action.

RESTRICTIONS

Can only be used to assign dynamic participants that resolve to a multiple users. For example:

PROPOSED_REVIEWERS or CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD

EXAMPLES

• Assigns the users **Smith** and **David** as the **PROPOSED_REVIEWERS** participant for all target objects in the workflow process.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-assignee	user:Smith,David

• Reads the **owning_user** and **last_mod_user** properties from the target and assigns the user as the **PROPOSED_REVIEWERS** participant for the first target object only.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-assignee	user:PROP::owning_user,user:PROP::last_mod_user
-first_object_only	

• Reads the **owning_user** and **last_mod_user** properties from the **Document Revision** type target and assigns the user as the **PROPOSED_REVIEWERS** participant.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-assignee	user:PROP::owning_user,user:PROP::last_ mod_user
-from_include_type	DocumentRevision

• Traverses the **References** relation from the **Part Revision** types of the targets to get the **Document Revision** objects. It then reads the **owning_user** and **last_mod_user** properties from the **Document Revision** and assigns the user as the **PROPOSED_REVIEWERS** participant for all target objects.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-assignee	user:PROP::owning_user,user:PROP::last_ mod_user
-from_include_type	Part Revision

Argument	Values
-from_relation	IMAN_reference
-from_include_related_type	DocumentRevision

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the first project team associated with the first target found by the system to the dynamic participant.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the owning project team associated with the first target found by the system to the dynamic participant.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]
-project_scope	owning_project
-check_first_object_only	

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of all project teams associated with the first target found by the system to the dynamic participant.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]
-project_scope	all
-check_first_object_only	true

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the first project team associated with each target found by the system to the dynamic participant.

Argument	Values
-name	PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]
-check_first_object_only	false

EPM-assign-team-selector

DESCRIPTION

Assigns all **select-signoff-team** tasks in the entire workflow process to the specified user, person, initiator (owner), or resource pool of the workflow process. Only one argument can be defined; all arguments are mutually exclusive of each other.

SYNTAX

```
EPM-assign-team-selector
-assignee= [user:user | person:person | resourcepool:group::role
| user:PROP::property_name
| resourcepool:PROP::property name
| $PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY | $USER
| $PROCESS_OWNER | $TARGET_OWNER [type]
| $PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_AUTHOR | $PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]
| $REQUESTOR | $ANALYST
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST1
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST2
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST3]
[-from_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task]
[-from_relation=relation-type]
[-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...] |
-from_exclude_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-target_task=multilevel-task-path]
[-project_scope=all | owning_project]
[-check_first_object_only=true | false]
[-condition_name=condition1]
[-condition_scope=all | any | none]
```

ARGUMENTS

-assignee

Makes the user or resource pool the specified keyword evaluates to the responsible party for the task to which this handler is added. Accepts one of the following in the format specified below:

• user:user

Adds the user specified to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter user ID.

• person:person

Adds the user whose name is specified to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter person name.

Note:

If the person's name includes a comma, you must include an escape character (\) to add the correct person. For example, to use **wayne**, **joan**:

-assignee=person:wayne\, joan

• resourcepool:group::role

Results in a single assignment which can be performed by any single member of this group/role. You can define resource pools in the form of group::, group::role, or role.

Note:

When a resource pool task is performed by a user it is automatically claimed by that user. If that task is a **Review** task and it is started again, the task is assigned to the user who performed it in the previous iteration, rather than the resource pool.

Accepts valid Teamcenter resource pool names and these keywords:

\$GROUP

Current user's current group.

• \$ROLE

Current user's current role.

• **\$TARGET_GROUP** [type]

Owning group of the first target object of the specified type. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

\$PROCESS_GROUP

Owning group of the workflow process.

• user:PROP::property_name

Adds the user specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• resourcepool:PROP::property_name

Adds the resource pool specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• \$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY

Affects assignments based on the user assigned as the responsible party for the first target object.

• \$USER

Adds the current user to the signoff member list.

• \$PROCESS_OWNER

Adds the workflow process owner to the signoff member list.

• \$TARGET OWNER [type]

Adds the owner of the first target of specified type to the signoff member list. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

\$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_AUTHOR, \$PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]

Dynamically makes the first project team member belonging to the role specified in the argument value as the responsible party. The project team is determined by the project team associated with the first target object.

- If the **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role] argument is specified, only the project members of the qualifying projects which belong to the specified group and role are selected for assignment. If the group and role are not specified, all the project members from qualifying projects are selected.
- If the value is specified as **\$PROJECT_AUTHOR** or **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role], the relevant first project member is selected.
- You can specify a sub-group with the syntax group++sub-group::role.

\$REQUESTOR, \$ANALYST, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST3

Dynamically resolves to the user or resource pool associated with the first change target object in the workflow process. The particular user or resource pool is determined by the role specified in the argument value.

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the workflow process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, **Change Management** must be selected under **Extensions**→**Enterprise Knowledge Foundation** in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

-from_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task

(Optional) Specifies which type of attachment (target, reference, or schedule_task) to get the property value from when a property is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, -assignee=user:PROP::property_name). If this argument is not specified, the default is target.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_relation

(Optional) Specifies the relation of the objects to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). It must be a valid relation.

- For manifestations, use IMAN_manifestation.
- For specifications, use **IMAN specification**.
- For requirements, use **IMAN requirement**.
- For references, use **IMAN reference**.
- For BOM views, use **PSBOMViewRevision**.

This argument must be used with the **-from_attach** argument. A derived object is identified by starting with objects of the specified attachment type indicated by the **-from_attach** argument and then locating the first secondary object with the specified relation indicated by the **-relation** argument.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies the related object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)) and you use the -from relation argument.

This argument should not be used with the **-from_exclude_related_type** argument.

-from exclude related type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies related object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, -assignee=user:PROP::property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)) and you use the -from relation argument.

This argument should not be used with the **-from include related type** argument.

-target task

(Optional) Specifies the multilevel task path to which the reviewers are added. The path is from the root task to the **select-signoff-team** subtask with the path levels separated with colons (:). For example: Change Request Review:QA Review:select-signoff-team

-project_scope

(Optional) Specifies which projects are used to resolve project-based assignments. The all value specifies all projects in the list of projects. The **owning_project** value specifies the owning project only.

If this argument is not specified, the default value is the first project in the project list.

-check_first_object_only

(Optional) The true value specifies that only the first object is checked. If the value is false, all objects are checked. If this argument is not specified, or if it is specified without a value, only the first object is checked.

If the -include type, -exclude type, -include related type, or -exclude related type arguments are specified, they determine the types of objects that are checked.

-condition_name

(Optional) The name of the condition to evaluate against the identified objects from which to assign tasks. The condition signature should accept a WorkspaceObject & UserSession. The handler assigns the reviewers only if the condition results are successful, based on the **-condition scope** argument.

-condition scope

(Optional) The criteria for evaluating condition results against workflow objects. Values are the following:

all All objects should meet the condition. This is the default behavior if this argument is not supplied with the **-condition_name** argument.

any	Any object should meet the condition.
none	No object should meet the condition.

PLACEMENT

Place on the Start action of the root task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example assigns the user **jim** all **select-signoff-team** tasks in that workflow process.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:jim

• This example assigns the person Jim Smith all select-signoff-team tasks in that workflow process.

Argument	Values
-assignee	person:Jim Smith

• This example assigns the owner of the workflow process all **select-signoff-team** tasks in that workflow process.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROCESS_OWNER

• This example assigns the user or resource pool assigned as the responsible party for all **select-signoff-team** tasks in that workflow process.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY

• This example makes the project administrator of the project associated with the first target the responsible party for all **select-signoff-team** tasks in that workflow process.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR

• This example makes the user or resource pool associated as **REQUESTOR** with the first change target the responsible party for all **select-signoff-team** tasks in the workflow process.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$REQUESTOR

• This example assigns the first member of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the first project team associated with the first target found by the system to the **select-signoff-team** task.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]

EPM-attach-related-objects

DESCRIPTION

Attaches the specified related objects of the target objects as target or reference attachments to the workflow process. This handler searches all target objects, finds the secondary objects with the specified relation or in the specified reference property and type (if specified), then adds them as target or reference attachments. If a secondary object is already part of the target list, it is ignored.

Note:

If the WRKFLW_allow_replica_targets preference is set to true and if any replica object qualifies to be attached as a workflow target, that object is attached as a Replica Proposed Target to the workflow process. If the intended attachment type is not a target, the replica object is attached as the attachment type defined in -attachment argument.

If the preference is set to **false** or is undefined, the handler reports an error and attaches replica objects as targets.

Further, if the **-from_attach** argument is set to **schedule_task** and if the attached schedule task is a proxy link, the handler ignores the schedule task proxy link for any processing.

Note:

If the handler attempts to attach related objects that are checked out, the workflow process fails. You can use a **Validate** task to branch to a workflow path to have the objects checked in.

Note:

To replace the obsolete **EPM-attach-item-revision-targets** handler, use the following two instances of the **EPM-attach-related-objects**:

• EPM-attach-related-objects

Arguments	Values
-relation	IMAN_specification
-attachment	target

• EPM-attach-related-objects

Note:

Enable debugging functionality for this handler with the **TC_HANDLERS_DEBUG** environment variable.

SYNTAX

EPM-attach-related-objects

```
{-relation=relation-name | -property=property-name}
[-include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...] |
|-exclude_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]] ]|
[-lov=lov-name]
-attachment= target | reference
[-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task]
        [-allowed_status=status1
        [,null,status2,...] | * | all | any | null | none | IN_PROCESS]
        [-disallowed_status=status1
        [,null,status2,...] | * | all | any | null | none | IN_PROCESS]
```

ARGUMENTS

-relation=relation-name | **-property**=property-name

Specifies the relation or the property that is used to locate and attach secondary objects. You can use only one of these two arguments.

-relation=relation-name

Specifies the relation of the secondary objects to be attached to the target. The relation name must be valid for the relation type.

Relation type	Valid relation name
Manifestation	IMAN_manifestation
Specification	IMAN_specification
Requirement	IMAN_requirement
Reference	IMAN_reference
BOM view	PSBOMViewRevision

Note:

You cannot use this argument with the -property argument.

-property=property-name

Specifies the target object property whose value lists the secondary objects to be attached to the target.

Note:

You cannot use this argument with the **-relation** argument.

-include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

Specifies object types to be attached.

They must be valid object types. This argument is optional.

This argument should not be used with the **-exclude_related_type** argument.

-exclude_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

Specifies object types to be excluded.

They must be valid object types. This argument is optional.

This argument should not be used with the **-include related type** argument.

-lov=lov-name

Specifies a list of values (LOV) to use to define which objects to attach.

Use only with the **-attachment**, **-allowed_status** and **-disallowed_status** arguments. This argument is mutually exclusive of the **-relation**, **-include_related_type**, and **-exclude_related_type** arguments.

For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see *Lists of values as argument values*.

-attachment= target | reference

Attachment type with which the objects are attached to the workflow process.

-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task

(Optional) Finds the related objects with the specified relation or property argument from the specified types of attachments (target, reference, or schedule_task).

-allowed_status=status1[,null,status2,...] | * | all | any | null | none | IN_PROCESS

Defines allowed statuses. Only objects with a release status matching a status defined in the list are attached.

null | NULL | none | NONE matches no status (or WIP).

* | all | ALL | any | ANY matches any status set, excluding null.

IN_PROCESS checks whether the object is currently in a workflow process.

Note:

The **-allowed_status** and **-disallowed_status** arguments are mutually exclusive. If you use one of them, you cannot use the other in the same handler instance.

-disallowed_status=status1[,null,status2,...] | * | all | any | null | none | IN_PROCESS

Defines statuses that are not allowed. Only objects with a release status not matching a status defined in the list are attached.

null | NULL | none | NONE matches no status (or WIP).

* | all | ALL | any | ANY matches any status set, excluding null.

IN_PROCESS checks whether the object is currently in a workflow process.

Note:

The -allowed_status and -disallowed_status arguments are mutually exclusive. If you use one of them, you cannot use the other in the same handler instance.

-user_access

By default, this handler automatically turns on bypass, which means if it encounters an object that the current user does not have access to, the handler will still be allowed to attach the object without an error.

However, you can use **-user_access** to prevent the handler from using bypass. If the handler is configured with **-user_access** and the handler encounters an object that the current user does not have access to, then the object will not attach and an error will occur.

This argument does not take a value.

Note:

This functionality may be affected by preference

WRKFLW_access_level_for_handlers_execution. The default behavior for the -user_access argument is used when WRKFLW_access_level_for_handlers_execution is set to its default value of regular. However, if WRKFLW_access_level_for_handlers_execution is set to

system, then bypass will always be used regardless of how the **EPM-attach-related-objects** handler is configured. So in this case, **-user_access** will have no effect.

LOV

For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see Lists of values as argument values.

The LOV can contain multiple optional lines containing filter options followed by multiple lines containing multilevel object paths.

Note:

For an overview and examples of multilevel object paths in handlers, see <u>Defining multilevel</u> <u>object paths</u>.

Each multilevel object path line can optionally have a filter option added as a second field after a tilde (~).

OPTION=value

OPTION=value

{\$TARGET|\$REFERENCE}.multi.level.object.path[~ OPTION=value]

{\$TARGET|\$REFERENCE}. multi.level.object.path[~OPTION=value]

OPTION=value

Defines a configurable option to filter object selection.

If you supply an option on an LOV line on its own, it applies to all subsequent lines containing multilevel object paths. The option does not affect any multilevel object paths listed before the option.

If you supply an option on the same line as a multiple level object path, as a second field after a tilde (~) character, it only applies to that line.

Valid values are:

• **REV RULE={LATEST|***Rule*}

Specifies the revision rule used to select the revision attached to the workflow process if initiated on an item. Use the **LATEST** keyword to select only the latest revision.

INCLUDE PARENTS=YES

Specifies that all objects found by traversing a multilevel path are attached to the workflow process, not just the last set of objects in a path. For example, when a multilevel path is used to first find items in a workflow process, then find revisions in the item, then find datasets in the

revisions, it is only the datasets that are attached by default. Setting this argument to **YES** causes both the revisions and the datasets to be attached.

This argument reduces the number of lines required in the LOV and improves performance.

\$TARGET|\$REFERENCE

Defines the starting point from which to look for objects. Valid values are:

\$TARGET

Defines the starting point as the workflow process target attachments.

\$REFERENCE

Defines the starting point as the workflow process reference attachments.

multi.level.object.path

Defines a multilevel object path to traverse to find the required objects to attach to the workflow process. For an overview of using multilevel object paths in handlers, see *Defining multilevel object paths*.

For example, (ItemRevision).IMAN_specification.(Dataset).

Attaches any datasets attached to the specification relation to any revisions found.

For more examples, see the **Examples** section.

PLACEMENT

Typically placed on the **Start** action of the root task so that the list of target attachments is updated at workflow process initiation.

To allow targets to be added to a workflow process containing a task on which this handler has been placed (other than the root task), verify that the **EPM-disallow-adding-targets** handler does not exist on the root task of the respective workflow process template and ensure that the affected users have change access to the workflow process object. You may use the **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** handler to ensure that the required change access is asserted. See Executing workflow handlers for more information.

RESTRICTIONS

- Requires one or more target objects to find the related objects. Placement should allow at least one target object before the execution of this handler takes place.
- To attach both targets and references using LOVs requires two occurrences of the handler: one to attach the targets by setting the **-attachment** argument to **target**, and one to attach the references using the **-attachment** argument to **reference**.
- The LOV argument cannot be used to attach objects based on properties.

EXAMPLES

• This example attaches all objects with a specification relation as target objects to the workflow process, when a workflow process is initiated on an item revision:

Arguments	Values
-relation	IMAN_specification
-attachment	target

Note:

If an object is already attached as target, it is not added.

• In this example, all objects listed in the **altid_list** property value are attached to the workflow process as target objects, when a workflow process is initiated on an item revision:

Arguments	Values
-property	altid_list
-attachment	target

Note:

- The property named in the argument value must exist on the target.
- If an object is already attached as target, it is not added.
- To attach all objects with a reference relation as reference objects, add this handler one more time with the syntax:

Argument	Values
-relation	IMAN_reference
-attachment	reference

• This example attaches the BOM view revision type **View** as a target:

Argument	Values
-relation	PSBOMViewRevision
-include_related_type	view
-attachment	target

Alternatively, you can use these LOV settings:

Argument	Values
-lov	SYS_EPM_attach_view_bvr

where the **SYS_EPM_attach_view_bvr** LOV contains the value:

\$TARGET.(ItemRevision).PSBOMViewRevision.BOMView Revision

• This example attaches the **UGMASTER** and the **UGPART** datasets (associated by the **IMAN_specification** relation to the item revision) to the item revision as target objects.

Argument	Values
-relation	IMAN_specification
-include_related_type	UGMASTER, UGPART
-attachment	target

Alternatively, you can use these LOV settings:

Argument	Values
-lov	SYS_EPM_attach_UGMASTER_UGPART

where the SYS_EPM_attach_UGMASTER_UGPART LOV contains the data:

$TARGET.(ItemRevision).IMAN_specification.UGMASTER,UGPART$

• This example uses the **-exclude_related_type** argument to specify object types that are not to be attached as targets to the workflow process. It attaches all objects attached to the **Specification** relation in any target revisions as targets to the workflow process, except for the dataset types **UGMASTER** and **Text**.

Argument	Values
-relation	IMAN_specification
-exclude_related_type	UGMASTER, Text
-attachment	target

Alternatively, you can use these LOV settings:

Argument	Values
-lov	SYS_EPM_exclude_UGMASTER

where the SYS_EPM_exclude_UGMASTER LOV contains the data:

\$TARGET.(ItemRevision).IMAN_specification.(*)!UGMASTER!Text

Note:

Use an * for any class, then exclude **UGMASTER** and **Text**:

• This example attaches all specification objects, all BOM view revisions, all forms attached to datasets through a **Form** reference (except **UGPartAttr** forms), and all forms attached through a **manifestation** relation. Only attach objects that not released.

Argument	Values
-lov	SYS_EPM_attach_main_objects
-attachment	target
-allowed_status	null

Where the SYS_EPM_attach_main_objects LOV contains the data:

Value	Description
\$TARGET.(ItemRevision).Specification.*	Attach all objects in target revision Specification relation
\$TARGET.(ItemRevision).IMAN_specification. UGMASTER.UGPART-ATTR.UGPartAttr	Attach all forms attached to datasets in target revision # Specification relation as a Form reference, but excluding the # form type UGPartAttr.

Value	Description
\$TARGET.(ItemRevision).PSBOMViewRevision.*	Attach all BOM View Revisions in target revision
\$TARGET.(ItemRevision).Manifestation.(Form)	Attach all forms in target revision Manifestation relation

This example attaches all required revision attachments, such as specification objects and BOM view
revisions, regardless of whether the workflow process is initiated on revisions, items or folders
containing the items or revisions. If the method of initiating workflow processes on items or folders is
convenient, use the EPM-remove-objects handler to remove the items and/or folders from the
targets after this handler.

When the targets are item revisions, attach all specification objects, all BOM view revisions and any objects attached to specification datasets as relations and references (only attaches workspace objects).

When the targets are items, attach all of the latest revisions and all objects mentioned above for each revision.

When the targets are folders, attach any items in the folders and the item revisions and the revision attachments. For any revisions in the folder, attach the revisions' attachments.

Only attach objects not already released or with a status of **Pending**.

Argument	Values
-lov	SYS_EPM_attach_main_objects
-attachment	target
-allowed_status	null, Pending

Where the **SYS_EPM_attach_main_objects** LOV contains the data:

Value	Description
INCLUDE PARENTS = YES	Set option for all lines to include all objects found
REV RULE = LATEST	Set the revision rule for any items
\$TARGET.(ItemRevision).IMAN_specification, PSBOMViewRevision.*.* ~	Attach required objects from REVISION targets
\$TARGET.(Item).Revisions.*.IMAN_specification, PSBOMViewRevision.*.*	Attach required objects from latest revisions in ITEM targets

Value	Description
\$TARGETS.(Folder).*.(Item).Revisions.* .IMAN_specification, PSBOMViewRevision.*.*	Attach required objects from FOLDER targets
\$TARGETS.(Folder).*.(ItemRevision). IMAN_specification, PSBOMViewRevision.*.*	Look for items and revisions in the folders

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

With the addition of this handler, these handlers are deprecated:

EPM-attach-item-revision-target

As the **EPM-attach-item-revision-target** handler attaches BOM view revisions and objects with **IMAN_specification** relation, this handler can be replaced using one of the following options:

• Adding the **EPM-attach-related-objects** handler two times (one for specification relation and one for BOM view revisions) with the syntax:

EPM-attach-related-objects

Argument	Values
-relation	IMAN_specification
-attachment	target

EPM-attach-related-objects

Argument	Values
-relation	PSBOMViewRevision
-attachment	target

 Adding the EPM-attach-related-objects handler once using an LOV: EPM-attach-related-objects

Argument	Values
-lov	SYS_EPM_attach_default_objects
-attachment	target

Where the SYS_EPM_attach_main_objects LOV contains the data:

TARGET . (ItemRevision) . Specification, PSBOMViewRevision . *

EPM-auto-assign

DESCRIPTION

Makes the specified user or resource pool the responsible party for the task to which the handler is added. Optionally, you can make the same specified user or resource pool the responsible party for all subtasks of the parent task.

Note:

If you use keyword arguments to dynamically generate this assignment, and the system resolve the argument to a user or resource pool, then the argument is ignored.

SYNTAX

```
EPM-auto-assign [-subtasks]
[-assignee= {user:user | person:person | resourcepool:group::role
| user:PROP::property_name
| resourcepool:PROP::property name
| $PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY | $USER
| $PROCESS OWNER | $TARGET OWNER [type]
| $PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT AUTHOR | $PROJECT MEMBER[group::role]
| $REQUESTOR | $ANALYST
| $CHANGE SPECIALIST1
| $CHANGE SPECIALIST2
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST3}]
[-from include type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from attach= target | reference | schedule task]
[-from relation=relation-type]
[-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...] |
-from exclude related type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-target_task=multilevel-task-path]
[-project scope=all | owning project]
[-check first object only=true | false]
[-condition_name=condition1]
[-condition scope=all|any|none]
```

ARGUMENTS

-subtasks

Propagates task assignments to subtasks of the current task (nonrecursively). Optional.

-assignee

Assigns as the responsible party for the task to which this handler is added either the specified person, user, resource pool, or the user or resource pool the specified keyword evaluates to.

Accepts one of the following in the format specified below:

• **user:**user

Adds the specified user to the signoff member list and as the responsible party for the task to which the handler is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter user ID.

• person:person

Adds the person whose name is specified to the signoff member list and as the responsible party for the task to which the handler is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter person name.

Note:

If the person's name includes a comma, you must include an escape character (1) to add the correct person. For example, to use wayne, joan:

-assignee=person:wayne\, joan

• resourcepool:group::role

Results in a single assignment which can be performed by any single member of this group/role. You can define resource pools in the form of group::, group::role, or role.

Note:

When a resource pool task is performed by a user it is automatically claimed by that user. If that task is a **Review** task and it is started again, the task is assigned to the user who performed it in the previous iteration, rather than the resource pool.

Accepts valid Teamcenter resource pool names and these keywords:

\$GROUP

Current user's current group.

• \$ROLE

Current user's current role.

• **\$TARGET GROUP**[type]

Owning group of the first target object of the specified type. The type value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROCESS GROUP

Owning group of the workflow process.

Note:

The **\$ROLE_IN_GROUP** keyword (formerly **\$ROLEINGROUP**) cannot be used. Use **resourcepool:\$GROUP::\$ROLE** instead.

• user:PROP::property_name

Adds the user specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• resourcepool:PROP::property_name

Adds the resource pool specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

\$PROPOSED RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Affects assignments based on the user assigned as the responsible party for the first target object.

• \$USER

Adds the current user to the signoff member list and as the responsible party.

\$PROCESS OWNER

Adds the workflow process owner to the signoff member list and as the responsible party.

\$TARGET_OWNER [type]

Adds the owner of the first target of the specified type to the signoff member list and as the responsible party. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_AUTHOR, \$PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]

Dynamically makes the first project team member belonging to the role specified in the argument value as the responsible party. The project team is determined by the project team associated with the first target object.

- If the **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role] argument is specified, only the project members of the qualifying projects which belong to the specified group and role are selected for assignment. If the group and role are not specified, all the project members from qualifying projects are selected.
- If the value is specified as **\$PROJECT_AUTHOR** or **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role], the relevant first project member is selected.
- You can specify a sub-group with the syntax group++sub-group::role.

\$REQUESTOR, \$ANALYST, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2, **\$CHANGE SPECIALIST3**

Dynamically resolves to the user or resource pool associated with the first change target object in the workflow process. The particular user or resource pool is determined by the role specified in the argument value.

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the workflow process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, Change Management must be selected under Extensions

Enterprise Knowledge Foundation in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

-from include type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, -assignee=user:PROP::property_name). They must be valid object types.

-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, -assignee=user:PROP::property_name). They must be valid object types.

-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task

(Optional) Specifies which type of attachment (target, reference, or schedule_task) to get the property value from when a property is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, **assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). If this argument is not specified, the default is **target**.

-from_relation

(Optional) Specifies the relation of the objects to get the property value from when a property is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, -assignee=user:PROP::property_name). It must be a valid relation.

- For manifestations, use **IMAN manifestation**.
- For specifications, use **IMAN_specification**.
- For requirements, use **IMAN requirement**.
- For references, use **IMAN reference**.
- For BOM views, use **PSBOMViewRevision**.

This argument must be used with the **-from attach** argument. A derived object is identified by starting with objects of the specified attachment type indicated by the **-from attach** argument and then locating the first secondary object with the specified relation indicated by the **-relation** argument.

-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies the related object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

Use this argument when a property is designated and you use the -from_relation argument.

This argument should not be used with the **-from_exclude_related_type** argument.

-from_exclude_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies related object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

Use this argument when a property is designated and you use the -from relation argument.

This argument should not be used with the **-from_include_related_type** argument.

-target_task

(Optional) Specifies the multilevel task path to which the reviewers are added. The path is from the root task to the subtask with the path levels separated with colons (:). For example: **Change**Request Review:QA Review:perform-signoff

-project_scope

(Optional) Specifies which projects are used to resolve project-based assignments. The **all** value specifies all projects in the list of projects. The **owning_project** value specifies the owning project only.

If this argument is not specified, the default value is the first project in the project list.

-check_first_object_only

(Optional) The **true** value specifies that only the first object is checked. If the value is **false**, all objects are checked. If this argument is not specified, or if it is specified without a value, only the first object is checked.

If the **-include_type**, **-exclude_type**, **-include_related_type**, or **-exclude_related_type** arguments are specified, they determine the types of objects that are checked.

-condition_name

(Optional) The name of the condition to evaluate against the identified objects from which to assign tasks. The condition signature should accept a **WorkspaceObject & UserSession**. The handler assigns the reviewers only if the condition results are successful, based on the **-condition_scope** argument.

-condition scope

(Optional) The criteria for evaluating condition results against workflow objects. Values are the following:

all All objects should meet the condition. This is the default behavior if this argument

is not supplied with the **-condition_name** argument.

any Any object should meet the condition.

none No object should meet the condition.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example makes **Smith** the responsible party for the task to which this handler is assigned and all of the task's subtasks.

Argument	Values
-subtasks	
-assignee	user:Smith

• This example makes the workflow process owner the responsible party for the task to which this handler is assigned.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROCESS_OWNER

• This example makes the engineer role within manufacturing group resource pool the responsible party for the task to which this handler is assigned.

Argument	Values
-assignee	resourcepool:manufacturing::engineer

• This example makes the responsible party group the responsible party for the task to which this handler is assigned.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY

• This example makes the project administrator of the project associated with the first target the responsible party for the task to which this handler is assigned.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR

• This example makes the user or resource pool associated as **ANALYST** with the first change target the responsible party for the task to which this handler is assigned.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$ANALYST

• This example assigns the first member of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the first project team associated with the first target found by the system to the task as responsible party.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]

EPM-auto-assign-rest

DESCRIPTION

Automatically makes the specified assignee the responsible party for any unassigned subtasks of the parent task to which this handler is added.

- If this handler is attached to the root task with no argument specified, the workflow process initiator is made the responsible party for all tasks in the workflow process.
- If this handler is attached to the root task and one or more entries are contained in the list, the first valid user or resource pool is made the responsible party for all tasks in the workflow process.

SYNTAX

```
EPM-auto-assign-rest
-assignee= [user:user | person:person | resourcepool:group::role
| user:PROP::property name
| resourcepool:PROP::property name
| $PROPOSED RESPONSIBLE PARTY | $USER
| $PROCESS OWNER | $TARGET OWNER [type]
| $PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR]
| $PROJECT AUTHOR | $PROJECT MEMBER[group::role]
| $REQUESTOR | $ANALYST
I $CHANGE SPECIALIST1
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST2
| $CHANGE SPECIALIST3
[-from include type=object-type1],object-type2,...]
[-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from attach= target | reference | schedule task]
[-from relation=relation-type]
[-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...] |
-from exclude related type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-project_scope=all | owning_project]
[-check first object only=true | false]
[-condition name=condition1]
[-condition_scope=all | any | none]
```

ARGUMENTS

-assignee

(Optional) Makes the user or resource pool the specified keyword evaluates to the responsible party for the task to which this handler is added. Assignee is an *optional* argument.

Accepts one of the following in the format specified below:

• user:user

Adds the user specified to the signoff member list and as the responsible party for the task to which the handler is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter user ID.

• person:person

Adds the person whose name is specified to the signoff member list and as the responsible party for the task to which the handler is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter person name.

Note:

If the person's name includes a comma, you must include an escape character (\) to add the correct person. For example, to use **wayne**, **joan**:

-assignee=person:wayne\, joan

• resourcepool:group::role

Results in a single assignment which can be performed by any single member of this group/role. You can define resource pools in the form of *group*::, *group*::role, or role.

Note:

When a resource pool task is performed by a user it is automatically claimed by that user. If that task is a **Review** task and it is started again, the task is assigned to the user who performed it in the previous iteration, rather than the resource pool.

Accepts valid Teamcenter resource pool names and these keywords:

\$GROUP

Current user's current group.

• \$ROLE

Current user's current role.

• **\$TARGET GROUP**[type]

Owning group of the first target object of the specified type. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROCESS GROUP

Owning group of the workflow process.

Note:

The **\$ROLE_IN_GROUP** keyword (formerly **\$ROLEINGROUP**) cannot be used. Use **resourcepool:\$GROUP**::**\$ROLE** instead.

• user:PROP::property_name

Adds the user specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• resourcepool:PROP::property_name

Adds the resource pool specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• \$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY

Affects assignments based on the user assigned as the responsible party for the first target object.

\$USER

Adds the current user to the signoff member list and as the responsible party.

• \$PROCESS OWNER

Adds the workflow process owner to the signoff member list and as the responsible party.

\$TARGET_OWNER [type]

Adds the owner of the first target of the specified type to the signoff member list and as the responsible party. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_AUTHOR, \$PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]

Dynamically makes the first project team member belonging to the role specified in the argument value as the responsible party. The project team is determined by the project team associated with the first target object.

- If the **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role] argument is specified, only the project members of the qualifying projects which belong to the specified group and role are selected for assignment. If the group and role are not specified, all the project members from qualifying projects are selected.
- If the value is specified as **\$PROJECT_AUTHOR** or **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role], the relevant first project member is selected.
- You can specify a sub-group with the syntax group++sub-group::role.

\$REQUESTOR, \$ANALYST, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST3

Dynamically resolves to the user or resource pool associated with the first change target object in the workflow process. The particular user or resource pool is determined by the role specified in the argument value.

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the workflow process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, **Change Management** must be selected under **Extensions**→**Enterprise Knowledge Foundation** in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

-from_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task

(Optional) Specifies which type of attachment (target, reference, or schedule_task) to get the property value from when a property is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, -assignee=user:PROP::property_name). If this argument is not specified, the default is target.

-from_relation

(Optional) Specifies the relation of the objects to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). It must be a valid relation.

- For manifestations, use **IMAN_manifestation**.
- For specifications, use **IMAN_specification**.
- For requirements, use **IMAN_requirement**.
- For references, use **IMAN_reference**.
- For BOM views, use **PSBOMViewRevision**.

This argument must be used with the **-from_attach** argument. A derived object is identified by starting with objects of the specified attachment type indicated by the **-from_attach** argument and then locating the first secondary object with the specified relation indicated by the **-relation** argument.

-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies the related object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, assignee=user:PROP::property_name). They must be valid object types.

Use this argument when a property is designated and you use the -from_relation argument.

This argument should not be used with the **-from_exclude_related_type** argument.

-from_exclude_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies related object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, -assignee=user:PROP::property_name). They must be valid object types.

Use this argument when a property is designated and you use the -from relation argument.

This argument should not be used with the **-from_include_related_type** argument.

-project_scope

(Optional) Specifies which projects are used to resolve project-based assignments. The all value specifies all projects in the list of projects. The **owning project** value specifies the owning project only.

If this argument is not specified, the default value is the first project in the project list.

-check_first_object_only

(Optional) The true value specifies that only the first object is checked. If the value is false, all objects are checked. If this argument is not specified, or if it is specified without a value, only the first object is checked.

If the -include type, -exclude type, -include related type, or -exclude related type arguments are specified, they determine the types of objects that are checked.

-condition name

(Optional) The name of the condition to evaluate against the identified objects from which to assign tasks. The condition signature should accept a WorkspaceObject & UserSession. The handler assigns the reviewers only if the condition results are successful, based on the -condition_scope argument.

-condition scope

(Optional) The criteria for evaluating condition results against workflow objects. Values are the following:

all All objects should meet the condition. This is the default be	ehavior if this argument
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is not supplied with the **-condition_name** argument.

Any object should meet the condition. any

No object should meet the condition. none

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action. Typically placed on the root task after the **EPM-assign-team-selector** handler.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• In this example, a five-task workflow process containing the task templates below is initiated by user Jones. The EPM-auto-assign-rest handler is placed on the root task, and the EPM-auto-assign handler is placed on the fourth task, set with the -assignee=\$PROCESS_OWNER argument. The workflow consists of a Do task, Review task, Review task, and Do task. Because the EPM-auto-assign-rest handler is placed on the root task and Smith is specified with the -assignee argument, Smith is the responsible party for the first three tasks (and their subtasks). Because the EPM-auto-assign -assignee=\$PROCESS_OWNER handler is placed on the fourth task, Jones is the responsible party for the fourth task and its subtasks. Smith is the owner of the fifth task.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:Smith

• This example assigns the user or resource pool assigned as the responsible party for the subtasks of the task to which this handler is assigned.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY

• This example assigns the user or resource pool associated as **ANALYST** with the first change target object the responsible party for the subtasks of the task to which this handler is assigned.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$ANALYST

• This example assigns the first member of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the first project team associated with the first target found by the system to the remaining tasks as responsible party.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]

EPM-auto-check-in-out

DESCRIPTION

Automatically checks in/out the target objects of a workflow process to the assigned reviewer or the responsible party. This prevents other users who have write access to the target objects from being able to modify them. Optionally, when a dataset is checked in/out, it checks in/out the BOM view of the type specified.

SYNTAX

EPM-auto-check-in-out -assignee=\$REVIEWERS | \$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY -action=check-in | check-out [-include_related_type=dataset-type::bom-view-type] [-include_replica]

ARGUMENTS

-assignee

Note:

The **-assignee** argument is *optional* and not required for **-action=check-in**.

Use **\$REVIEWERS** for **Review** tasks. Use **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY** otherwise.

Note:

The object is checked out to the first reviewer.

-action

Action to check in (check-in) or check out (check-out) the objects.

-include_related_type

(Optional) Also check in/out the type specified in the form of dataset-type::bom-view-type. This value works for BOM views only. A BOM view of the specified type is checked in/out if a dataset of a specified type is checked in/out.

-include_replica

(Optional) Remote checks-in or remote checks-out the **Replica Proposed Targets** objects of the workflow along with the target objects. For remote check-outs, the objects are checked out to the current site executing the workflow.

PLACEMENT

- For **Review** and **Route** tasks where **-assignee=\$REVIEWERS**:
 - If -action=check-out, place the handler on the Complete action of the select-signoff-team subtask, or Start action of the perform-signoffs subtask.
 - If -action=check-in, place the handler on the Complete action of the perform-signoffs subtask.
- For all other tasks or where **-assignee=\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**: Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

Placement of the **EPM-auto-check-in-out** handler with the **-action=check-out** defined should be determined considering the placement of **EPM-assert-targets-checked-in** rule handler, which displays an error if target objects are not checked in. If this handler is used in a **Review** task, this should be used only when the number of reviewers equals one.

EXAMPLES

This example, placed on a **Review** task, checks out the objects to the reviewer once the task is assigned to the reviewer and checks in the objects once the reviewer signs off. You can place this action handler in the **Complete** action of the **select-signoff-team** subtask using the **Check out** action, and in the **Complete** action of the **perform-signoffs** subtask using the **Check in** action.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$REVIEWERS
-action	check-out
-include_related_type	UGMASTER::view

This setting checks out all the target objects; if a **UGMASTER** is checked out, the BOM view of type **view** is also checked out. If **UGMASTER** is referenced in multiple item revisions, the BOM view of the first item revision is checked out.

This example, placed on a **Review** task, checks in the objects once the task is completed and all reviewers sign off. You can place this action handler in the **Complete** action of the **Review** task using the **Check in** action, or in the **Complete** action of the **perform-signoffs** subtask using the **Check in** action.

Argument	Values
-action	check-in

EPM-change-all-started-to-pending

DESCRIPTION

Ensures that all tasks that are started, but not are not completed, are cleaned up at the conclusion of the workflow process.

SYNTAX

EPM-change-all-started-to-pending

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Complete** action of the root task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EPM-change-group-owner

DESCRIPTION

Changes the owning group for the item master of any item type whose revision is attached as target.

SYNTAX

EPM-change-group-owner -group=group-id

ARGUMENTS

-group

A valid Teamcenter group_id.

PLACEMENT

Place on the Complete action.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example is used with a workflow initiated with an item revision and document revision attached as targets. It sets the owning group of the respective master item and master document to **engineering**.

Argument	Values
-group	engineering

EPM-change-ownership

DESCRIPTION

Changes the ownership of all target objects to the group and user ID of the reviewer or the responsible party.

The advantage of changing ownership is to allow a revision rule to configure WIP (work in process) data based on owner and group settings.

If this handler is used in **Review** tasks, the number of reviewers should be one.

To save processing time and/or improve robustness, the handler can be configured to be active only in one or more actions (-active=action). If the handler is called as part of trigger to another action, the handler silently returns immediately.

SYNTAX

EPM-change-ownership -assignee=\$REVIEWERS | \$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY [-active= action [-active=other-action]][-depth=level]

ARGUMENTS

-assignee

User to whom the ownership is given.

Use **\$REVIEWERS** if this handler is used in a **Review** task. Use **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY** otherwise.

[-active=action [-active=other-action]]

Name of the action for which this handler is valid.

If this argument is used, and the handler is called as part of a trigger to an unlisted action, the handler silently returns immediately. You can use the following valid action names as values.

EPM_add_attachment_action

EPM_remove_attachment_action

EPM_approve_action

EPM_reject_action

EPM_promote_action

EPM_demote_action

EPM_refuse_action

EPM_assign_approver_action

EPM_notify_action

This argument can be useful when the handler is placed on the **Perform** action. These actions automatically run the following **Perform** action handlers, raising the potential for unnecessary processing.

This argument is optional.

-depth

Recursion depth. This argument is optional and the default is set to 1.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

Set the number of reviewers to 1 when this handler is placed on a Review task.

EXAMPLES

This example, when placed on the **Complete** action of the **select-signoff-team** subtask of a **Review** task, changes the ownership of all the target objects to reviewers and their groups.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$REVIEWERS

EPM-change-target-group

DESCRIPTION

Changes the group ownership of the target objects to the current **group_id** of the user. If the target is an item revision object, the group of its item master is set to the current group ID of the user as well.

SYNTAX

EPM-change-target-group

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the Complete action.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EPM-change-target-group-owner

DESCRIPTION

Changes the owner and/or the owning group for the target objects.

Note:

The handler does not validate if the owning user belongs to the owning group. It makes the change even if the user does not belong to the group.

SYNTAX

EPM-change-target-group-owner [-owner=*user-id*][-group=*group-id*]

ARGUMENTS

-owner

Valid Teamcenter user_id.

-group

Valid Teamcenter group_id.

PLACEMENT

Place on the Complete action.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example changes the group and owner of the targets to **engineering** and **jim**, respectively.

Argument	Values
-owner	jim
-group	engineering

• This example changes the only group of the targets to **production**.

Argument	Values
-group	production

• This example changes only the owner of the targets to **smith**.

Argument	Values
-owner	smith

EPM-check-signoff-comments

DESCRIPTION

Requires users to type a comment when making a signoff decision. You can specify whether the comment is required for the approve decision or the reject decision. If neither decision is specified, comments are required to complete either signoff decision.

SYNTAX

EPM-check-signoff-comments [-decision= approve | reject]

ARGUMENTS

-decision

Specifies which signoff decision requires comments to be entered when making a signoff decision for either a **Review** task or an **Acknowledge** task.

Use **approve** to require comments to be added before selecting **Approve** for a **Review** task, or **Acknowledge** for an **Acknowledge** task.

Use reject to require comments to be added before rejecting a signoff for a Review task.

If this argument is not used, comments are required for either decision before completing a signoff.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** task.

RESTRICTIONS

Place on the **perform-signoffs** task.

Note:

The **EPM-check-signoff-comments** handler is only necessary in specialized cases where it is combined with other rule handlers containing a rule quorum.

Otherwise, signoff quorum handling is internalized in the workflow engine and does not need this handler.

This usage is rare, and unless this specialized need is required, it should be avoided.

EXAMPLES

• This example requires that the user type comments before rejecting a signoff:

Argument	Values
-decision	reject

• This example requires the user to type comments before approving a signoff:

Argument	Values
-decision	approve

EPM-create-form

DESCRIPTION

Creates an instance of a specified form and attaches that form to the specified task. For more information, refer to the **EPM-display-form** handler.

Configuring a task to display forms using EPM-create-form, EPM-display-form, and EPM-hold

To configure a task to display a form when a user performs a specified action, use the **EPM-hold** handler. This handler pauses the task, requiring the user to perform an action on the task before the task can complete. Without the use of this handler, a task completes automatically once started.

To create an instance of a specified form and attach the form to the specified task, use the **EPM-create-form** handler.

Therefore, the **EPM-create-form** handler creates the form when the **Start** action is initiated, the **EPM-display-form** handler displays the form when the **Perform** action is initiated, and the **EPM-hold** handler prevents the task from automatically completing, allowing the form to be completed by the user.

Variations on the above example may be required for a more sophisticated interaction when it is required that the task not complete until required fields are entered in the form. This type of configuration requires the creation of customized rule handlers.

SYNTAX

EPM-create-form -type=formtype [-name=string] [-description=string] [[-property=field-name] [-value=value]] [-target_task=task-name.attachment-type]

ARGUMENTS

-type

Valid **FormType** object.

-name

User-defined form name. Default is the workflow process name.

-description

User-defined description of the form. Default value is **null**.

-property

Specifies the particular field of the form that has a default value. Users can choose to set the default value to more than one field by adding the field names separated by commas or the character specified by the <code>EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator</code> preference. The default value for each field is set by the <code>-value</code> argument. Do not use this argument for field names of <code>Typed_Reference</code> and <code>Untyped_Reference</code> types. This argument is optional.

Note:

Use this argument with the **-value** argument to populate the initial values in forms created by a workflow. If you do not use this argument and instead set the initial value in the business object definition, the workflow process defines the value as empty until you perform an edit and save it.

-value

Specifies the default value for a particular field of the form specified by the **-property** argument. Users can choose to set the default values for more than one field by adding the values separated by commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference in the same order as listed in the **-property** argument values. Do not use this argument for field names of **Typed_Reference** and **Untyped_Reference** types. This argument is optional.

Note:

Use this argument with the **-property** argument to populate the initial values in forms created by a workflow. If you do not use this argument and instead set the initial value in the business object definition, the workflow process defines the value as empty until you perform an edit and save it.

-target_task

Task name and attachment type receiving the new form as an attachment. The default value is the current task.

Accepts one of four *keywords* for attachment-type:

\$REFERENCE

Reference attachments

\$TARGET

Target object attachments

The default value is **\$REFERENCE**.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example shows how to create form type **ECN Form**, form name **ECN**, form description **Engineering Change Management Form**, and attachment type **EPM_reference** attachment. The form is attached to the root task of the workflow process.

Argument	Values
-type	ECN Form
-name	ECN
-description	Engineering Change Management Form
-target_task	\$ROOT.\$REFERENCE

• This example attaches the form as a target attachment to the current task:

Argument	Values
-target_task	\$ROOT.\$TARGET

To attach the form as a reference attachment to the current task, do not set the **-target_task** argument, because this is the default location this handler uses when this argument is not defined.

EPM-create-relation

DESCRIPTION

Creates a specified relation between the target/reference objects of the workflow process. The relation to be created must be a valid relation. The handler goes through all the primary objects of the specified type and creates a specified relation with all the secondary objects of the specified type.

SYNTAX

EPM-create-relation -relation=relation-name -primary_attachment= target | reference -primary_type=type-of-primary-object -secondary_attachment=target | reference -secondary_type=type-of-secondary-object

ARGUMENTS

-relation

The relation type to be created.

-primary_attachment

The objects that have to be considered as primary objects (target or reference).

-primary_type

Type of object to be considered as primary object.

Considers all the target or reference attachments of this type as primary objects. Target or reference is specified in **-primary** argument.

This argument checks for the exact type name and does not consider the subtypes.

-secondary_attachment

The objects that have to be considered as secondary objects (target or reference).

-secondary_type

Type of object to be considered as secondary object.

Considers all the target or reference attachments of this type as secondary objects. Target or reference is specified in **-secondary** argument.

This argument checks for the exact type name and does not consider the subtypes.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Complete** action of the task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

In this example, the workflow process has two item revisions as target objects and one **UGPART** object as a reference object. There is no relation between the two item revisions and the **UGPART**. To create a requirements relationship between the two, with the item revisions as primary and the **UGPART** as secondary:

Argument	Values
-relation	IMAN_requirement
-primary_attachment	target
-primary_type	ItemRevision
-secondary_attachment	reference
-secondary_type	UGPART

EPM-create-status

DESCRIPTION

Attaches the specified status type to the root task.

SYNTAX

EPM-create-status -status=status-type

ARGUMENTS

-status

Adds the specified status type to the root task. If this argument is not supplied, the task name where the handler is attached is used. The name provided should be the name of a status type already defined in the Business Modeler IDE, not the display name.

If the status type is not already defined, a status object is created that is not based on a status type, which means that effectivity and configuration may not work against it.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example attaches the **Released** status to the root task.

Argument	Values
-status	Released

EPM-create-sub-process

DESCRIPTION

This handler starts subprocesses from a workflow process. The new subprocess can take on attachments of the parent process, and those attachments can be grouped by property.

This action handler creates subprocesses and attaches the specified target/reference objects of the parent process as target/reference attachments to the new subprocesses. This handler goes through all of the target/reference objects of the parent process, finds the corresponding object type, and adds them as target/reference attachments of the new subprocess. This handler allows you to launch one or multiple workflow processes from within a parent process. You can use this handler to set a dependency between the parent process and subprocess in a way that causes the parent process to wait for the subprocess's (task) completion. The action handler can be added multiple times to a task action to provide abilities such as using different workflow process templates per target object type or other combinations.

If you want the progress of the parent process to be dependent on the subprocess completing, use the **dependency** argument with this handler and place the handler on the **Start** action of the parent task to start the subprocess correctly. However, the parent task checks if the dependent subprocess is complete only when the parent task reaches the **Complete** action.

For example, if you place this handler with the **-dependency** argument on a **Review** task, it starts the subprocess, allows users to select a signoff team and perform signoffs, then checks the subprocess for its completion status. If the subprocess is not complete when the signoffs are completed, an error is displayed.

The **-include_replica** argument adds the parent's **Replica Proposed Targets** to the newly created subprocesses.

Note:

When this handler creates a subprocess, the process owner and responsible parties for the new subprocess are defined as the current session's user. It may not match the responsible party of the workflow task having this handler, particularly when the task is automated and its actions are triggered after completing a previous task.

If the process owner and responsible parties should be different than the currently logged-in user, use **EPM-auto-assign** or **EPM-assign-team-selector** in the subprocess template.

SYNTAX

EPM-create-sub-process

-template=process-template-name

[-from attach=Target | Reference | ALL]

[-to_attach=Target | Reference | ALL]

[-include_type=object-type]

[-exclude_type=object-type]

[-process_name=name-for-process]

[-description=string]

[-multiple_processes]

[-dependency= multilevel-parent-process-task-path::multilevel-sub-process-task-path]

[-transfer]

[-process_assembly]

- -depth=depth-of-traversal
- -rev_rule=revision-rule-to-apply
- **-relation=**relation-type-to-look

[-include_related_type=type-of-related-components-to-be-included]

[-exclude_related_type=type-of-related-components-to-be-excluded]

[-include_replica]

[-group_by_property=property-to-be-used-for-grouping]

ARGUMENTS

-template=process-template-name

The workflow process template name that is used to start a new workflow process.

This argument is required.

-from_attach=Target | Reference | ALL

The following are the objects attachments to be inherited from the parent process target and/or reference folder:

Target

Takes the attachments from the target folder of the parent process.

Reference

Takes the attachments from the reference folder of the parent process

• ALL

Takes targets and reference attachments.

The **-from_attach** and **-to_attach** arguments must be used together. If you use one argument, you must use the other.

This argument is optional.

The preference to enable for multiple workflow processes for the same objects needs to be set if **from_attach** is used with either the **Target** or **ALL** option. The **EPM_multiple_processes_targets** preference attaches components that are currently in process as targets if it is set to **ON**.

-to_attach=Target | Reference | ALL

The following are the objects to attach with the new workflow process:

Target

Attaches to target folder of new workflow process.

Reference

Attaches to reference folder of new workflow process

• ALL

Attached from target folder of the parent process to the target folder of a new workflow process and reference folder of the parent process to the reference folder of a new process.

The **-from_attach** and **-to_attach** arguments must be used together. If you use one argument, you must use the other.

This argument is optional.

-include_type=object-type

Defines the types to be included as targets and/or references.

- Must be valid workspace object types. For example: ItemRevision and ITEM.
- If this argument is specified as **Dataset**, any type of dataset (**UGMASTER**, **UGPART**, **Text**, and so on) is considered.
- If this argument is specified as **ItemRevision**, any type of item revision (**DocumentRevision** and any custom item revision types) is considered.

This argument is optional. If this argument is passed to the handler, **-from_attach** and **-to_attach** should also be passed to the handler.

-exclude_type=object-type

Defines the types to be excluded from being adding as targets/reference.

- Must be valid workspace object types. For example: ItemRevision and ITEM
- If this argument is specified as **Dataset**, any type of dataset (**UGMASTER**, **UGPART**, **Text**, and so on) is considered.
- If this argument is specified as **ItemRevision**, any type of item revision (**DocumentRevision**, and so on, and any custom item revision types) is considered.

This argument is optional. If this argument is passed to the handler, -from_attach and -to_attach should also be passed to the handler.

-process_name=name-of-process

The name used identifies the new workflow process. You can use the **\$TARGET** keyword, which is replaced by the target display name *targetname-item-name*.

When a workflow process name is given as **subprocess** and no **-multiple_processes** arguments are used, the workflow process name alone is used as there is only one, so the subprocess would be called **subprocess**. In this case, to include a number in the name, put it in the argument name and only one is created. If the workflow process name is not given and the **-multiple_process** argument is not used, the parent process name is **parentprocess**; in this case, it is **parentprocess:1**. The same is true for cases where there are no targets on the parent process.

If the workflow process name is not given, and the **-multiple_processes** argument is used, the name assigned is in the format of *subprocesstargetdisplayname-item-name*:count. In this case, that would be **item1/A-wheel:1**, **item2/B-axle:2**, **item3/A-bearing:3**. In the case where the parent had no targets, the name is **parentprocess:1**.

If the workflow process name is given with the **\$TARGET** keyword, such as **subprocess1_\$TARGET**, and the **-multiple_processes** argument is used, the name assigned is in the format *subprocess1_subprocesstargetname-item-name:count* format. In this case, that is **subprocess1_item1/A-wheel:1**, **subprocess1_item2/B-axle:2**, **subprocess1_item3/A-bearing:3**. In a case where the parent had no targets, the name is **subprocess1_:1**.

This argument is optional.

-description=string

Workflow process description.

If the description is not specified, it is set to blank.

This argument is optional.

-multiple_processes

Each target object to be considered becomes a target in its own individual subprocess. If not specified, all targets are in a single subprocess.

To learn how to use this argument, see the example section.

This argument is optional.

-dependency=multilevel-parent-process-task-path::multilevel-sub-process-task-path

Creates a dependency between a parent process task and a specified subprocess task; the parent process's task proceeds after the subprocess's task completes.

You must use a multilevel path to specify the task templates. Separate path levels with colons (:). Separate the multilevel path of the parent task from the multilevel path of the subprocess task with a double colon (::). For example:

Change Approval:QA Review:perform-signoffs::Design Change: Part Review:perform-signoffs

If you use a double colon (::) only without specifying either a source or target task, a subprocess task is created, and a dependency is established between the parent process task and the newly created subprocess task.

If a parent process task is not specified, the task containing this handler is designated as the parent process task. If a subprocess task is not specified, or not found, the dependency is not set.

This argument is optional.

Note:

- If you try to complete a task that has a dependency on an uncompleted subprocess task, you receive a warning indicating that the interprocess task dependencies are not met for the dependent task.
- By default, if you do not use this argument, the signoff details for the subprocess are not included in the parent process signoff report for standard tasks. To include the details for an independent subprocess, change the value of the

WRKFLW_signoff_report_show_sub_process preference.

-transfer

Transfers attachments of the parent process to the subprocess. The parent process has no attachments as target/reference that exists in the subprocess.

-process_assembly

Signals the handler to traverse the assembly and start a subprocess on its components. Multiple workflow processes can be started if the **-multiple_processes** argument is specified. This argument works in conjunction with **-depth**, **-rev_rule**, **-include_related_type**, and **-exclude_related_type** arguments. This argument can be used together with the **-relation** argument. Both arguments can be specified on the same instance of the handler.

-depth=depth of traversal

Specifies the depth of traversal for an assembly. Specify **all** to traverse all levels. If not specified, the default value is 1.

-rev_rule=revision-rule-to-apply

Defines the name of the revision rule to be applied for BOM traversal. If not supplied, the default revision rule would be used

-relation=relation-type-to-look

Finds the objects attached to the target objects with the given relation. The value must be a valid relation.

Specifies whether a relation is used to locate secondary objects. The relation of the objects to be attached to the target object. Must be a valid relation.

To specify manifestation, use **IMAN_manifestation**.

For specification use **IMAN_specification**.

For requirement use **IMAN_requirement**.

For reference use **IMAN reference**.

For BOM views use **PSBOMViewRevision**.

This argument works in conjunction with -include_related_type, and -exclude_related_type arguments. This argument can be used together with the -process_assembly argument. Both arguments can be specified on the same instance of the handler.

-include related type=type-of-related-components-to-be-included

Defines the types of related component objects to be included as targets and/or references.

- Must be valid workspace object types. For example: ItemRevision and ITEM.
- If this argument is specified as **Dataset**, any type of dataset (**UGMASTER**, **UGPART**, **Text**, and so on) is considered.
- If this argument is specified as **ItemRevision**, any type of item revision (**DocumentRevision** and any custom item revision types) is considered.

This argument works in conjunction with **-process_assembly** and **-relation** arguments.

This argument is optional.

-exclude_related_type=type-of-related-components-to-be-excluded

Defines the types of related component objects to be excluded from being adding as targets and/or reference.

- Must be valid workspace object types. For example: ItemRevision and ITEM
- If this argument is specified as **Dataset**, any type of dataset (**UGMASTER**, **UGPART**, **Text**, and so on) is considered.
- If this argument is specified as **ItemRevision**, any type of item revision (**DocumentRevision**, and so on, and any custom item revision types) is considered.

This argument works in conjunction with **-process_assembly** and **-relation** arguments.

This argument is optional.

Note:

The -include_related_type and -exclude_related_type arguments can be used in conjunction with each other. If used in conjunction, the -include_related_type argument takes precedence; first the objects are processed against -include_related_type, and then -exclude_related_type.

-include_replica

(Optional) Adds the parent's **Replica Proposed Targets** to the newly created subprocesses under these conditions:

- If the -from_attach argument specifies either Target or ALL, the Replica Proposed Targets are also attached to subprocess with the targets.
- If the -to_attach argument specifies Target and any of the qualified objects are replicas, they are attached as Replica Proposed Targets instead of targets.
- If the -include_replica argument is not used, the handler does not add the Replica Proposed Targets attachments to the subprocess.

-group_by_property

- Input attachments are grouped according to the property assigned such as **object_type** and **object_owner**. One subprocess is spawned for each group. Each subprocess has objects (attachments) in that group.
- When used with the-multiple_processes arguments, one subprocess is spawned for each target object.

This argument is optional, but must be used with **-from attach**.

PLACEMENT

Place in the **Start** or **Complete** action of a task template.

Note:

If you use the **-dependency** argument and the current task is dependent on the subprocess, you must place the handler on the **Start** action. If you place it on the **Complete** action, the **-dependency** argument causes an error.

The handler can be added multiple times to a task action to provide abilities such as using different workflow process templates per target object type or other combinations.

RESTRICTIONS

- When using **-relation** or **-process assembly**, the targets/reference attachments for the subprocess are processed based on the secondary related/assembly components of the parent target/reference attachments.
- If a user demotes a task that already created subprocesses, when the task gets activated again, it creates another subprocess. Depending on the user's choice, they should either delete the original subprocess or the new subprocess. Currently this is a manual step for the user.
- The -depth and -rev_rule arguments are used only when the -process_assembly argument is used. The -exclude_related_type and -include_related_type arguments are used only when process_assembly or -relation is used.
- For the **group_by_property** argument, these p are not supported: **PROP_operationinput**, **PROP_unknown**, or properties containing multiple values, for instance, **array/list**.
- For the **group_by_property** argument, these property value types are not supported: **PROP_external_reference**, **PROP_untyped**.

EXAMPLES

The following examples illustrate how to configure the handler arguments. These examples illustrate creating a parent process template containing a **Do** task and adding the handler to the task to create a subprocess.

- The examples where the current task is dependent on the subprocess and that use the-**dependency** argument must be placed on the **Start** action.
- The examples without the **-dependency** argument can be placed on either the **Start** or **Complete** action of a task.

Note:

You can add this handler to any action from which you want to create the subprocess. Use the following examples to understand how to configure the handler arguments.

• This example launches a new process using the **Change Approval** template and sets the dependency between the parent process initiating task that starts a new subprocess and **SubProcess_001**. The task that initiates the new subprocess cannot be completed until **SubProcess_001** is completed. Place this handler on the **Start** action.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-dependency	::
-process_name	SubProcess_001

• The example creates a new workflow process using the **Change Approval** template with no attachments. The **-process_name** and **-process_desc** are optional.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-process_name	0006/A_Change Approval
-description	This is a demo description text

• This example creates a new workflow process on the **Change Approval** template by inheriting all the targets/reference attachments of the parent process as target/reference attachments, respectively, of the newly created workflow process. If the workflow process name is not defined, it generates a workflow process name for the child process in the *Parentprocess:count* format. The workflow process description is left blank.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	ALL
-to_attach	ALL

• This example creates a new workflow process on the **Change Approval** template by inheriting all the target attachments of the parent process as target attachments for the subprocess.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	TARGET
-to_attach	TARGET

• This example creates a new workflow process on the **Change Approval** template by inheriting all the attachments (target and reference) of the parent process as target attachments for the subprocess.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	ALL
-to_attach	TARGET

• This example launches a new workflow process on the **Change Approval** template. All target and reference attachments of the **ItemRevision** and **UGMASTER** types of the parent process are attached as targets for the new process.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	ALL
-to_attach	TARGET
-include_type	ItemRevision, UGMASTER

• This example launches a new workflow process on the **Change Approval** template. All objects (both target and reference attachments) of the **ItemRevision** and **UGMASTER** type of the parent process are attached as target and reference attachments respectively for the new workflow process.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-include_type	ItemRevision, UGMASTER
-from_attach	TARGET
-to_attach	ALL

• This example launches a new workflow process on the **Change Approval** template. All objects of the **ItemRevision** type of the parent process are excluded as targets for the new workflow process.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	ALL

Argument	Values
-to_attach	TARGET
-exclude_type	ItemRevision

This example launches a new workflow process on the Change Approval template by specifying the -include_type and -exclude_type arguments. It specifies the list of attachment types to be included in -include_type and the list of types to be excluded in -exclude_type. This argument launches a subprocess with only ItemRevision.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	ALL
-to_attach	ALL
-include_type	ItemRevision
-exclude_type	UGMASTER

This example launches a new workflow process on the Change Approval template and sets the
dependency between the DoChecklist task in the DesignReview parent process and the performsignoffs subtask of the QA Review task of the Change Approval_001 subprocess. The DoChecklist
task of the parent process cannot complete until the perform-signoffs task in the subprocess
completes. Place this handler on the Start action.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-dependency	DesignReview:DoChecklist::Change Approval_001:QA Review:perform-signoffs

• This example launches a new workflow process using the **Change Approval** template. Because no path is specified for the parent process, the task containing this handler is used as the parent process task. A dependency is created between the task containing this handler and the **perform-signoffs** subtask of the **QA Review** task of the **Change Approval_001** subprocess. The task containing this handler cannot complete until the **perform-signoffs** task in the subprocess completes. Place this handler on the **Start** action.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-dependency	::Change Approval_001:QA Review:perform-signoffs

• This example launches new workflow processes on the **Change Approval** template. Each object instance of the **ItemRevision** type on target attachments of the parent process launches a new workflow process with that instance as target. For example, if the parent process has three **ItemRevision** objects as the target, three different workflow processes are launched.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	ALL
-to_attach	TARGET
-include_type	ItemRevision
-multiple_processes	

• The following handler configuration looks for an assembly in the targets, configures it as per the **Latest Working** revision rule and starts multiple workflow processes on all its components.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	TARGET
-to_attach	TARGET
-multiple_processes	
-process_assembly	
-depth	All
-rev_rule	Latest Working

• The following handler configuration starts a subprocess on the **UGMaster** dataset attached to the target objects with **Iman_specification** relation.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	TARGET
-to_attach	TARGET
-multiple_processes	
-relation	Iman_specification
-include_related_type	UGMaster

• The following handler configuration looks for an assembly in the targets, configures it as per the **Latest Working** revision rule and starts multiple workflow processes on all its components. It also starts a subprocess on the objects that are attached to the target objects with the **Iman_specification** relation.

Values
Change Approval
TARGET
TARGET
All
Latest Working
Iman_specification

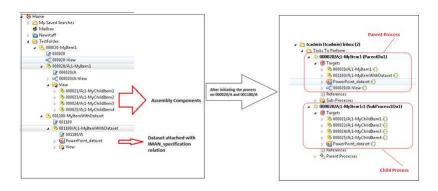
• The following handler configuration starts a subprocess using the **Change Approval** template. All target objects of the **Dataset** type except for **MSWord** type objects are attached as targets to the subprocess.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	TARGET
-to_attach	TARGET
-include_type	Dataset
-exclude_type	MSWord

• The following configuration initiates the parent process on 000020/A (with assembly components) and 001180/A (with a dataset).

Argument	Values
-template	SubProcess1
-from_attach	ALL
-to_attach	ALL

Argument	Values
-relation	IMAN_specification
-process_assembly	



• The following handler configuration starts a subprocess using the **Change Approval** template. It spawns a Change Approval subprocess for each group formed.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	ALL
-to_attach	ALL
-group_by_property	Object_type

• The following handler configuration starts a subprocess using the **Change Approval** template. It spawns one **Change Approval** subprocess for each target object in each group. The subprocesses spawned are named per the value in the **-process_name** argument.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	ALL
-group_by_property	Object_type
-to_attach	ALL
-multiple_processes	
-process_name	newSubprocess

RESTRICTIONS ON ARGUMENTS

These examples show how not to use this handler.

• Do not create a workflow process without specifying the **-template** name.

Argument	Values
-process_name	0006/A_Change Approval
-from_attach	TARGET
-to_attach	TARGET

• Do not create a workflow process with the **-multiple_processes** argument but not providing the **-from_attach** and **-to_attach** arguments.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-multiple_processes	

• Do not create a workflow process by only specifying either one of the arguments: **-from_attach** or **-to_attach**.

Argument	Values
-template	Change Approval
-from_attach	TARGET

EPM-debug

DESCRIPTION

Allows you to print information (for example, state, action, and arguments) about the last action triggered. Typically used for debugging.

SYNTAX

EPM-debug -comment=string

ARGUMENTS

-comment

Additional descriptive string appended to the action name.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This example notifies the user when the **Complete** action runs by printing **Complete**, **action is executing** to the standard output device.

Argument	Values
-comment	action is executing

Note:

This example assumes you have attached this handler to a **Complete** action.

EPM-demote

DESCRIPTION

Clears all signoff decisions from the current and previous **Review** tasks. An optional argument allows the user to specify the task name that the workflow process is demoted to.

SYNTAX

EPM-demote [-target_task=task-name]

ARGUMENTS

-target_task

Specifies to which previous task the workflow process is demoted. Must specify a valid task in the current workflow process.

If this argument is not specified, the workflow process is demoted to the previous task.

PLACEMENT

None.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This example shows how to demote the workflow process to the task named design.

Argument	Values
-target_task	design

EPM-demote-on-reject

DESCRIPTION

Demotes the current task to the previous task, or to the task specified on the **-target_task** argument of the **EPM-demote** handler placed on the **Undo** action of the current task.

By default, the handler checks the approval quorum requirements at each rejection and demotes the task when the quorum limit cannot be met. Consider a **perform-signoffs** task assigned to seven reviewers with an approval quorum of three. The first four rejections do not demote the task. The fifth rejection, which would prevent the approval quorum of three from being met, demotes the task.

You can override the default behavior and specify the number of rejections required to demote the workflow process using the **-num_rejections** argument. Using the above example, override the quorum requirement by setting this argument to **2**. The task demotes on the second rejection, instead of the fifth.

To set the number of rejections needed to the number where the quorum cannot be met, set - num_rejections to -1. Using the above example of seven reviewers with a quorum of three, the -1 value sets the required number of rejections to five. When five rejections are recorded, the task is demoted.

Note:

This handler takes precedence if success and failure paths exist.

SYNTAX

EPM-demote-on-reject [-num rejections=number-of-rejections]

ARGUMENTS

-num_rejections

Number of rejections required to demote the task.

Specifying -1 reads the approval quorum value and demotes the task when the number of rejections recorded makes it no longer possible to meet the quorum.

This argument is optional.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** subtask of a **Review** task.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler assumes that all target objects, reference objects, and status types are attached to the root task.

EXAMPLES

- This example demotes a process when the number of rejections exceed the quorum limit: **EPM-demote-on-reject**
- This example demotes a process when the second rejection is received:

Argument	Values
-num_rejections	2

- This example demotes a process when the number of rejections recorded prevents the quorum from being met. For example:
 - If there are two reviewers and a quorum of one, both reviewers would have to reject the signoff.
 - If there are three reviewers and a quorum of two, two reviewers would have to reject the signoff.
 - If there are four reviewers and a quorum of two, three reviewers would have to reject the signoff.

Argument	Values
-num_rejections	-1

EPM-display-form

DESCRIPTION

Displays specified forms attached to a specified *custom* task ******, which is an instance of the **EPMTaskTemplate**. By default, all attachments of the **FormType** object attached to the current task are displayed.

The custom task template is used to define custom forms and other site-specific tasks for the user to complete and is designed to accept customization. This template contains no innate customized interface behavior.

Note:

Do not use this handler on other task templates, such as **Do**, **Review**, and **Route**. Other task templates have their own user interface that overrides any attached forms. The task templates either are not meant to display a customized interface (such as the **Add Status** task template) or already have customized interface behavior assigned (such as the **Review** and **Route** task templates).

For example, the **Do** task template already has customized interface behavior assigned. While form handlers can be added to the **Do** task template, the template's original interface behavior is displayed, not the forms. If the default display required is a customized form, use an instance of the custom task template.

The default **Perform** action for any template can be overridden using the **.properties** file. It is more effective, however, to use the task template when the required default **Perform** action is the display of forms.

Configuring a task to display forms using EPM-display-form, EPM-hold, and EPM-create-form

To configure a task to display a form when a user performs a specified action, use the **EPM-hold** handler. This handler pauses the task, requiring the user to perform an action on the task before the task can complete. If this handler is not used, a task completes automatically once started.

To create an instance of a specified form and attach the form to the specified task, use the **EPM-create-form** handler.

The **EPM-create-form** handler creates the form when the **Start** action is initiated, the **EPM-display-form** handler displays the form when the **Perform** action is initiated, and the **EPM-hold** handler prevents the task from automatically completing, allowing the form to be completed by the user.

Variations on the above example may be required for a more sophisticated interaction when it is required that the task not complete until required fields are entered in the form. This type of configuration requires the creation of customized rule handlers.

SYNTAX

EPM-display-form -type=form-type [-source_task=task-name.attachment-type]

ARGUMENTS

-type

Valid **FormType** object.

-source_task

Form to be displayed. The default values for this optional argument are reference attachments of the **FormType** attached to the current **task_name**.

attachment-type

Accepts one of the following reserved keywords:

\$REFERENCE

Reference attachments

• \$TARGET

Target object attachments

\$SIGNOFF

Signoff attachments

• \$RELEASE_STATUS

Release status attachments

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement. Typically placed on the **Perform** action of a task. If this task has no other perform user interface, the form is used as its **Perform** action user interface.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This example lists handler definitions to be entered on a task template to display customized forms:

• On the **Start** action: **EPM-create-form**

Argument	Values
-type	ItemRevision Master
-name	MyForm
-target_task	\$ROOT.\$REFERENCE

• On the **Perform** action: **EPM-display-form**

Argument	Values
-type	ItemRevision Master
-source_task	\$ROOT.\$REFERENCE

• On the Complete action: EPM-hold

Argument	Values
true	

EPM-execute-follow-up

DESCRIPTION

Runs a specified ITK program. During the ITK execution the parameter internally passed to the executable is **-zo**=object, where object is the tag of the workflow process in string format.

You can use the process tag in the ITK program by retrieving the **-zo** argument as shown in the sample program below. You can then use the POM tag to obtain process attachments, references, signoffs, and so on, using ITK functions.

Note:

The ITK executable must be placed in the TC_ROOT/bin folder of the Teamcenter installation.

By default, this handler is placed on the **Complete** action of the **Review** task. If left unset, no action is taken.

Note:

The user is already authenticated in the instance of the same Teamcenter server. For this reason, the code does not perform the login process again and auto login flags are not checked.

SYNTAX

EPM-execute-follow-up -command=argument

ARGUMENTS

-command

A valid ITK program name.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

The ITK executable must be placed in the TC_ROOT/bin folder of the Teamcenter installation.

EXAMPLES

This sample code converts the argument output -zo=process_tag from a string to a POM tag. Use the POM tag to obtain process attachments, references, signoffs, and so on, using ITK functions.

```
/* Sample code; file: test_itk_main.c */
#include tc.h
#include pom.h
int ITK user main(
                         /* / number of command line arguments */
        int argc,
        char* argv[] /* / list of command line arguments */
/*
 * Description: This program is a follow-up action.
*/
{
         ifail = ITK ok;
   int
    tag t job tag
                        = NULLTAG;
    char* job tag string = 0;
    ITK initialize text services (ITK BATCH TEXT MODE);
    if ( (ifail = ITK auto login ()) != ITK ok)
        printf ("ERROR: login failed - error code = %d\n",ifail);
        return ( ifail );
   printf("Get process tag string ...\n"); fflush(stdout);
    job tag string = ITK ask cli argument("-zo=");
    if (!job tag string)
        printf ("ERROR: no process tag string passed\n");
        ITK exit module (TRUE);
        return 1;
    printf("process tag string = %s\n", job tag string);
    fflush(stdout);
   printf("Convert process tag string to process tag ...\n");
    fflush (stdout);
    if ( (ifail = POM string to tag(job tag string, &job tag))
         !=ITK ok)
    {
        printf ("ERROR: POM string to tag failed - error code
            = %d\n", ifail);
        return ( ifail );
    }
        /* start required code here */
        /* Use the process tag to get attachments, references,
           signoffs etc */
        /* .... */
        /* end required code here */
}
```

EPM-fill-in-reviewers

DESCRIPTION

Automatically assigns signoff reviewers that meet specified user, group, or role criteria for the specified **Review** task. This criteria populates the signoff profiles.

This handler compares the assigned user with the profile definition in the corresponding **select-signoff-team** task. If the assigned user does not match the profile definition, automatic assignment does not occur and the **select-signoff-team** task must be performed manually.

If the **-required** argument is specified; the signoffs will be added as required signoffs which cannot be altered by users.

If the **–condition_name** argument is specified; the handler will add the reviewers only if the condition is met.

Note:

A user is added to **select-signoff-team** task as a reviewer only once. If the same user participates in multiple signoff profiles, use the value **resourcepool**:group::role with the **-assignee** argument.

SYNTAX

```
EPM-fill-in-reviewers
-assignee= [user:user | person:person | addresslist:list
| resourcepool:group::role | allmembers:group::role
| user:PROP::property name
| resourcepool:PROP::property_name
| allmembers:PROP::property_name
| $PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY | $PROPOSED_REVIEWERS | $USER
| $PROCESS_OWNER | $TARGET_OWNER [type]
| $PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_AUTHOR | $PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]
| $REQUESTOR | $ANALYST
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST1 | $CHANGE_SPECIALIST2 | $CHANGE_SPECIALIST3
| $CHANGE REVIEW BOARD | $CHANGE IMPLEMENTATION BOARD
[-from_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task]
[-from_relation=relation-type]
[-from include related type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
-from_exclude_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]]
[-add_excess_as_adhoc]
[-target_task=review-task-name | multilevel-task-path]
[-required]
```

[-project_scope=all | owning_project]
[-check_first_object_only=true | false]
[-condition_name=condition1]
[-condition_scope=all | any | none]

ARGUMENTS

-assignee

Assigns the specified users, role members, group members, and/or resource pool members to the signoff team.

• **user:**user

Adds the user specified to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter user ID.

• person:person

Adds the user whose name is specified to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached. Accepts a valid Teamcenter person name.

Note:

If the person's name includes a comma, you must include an escape character (\) to add the correct person. For example, to use **wayne**, **joan**:

-assignee=person:wayne\, joan

• addresslist:list

Adds all members of the address list specified to the signoff member list.

• resourcepool:group::role

Results in a single assignment which can be performed by any single member of this group/role. You can define resource pools in the form of *group::, group::role*, or *role*.

Note:

When a resource pool task is performed by a user it is automatically claimed by that user. If that task is a **Review** task and it is started again, the task is assigned to the user who performed it in the previous iteration, rather than the resource pool.

Accepts valid Teamcenter resource pool names and these keywords:

\$GROUP

Current user's current group.

• \$ROLE

Current user's current role.

• **\$TARGET_GROUP**[type]

Owning group of the first target object of the specified type. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROCESS GROUP

Owning group of the workflow process.

Note:

The **\$ROLE_IN_GROUP** keyword (formerly **\$ROLEINGROUP**) cannot be used. Use **resourcepool:\$GROUP::\$ROLE** instead.

• allmembers:group::role

Adds all members of a group/role combination to the signoff member list. You can define role in groups in the form of *group::role*, or *role*. Accepts valid Teamcenter resource pool names and these keywords:

\$GROUP

Current user's current group.

• \$ROLE

Current user's current role.

• **\$TARGET_GROUP**[type]

Owning group of the first target object of the specified type. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

\$PROCESS GROUP

Owning group of the workflow process.

• user:PROP::property_name

Adds the user specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• resourcepool:PROP::property_name

Adds the resource pool specified by the property name to the signoff member list for the task to which it is attached.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

• allmembers:PROP::property_name

Adds all members of a group/role combination that is specified by the property name to the signoff member list.

If the property is a multi-value property, only the first value is used when only a single user is assigned in the workflow. When more than one user is assigned, all property values are used.

\$PROPOSED RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Affects assignments based on the user assigned as the responsible party for the first target object.

• \$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS

Affects assignments based on members assigned as reviewers for the first target object.

• \$USER

Adds the current user to the signoff member list.

If **\$USER** is used, and the current user belongs to several groups and roles, the behavior of the **\$USER** keyword depends on the value of the **SIGNOFF_fill_in_reviewers** preference, as follows:

• 1

Attempts to match the current user's group/role values with the profile first, default values second, then any other groups/roles of which the current user is a member. This is the default setting.

• 2

Attempts to match the current user's group/role values first, default values of which the current user is a member second.

• 3

Attempts to match the current user's group/role values.

• \$PROCESS OWNER

Adds the workflow process owner to the signoff member list.

• **\$TARGET OWNER** [type]

Adds the owner of the first target of specified type to the signoff member list. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR, \$PROJECT_AUTHOR, \$PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]

Dynamically adds the project team members belonging to the role specified in the argument value. The project team is determined by the project team associated with the first target object. If the **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role] argument is specified, only the project members of the qualifying projects which belong to the specified group and role are selected for assignment. If the group and role are not specified, all the project members from qualifying projects are selected.

You can specify a sub-group with the syntax group++sub-group::role.

• \$REQUESTOR, \$ANALYST, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST3

\$CHANGE REVIEW BOARD, \$CHANGE IMPLEMENTATION BOARD

Dynamically resolves to the user or resource pool associated with the first Change target object in the process. The particular user or resource pool is determined by the role specified in the argument value.

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, **Change Management** must be selected under **Extensions**→**Enterprise Knowledge Foundation** in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

-from_include_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_exclude_type=object-type1[,object-type2,...]

(Optional) Specifies the object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, -assignee=user:PROP::property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_attach= target | reference | schedule_task

(Optional) Specifies which type of attachment (target, reference, or schedule_task) to get the property value from when a property is specified in the -assignee argument (for example, -assignee=user:PROP::property_name). If this argument is not specified, the default is target.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_relation

(Optional) Specifies the relation of the objects to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). It must be a valid relation.

- For manifestations, use **IMAN_manifestation**.
- For specifications, use IMAN_specification.

- For requirements, use **IMAN_requirement**.
- For references, use **IMAN_reference**.
- For BOM views, use **PSBOMViewRevision**.

This argument must be used with the **-from_attach** argument. A derived object is identified by starting with objects of the specified attachment type indicated by the **-from_attach** argument and then locating the first secondary object with the specified relation indicated by the **-relation** argument.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)).

-from_include_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies the related object types to be used to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)) and you use the -from_relation argument.

This argument should not be used with the **-from_exclude_related_type** argument.

-from_exclude_related_type=object-type1[,object-type2]

(Optional) Specifies related object types to be excluded when getting the property value when it is specified in the **-assignee** argument (for example, **-assignee=user:PROP::**property_name). They must be valid object types.

You can use this argument only when you get the assignee from a property on an object (user:PROP:: or resourcepool:PROP::)) and you use the -from_relation argument.

This argument should not be used with the **-from_include_related_type** argument.

-add excess as adhoc

(Optional.) Adds the rest of the assignees as ad hoc users if the profile is satisfied.

-target_task

(Optional) Specifies either the single **Review** task name or multilevel task path to which the reviewers are added. The path is from the root task to the **select-signoff-team** subtask with the path levels separated with colons (:). For example: **Change Request Review:QA Review:select-signoff-team**

-required

(Optional) If specified, all signoffs added through this handler instance are marked as mandatory.

-project_scope

(Optional) Specifies which projects are used to resolve project-based assignments. The **all** value specifies all projects in the list of projects. The **owning_project** value specifies the owning project only.

If this argument is not specified, the default value is the first project in the project list.

-check_first_object_only

(Optional) The **true** value specifies that only the first object is checked. If the value is **false**, all objects are checked. If this argument is not specified, or if it is specified without a value, only the first object is checked.

If the **-include_type**, **-exclude_type**, **-include_related_type**, or **-exclude_related_type** arguments are specified, they determine the types of objects that are checked.

-condition_name

(Optional) The name of the condition to evaluate against the objects identified for assigning reviewers from. The condition signature should accept a **WorkspaceObject & UserSession**. The handler assigns the reviewers only if the condition results are successful, based on the – **condition_scope** argument.

-condition_scope

(Optional) The criteria for evaluating condition results against workflow objects. Values are the following:

all All objects should meet the condition. This is the default behavior if this argument

is not supplied with the **-condition** name argument.

any Any object should meet the condition.

none No object should meet the condition.

PLACEMENT

Place either on the **Start** action of the relevant **select-signoff-team** task or on the root task with the **review_task_name** argument.

RESTRICTIONS

Use only with the **select-signoff-team** task or on the root task.

EXAMPLES

• This example designates the user **tom** and all members of the **engineering** group as reviewers for the **Review** task called **Review Task 1**.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:tom, allmembers:engineering::
-target_task	\$ROOT.Review Task 1

• This example shows the current user added as a reviewer.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:\$USER
-target_task	Review Task 1

• This example designates members assigned as reviewers for the first target object as reviewers for the **Review** task called **Review Task 1**.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
-target_task	Review Task 1

• This example designates user **tom**, all the members of the **Engineering** group, and the **REQUESTOR** associated with the first change target object as reviewers for the **Review** task named **Review Task 1**.

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:tom, allmembers:engineering::,\$REQUESTOR
-target_task	Review Task 1

If the handler with these arguments is specified on the **Notify** task under the **Route** task, the signoff attachments are added to the **Notify** task and used for sending notifications.

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the first project team associated with the first target found by the system to the signoff team as optional signoffs.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the owning project team associated with the first target found by the system to the signoff team as optional signoffs.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]
-project_scope	owning_project
-check_first_object_only	

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of all project teams associated with the first target found by the system to the signoff team as required signoffs.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]
-project_scope	all
-check_first_object_only	true
-required	

• This example assigns all members of the **Engineering** group and **Designer** role of the first project team associated with each target found by the system to the signoff team as optional signoffs.

Argument	Values
-assignee	\$PROJECT_MEMBER[Engineering::Designer]
-check_first_object_only	false

EPM-inherit

DESCRIPTION

Inherits specified attachment types from a specified task.

SYNTAX

EPM-inherit -task=\$PREVIOUS | \$CALLER | \$ROOT -attachment=target | reference | signoffs

ARGUMENTS

-task

Task that contains the attachments to be inherited. Choices are the **\$PREVIOUS** task, the parent task (**\$CALLER**) or the **\$ROOT** task. You can use multiple values by separating them with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

-attachment

Attachment types that are inherited from the tasks specified in the **-task** argument. Choices are **target**, **reference**, or **signoffs**. You can use multiple values by separating them with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example copies the reference attachments from the parent task to the current task.

Argument	Values
-task	\$CALLER
-attachment	reference

• This example copies the signoffs from the previous task and the targets from the root task to the current task. The handler is placed on the **perform-signoffs** subtask of the second **Review** task.

Argument	Values
-task	\$PREVIOUS, \$ROOT
-attachment	signoffs, target

EPM-invoke-system-action

DESCRIPTION

Runs an external command (specified with the **-command** argument) such as Perl scripts, shell scripts, or external ITK programs, then continues or halts the workflow process based on the return code of the external command.

Use this handler for increased control of the workflow process. For example, to synchronize NX attributes and structure with Teamcenter, or to generate JT tessellation from CAD files.

This handler writes workflow process-related information to an XML file. The file is passed to the external script/program as **-f** *XML-file-name*. APIs are provided (in the form of Perl modules) to read the XML file and perform functions on its data objects. The APIs are located in the **Workflow.pm** file in the *TC_ROOT/bin/tc* directory.

Write Perl scripts (for example, *TC_ROOT/bin/tc_check_renderings_pl* for background tessellation of CAD data) using the provided APIs to read the XML file and perform required functions on its data objects. Then use the Perl script as the value of the **-command** argument (for example, **-command=***perl-script-name*) in the workflow process template.

Note:

Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends you place the Perl scripts in the *TC_ROOT/bin* folder.

Alternatively, you can place the script in an alternate location and provide an absolute path to the location (for example, c:\temp\test.bat). However, using an absolute path requires that you update the template if there are any changes. In the previous example, c:\temp\test.bat is a path on a Windows platform. If you were to change to a Linux platform, the template would need to be updated. This second method is not recommended.

The handler returns a code that is mapped to:

- ITK_ok when the external script returns 0 and no other errors are returned
- CR_error_in_handler in all other cases

SYNTAX

EPM-invoke-system-action -command=name-of-the-external-program
[-trigger_on_go= [TASK:]ACTION] [-trigger_on_nogo= [TASK:]ACTION]
[-trigger_on_undecided= [TASK:]ACTION] [-skip_unreadable_objs]
[-change_status_on_go=[[old-status-name]:[new-status-name]]]
[-change_status_on_nogo=[[old-status-name]:[new-status-name]]]
[-change_status_on_undecided=[[old-status-name]:[new-status-name]]]
[-add_occurrence_notes] [-comment=comment]

[-responsible_party= User:responsible-party[; Task:task-name]]
[-reviewer=User:user-id] [; Group:group] [; Role:role] [; Level:level]]
[-send_mail=user-ids] [-initiate_process]
[-where_used=itemrevtype] [-expand=itemrevtype]
[-list_sibling_processes=wildcarded-procname]
[-depth=maximum-recursion-depth] [-debug]

ARGUMENTS

-command=name-of-the-external-program

Name of the external executable. This executable can be an external Perl script that reads and modifies the XML file written by this handler, or an ITK program to perform specific functionality.

This argument is required.

-trigger_on_go= [TASK:]ACTION

Triggers an action in the same workflow process when **EPM_go** is returned.

Trigger an action in another task by specifying an action and task name. If another task name is unspecified, the specified action in the current task is triggered.

The system supports the following actions:

ASSIGN, START, PERFORM, COMPLETE, SUSPEND, RESUME, SKIP, ABORT, REFUSE, UNDO, REJECT, APPROVE, PROMOTE, DEMOTE.

Action names are not case sensitive.

Task names cannot contain a colon or a period. If the task name is ambiguous (for example, **select-signoff-team**), hierarchical notation is required.

This argument is optional.

-trigger_on_nogo= [TASK:]ACTION

Triggers an action in the same workflow process when **EPM_nogo** is returned.

Trigger an action in another task by specifying an action and task name. If another task name is unspecified, the specified action in the current task is triggered.

The system supports the following actions:

ASSIGN, START, PERFORM, COMPLETE, SUSPEND, RESUME, SKIP, ABORT, REFUSE, UNDO, REJECT, APPROVE, PROMOTE, DEMOTE.

Action names are not case sensitive.

Task names cannot contain a color or period. If the task name is ambiguous (for example, **select-signoff-team**), hierarchical notation is required.

This argument is optional.

-trigger_on_undecided= [TASK:]ACTION

Triggers an action in the same workflow process when **EPM_undecided** is returned.

Trigger an action in another task by specifying an action and task name. If another task name is unspecified, the specified action in the current task is triggered.

The system supports the following actions:

ASSIGN, START, PERFORM, COMPLETE, SUSPEND, RESUME, SKIP, ABORT, REFUSE, UNDO, REJECT, APPROVE, PROMOTE, DEMOTE.

Action names are not case sensitive.

Task names cannot contain a color or period. If the task name is ambiguous (for example, **select-signoff-team**), hierarchical notation is required.

This argument is optional.

-skip_unreadable_objs

Unreadable objects are not processed. The handler does not attempt to write information about unreadable objects into the XML file; the objects are skipped.

If this argument is not specified, the handler displays an error when a failure occurs when there is no read access.

-change status on qo=[[old-status-name]:[new-status-name]]

Adds, removes or changes the status of attachments when **EPM_go** is returned.

Both the old and new status names are optional.

- If both status names are specified, the new status name replaces the old status name.
- If only the new status name is specified, the corresponding status is added.
- If only the old status name is specified, the corresponding status name is removed.
- If neither status name is specified, no action is taken.

If a value is not provided for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

-change_status_on_nogo=[[old-status-name]:[new-status-name]]

Adds, removes, or changes the status of attachments when **EPM_nogo** is returned.

Both the old and new status names are optional.

- If both status names are specified, the new status name replaces the old status name.
- If only the new status name is specified, the corresponding status is added.
- If only the old status name is specified, the corresponding status name is removed.
- If neither status name is specified, no action is taken.

If a value is not provided for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

-change_status_on_undecided=[[old-status-name]:[new-status-name]]

Adds, removes or changes the status of attachments when EPM_undecided is returned.

Both the old and new status names are optional.

- If both status names are specified, the new status name replaces the old status name.
- If only the new status name is specified, the corresponding status is added.
- If only the old status name is specified, the corresponding status name is removed.
- If neither status name is specified, no action is taken.

If a value is not provided for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

-add_occurrence_notes

Sets occurrence notes of target assemblies. Can be used in combination with the **-expand** argument to set **OccurrenceNotes** for components of assembly structures.

This argument is optional.

-comment=comment

The signoff decision is set depending on the return code of the external program:

- 0=Approve
- 1=Reject
- 2=No Decision

If a value is not provided for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

This argument is optional.

-responsible_party= User:responsible-party[; Task:task-name]

Assigns a responsible party. If no user ID is specified for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

This argument is optional.

-reviewer=[User:user-id] [; Group:group] [; Role:role] [; Level:level]

Assigns a reviewer for a release level. If no reviewer is specified for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

This argument is optional.

-send_mail=user-id[,user-id,...]

Sends target, reference, or sibling objects through the program mail. If one or more user IDs are defined for this argument, the workflow process is sent to the specified users through the program mail.

Separate multiple user IDs with a space, a comma, or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

If no user IDs are defined for this argument, the recipients and the contents of the envelope set by the external Perl script are read.

This argument is optional.

-initiate_process

Initiates a workflow process for another object. Target objects are defined by the values set by the external Perl script.

This argument is optional.

-where_used=itemrevtype

Reports the where-used of item and item revision target attachments by writing the hierarchy of all parent and grandparent assemblies of item and item revision target attachments into the XML file to allow the external Perl script to perform required functions.

If an item revision type is specified, the type argument is compared to the corresponding item revision type. For example, **ItemRevision** matches objects of the type **Item**.

If an item revision type is specified, the parent assemblies of only those target attachments that match this type are listed.

This argument is optional.

-expand=*itemrevtype*

Reports the assembly of item and item revision target attachments by writing the hierarchy of all child and grandchild components of item and item revision target attachments into the XML file to allow the external Perl script to perform required functions.

If an item revision type is specified, the type argument is compared to the corresponding item revision type. For example, **ItemRevision** matches objects of the type **Item**. The assembly structure is expanded for all item revisions of all matching item target attachments.

If an item revision is specified, the child components of only those target attachments are listed that match this type.

This argument is optional.

-list_sibling_processes=wildcarded-procname

Writes information regarding processes that belong to the same change item into the XML file to allow the external Perl script to perform required functions. The information concerns processes sharing the same change item as reference attachment.

If a process template name is specified in the procedure definition, only the processes that match the procedure name are included.

This argument is optional.

-depth=maximum-recursion-depth

Increases the maximum incursion depth. The **-trigger_on_go** or **-initiate_process** arguments could cause the triggered action to use the same handler in a deeper level of recursion. If this is what you intend, you must set the maximum level of recursion to the desired number. If necessary, it can be disabled by setting it to **0**. The default is set to **1**, to avoid infinite loops.

This argument is optional.

-debug

Enables debugging. Each occurrence of this argument increases the debug level by one. Debug messages are written to the Teamcenter error stack for display in the rich client user interface, as well as written to the **syslog** file.

This argument is optional.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** or **Complete** action of any task. If this handler is configured to set the signoff decisions on a **perform-signoffs** task (for example, if the **-comment** argument is specified), then place on the **Complete** action of the **perform-signoffs** task.

RESTRICTIONS

- Do not add to a workflow process containing any handler using resource pools.
- You cannot use the **-trigger_on_go** argument to start a task if any of the tasks previous to it in the workflow process are not complete.

EXAMPLES

• This example shows how to run the tc_check_renderings_pl script using the -command argument. Do not list the file extension in the value. This value runs either the tc_check_renderings_pl.bat (Windows) or tc_check_renderings_pl (Linux) script, depending on which platform the server is running.

Note:

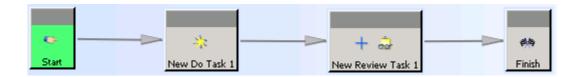
The script should be placed in the TC ROOT/bin directory.

Argument	Values
-command	tc_check_renderings_pl

• This example shows how to run the **test_action.bat** script in a Windows system. The script is the following:

```
set rc=2
echo %rc% >> c:\temp\test.log
exit 0
```

It is used in the following workflow process:



Create one signoff profile for the **Review** task and place the **EPM-invoke-system-action** handler on the **Complete** action of the **Review** task with the following arguments:

Argument	Values
-command	c:\temp\test_action.bat
-expand	
-debug	

• This example shows how to run the **test_action** script in a Linux system. The script is the following:

```
#!/bin/sh
rc=2
export rc
```

It is used in the following workflow process:



Create one signoff profile for the **Review** task and place the **EPM-invoke-system-action** handler on the **Complete** action of the **Review** task with the following arguments:

Argument	Values
-command	/tmp/test_action
-expand	
-debug	

- This example, placed on the Complete action of the perform-signoffs task, runs the tc_check_install_assembly_pl script using the -command argument. The script looks at a vehicle structure and checks to ensure each component has:
 - A valid release status for the structure development stage and not In Process.
 - All occurrences are precise and have an occurrence note indicating its usage at this stage.
 - Every target attachment is a component of only one multilevel product item.

If the target of the original workflow process is a component of only one multilevel product item, the **initiate_process** argument starts the **Initiate VPPS** workflow process specified in the Perl script and attaches the vehicle as a target and its work orders as references.

Note:

The script is in the **sample\task_handlers** directory and should be placed in the *TC_ROOT/bin* directory.

Argument	Values
-command	tc_check_install_assembly_pl
-initiate_process	

EPM-late-notification

DESCRIPTION

Serves as an initializer to store the specified members of the default recipient's list. Notification of a late task is triggered when the **Task Manager** daemon identifies the late task in a worklist. An email is then sent to the task's specified recipients, notifying the recipients that the task is late. The **Task Manager** daemon must have been installed using Teamcenter Environment Manager.

SYNTAX

```
EPM-late-notification
-recipient= | user | group
| $OWNER
| $REVIEWERS | $PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
| $RESPONSIBLE_PARTY | $PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
| $UNDECIDED
| $PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_AUTHOR | $PROJECT_MEMBER
$TARGET_OWNER | $PROCESS_OWNER
$RESOURCE_POOL_ALL | $RESOURCE_POOL_NONE
$RESOURCE_POOL_SUBSCRIBED
| $REQUESTOR
| $ANALYST
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST1
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST2
| $CHANGE_SPECIALIST3
| $CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD
| $CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD | distribution-list
```

ARGUMENTS

-recipient

- user
 Specifies a specific user. It must be the name of a valid Teamcenter user.
- group
 Specifies a specific group. It must be the name of a valid Teamcenter group.
- **\$OWNER**Specifies the task owner.
- \$REVIEWERS

Specifies all users who are reviewers in the same task level as the current reviewer.

\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS

Sends email to all members assigned as the proposed reviewers of the first target object in the workflow process.

• \$RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Specifies the responsible party of the task.

\$PROPOSED RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Sends email to the member assigned as the proposed responsible party of the first target object in the workflow process.

\$UNDECIDED

Specifies the users who have not set the decision for the task.

\$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR \$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR \$PROJECT_AUTHOR \$PROJECT_MEMBER

These values dynamically evaluate project team members belonging to the role specified in the argument value and send notifications to those members. The project team is determined by the project team associated with the first target object.

• \$TARGET OWNER

Sends email to the target owner of the first target of the specified type. The type value is optional. If it is not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROCESS_OWNER

Sends email to the workflow process owner.

\$RESOURCE_POOL_ALL

Specifies all the members of the resource pool.

This argument has an effect only when it is used along with **\$REVIEWERS**, **\$UNDECIDED**, or **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**.

When this argument is used along with **\$REVIEWERS**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, then email is sent to all the members of that resource pool.

When this argument is used along with **\$UNDECIDED**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, and no signoff decision has been made for this resource pool assignment, then all members of that resource pool are notified.

When this argument is used along with **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**, and if a resource pool is assigned as responsible party, then the email is sent to all members of that resource pool.

\$RESOURCE_POOL_NONE

This argument has an effect only when it is used along with **\$REVIEWERS**, **\$UNDECIDED**, or **\$RESPONSIBLE PARTY**.

When this argument is used along with **\$REVIEWERS** or **\$UNDECIDED**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, then the email is not sent to members or subscribers of the resource pool.

When this argument is used along with **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a responsible party, then the email is not sent to members or subscribers of resource pool.

• \$RESOURCE_POOL_SUBSCRIBED

Specifies the users who have subscribed to resource pool.

This argument has an effect only when it is used along with **\$REVIEWERS**, **\$UNDECIDED**, or **\$RESPONSIBLE PARTY**.

When this argument is used along with **\$REVIEWERS**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, then the email is sent to users are subscribed to the resource pool.

When this argument is used along with **\$UNDECIDED**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer and no signoff decision has been made for this resource pool assignment, then email is sent to users who are subscribed to the resource pool.

When this argument is used along with **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a responsible party, then, the email is sent to users who are subscribed to the resource pool.

\$REQUESTOR, \$ANALYST, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1,
 \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST3, \$CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD,
 \$CHANGE IMPLEMENTATION BOARD

Dynamically resolves to the user or resource pool associated with the first Change target object in the process. The particular user or resource pool is determined by the role specified in the argument value.

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, **Change Management** must be selected under **Extensions**→**Enterprise Knowledge Foundation** in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

• distribution-list

Specifies all members of the specified distribution list. This entry can either be the name of a valid address list, or any one of several keywords that represent a distribution list.

PLACEMENT

Place on the Start action.

When **\$REVIEWERS** or **\$UNDECIDED** is used as the key word, place on the **Start** action of the **perform-signoffs** task.

To add the **EPM-late-notification** handler to the task, select the task and the **Display the Task Attributes Panel**. Insert the duration and recipients.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example builds a list of all users assigned as reviewers for the **perform-signoffs** task, along with the owner of the task, and sends email to them.

Argument	Values
-recipient	\$REVIEWERS, \$OWNER

• This example sends email to reviewers of the task who have not performed the signoff.

Argument	Values
-recipient	\$UNDECIDED

• This example sends email to user **Smith**, a distribution list (**VendorList**), and members of the **Purchase** group.

Argument	Values
-recipient	Smith, VendorList, Purchase

Note:

The **Task Attributes** shortcut menu in Workflow Designer populates the arguments to handler. However, you can insert the keywords argument using the **Task Handlers Panel**.

• This example represents a late notification email.

```
Subject:
Late Notification for <PROCESS_NAME/TASK_NAME>

Contents:
You have a late task in Teamcenter that requires attention. Details shared below:

Overview:
Process Name: <PROCESS_NAME>
Current Task: <TASK_NAME>
Due Date: <Due date for the task>
Instructions: <TASK_INSTRUCTIONS>

Select the preferred client to view the task:
<Link to Rich Client>
<Link to Active Workspace>
```

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This email was sent from Teamcenter.

EPM-move-attached-objects

DESCRIPTION

Changes or copies workflow attachments from one attachment type to another. If the handler requires attaching replica objects as workflow targets, the handler attaches them as **Replica Proposed Targets**.

SYNTAX

EPM-move-attached-objects -from_attach=attachment-type **-to_attach**=attachment-type

[-include_type=comma-separated-type-list | -exclude_type=comma-separated-type-list]

[-copy]

ARGUMENTS

-from_attach

Specify one of the following attachment types from which the attached objects should be selected. This is a mandatory argument.

- target
- reference
- problem_item
- solution_item
- impacted_item

-to_attach

Specifies one of the following new attachment types for the attached objects. This is a mandatory argument.

- target
- reference
- problem_item
- solution_item
- impacted_item

-include_type

(Optional) Specifies the object types whose attachment type is to be changed. The handler changes the attachment type defined in the **-from_attach** argument of objects that are the types or their subtypes specified in this argument. Do not use this argument with the **-exclude type** argument.

Separate multiple types with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

-exclude_type

(Optional) Ignores the object types specified by this argument. Attachments to these objects are not changed by this handler. Do not use this argument with the **-include_type** argument.

Separate multiple types with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

-copy

(Optional) Adds the attachments with the new relation defined by the **-to_attach** argument and leaves the attachments with the original relation. If this argument is not specified, the objects are removed from the attachment type specified by the **-from_attach** argument.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** or **Complete** action of any task. Do not place on the **Perform** action.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EPM-notify

DESCRIPTION

Informs users of a task's status through an email notification.

The **EPM-notify** handler can send notifications to users through Teamcenter mail and **OS** mail only if the **Mail_internal_mail_activated** preference is set to **True**.

The **-report** argument on the **EPM-notify-report** handler differentiates the **EPM-notify-report** handler from the **EPM-notify** handler. In the email notification, the **-report** argument appends a report describing the signoff data associated with the **perform-signoffs** task. Therefore, you should use the **EPM-notify-report** handler on the **perform-signoffs** task, whereas the **EPM-notify** handler is more generic and can be used on any type of task.

If you place the **EPM-notify** handler on the **Perform** action (**EPM_perform_action**), an email notification is sent each time a **Perform** sub-action is triggered. These multiple notifications can cause unnecessary processing.

For example, a handler on the **Perform** action is executed three times by the **Add Attachment** sub-action (**EPM_add_attachment_action**). If the handler is **EPM-notify**, reviewers receive the same notification at three different intervals.

In addition to **Add Attachment**, the **Perform** action can include the following sub-actions:

- Remove Attachment (EPM_remove_attachment_action)
- Approve (EPM_approve_action)
- Reject (EPM reject action)
- Promote (EPM_promote_action)
- Demote (EPM_demote_action)
- Assign Approver (EPM_assign_approver_action)

Use the **Mail_OS_from_address** preference to specify the **From** address displayed in the notification email. The preference value must be a valid email address.

When placed on the **Start** action of **perform-signoffs** task, the **EPM-notify** or **EPM-notify-report** handlers are automatically re-executed when a signoff is delegated.

Note:

Use caution when entering special characters into argument fields of notification handlers. Depending on your configuration and email client, using special characters and character entities in argument values may not display correctly in email notifications. These characters can interfere with the mail notification utility **tc_mail_smtp**, and should be tested before deployment.

SYNTAX

```
EPM-notify
```

```
-recipient=
{OS:user-name
 | user:user
 | person:person| addresslist:value
 | resourcepool:group::role
 | allmembers:group::role
 | $USER
 | $REVIEWERS | $PROPOSED REVIEWERS
 | $RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
 | $PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
 | $UNDECIDED
 | $PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR |
 | $PROJECT TEAM ADMINISTRATOR
  $PROJECT_AUTHOR | $PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]
 | $TARGET_OWNER | $PROCESS_OWNER
 | $RESOURCE POOL ALL | $RESOURCE POOL NONE
 | $RESOURCE_POOL_SUBSCRIBED
 | $REQUESTOR
 | $ANALYST
 | $CHANGE_SPECIALIST1
 | $CHANGE SPECIALIST2
 | $CHANGE SPECIALIST3
 | $CHANGE REVIEW BOARD
 | $CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD
 [-subject=
 string | $TARGET | string $TARGET string |
 string | $STATE | string $STATE string |
 $PROCESS | string $PROCESS string |
 $TASK | string $TASK string |]
 [-comment=string]
 [-url = {rich | activeworkspace | none}]
```

[-attachment={target | process | reference}]

ARGUMENTS

Adds an attachment to Teamcenter mail and adds attachment information for operating system email. The value can be any of the following:

-recipient

Specifies the task reviewers receiving notification. Any surrogates for the specified users are also notified. Accepts one of the following values:

OS

Sends a notification to the OS user name specified. *user-name* is a single valid user name.

user

Sends notification to the user specified. *user* is a single valid Teamcenter user ID.

person

Sends a notification to user whose name is specified. *person* is a single valid Teamcenter person.

Note:

If the person's name includes a comma, you must include an escape character (\) to add the correct person. For example, to use **wayne**, **joan**:

-recipient=person:wayne\, joan

addresslist

Sends a notification to all members of the address list. *value* is a valid Teamcenter address list.

resourcepool

Sends notification to members of a group/role combination. Notification is sent to all members, subscribed members, or none based on the **EPM_resource_pool_recipients** preference. The preference value can be overridden with:

\$RESOURCE_POOL_ALL \$RESOURCE_POOL_SUBSCRIBED \$RESOURCE POOL NONE

You can define role in groups in the form of **group::**, **group::role** or **role**. *value* is a valid Teamcenter resource pool and these keywords:

\$GROUP Current user's current group.

\$ROLE Current user's current role.

\$TARGET_GROUP[type] Owning group of the first target object of the specified

type. The type value is optional. If not specified, the first

target is used.

\$PROCESS GROUP Owning group of the workflow process.

allmembers

Sends notification to all members of a group/role combination.

value is all members of a Teamcenter group and role.

You can define role in groups in the form of **group::, group::role** or **role**.

Accepts valid Teamcenter resource pool names and these keywords: \$GROUP, \$ROLE,

\$TARGET_GROUP and **\$PROCESS_GROUP**.

Note:

The **\$ROLE_IN_GROUP** keyword (formerly **\$ROLEINGROUP**) cannot be used. Use allmembers:**\$GROUP**::**\$ROLE** instead.

• \$USER

Sends email to the current user.

• \$REVIEWERS

Builds a list of all users who are reviewers in the same task level as the current reviewer and sends email to all of them.

\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS

Sends email to all members assigned as the proposed reviewers of the first target object in the workflow process.

\$RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Sends email to the designated responsible party for the task.

If you use **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**, add the handler to the **Start** action of the task, not the **Assign** action.

• \$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY

Sends email to the member assigned as the proposed responsible party of the first target object in the workflow process.

• \$PROCESS OWNER

Sends email to the workflow process owner.

\$TARGET_OWNER [type]

Sends email to the target owner of the first target of the specified type. The *type* value is optional. If it is not specified, the first target is used.

\$UNDECIDED

Sends email to the users who have not set the decision for the task.

\$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR\$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR

\$PROJECT AUTHOR

\$PROJECT_MEMBER[group::role]

These values dynamically evaluate project team members belonging to the role specified in the argument value and send a notification to them. The project team is determined by the project team associated with the first target object.

If the **\$PROJECT_MEMBER**[group::role] argument is specified, only the project members of the qualifying projects which belong to the specified group and role are selected as recipients. If the group and role are not specified, all the project members from qualifying projects are selected.

\$REQUESTOR, \$ANALYST, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2, \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST3

\$CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD, \$CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD

Dynamically resolves to the user or resource pool associated with the first Change target object in the process. The particular user or resource pool is determined by the role specified in the argument value.

If custom participants are defined by the customer, those participants can be used as recipients.

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, **Change Management** must be selected under **Extensions**→**Enterprise Knowledge Foundation** in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

• \$RESOURCE_POOL_ALL

Identifies all members of the resource pool.

This argument has an effect only when it is used along with **\$REVIEWERS**, **\$UNDECIDED**, **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY** or any Dynamic participant, such as

\$CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD, which point to a resource pool.

When this argument is used along with **\$REVIEWERS**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, email is sent to all the members of that resource pool.

When this argument is used along with **\$UNDECIDED**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, and no signoff decision has been made for this resource pool assignment, all members of that resource pool are notified.

When this argument is used along with **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**, and if a resource pool is assigned as responsible party, the email is sent to all members of that resource pool.

\$RESOURCE_POOL_NONE

Identifies all members of the resource pool.

This argument has an effect only when it is used along with **\$REVIEWERS**, **\$UNDECIDED**, or **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**.

When this argument is used along with **\$REVIEWERS** or **\$UNDECIDED**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, email is not sent to members or subscribers of the resource pool. When this argument is used along with **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**, and if a resource pool is assigned as responsible party, the email is not sent to members or subscribers of resource pool.

• \$RESOURCE_POOL_SUBSCRIBED

Identifies the users who have subscribed to resource pool.

This argument has an effect only when it is used along with **\$REVIEWERS**, **\$UNDECIDED**, or **\$RESPONSIBLE PARTY**.

When this argument is used along with **\$REVIEWERS**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, the email is sent to users who have subscribed to the resource pool.

When this argument is used along with **\$UNDECIDED**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer and no signoff decision has been made for this resource pool assignment, email is sent to users who have subscribed to the resource pool.

When this argument is used along with **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a responsible party, the email is sent to users who have subscribed to the resource pool.

Note:

If the \$RESOURCE_POOL_XXXXX argument is not defined and the \$REVIEWERS, \$UNDECIDED, or \$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY arguments are used for a case where assignments are made to resource pools, the email is sent using the EPM_resource_pool_recipients preference.

EPM_resource_pool_recipients can take one of the following values:

• all

Sends mail to all members of resource pool.

none

Does not send a mail to members or subscribers of resource pool.

subscribed

Sends mail to Teamcenter users who have subscribed to resource pool.

If the **\$RESOURCE_POOL_**XXXXX argument is defined, the argument takes precedence over preference value.

If this argument is not defined and the **EPM_resource_pool_recipients** preference is not set, **subscribed** is considered the default value.

-subject

Displays the string identified by this argument in the subject line of the OS email. The -subject argument supplies value options, such as "-subject=\$TARGET." Variants of the -subject argument values allow for a prefix or suffix string to the target name.

Note:

If the "-subject\$TARGET" produces zero targets then the default subject line is used.

When no subject argument is provided, the default subject line for OS email is "Process_name (Task_name)" is being <upcoming state>.

\$STATE

Appends action to the notification.

\$PROCESS

Appends process name to the notification.

• \$TASK

Appends task name to the notification.

-comment

Embeds user-defined comments in the body of the email.

-url

Insert links to the workflow process into the notification email, based on values for **-url**. If no value is specified for **-url**, the rich client and Active Workspace links are added into the notification email.

If the **-url** argument is not defined, the notification email contains links depending on the values set in the **EPM_notify_url_format** preference.

If the **-url** argument is not defined and the **EPM_notify_url_format** preference is not set in the preference file, rich client and Active Workspace links are added to the notification email by default.

The **-url** argument accepts multiple comma-separated values separated. For example, enter rich, activeworkspace.

This argument and the **EPM_notify_url_format** preference can take the following values:

rich

Inserts a rich client link to the workflow process into the notification email.

Note:

Rich client URL functionality must be enabled for links to rich client workflow processes to launch the rich client.

activeworkspace

Inserts an Active Workspace link to the workflow process into the notification email.

Note:

One of the two following preferences must be defined:

- ActiveWorkspaceHosting.URL
- ActiveWorkspaceHosting.WorkflowEmail.URL

none

No links are inserted into the notification email.

-attachment

Adds an attachment to Teamcenter mail and adds table(s) containing information on the specified attachments to the **OS** mail. Accept a comma separated or single value from the following options.

Warning:

Hide target names from users without read access rights by using the -url argument.

target

The workflow target attachments are included in the email.

process

The workflow process is included in the email.

reference

The task attachments reference list is included in the email.

PLACEMENT

There are no specific restrictions on placement for this handler except the following:

- When **\$REVIEWERS** or **\$UNDECIDED** is used as the keyword, place on the **Start** or **Complete** action of the **perform-signoffs** task.
- When **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY** is used as the keyword, place on the **Start** action of the task, not the **Assign** action.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example sends an email with the subject **Lower Right Subassembly Review** to all users on the **design** and **qualityControl** address lists. The comment described in the example appears in the body

of the email text. In addition to the email, the recipients also receive a Teamcenter mail that contains both the workflow target attachments and the current workflow process.

Argument	Values
-subject	Lower Right Subassembly Review
-recipient	addresslist:design, addresslist:qualityControl
-comment	Please review new subassembly and report any concerns directly to the Product Manager
-attachment	target, process

• This example sends an email and Teamcenter mail to the designated responsible party for the task. If the responsible party is a resource pool, no email is sent.

Argument	Values
-recipient	\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY, \$RESOURCE_POOL_NONE

 This example designates OS users peters and john, user Smith, members of the group manufacturing, and members of the address list purchasing as recipients of an email with the subject Manufacturing Release Procedure Completed.

Argument	Values
-subject	Manufacturing Release Procedure Completed
-recipient	OS:peters, OS:john, User:smith, Group:manufacturing, Role:manager, addresslist:purchasing

• This example designates OS users **peters** and **john**, user **Smith**, all members of the group **manufacturing**, and members of the **CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD** of the first change target object as recipients of an email with the subject **Manufacturing Release Procedure Completed**.

Argument	Values
-subject	Manufacturing Release Procedure Completed
-recipient	OS:peters, OS:john, User:smith, allmembers:manufacturing::, \$CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD

• This example designates the recipient PROCESS_OWNER of an email with the subject "Process Notification for Design_item" when Design_item is the first target object of the workflow process.

Argument	Values
-subject	Process Notification for \$TARGET
-recipient	\$PROCESS_OWNER

• This example appends arguments to the subject line to include the **\$STATE**, **\$PROCESS**, and **\$TASK** arguments. This example provides a notification with a subject line showing the process with the task and the current state of the task.

Argument	Values
-subject	Performing signoffs notification for \$PROCESS: (\$TASK), \$STATE
-recipient	\$PROCESS_OWNER

EPM-notify-report

DESCRIPTION

Sends a report through the operating system (OS) email to all task reviewers. **EPM-notify-report** does not notify users through Teamcenter email. If you want to send the report using Teamcenter email, use the **EPM-notify** handler.

The -report argument differentiates EPM-notify-report handler from the EPM-notify handler. In notification email, the -report argument appends a report describing the signoff data associated with the perform-signoffs task. EPM-notify-report is designated for use on the perform-signoffs task. The EPM-notify handler is used on any type of task.

Note:

- Use the Mail_OS_from_address preference to specify the From address displayed in the notification email. The preference value must be a valid email address.
- When placed on the Start action of perform-signoffs task, the EPM-notify or EPM-notify-report handlers are automatically re-executed when a signoff is delegated.

SYNTAX

```
EPM-notify-report
-report={review|rejection|progress|level}
    [-recipient=
{OS:user-name| user:user| person:person| addresslist:value}
    | resourcepool:group::role
    | allmembers:group::role
    | $USER | $REVIEWERS | $PROPOSED_REVIEWERS
| $RESPONSIBLE_PARTY| $PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY
| $PROCESS_OWNER | $TARGET_OWNER [type]
| $UNDECIDED | $RESOURCE_POOL_ALL
| $RESOURCE_POOL_NONE | $RESOURCE_POOL_SUBSCRIBED
| $PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR | $PROJECT_MEMBER
| $PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR
| $PROJECT_AUTHOR}
```

| \$REQUESTOR | \$ANALYST

| \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1 | \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2 | \$CHANGE_SPECIALIST3

| \$CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD | \$CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD}]

[-subject=

string | \$TARGET | string \$TARGET string |

string | \$STATE | string \$STATE string | \$PROCESS | string \$PROCESS string | \$TASK | string \$TASK string |] [-comment=string]

[-url={rich | activeworkspace|none}]
[-attachment= {target | process | reference }]

ARGUMENTS

-report

Indicates the report type sent to recipients. Accepts one of these values:

review

Notifies all recipients when they must review target objects. The report lists target and reference object IDs and types.

rejection

Notifies recipients that the **Review** task has been rejected. The report lists target and reference object IDs, as well as the **Review** task reviewers, decisions, dates, and comments for each **Review** task. Do not use this value unless you want the workflow process to always send a rejection notice.

• progress

Notifies recipients of the current state of the workflow process. The report lists the target and reference object names, object IDs (if applicable for the object), as well as the **Review** task reviewers, decisions, dates, and comments for each **Review** task.

level

Notifies recipients when the **Review** task completes. The report lists the target and reference object IDs, as well as the current **Review** task reviewers, decisions, dates, and comments.

-recipient

(Optional) Specifies the task reviewers to receive notification. Any surrogates for the specified users are also notified. Accepts one of these values:

• OS:user-name

Sends a notification to the OS user name specified.

user-name is a single valid OS user name.

• **user:**user

Sends notification to the user specified. *user* is a single valid Teamcenter user ID.

• person:person

Sends a notification to user whose name is specified. *person* is a single valid Teamcenter person.

Note:

If the person's name includes a comma, you must include an escape character (\) to add the correct person. For example, to use **wayne**, **joan**:

-recipient=person:wayne\, joan

• addresslist:list

Adds all members of the address list specified to the signoff member list. Sends notification to all members of a group/role combination.

list is a valid Teamcenter address list.

• resourcepool:group::role

Sends notification to members of a group/role combination. Notification is sent to all members, subscribed members, or none based on the **EPM_resource_pool_recipients** preference. The preference value can be overridden with:

- \$RESOURCE_POOL_ALL
- \$RESOURCE_POOL_SUBSCRIBED
- \$RESOURCE POOL NONE

You can define role in groups in the form of *group::, group::role*, or *role*. Accepts valid Teamcenter resource pool names and these keywords:

• \$GROUP

The current user's current group.

\$ROLE

The current user's current role.

\$TARGET_GROUP [type]

The owning group of the first target object of the specified type. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$PROCESS_GROUP

The owning group of the workflow process.

• allmembers:group::role

Sends notification to all members of a group/role combination. You can define role in groups in the form of *group::, group::role*, or *role*. Accepts valid Teamcenter group and role names and these keywords:

\$GROUP

The current user's current group.

• \$ROLE

The current user's current role.

• \$TARGET_GROUP [type]

The owning group of the first target object of the specified type. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

\$PROCESS GROUP

The owning group of the workflow process.

Note:

The **\$ROLE_IN_GROUP** keyword (formerly **\$ROLEINGROUP**) cannot be used. Use allmembers:**\$GROUP**::**\$ROLE** instead.

• \$USER

Send notification to the current user.

\$REVIEWERS

Builds a list of all users who are reviewers in the same task level as the current reviewer, and sends email to them all.

\$PROPOSED REVIEWERS

Builds a list of all users who are reviewers in the same task level as the current reviewer, and sends notification to all of them.

• \$RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Sends the notification to the designated responsible party for the task.

• \$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY

Sends the notification to the designated responsible party for the task.

\$PROCESS OWNER

Sends notification to the workflow process owner.

\$TARGET_OWNER [type]

Adds the owner of the first target of specified type to the signoff member list. The *type* value is optional. If not specified, the first target is used.

• \$UNDECIDED

Sends notification to the users who have not set the decision for the task.

• \$RESOURCE_POOL_ALL

Identifies all members of the resource pool.

This argument has an affect only when it is used along with **resourcepool**, **\$REVIEWERS**, **\$PROPOSED REVIEWERS**, **\$UNDECIDED**, **\$RESPONSIBLE PARTY**,

\$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY, or any Dynamic participant, such as

\$CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD, which point to a resource pool.

If custom participants are defined by the customer, those participants can be used as recipients. When this argument is used along with **resourcepool**>, email is sent to all the members of the resource pool.

When this argument is used along with **\$REVIEWERS** or **\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, email is sent to all the members of that resource pool. When this argument is used with **\$UNDECIDED**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, and no signoff decision has been made for this resource pool assignment, all members of that resource pool are notified.

When this argument is used along with \$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY or

\$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY, and if a resource pool is assigned as responsible party, email is sent to all members of that resource pool.

\$RESOURCE POOL NONE

This argument has an effect only when it is used along with **resourcepool**, **\$REVIEWERS**, **\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS**, **\$UNDECIDED**, **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**, or **\$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**.

When this is used along with **resourcepool**, email is not sent to members of the resource pool. (This combination is allowed, but of no value.)

When this argument is used along with \$REVIEWERS, \$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS, or

\$UNDECIDED, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, email is not sent to members or subscribers of the resource pool.

When this argument is used along with \$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY or

\$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY, and if a resource pool is assigned as a responsible party, email is not sent to members or subscribers of resource pool.

• \$RESOURCE POOL SUBSCRIBED

Identifies the users who have subscribed to resource pool.

This argument has an effect only when it is used along with **resourcepool**, **\$REVIEWERS**, **\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS**, **\$UNDECIDED**, **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**, or **\$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**.

When this is used along with **resourcepool**, email is sent to users who are subscribed to the resource pool.

When this argument is used with **\$REVIEWERS** or **\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, email is sent to users who are subscribed to the resource pool.

When this argument is used with **\$UNDECIDED**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a reviewer and no signoff decision has been made for this resource pool assignment, email is sent to users who subscribed to the resource pool.

When this argument is used with **\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY** or **\$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY**, and if a resource pool is assigned as a responsible party, email is sent to users who subscribed to the resource pool.

• \$PROJECT_ADMINISTRATOR

\$PROJECT_MEMBER

\$PROJECT_TEAM_ADMINISTRATOR

\$PROJECT AUTHOR

Dynamically evaluates project team members belonging to the role specified in the argument value and sends notification to them. The project team is determined by the project team associated with the target object.

• \$REQUESTOR

\$ANALYST

\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST1

\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST2

\$CHANGE_SPECIALIST3

\$CHANGE_REVIEW_BOARD

\$CHANGE_IMPLEMENTATION_BOARD

Dynamically resolves to the user or resource pool associated with the first change target object in the process. The particular user or resource pool is determined by the role specified in the argument value.

Note:

Change-related keywords apply only to change objects. If the process does not contain a change object as a target, the argument resolves to null.

Change Manager does not need to be enabled before these keywords take effect, but during installation, **Change Management** must be selected under **Extensions**→**Enterprise Knowledge Foundation** in Teamcenter Environment Manager.

Note:

If the \$RESOURCE_POOL_XXXXX argument is not defined and the \$REVIEWERS, \$UNDECIDED, or \$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY arguments are used for a case where assignments are made to resource pools, the email is sent using the EPM_resource_pool_recipients preference.

The **EPM_resource_pool_recipients** preference can have one of the following values:

all

Sends email to all members of resource pool.

none

Does not send an email to members or subscribers of resource pool.

subscribed

Sends email to Teamcenter users who have subscribed to resource pool.

If the **\$RESOURCE_POOL_**XXXXX argument is defined, the argument takes precedence over the preference value. If this argument is not defined and the **EPM_resource_pool_recipients** preference is not set, then **subscribed** is the default preference.

The **-recipient** argument can have multiple values by using a delimiter specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference. The default value for this preference is a comma.

-subject

Displays the string identified by this argument in the subject line of the OS email. The -subject argument supplies value options, such as "-subject=\$TARGET." Variants of the -subject argument values allow for a prefix or suffix string to the target name.

Note:

If the "-subject\$TARGET" produces zero targets then the default subject line is used.

Reports are formatted by type and e-mailed with a default subject line.

- The progress report (report=progress) default subject line is: Review of "Process_name (Task name)" is in progress.
- The level report (report=level) default subject line is: "Process_name (Task_name)" is being <upcoming state>.
- The rejection report (report=rejection) default subject line is: "Process_name (Task_name)" is in rejected.

• \$STATE

Appends action to the notification.

\$PROCESS

Appends process name to the notification.

\$TASK

Appends task name to the notification.

-comment

(Optional.) Inserts the specified string in the body of the email.

-url

(Optional.) Inserts a link to the workflow process into the notification email, based on the value for url. If no value is specified for -url, the rich client and Active Workspace links are added into the notification email.

If the -url argument is not defined, the notification email contains links depending on the values set in the **EPM_notify_url_format** preference.

If the -url argument is not defined and the EPM notify url format preference is not set in the preference file, rich client and Active Workspace links are added to the notification email by default.

The -url argument accepts multiple comma-separated values separated. For example, enter rich, activeworkspace.

This argument and the **EPM_notify_url_format** preference can take the following values:

rich

Inserts a rich client link to the workflow process into the notification email.

Note:

Rich client URL functionality must be enabled for links to rich client workflow processes to launch the rich client.

• activeworkspace

Inserts an Active Workspace link to the workflow process into the notification email.

Note:

One of the two following preferences must be defined:

- ActiveWorkspaceHosting.URL
- ActiveWorkspaceHosting.WorkflowEmail.URL

none

No links are inserted into the notification email.

-attachment

Adds an attachment and adds table(s) containing information on the specified attachments to the OS email.

Accept a comma separated or single value from the following options.

Warning:

Hide target names from users without read access rights by using the -url argument.

target

The workflow target attachments are included in the email.

process

The workflow process is included in the email.

reference

The task attachments reference list is included in the email.

PLACEMENT

review

Place on the **Start** action of the **perform-signoffs** task when using this argument.

rejection

Place on the **Perform** or **Undo** actions of the **perform-signoffs** task when using this argument.

When placed on a **Perform** action, an email is sent on a **Reject** action.

Only place on an **Undo** action when the next task is a **Review** task, and the design of the workflow process requires that the task is demoted on a **Reject** action. This is achieved by placing the **EPM-demote-on-reject** handler on the **Perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** task. A **Reject** action causes a demotion to the previous task, which invokes the **Undo** action, and the **EPM-notify-report** handler sends out the required notification.

progress

The recommended placement when using this argument is attached to the **Start**, **Perform**, or **Complete** actions of a **perform-signoffs** task.

level

The recommended placement when using this argument is attached to the **Complete** action of a **perform-signoffs** task.

RESTRICTIONS

Use only on the **perform-signoffs** task.

EXAMPLES

• This example designates the user **smith**, members of the **manufacturing** group, the OS users **peters** and **john**, users with the **manager** role, members of the **VendorList** address list, and project

members as recipients of a progress report with the subject **Manufacturing Release Process Completed**.

The EPM-notify-report handler should be placed on Complete action of perform-signoffs task.

Argument	Values
-report	progress
-subject	Manufacturing Release Process Completed
-recipient	user:smith, os:peters, os:john, allmembers:manufacturing, allmembers:::manager, addresslist:VendorList, \$PROJECT_MEMBER

• This example designates the workflow process owner as the recipient of a progress report with the subject **Manufacturing Release Process Completed**.

The EPM-notify-report handler should be placed on Complete action of perform-signoffs task.

Argument	Values
-report	progress
-subject	Manufacturing Release Process Completed
-recipient	\$PROCESS_OWNER

• This example builds a list of all users assigned as reviewers for the **perform-signoffs** task. The **EPM-notify-report** handler should be placed on **Start** action of **perform-signoffs** task.

Argument	Values
-report	progress
-recipient	\$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS

• This example designates the task owner and task reviewers as recipients of a review report with the subject **TASK REVIEW NOTIFICATION**.

If any resource pool is assigned as a reviewer, then all users who have subscribed to that resource pool receive notification email.

Place the **EPM-notify-report** handler on the **Start** action of the **perform-signoffs** task.

Argument	Values
-report	review
-subject	TASK REVIEW NOTIFICATION

Argument	Values
-comment	Please review the task
-recipient	\$PROCESS_OWNER, \$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS, \$RESOURCE_POOL_SUBSCRIBED

This example illustrates creating a workflow process template with a Review task. Add the EPM-notify-report handler in the Undo action of the perform-signoffs task. Place an EPM-demote-on-reject handler on the Perform action of the perform-signoffs task.
 The notification is sent to task owner, responsible party, and reviewers. If any resource pool is assigned as a responsible party and/or as a reviewer, then notification is sent to all group members of

Argument	Values
-report	rejection
-subject	TASK REJECTION & DEMOTE NOTIFICATION
-recipient	\$RESOURCE_POOL_ALL, \$PROCESS_OWNER, \$PROPOSED_RESPONSIBLE_PARTY, \$PROPOSED_REVIEWERS

• This example designates the **REQUESTOR** of the first change target object the recipient of a progress report with the subject **Manufacturing Release Process Completed**.

Place the **EPM-notify-report** handler on the **Complete** action of the **perform-signoffs** task.

Argument	Values
-report	Progress
-subject	Manufacturing Release Process Completed
-recipient	\$REQUESTOR

• This example builds a list of all users in the current task level where the handler has been placed and sends email to all of them.

Argument	Values
-report	Progress

• This example appends arguments to the subject line to include the **\$STATE**, **\$PROCESS**, and **\$TASK** arguments. This example provides a notification with a subject line showing the process with the task and the current state of the task.

that resource pool.

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Argument	Values
-subject	Performing signoffs notification for \$PROCESS: (\$TASK), \$STATE
-recipient	\$PROCESS_OWNER

EPM-notify-signoffs

DESCRIPTION

Informs users of a **Route** task's status through Teamcenter email and **OS** email. Any surrogates for the specified users are also notified. If the **-attachment** argument is included in the definition of the **EPM-notify-signoffs** handler, the recipients also receive program email. The recipients list is filled dynamically when running the **Review** task with the **Route** task. Links to the workflow process in the rich client, and Active Workspace are added based on the value of the **EPM_notify_url_format** preference.

Note:

Use the **Mail_OS_from_address** preference to specify the **From** address displayed in the notification email. The preference value must be a valid email address.

SYNTAX

EPM-notify-signoffs

```
[-subject=
string | $TARGET | string $TARGET string |
string | $STATE | string $STATE string |
$PROCESS | string $PROCESS string | $TASK | string $TASK string |]
[-comment=string]
[-url={rich | activeworkspace|none}]
[-attachment= {target | process | reference }]
[-log]
```

ARGUMENTS

-subject

Displays the string identified by this argument in the subject line of the Teamcenter email and **OS** email. The **-subject** argument supplies value options, such as "**-subject**=\$TARGET." Variants of the **-subject** argument values allow for a prefix or suffix string to the target name.

Note:

If the "-subject\$TARGET" produces zero targets then the default subject line is used.

When no subject argument is provided, the default subject line for **OS** email is **Review of** "<**Process_name (Parent Task_name)>" is in progress.**

\$STATE

Appends action to the notification.

\$PROCESS

Appends process name to the notification.

• \$TASK

Appends task name to the notification.

-comment

User-defined comment that is embedded in the body of the email.

-url

Inserts URLs into the notification email that links to the workflow process in either the rich client (rich), Active Workspace (activeworkspace), or all (no value). Rich client URL functionality must be enabled for links to rich client workflow processes to launch the rich client.

The **-url** argument accepts multiple comma-separated values separated. For example, enter rich, activeworkspace.

- If the argument is specified with no value, rich client, and Active Workspace links are added to the notification email.
- If the argument is not specified, the notification email contains links depending on the value of the **EPM_notify_url_format** preference, which can be one or more of the following:
 - rich
 - activeworkspace

Note:

One of the two following preferences must be defined:

- ActiveWorkspaceHosting.URL
- ActiveWorkspaceHosting.WorkflowEmail.URL

none

No links are inserted into the notification email.

• If the argument is not specified and the **EPM_notify_url_format** preference is not set, rich client, and Active Workspace are added.

-attachment

Adds an attachment to Teamcenter mail and adds table(s) containing information on the specified attachments to the **OS** email. Accept a comma separated or single value from following:

target

Attaches the target to the program email.

process

Attaches the workflow process to the program email.

• reference

The task attachments reference list is included in the email.

-log

Records notification activity in the workflow audit file.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Complete** action of the **Notify** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EPM-remove-objects

DESCRIPTION

Removes the specified target or reference objects from the workflow process. This handler can use either a set of arguments to define which objects to remove or keep, or a list of values (LOV) to define a list of object types to remove.

The **-include_replica** argument keeps or removes the **Replica Proposed Targets** along with the targets specified by the **-keep_targets** or **-remove_targets** argument.

This handler can be used effectively with the **EPM-attach-related-objects** handler. For example, consider a task where users can manually add objects to any target revisions, such as new datasets through a specification relation. Users can also attach objects directly as targets to the workflow process. To ensure only allowable objects are attached as targets on approval, remove all objects except for the revisions using the **EPM-remove-objects** handler with the **-keep_targets=(ItemRevision)** argument. Then re-add the revision's attachments using the **EPM-attach-related-objects** handler.

Note:

Enable debugging functionality for this handler with the **TC_HANDLERS_DEBUG** environment variable.

For more information about implementing this environment variable, see the *Environment Variables Reference*.

Several arguments in this handler documentation show the following format for their values:

[[(Class)[!Type1][,(Class2)[,Type1[,...]]]]| Type1[,Type2][,...]

The following explanation helps describe how to interpret this format. The explanation uses the - **remove_targets** argument in its examples, but the same value configurations shown in the examples can be applied to other arguments as well. Additional examples are shown in the **EXAMPLES** section.

The argument values in this handler indicate what objects are affected by configuring either an object class or an object type or a combination of both.

One approach is to specify a class. Surrounding a name in parenthesis indicates that it is a class. For example, if the **-remove_targets** argument is configured with the Dataset class, then all Datasets regardless of their type would be removed from the targets list. The configuration for this example would look like this:

-remove_targets=(Dataset)

A type can also be specified. The absence of parenthesis indicate that it is a type. For example, to remove only Datasets of type Text and leave all other Dataset types on the targets list, the remove_targets argument would be configured like this:

-remove_targets=Text

It is also possible to indicate the type(s) that should not be affected. This is done by making use of the NOT (!) operator. When using the NOT operator, the syntax is to combine the class name and the type name separated by the NOT operator. For example, to remove all Dataset targets except those of type Text, the **-remove_targets** argument would be configured like this:

-remove targets=(Dataset)!Text

Additional information can be found in **Differentiating between classes and types**.

SYNTAX

```
EPM-remove-objects {[{-remove_targets=types | -keep_targets=types}] [{-remove_refs=types | -keep_refs=types}] | -lov=lov-name} [-include_replica]
```

ARGUMENTS

-remove_targets

Defines the classes and/or types of target objects to remove from the workflow process.

Accepts a comma-separated list of classes and/or types in the format:

[(Class)[!Type1][,(Class2)[,Type1[,...]]]]| Type1[,Type2][,...]

For example, to specify datasets and forms:

(Dataset),(Form)

For an overview and examples of multilevel object paths in handlers, see *Defining multilevel object* paths.

Note:

The **-keep_targets** and **-remove_targets** arguments are mutually exclusive.

-keep_targets

Defines the classes and/or types of target objects to be kept. All other target objects are removed from the workflow process.

Accepts a comma-separated list of classes and/or types in the format:

[(Class)[!Type1][,(Class2)[,Type1[,...]]]]| Type1[,Type2][,...]

For example, to specify datasets and forms:

(Dataset),(Form)

For an overview of using multilevel object paths in handlers, see *Defining multilevel object paths*.

Note:

The **-keep_targets** and **-remove_targets** arguments are mutually exclusive.

The **keep_targets** argument removes all targets of types that do not match the types specified by the **keep_targets** argument.

-remove_refs

Defines the classes and/or types of reference objects to remove from the workflow process.

Accepts a comma-separated list of classes and/or types in the format:

[(Class)[!Type1][,(Class2)[,Type1[,...]]]]| Type1[,Type2][,...]

For example, to specify datasets and forms:

(Dataset),(Form)

For an overview of using multilevel object paths in handlers, see Defining multilevel object paths.

Note:

The **-keep refs** and **-remove refs** arguments are mutually exclusive.

-keep_refs

Defines the classes and/or types of reference objects to be kept in the workflow process.

Accepts a comma-separated list of classes and/or types in the format:

[(Class)[!Type1][,(Class2)[,Type1[,...]]]]| Type1[,Type2][,...]

For example, to specify datasets and forms:

(Dataset),(Form)

For an overview of using multilevel object paths in handlers, see *Defining multilevel object paths*.

Note:

The -keep_refs and -remove_refs arguments are mutually exclusive.

The **keep_refs** argument removes all reference objects of types that do not match the types specified by the **keep_refs** argument.

-lov

Specifies a LOV to use to define which objects to remove. This argument is mutually exclusive of all other arguments.

For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see *Lists of values as argument values*. See the LOV row, next, for required LOV format.

-include_replica

(Optional) Keeps or removes the **Replica Proposed Targets** as well as the target objects specified by the **-keep_targets** or **-remove_targets** argument.

LOV

```
{$TARGET|$REFERENCE}.types
```

{\$TARGET|\$REFERENCE}.types

•••

{\$TARGET|\$REFERENCE}

Specifies whether to remove targets, or to remove references.

Accepts a comma-separated list of classes and/or types in the format:

[(Class)[!Type1][,(Class2)[,Type1[,...]]]]| Type1[,Type2][,...]

For example, to specify datasets and forms:

(Dataset),(Form)

For an overview of using multilevel object paths in handlers, see *Defining multilevel object paths*.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** or **Complete** action of any task.

To allow the removal of targets, ensure that the **EPM-disallow-removing-targets** handler is not placed on the root task of the respective workflow process template and the affected users have change access to the workflow target objects. You may use the **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** handler to ensure that

the required change access to target objects is asserted. See the topic Executing workflow handlers for more information.

RESTRICTIONS

When using a LOV, you can only define objects to be removed. You cannot define objects to be kept.

EXAMPLES

• This example removes any folders or items attached as targets:

Argument	Values
-remove_targets	(Folder), (Item)

Alternatively, you can use these LOV settings:

Argument	Values
-lov	SYS_EPM_remove_folders_items

where the SYS_EPM_remove_folders_items LOV contains the data:

\$TARGET.(Folder),(Item)

• This example retains only item revisions, removing all other targets:

Argument	Values
-keep_targets	(ItemRevision)

• This example retains item revisions, document revisions, and PDF datasets, and removes all other targets:

Argument	Values
-keep_targets	(ItemRevision)(DocumentRevision),PDF

• This example removes MS ExcelX datasets and MS WordX datasets, and retains all other targets:

Argument	Values
-remove_targets	MSExcelX,MSWordX

• This example removes BOMView revisions and datasets other than UGPARTs, and retains all other targets:

Argument	Values
-remove_targets	BOMView Revision,(Dataset)!UGPART

EPM-request-PKI-authentication

DESCRIPTION

Displays a PKI authentication box in the **Perform** dialog box or panel of the task within which it has been placed. Users must type their PKI PIN in the box before the task can be completed.

Note:

This handler requires an environment configured with PKI enabled Teamcenter client communication system (TCCS) security services to use the PKI serial number as **userid**, with the value of the **WRKFLW_PKI_user_validation_fieldname** preference set to **SERIALNUMBER**.

SYNTAX

EPM-request-PKI-authentication

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place either on the **Perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** task or the **Complete** action of the following tasks:

- Do task
- Condition task
- select-signoff-team task

On a **Route** task, place on the **Complete** action of the **select-signoff-team** subtask of the **Review** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EPM-require-authentication

DESCRIPTION

Displays a password box in the **Perform** dialog box or panel of the task within which it has been placed. Users must type their logon password in the password box. The **password** and **username** are authenticated before the task can be completed.

SYNTAX

EPM-require-authentication

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform** action of the following tasks:

- Do task
- perform-signoffs task
- Condition task

When working with a **Route** task, place on the **Perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** subtask of either the **Review** or **Acknowledge** tasks.

RESTRICTIONS

- Place on the **Perform** action of these tasks.
- Do not use this handler when the user logs on with PKI authentication. Use the **EPM-request-PKI-authentication** handler to prompt for the PKI PIN.

EPM-run-external-command

DESCRIPTION

Runs external system commands. The external command can be sent a variety of information that includes configurable arguments, a configuration file, a list of data and a list of target and attachment details. If dataset details are required there is also an optional export feature to export specified files from the specified datasets to a specified export directory. All options are configured using a list of values (LOV), hence there is only one argument. Nearly all options can be specified in the LOV using specially formatted lines to extract object properties.

Note:

Enable debugging functionality for this handler with the TC_HANDLERS_DEBUG environment variable.

SYNTAX

EPM-run-external-command

[-lov=lov-name]

[-auto_login]

ARGUMENTS

-lov

Specifies the List of Values (LOV) used to configure all options.

-auto_login

This argument is optional.

LOV

For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see *Lists of values as argument values*.

lov-name can contain several lines in the following format:

```
<KEYWORD>~<OPTION>=<Value>
<KEYWORD>~<OPTION>=<%formatted string%>
<KEYWORD>~<%formatted string%>
```

KEYWORD

Specifies a keyword to indicate the type of information to extract and send to the external command. Keywords are described below:

INPUT

Specifies options to configure the handler.

INPUT~OPTION=Value

OPTION can contain any of the following values:

Target

Indicates the main workflow process objects to extract data. The following example sets all item revision targets of the workflow process as the main objects:

```
INPUT~Target=$TARGET.(ItemRevision)
```

The following example uses references of the workflow process. These objects the main objects that "property" fields relate to in "formatted strings".

```
INPUT~Target=$REF.(ItemRevision)
```

Application

Indicates the system application to run.

```
INPUT~Application=${TC ROOT}\local\tools\run ext app
```

CallPerTarget

Controls the application execution, once or per target found from INPUT~Target.

INPUT~CallPerTarget=YES | NO

YES calls the application separately for each target from **INPUT~Target**. This is the default behavior if this option is not provided. If one of the applications detects an error, processing terminates.

NO calls the application once and sends its data about all targets found from **INPUT~Target**.

■ ErrorMsq1

Custom error message to be displayed to the user upon a fail code being returned from the external application. A return status of zero, (0), indicates the application terminated successfully; any other value indicates a failure.

In scripts, this is typically achieved using an exit command, for example, **exit 0** for success, **exit 1** for failure.

A *%formatted string%* can be used with this option, including the *\$SYSTEM_ERROR* variable to display the error code returned by the application. For example:

You can use this error message to reflect the type of application, or external checking, that was being performed. If not provided then a default, non-localized, message is returned.

■ ErrorMsg2

Optional custom error message to be displayed to the user upon a fail code being returned from the external application. You can use this message to provide the user a help message, that is, where to look for more information on the problem. For example:

INPUT~ErrorMsg2=Please see your e-mail for details.

Note:

Because error messages are displayed in reverse order this message appear before **ErrorMsg1**.

ExportPath

Defines a directory to export files in datasets. The presence of this option enables the export feature. If the option is not provided, then no files are exported. This option works with the **DATA~DATASETS[=**options] described below which creates a data file listing all required datasets. The options argument describe the relations, dataset types, and named references required. If **ExportPath** is also defined, then the files from the required name references are exported. For example:

```
INPUT~ExportPath=${TC TMP DIR}\WF\Exports
```

The handler does not remove any remaining files from the export path when the external application has terminated. It is the responsibility of the application to remove any remaining files from this directory. If any files being exported already exist in the export directory, then the export fails and the existing file is not overwritten. If this occurs, an error is written to the syslog but not displayed to the user and the handler continues.

ExportOrigFile

Exports files with original file name. If this option is not defined, the handler exports files with the name stored in the volume. This option controls the name used for any exported files from datasets when **ExportPath** and **DATA~DATASETS** are defined. This option requires a **YES** value. For example:

INPUT~ExportOrigFile=YES

DataPath

Defines a directory to write data files. This option defines where the configuration file, defined using the **CFG** keyword, and the data files, defined using the **DATA** keyword, are written. For example:

INPUT~DataPath=\${TC TMP DIR}\WF\Data

CFG

Specifies information to be written to an optional configuration file that can be passed to the external command as an argument. The format is:

CFG~%formatted string%

This file name can be extracted in a *%formatted strings%* using the **\$CONFIG_FILE** variable. For example:

```
CFG~JobTag=%$PROCESS.TAG%
CFG~JobName=%$PROCESS .object_name%
CFG~RevID=%$TARGET.item_revision_id%
CFG~ItemID=%$TARGET.item.item_id%
CFG~Project=%$TARGET.IMAN_master_form.project_id%
CFG~OwningUser=%$TARGET.owning_user%
CFG~OwningGroup=%$TARGET.owning group%
```

The following example writes the following string:

```
JobTag=QmBJ0uKNh9KRfCAAAAAAAAAAAA
```

to the configuration file for **000001/A** the workflow process with the **000001/A** target revision owned by **tim** and **Designers** group:

```
JobName=000001/A RevID=A ItemID=000001 Project=Project X
   OwningUser=Tim (tim) OwningGroup=Designers
```

ARG

Specifies optional arguments to be sent to the external command. The format is: **ARG~**%formatted string% For example:

```
ARG~-cfg=%$CONFIG_FILE%
ARG~-files=%$DATASET_FILE%
ARG~-data=%$DATA FILE%
```

DATA

Specifies information to be extracted from targets, references, and their related objects. The possible formats are:

DATASETS

DATA~DATASETS[=options]

writes a fixed format data file containing information about attached datasets that can optionally be exported with INPUT ExportPath.

This option is used to extract details about datasets attached to the objects specified by INPUT~Target. If INPUT~ExportPath is defined, then the required files are exported from the required datasets to the export path specified. The properties extracted from the datasets are written to a file with the name process_tag_datasets.txt in the current directory or in the

directory specified using **INPUT~DataPath**. This file name can be extracted in a *%formatted strings%* using **\$DATASET FILE**.

Optional filters for relation types, dataset types, and reference types can be supplied. For each filter, an asterisk (*) can be supplied as a wild card to indicate any type. If dataset types are supplied and no reference types, then all references are listed in the data file. If no filters are supplied, then all datasets in all relations and all of their references are listed. Any reference files that are exported have their absolute file path listed in the data file. This provides the ability for the external application to perform operations on these files. For example, running checks, printing, converting or to get information about UGPART references in UGMASTER and UGPART datasets in the IMAN_specification relation.

```
DATA~DATASETS=IMAN specification~UGMASTER,UGPART~UGPART
```

The datasets data file is written in a fixed format as follows:

```
item_id~rev_id~relation type~dataset type~dataset
  name~dataset tag~reference type~file name
```

LOV

For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see *Lists of values as argument values*. **DATA~LOV=***lov-name*

writes a data file containing information about the targets, references and their related objects. A second **LOV** is used to define all of the objects and properties to extract. Specifies a separate **LOV** containing a list of alternating lines containing either:

```
OBJECT: multi-level.object.path
```

or

```
PROP: %formatted string%
```

The lines beginning with **OBJECT:** are used to find objects using multilevel object paths; lines beginning with **PROP:** specify the properties to extract from these objects and write out to the data file.

The first line in the LOV can be a **PROP**: line, for example, without a preceding **OBJECT**: line, in which case properties are extracted from the main objects found from **INPUT~Target**. For example:

```
INPUT~LOV=SYS_EXT_CMD_object_data
```

where LOV SYS_EXT_CMD_object_data can contain:

```
PROP:%item.item_id%~%item_revision_id%~%object_name%~%object_type%

OBJECT:*.IMAN_reference

PROP:REF~%object_string%~%object_type%

OBJECT:*.IMAN_specification.

UGMASTER,UGPART PROP:UG-HDR~Name~Material
```

PROP:UG~%object_string%~%*. UGPART-ATTR.material%

This example begins by extracting properties from the main objects, then from reference objects attached to the main objects, and finally from the **UGMASTER** and **UGPART** datasets. Notice that there are two **PROP**: lines for the **UGMASTER** and **UGPART** datasets, the first line just has fixed text acting like a header line and the second defines the properties to extract (which includes the material attribute from the **UGPART-ATTR** named reference form).

In the **OBJECT:** lines, a type is required at the start of the multilevel object path to provide more flexibility. An asterisk indicates any type or an asterisk is automatically added within any *%formatted string%* for convenience when starting with a **\$keyword** such as **\$TARGET**, otherwise an asterisk, or type, is still required, as in the example for the ***.UGPART-ATTR.material**. The output from this example:

000001~A~000001~ItemRevision REF~000003/A~ItemRevision UG-HDR~Name~Material UG~UGMASTER-000001/A~Steel

OPTION

Some keywords have options which can be defined.

Value

You can use any text as a value. However, it is possible to extract values from environment variables within the text using the format:

text\$ { ENV_VAR } text\$ { ENV_VAR } text

• %formatted string%

A *%formatted string%* is a string containing alternating fixed text, and object properties defined within a pair of percent characters (%), similar to a batch file statement containing environment variables.

The format is:

text%property%text%property%text

where each *property* is defined within two percent characters (%) with fixed *text* between each property.

A property to extract relates to a previously defined object, to the workflow process targets or to the current workflow process, depending on the current context where the formatted string is being used and some optional variables. The property can be specified as a single Teamcenter property, for an already specified object, or a multilevel object path and property to extract information from another object related to the already defined object target or workflow process.

If a multilevel object path is used within a property field and returns more than one object, then a comma-separated list of the values for the property from each object is given.

A special keyword tag can be used instead of a property name to extract a string representation of an object **PUID**.

• If the defined object is an item revision, then the following example extracts **ItemID/RevID**.

```
%item.item id%/%item revision id%
```

where **%item.item_id**% extracts the **item_id** from the revision's item. The **/** is the fixed text and **%item revision id**% extracts the revision's id.

• The following example writes the project ID from a target revision's master form as a line in the configuration file.

```
CFG~Project=%$TARGET.IMAN master form.project id%
```

If the project is **Project X**, the configuration file contains the following line:

```
Project=Project X
```

This example uses the **\$TARGET** variable to specify which object the multilevel path starts.

VARIABLES

Values from environment variables can also be extracted within a *%formatted string%* using the same format as described for *Value*. The *\${ENV_VAR}* does not have to be included within the pair of *%* characters.

There are also some internal variables which can be specified with some options. These are indicated with a \$ character, but without the curly brackets used for environment variables. Also, unlike the environment variables, these must be defined within a pair of percent % characters. For example:

```
ARG~-cfg file=%$CONFIG FILE%
```

This example specifies an argument to be sent to the external command. It specifies a *%formatted string* % of cfg_file=%\$CONFIG_FILE%, so the fixed text is cfg_file=, and %\$CONFIG_FILE% (between two % signs) extract the name of the configuration file generated by the handler. This option is explained in full detail below under the section for ARG, along with other variable.

The following handler variables are available:

\$TARGET

Specifies that a multi level object path should start searching for objects from the current target, as specified with INPUT~Target=target.path.

In the main LOV, this is taken as default and so does not have to be specified (except when using DATA~LOV), so

%\$TARGET.item.item_id%

is the same as

%item.item_id%

\$PROCESS

Specifies that a multilevel object path should start searching for objects from the current workflow process.

For example:

%\$PROCESS.object_name%

extracts the workflow process's name.

This option also provides a path to extract details about objects attached to the workflow process as targets or references.

For example:

%\$PROCESS.\$REF.object_string%

returns a comma-separated list of the **object_string** property from all references attached to the workflow process, and:

%\$PROCESS.\$TARGET.object_string%

returns a list of all targets.

\$USER

Can be used to extract information about the current logged in user.

Used on its own will give the full user format person (user_id).

Or a path can be used to get other user, person, or group information.

For example:

```
CFG~Person=%$USER.person%
CFG~UserID=%$USER.userid%
CFG~LoginGroup=%$USER.login_group%
CFG~Group=%$USER.group.name%
CFG~Email=%$USER.Person.PA9%
```

\$CONFIG_FILE

Gets the name of the configuration file generated by the handler. The format of the name is:

DataPath\process_tag_config.txt

or, if **CallPerTarget** is set to **YES**:

DataPath\process_tag_x_config.txt

x is an incrementing number per target.

\$DATA_FILE

Gets the name of the data file generated by the handler for DATA~LOV. The format of the name is:

DataPath\process_tag_data.txt

or, if CallPerTarget is set to YES

DataPath\process_tag_x_data.txt

Where x is an incrementing number per target.

\$DATASET_FILE

Gets the name of the datasets information file generated by the handler for DATA~DATASETS. The format of the name is:

DataPath\process_tag_datasets.txt

or, if CallPerTarget is set to YES

DataPath\process_tag_x_datasets.txt

Where x is an incrementing number per target.

\$SYSTEM_ERROR

Gets the error code number returned by the external application. Can be used in the ErrorMsq1 and ErrorMsq2 error messages.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement, however, do not place on the **Perform** action of the root task.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler does not extract data in PLM XML format. The format of the extracted data is defined completely in the LOV using percent (%) formatted strings, except for the file listing the export dataset, which is in a fixed format.

This handler does not have an import feature; however, dataset tags are written to the exported datasets data file and so could be used by a standalone ITK program to import files. Do not use this handler to run an external application that takes a long time to run. It may appear that Teamcenter is unresponsive. If the success or failure of the application is required for process control, it is necessary to wait for the application. In this case, ensure that the workings of the application is visible in a new window to show the user some feedback. Any files exported by the handler are not deleted by the handler after the external application finishes. It is the responsibility of the external application to clean up the export directory.

EXAMPLES

• Example 1

The following example calls an application, specified by an environment variable, to perform checks on CAD files. This application requires a configuration file to define various parameters. One of these is the an e-mail address so that it can send the user a report. The name of the configuration file is sent to the application as an argument, as is the file name of the data file containing information about the exported dataset files.

Argument	Values
-lov	SYS_EPM_run_cad_checks

The SYS_EPM_run_cad_checks LOV contains the following data:

LOV usage

Value	Description
INPUT~Target=\$TARGET.(ItemRevision)	Specifies that the main objects from which data is to be extracted is the job targets which is of class ItemRevision .
	If multiple targets are found then the application will either be called separately for each target or once with all of the data from all targets, depending on the setting CallPerTarget which is defined just below.
INPUT~ErrorMsg1=Cad checks errors (Error % \$SYSTEM_ERROR%)	Defines an error message which is displayed to the user if the application returns an error status.
INPUT~ErrorMsg2=Please see your e-mail for details	Defines an optional second error message which is displayed to the user as well as ErrorMsg1 .
INPUT~Application= \$ {CUST_CAD_CHECK_APPLICATION}	Defines the external application which is to be run. This application is defined by a system environment variable, which in this example is CUST_CAD_CHECK_APPLICATION .
INPUT~CallPerTarget=YES	Calls the application for each target.

Value	Description
INPUT~DataPath=C:\WF\Data	Sets a path for data files.
INPUT~ExportPath=C:\WF\Exports	Sets a path for exported dataset files
CFG~JobTag=%\$PROCESS.object_tag%	Writes the process tag (PUID) to the configuration file as JobTag =Job Tag.
CFG~JobName=%\$PROCESS .object_name%	Writes the workflow process name to the configuration file as JobName= <i>Job Name</i> .
CFG~RevID=%\$TARGET.item_revision_id%	Writes the target object revision ID to the configuration file as RevID = <i>RevID</i> .
CFG~ItemID=%\$TARGET.item.item_id%	Writes the target object item ID to the configuration file as ItemID = <i>ItemID</i> .
CFG~Project= % \$TARGET.IMAN_master_form.project_id%	Writes the target object Project ID, from the revision master form, to the configuration file as Project= <i>ProjectID</i> .
CFG~CadProc=\${CUST_CAD_CHECK_PROC}	Writes the environment variable value to the configuration file as CadProc =cad_proc.
CFG~OwningUser=%\$TARGET.owning_user%	Writes the target object owning user to the configuration file as OwningUser = <i>user</i> .
CFG~OwningGroup=%\$TARGET.owning_group%	Writes the target object owning group to the configuration file as OwningGroup =group.
CFG~Email=%\$USER.E_Mail%	Writes the current user's e-mail to the configuration file, where E_Mail is the label from the person form.
CFG~SMTPServer= \${CUST_RELEASE_SMTP_SERVER}	Writes the environment variable value to the configuration file.
CFG~FunctionsFile= \${CUST_RELEASE_FUNC_FILE}	Writes the environment variable value to the configuration file.
CFG~SysAdminEmail= \${CUST_RELEASE_SA_MAIL}	Writes the environment variable value to the configuration file.
CFG~AppsArray=Apps1	Writes the value AppsArray=Apps1 to the configuration file.
CFG~WarningDir= \$ {CUSTOMER_RELEASE_WARNING_DIR}	Writes the environment variable value to the configuration file.
CFG~UPG=\${UPG}	Writes the environment variable value to the configuration file.

Value	Description
CFG~Desc=%\$TARGET.object_desc%	Writes the target object description to the configuration file.
DATA~DATASETS= IMAN_specification~UGMASTER~UGPART	Extracts information about UGPART references in UGMASTER datasets attached to the target revision.
ARG~cfg=%\$CONFIG_FILE%	Sends the configuration file name as an argument.
ARG~files=%\$DATASET_FILE%	Sends the dataset data file name as an argument.

• Example 2

The following example shows the use of **DATA~LOV=lov-name** to extract various details.

Argument	Values
-lov	SYS_EPM_send_ecr_relation_data

when the SYS_EPM_send_ecr_relation_data LOV contains the following data:

DATA~LOV=lov-name

Value	Description
INPUT~Target=(ItemRevision)	Specifies that the main object from which data is to be extracted is the job target which is of the ItemRevision class.
INPUT~Application=	Defines the external application that is run. This application is defined by a system
\${CUST_ECR_EXT_APPLICATION}	environment variable.
ARG~-item=%\$TARGET.item.item_id %	Sends the target object's item ID as an argument to the application.
ARG~-rev=%\$TARGET.item_revision_id %	Send the target object's revision ID as an argument to the application.
ARG~-dest=\${CUST_RELEASE_DEST}	Send the environment variable's value as an argument to the application.
ARG~-type=ECR	Sends the value as an argument to the application.

Value	Description
ARG~-data=%\$DATA_FILE%	Sends the name of the data file, to be produced by DATA~LOV , as an argument to the application.
DATA~LOV=lov-name	Specifies an LOV containing a list of alternating lines starting with OBJECT: , to specify an object, and then PROP: , to specify the properties to extract from the object to write out to a data file.
DATA~LOV=SYS_EPM_get_ecr_relation_data	This LOV extracts details from the affected item revisions attached to the Mini , Minor , and Major relations in an ECR revision target.
	The objects are specified using multiple level paths and start from the target objects. The property strings use the %formatting% notation.

• Output in the data file, if the target has two minor relations and one major relation:

item-00001~A~Mini
item-00002~B~Mini
item-00005~A~Major

LOV SYS_EPM_get_ecr_relation_data

Value	Description
PROP:%item.id%~ECR Started~%creation_date%~%owning_user% ~%IMAN_master_form.ecr_prty%	Extract properties from the target revision.
OBJECT:(ItemRevision).Mini.(ItemRevision)!Buy Revision! Customer Revision!RawMaterial Revision	From any ItemRevision targets, find any ItemRevision objects attached to the Mini relation, except for specific types, for example, Buy Revision.
PROP:%item.item_id%~%item_revision_id%~Mini	Extract properties from any Mini relation revisions.
OBJECT:(ItemRevision).Major.(ItemRevision)!Buy Revision! Customer Revision!RawMaterial Revision	From any ItemRevision targets, find any ItemRevision objects attached to the Major relation, except for specific types, for example, Buy Revision .
PROP:% item.item_id %~% item_revision_id %~Major	Extract properties from any Major relation revisions.
OBJECT:(ItemRevision).Minor.(ItemRevision)!Buy Revision! Customer Revision!RawMaterial Revision	From any ItemRevision targets, find any ItemRevision objects attached to the Minor relation, except for specific types, for example, Buy Revision .
PROP:% item.item_id %~% item_revision_id %~Minor	Extract properties from any Minor relation revisions.

EPM-set-condition

DESCRIPTION

Condition tasks have a result attribute that you can set to one of these values: **True**, **False**, or **Unset**. The initial setting of the **Condition** task is **Unset**, until it is either automatically or manually set to **True** or **False**. Successor tasks require the **Condition** task to be set to either **True** or **False** before they can start.

This handler is used to set a **Condition** task result automatically, without user interaction. Using Business Modeler IDE conditions, the task can evaluate the condition criteria against target objects and user session information.

When queries are used for condition evaluation with this handler, one of the following queries is performed:

- Target query Performed on workflow process attachments.
- Task query
 Performed on the task to which this handler is added.
- Subprocesses query Performed on the subprocesses that the **Condition** task depends on.

Use **All | Any | None** to determine whether all, any, or none of the target attachments or subprocesses must meet the query criteria to set the result to **True**; these values apply only to target and subprocess queries.

The -include_replica argument queries the Replica Proposed Targets along with the targets if the - query type argument is target.

SYNTAX

EPM-set-condition
{-condition_name=condition-name | { -query=query-name
[-query_type=task | target | sub_process] [-log] }}
[-check_targets=all | any | none] [-log] [-reference][-include_replica]

ARGUMENTS

-condition name

Defines the BMIDE condition to be evaluated against target objects. The condition signature accepts a **WorkspaceObject** and **UserSession** in that sequence. The BMIDE condition in the handler argument is evaluated against the target objects based on the value of the **check_targets**

argument. The handler decides the true or false path based on the evaluation result of BMIDE condition.

Note:

The **-condition_name** and **-query** arguments are mutually exclusive.

-query

Defines the query to be run.

Note:

The **-condition_name** and **-query** arguments are mutually exclusive.

-query_type

Determines the type of query run.

task

Performs a query on the task to which this handler is added.

target

Performs a query on the workflow process attachments.

• sub_process

Performs a query on the subprocesses that the **Condition** task depends on.

-check_targets

This argument determines the target objects against which to evaluate the BMIDE condition or query.

It determines whether **all**, **any**, or **none** of the target attachments or subprocesses must meet the query criteria to set the result to **True**. This argument applies only to **Target** and **Sub-Processes** queries for the **-query** argument.

When used in conjunction with **-condition_name** argument, the BMIDE condition is evaluated against targets to determine whether **all**, **any** or **none** of the targets meet the condition.

If this argument is not specified and used in conjunction with **-condition_name** argument, the value for this is considered as **all** by default.

-log

If a **Condition** task fails, it creates a log file reporting which objects caused the task's query to fail. The header in the log file contains:

- Task name
- Query name

· Date/time stamp

The log file is saved as a dataset and added to the workflow process as a reference attachment. The dataset is stored in the task attachments references folder.

If the **Condition** task does not fail, no log file is created.

-reference

Moves target objects not satisfying a **Condition** task's query criteria or BMIDE condition to the task attachments references list.

-include_replica

(Optional) Queries the **Replica Proposed Targets** as well as the target objects if the **-query_type** is set to **target**.

PLACEMENT

- If the -query_type argument is set to task or target, place on the Start action.
- If the -query_type argument is set to sub_process, place on the Complete action.

RESTRICTIONS

Typically used for **Condition** tasks only. This handler can also be used with a custom task.

Note:

This handler exists as part of the workflow conditional branching functionality. This handler is automatically added to a **Condition** task while creating the workflow process template in Workflow Designer by using the **Query** tab in the **Task Properties** dialog box. Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends that you use this method to configure a **Condition** task, rather than manually configuring and adding this handler to the task using the **Handler** dialog box.

No user interface support is provided to add this handler while using BMIDE conditions with the **condition_name** argument. The handler must be added manually from the **Handler** dialog box.

Note:

Workflow Designer provides a number of prepackaged task templates, such as the **Review** task, **Route** task, and **Acknowledge** task templates. Adding subtasks below any of these specific tasks for the purpose of implementing a branching condition is not recommended, as this may jeopardize the integrity of the task's structure, and doing so may result in unpredictable behavior.

EXAMPLES

• In this example, a query is performed on the workflow process attachments. If any of the workflow process attachments meet the criteria defined by the **CM II CN Type** query, the task result on the **Condition** task is set to **True**.

Argument	Values
-query	CM II CN Type
-query_type	target
-check_targets	any

• In this example, an **EPMTask** query, **BM - Has Multiple Targets**, uses the run-time property **num_targets** to count the workflow target objects. If the query result is more than one, the result on the **Condition** task is set to **True**.

Note:

The **BM** - Has Multiple Targets query is created using the search class **EPMTask** and is not included in the Teamcenter install.

Argument	Values
-query	BM - Has Multiple Targets
-query_type	task

• In this example, the BMIDE **Fnd0DocRevSubTypes** condition is evaluated against all target attachments one-by-one. The condition evaluation returns **TRUE** if any of the target attachments is a subtype of **Document Revision**, and the workflow takes the **TRUE** path.

Argument	Values
-condition_name	Fnd0DocRevSubTypes
-check_targets	any

Note:

The condition used in the handler example above:

```
Fnd0DocRevSubTypes (WorkspaceObject o ,
UserSession u) = ((o != null) AND
```

u.fnd0ConditionHelper.fnd0isSubTypeOf
(o, "DocumentRevision"))

EPM-set-duration

DESCRIPTION

Defines time dependence during process design. The handler is triggered when the task is started. The five handler arguments are the number of years, weeks, days, hours, and minutes of the duration. These arguments are used at execution time to initialize the tasks' duration value and generate the due date when the task is created. The addition of all five arguments determine the total duration time.

Due date calculations based on the duration setting in this handler consider the user's calendar and the value of the **Default_Base_Calendar_Preference** preference.

SYNTAX

EPM-set-duration -year=year-value **-week**=week-value **-day**=day-value **-hour**=hour-value **-minute**minute-value

ARGUMENTS

-year

Defines the number of years of the duration.

-week

Defines the number of weeks of the duration.

-day

Defines the number of days of the duration.

-hour

Defines the number of hours of the duration.

-minute

Defines the number of minutes of the duration.

PLACEMENT

Place on the Start action.

RESTRICTIONS

Argument values are limited to positive integers. The **Task Manager** daemon must be running or the application shuts down.

The **EPM-set-duration** handler, along with the following calendars and preferences, all work together, and are dependent on each other to define and control time parameters.

- The working time setting in the organization calendar.
- SiteTimeZone
- Default_Base_Calendar_Preference
- Schedule Manager preferences: SM_Hours_Per_Day_Preference, SM_Hours_Per_Week_Preference, and SM_Hours_Per_Year_Preference

Example:

The end date is calculated as the sum of duration of the user input multiplied by the preference value.

```
To calculate time: Year (SM_Hours_Per_Year_Preference) + Week (SM_Hours_Per_Week_Preference) + Day (SM_Hours_Per_Day_Preference) + Hours + Minutes.
```

For example, the preference settings for a 24-hour duration calendar schedule are:

Year

SM_Hours_Per_Year_Preference=8760 (365 days x 24 hours)

Week

SM_Hours_Per_Week_Preference=168 (7 days x 24 hours)

Day

SM_Hours_Per_Day_Preference=24

EXAMPLES

• This example sets the task to be due 5 years, 4 weeks, 3 days, 2 hours, and 1 minute after it is started:

Argument	Values	
-year	5	
-week	4	
-day	3	
-hour	2	
-minute	1	

ERP-set-form-value-AH

DESCRIPTION

Sets a particular field to a given value for all forms of the given type attached as targets of the process, and saves the forms. Use this handler to set a value that depends on the workflow process being used to transfer the data to ERP (for example, for a preproduction transfer process, the BOM usage may be set to **1 = Engineering/Design** and for a production transfer process, it would be set to **2 = Production**).

Note:

- This handler overwrites any existing value.
- The user performing the signoff must have write access to the forms whose value is being set.

SYNTAX

ERP-set-form-value-AH -form_type = type_name, -field_name=field_name, -field_value=value

ARGUMENTS

-form_type

Updates any forms of this type attached as targets.

-field name

Specifies the name of the field to be set.

-field_value

Specifies the value to which to set the field.

Note:

These values are all case sensitive. Update the values if the mapping schema changes (for example, new form types or attributes created). The **-field_value** argument should use the whole string defined for the LOV in the mapping file (for example, **1 = Engineering/Design**, **2 = Production**).

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform Signoff** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EPM-set-job-protection

DESCRIPTION

Denies the **world:delete** and **world:write** process object protections, allowing an object ACL to be applied to an instance of an **EPMJob** object. This protection prevents the workflow process from being deleted when it completes.

To implement, add the **Has Object ACL (true)**→**Job** rule under **Has Class (EPMJob)**→**Job** in Access Manager. For example, the rules needed for this handler should look like the following (for clarity, the other rules are not shown).

```
    Has Class (POM_object)
    Has Class (POM_object) → System Objects
    Has Class (EPMJob) → Job
    Has Object ACL (true) → Job
```

SYNTAX

EPM-set-job-protection

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Complete** action of a task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EPM-set-owning-project-to-task

DESCRIPTION

This handler takes the owning project (or program) from the first target object of the workflow and sets it for all Workflow objects (for example, **EPMTask**, and **EPMJob**). The system can restrict access to workflow objects properly since the project is set at the workflow object level. The Access Manager rule tree is also modified to deny general access, but can grant access based on project teams for the workflow (**EPMTask**) objects by adding a new named ACL for tasks (**EPMTask**) in projects. Once the workflow processes are created with these changes, the users from the owning project team of the first target object can access the workflow tasks, whereas other users cannot access them. The process initiator, responsible parties, and reviewers of the workflow are required to be members of the owning project to proceed with the workflow tasks.

SYNTAX

EPM-set-owning-project-to-task

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the Start action of a root task.

RESTRICTIONS

Uses only the owning project of first target to set it on workflow objects. It does not consider other assigned projects or the owning project of other targets. If the owning project is not set on first target object, this handler fails to operate.

EPM-set-parent-result

DESCRIPTION

Sets the Boolean condition of its parent task. It is only used when complex compound subtasks are collectively needed to set the parent tasks. This allows for compound/complex combinations of **Condition** tasks.

SYNTAX

EPM-set-parent-result -value= true | false

ARGUMENTS

-value

Set to **true** or **false**.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** or **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

Note:

Placing this handler in a location other than the subtask of a **Condition** task may result in unpredictable behavior.

EPM-set-property

DESCRIPTION

Accepts a list of properties and a list of associated values, and uses those values to set the properties on the specified objects. The properties to be updated are listed in the **-property** argument, and the values are listed in the **-value** argument. There should be a one-to-one correspondence between the properties on the **-property** list and the values on the **-value** list. The value types must be compatible with their associated property types. You can specify the values or obtain them from attachment objects or derived objects.

Note:

- This handler overwrites the existing property values with the specified values. For example, in the case of array properties, all existing values are removed from the array and only the new values are added to the property.
- Workflow handlers such as **EPM-set-property** cannot recognize run-time or compound properties. These handlers only set properties that have a persistent attribute on some object, and they cannot influence the setting of run-time or compound properties.

SYNTAX

EPM-set-property -property=list-of-properties **-value=**[
comma-separated-value-list] [[[-to_attach=attachment-type] [-to_relation=relation-type]] | to_lov=lov-name]] [[[-from_attach=attachment-type] [-from_relation=relation-type]] | from_lov=lov-name]] [-include_type=comma-separated-type-list] -bypass

ARGUMENTS

-property

Specifies one or more properties to be updated on the specified objects. Arguments with a **to_** prefix are used to determine the objects to be updated. There should be a one-to-one correspondence between the properties indicated on the **-property** argument and the values indicated on the **-value** argument. The value types should be compatible with the property types. If a property listed on the **-property** argument does not exist for a specified update object, the update for the property is skipped.

Separate multiple properties with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

-value

Specifies zero or more values to be used to set the associated properties in the **-property** list. You can specify the values, or they may be configured as a property name with a preceding **PROP::** qualifier. If a property name appears on the list, the value is read from an attachment object or a derived object. Arguments with a **from_** prefix are used to identify attachment objects and derived

objects. Property types updated using specified values can be integer, Boolean, string, or date types (the date type supports the **\$CURRENT_DATE** keyword, which dynamically obtains the current date). Other property types, such as a tag or tag list, can be updated only if the updating value is obtained from a compatible property type on an attachment object or a derived object.

To reset a property value, set an empty value in the handler for the property.

For more information about using empty values, see the Examples section.

Acceptable date values are:

- A date in the following format: yyyy-mm-dd.
- **\$CURRENT_DATE** keyword, which sets the property value to the current date at the time that the handler is run.

Separate multiple values with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

-to_attach

When used by itself, this argument specifies the attachment type objects to be updated. When used in conjunction with the **-to_relation** argument, this argument specifies the attachment type objects to be used as a starting point when locating derived objects to be updated; only the derived objects are updated.

Value	<pre>-to_att_type is used by itself</pre>	-to_att_type is used with -to_relation
TARGET	Updates target attachments.	Uses target attachments as a starting point when searching for derived objects. Updates only the derived objects.
REFERENCE	Updates reference attachments.	Uses reference attachments as a starting point when searching for derived objects. Updates only the derived objects.
вотн	Updates both target and reference attachments.	Uses both target attachments and reference attachments as a starting point when searching for derived objects. Updates only the derived objects.

Note:

Lower case values are also valid.

To update properties on both attachment objects and derived objects, you must configure two instances of the **EPM-set-property** handler. Configure one instance to update attachments and configure a second instance to update derived objects.

If a handler instance is configured to update attachment objects and multiple attachment objects exist, all attachment objects are updated. If a handler instance is configured to update derived objects and the handler locates multiple objects, all objects found for all specified attachment objects are updated.

-to_relation

Updates objects with the specified relation to the identified attachment type objects.

- For manifestations, use IMAN manifestation.
- For specifications, use **IMAN_specification**.
- For requirements, use **IMAN_requirement**.
- For references, use **IMAN_reference**.
- For BOM views, use **PSBOMViewRevision**.

This argument must be used with the **-to_attach** argument, which identifies attachment types.

-to_attach value	-to_relation behavior
TARGET	Updates objects with the specified relation to the target attachments.
REFERENCE	Updates objects with the specified relation to the reference attachments.
вотн	Updates objects with the specified relation to both the target and reference attachments.

-to_lov

Specifies an LOV to define which objects are to be updated.

For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see *Lists of values as argument values*.

-from_attach

When used by itself, this argument specifies the attachment object used to obtain property values. These values are used to perform updates on the specified update objects (identified by the -to_attach and optionally the -to_relation arguments). When used in conjunction with the -from_relation argument, this argument specifies the attachment objects to be used as a starting point when locating derived objects (the -from_relation argument specifies the relationship used to identify derived objects). Property values are obtained from the derived object properties. Only a single object is used to obtain property values. If more than one object is identified, only the first object found is used.

Value	-from_attach is used by itself	-from_attach is used with -from_relation
TARGET	Reads property values from the first target attachment object.	Locates the first object with the specified relation to a target attachment object and reads property values from the related object.
REFERENCE	Reads property values from the first reference attachment object.	Locates the first object with the specified relation to a reference attachment object and reads property values from the related object.
вотн	Reads property values from the first target attachment object. If target attachments do not exist, then reads property values from the first reference attachment object if reference attachments exist.	Locates the first object with the specified relation to a target attachment object and reads property values from the related object. If target attachments do not exist or if no object with the specified relation is found, it locates the first object with the specified relation to a reference attachment object and reads property values from the related object.

Note:

Lower case values are also valid.

-from_relation

Specifies the relation used to locate a derived object. The identified derived object is used to obtain property values, which are then used to perform the update.

- For manifestations, use **IMAN_manifestation**.
- For specifications, use **IMAN specification**.
- For requirements, use **IMAN_requirement**.
- For references, use **IMAN_reference**.
- For BOM views, use **PSBOMViewRevision**.

This argument must be used with the **-from_attach** argument. A derived object is identified by starting with objects of the specified attachment type indicated by the **-from_attach** argument and then locating the first secondary object with the specified relation indicated by the **-relation** argument.

-from_lov

Specifies an LOV to obtain an object. Values are read from this object and used to set the properties on the **-property** list.

For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see Lists of values as argument values.

-include_type

Updates specified objects only if their type matches one of the types on the list. Do not use this argument with the **-exclude_type** argument.

-exclude_type

Updates all specified objects unless their type is one of the types that appears on the **-exclude_type** list. Do not use this argument with the **-include_type** argument.

-bypass

Specifies that the user has bypass privileges and allows the property to be set.

LOV

For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see *Lists of values as argument values*.

The LOV can contain multiple optional lines containing filter options followed by multiple lines containing multilevel object paths.

Note:

For an overview and examples of multilevel object paths in handlers, see <u>Defining multilevel</u> object paths.

Each multilevel object path line can optionally have a filter option added as a second field after a tilde (~).

OPTION=value

{\$TARGET|\$REFERENCE}. multi.level.object.path[~ OPTION=value]

OPTION=value

Defines a configurable option to filter object selection.

If you supply an option on an LOV line on its own, it applies to all subsequent lines containing multilevel object paths. The option does not affect any multilevel object paths listed before the option.

If you supply an option on the same line as a multiple level object path, as a second field after a tilde (~) character, it only applies to that line.

Valid values are:

• RULE={LATEST|Rule}

Specifies the revision rule used to select the revision attached to the workflow process if initiated on an item. Use the keyword **LATEST** to select only the latest revision.

• INCLUDE PARENTS=YES

Specifies that all objects found by traversing a multilevel path are attached to the workflow process, not just the last set of objects in a path. For example, when a multilevel path is used to first find items in a workflow process, then find revisions in the item, and then find datasets in the revisions, it is only the datasets that are attached by default. Setting this argument to **YES** causes both the revisions and the datasets to be attached.

This argument reduces the number of lines required in the LOV and improves performance.

\$TARGET|\$REFERENCE

Defines the starting point from which to look for objects. Valid values are:

\$TARGET

Defines the starting point as the workflow process target attachments.

\$REFERENCE

Defines the starting point as the workflow process reference attachments.

multi.level.object.path

Defines a multilevel object path to traverse to find the required objects to attach to the workflow process. For an overview of using multilevel object paths in handlers, see *Defining multilevel object paths*.

(ItemRevision).IMAN_specification.(Dataset)

Attaches any datasets attached to the specification relation to any revisions found.

For more examples, see the Examples section.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement. Proper placement depends on the desired behavior of the workflow process and may require coordination with the placement of other handlers, especially in cases where other handlers depend on the results of **EPM-set-property**. Typical placement might be on the **Start** action or **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

- The -to_relation argument must be used in conjunction with the -to_attach handler.
- The -from_relation argument must be used in conjunction with the -from_attach handler.
- The -to_lov argument is mutually exclusive of the -to_attach and -to_relation arguments. For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see *Lists of values as argument values*.

- The -from_lov argument is mutually exclusive of the -from_attach and -from_relation arguments.
- Do not use the **-include_type** argument and the **-exclude_type** argument together.
- A single instance of this handler cannot update both attachment objects and derived objects. Separate handler instances must be used, where one handler instance updates attachments, and a second instance updates derived objects.
- Due to a potential conflict of interest, you may not want to use this handler with other handlers that also set the same property.

EXAMPLES

• Sets the target object's **object_desc** string property to a value of **Component Template**.

Argument	Values
-property	object_desc
-value	Component Template
-to_attach	TARGET
-bypass	

• Sets the target object's **backup_date** date property to a value of **2009-03-01**.

Argument	Values
-property	backup_date
-value	2009-03-01
-to_attach	TARGET
-bypass	

• Sets the target object's **archive_date** date property, **archive_info** string property, and **has variant module** Boolean property to the values specified in the example.

Argument	Values
-property	archive_date,archive_info,has_variant_module
-value	\$CURRENT_DATE, Archiving completed process, False
-to_attach	TARGET
-bypass	

• Uses values from an object with a specifications relation to the reference attachment to set the target objects' properties.

Argument	Values	
-property	object_desc	
-value	PROP::object_desc	
-from_attach	REFERENCE	
-from_relation	IMAN_specification	
-to_attach	TARGET	
-bypass		

• Uses values from an object with a specifications relation to the reference attachment to set properties on objects with a specifications relation to the target attachment.

Argument	Values	
-property	object_desc	
-value	PROP::object_desc	
-from_attach	REFERENCE	
-from_relation	IMAN_specification	
-to_attach	TARGET	
-to_relation	IMAN_specification	
-bypass		

• Uses values from an object with a specifications relation to the reference attachment to set properties on **UGMASTER** type objects with a manifestation relation to the target attachments.

Argument	Values
-property	object_desc
-value	PROP::object_desc
-from_attach	REFERENCE
-from_relation	IMAN_specification
-to_attach	TARGET
-to_relation	IMAN_manifestation

Argument	Values
-include_type	UGMASTER
-bypass	

• Uses values from an object with a specifications relation to the reference attachment to set properties on both objects with a specifications relation to the target attachments and objects with a specifications relation to the reference attachments.

Argument	Values
-property	object_desc
-value	PROP::object_desc
-from_attach	REFERENCE
-from_relation	IMAN_specification
-to_attach	вотн
-to_relation	IMAN_specification
-include_type	UGMASTER
-bypass	

• Uses an LOV to obtain values that are used to update target property values.

Argument	Values
-property	object_desc
-value	PROP::object_desc
-from_lov	SYS_EPM_main_objects
-to_attach	TARGET
-bypass	

• Uses an empty string to reset a property on a **TARGET** object. In this example, the **object_desc** property is reset to "".

Argument	Values
-property	object_desc
-value	

Argument	Values
-to_attach	TARGET
-bypass	

• Uses an empty string to reset a property on a **TARGET** object and also sets another property value. In this example, the **object_desc** property is reset to "" and the **sequence_limit** property is set to 6.

Argument	Values
-property	object_desc,sequence_limit
-value	,6
-to_attach	TARGET
-bypass	

• Uses empty strings to reset three properties on a **TARGET** object. In this example, the **object_desc** property is reset to "", the **sequence_limit** property is reset to 0, and the **CUST_text_field** property is reset to "".

Argument	Values
-property	object_desc,sequence_limit,CUST_text_field
-value	ıı .
-to_attach	TARGET
-bypass	

• Adds a property from a target item business object to a target form that is attached to the item revision with a specification relation. To do this, you must omit the **-bypass** argument. This example maps the **item_id** item property to the **prop_soln** CMII CR form property. Both objects have been added to the process as **TARGET** objects.

Argument	Values
-property	prop_soln
-value	PROP::item_id
-from_attach	TARGET
-to_attach	TARGET

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Argument	Values
-include_type	CMII CR Form
-to_relation	IMAN_specification

EPM-set-rule-based-protection

DESCRIPTION

Passes information to Access Manager to determine which named ACL to use while the associated task handler is current or started. "Started" indicates that the start action is completed.

The ACL is applied to the task and all subsequent tasks in the workflow process unless it is changed by another instance of the **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** handler or the process completes. See Executing workflow handlers for more information on how **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** works to accommodate AM functionality.

You can also set workflow ACLs by editing the Named ACL attribute, which automatically updates this handler.

Note:

- This handler affects the behavior of the tasks as well the targets. For example, the ACL can grant permission to promote or demote the tasks.
- Accessors, such as approvers or the responsible party, are retrieved from the currently active tasks. So even if the named ACL is the same for two separate tasks, the actual user who gets access for each task could be different. For example, **waynej** is the responsible party for task 1, **bjorn** is the responsible party for task 2, and the ACL grants write access to the responsible party for both tasks. In this case, **waynej** gets write access for duration of task 1 and **bjorn** gets write access for duration of task 2.
- If you have multiple workflow processes in effect at the same time for the same target object, and each process sets its own ACL, a user gets access if any of the ACLs grants that access. To deny access in that situation, all ACLs must deny that access.

Select **Show Task in Process Stage List** to enable the template staging functionality.

- The named ACL defined in this handler becomes the **ACL Name** value in the **Task Attributes Panel** for the task.
- When this handler is applied to a task, the Show Task in Process Stage List property on the Tasks
 Attributes Panel is automatically selected. The Show Task in Process Stage List displays the task in
 the Process Stage List property for the target object. Tasks in the Process Stage List determine the
 ACL for target objects.

SYNTAX

EPM-set-rule-based-protection -acl=named-ACL

ARGUMENTS

-acl

The name of an existing named ACL to be used when the task becomes the current task.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of any task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example tells Access Manager to use the engineering_release_start0 ACL.

Argument	Values
-acl	engineering_release_start0

• This example tells Access Manager to give write access to the responsible party only for the second task in a four-task workflow. The other three tasks are read-only.



• Task 1—read-only access for all users.
The Vault ACL gives read and copy access to users, but not write access.

Argument	Values
-acl	Vault

• Task 2—write access for the responsible party.
The Grant-Write-to-RP ACL gives write access only to the responsible party.

Argument	Values
-acl	Grant-Write-to-RP

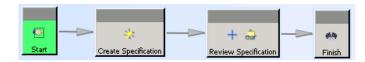
• Task 3—read-only access for all users.

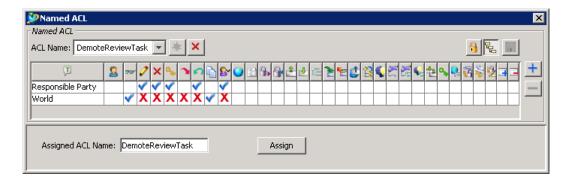
The Vault ACL revokes write access starting with this task.

Argument	Values
-acl	Vault

- Task 4—read-only access for all users.

 No handler is needed because the ACL in Task 3 still applies.
- This example, when placed on the **Review Specification** task, tells Access Manager to give demote access to only the task's responsible party. Promote access is denied to everybody, including the responsible party.





Argument	Values
-acl	DemoteReviewTask

EPM-set-status

DESCRIPTION

Applies the appropriate release status to the workflow process targets. This handler gets the release status type that the **EPM-create-status** handler attaches to the root task.

Note:

The **EPM-set-status** workflow handler is designed to work on release status effectivity, which is commonly used to express effectivity for item revisions used in a BOMView revision in Structure Manager.

Release status effectivity is not applicable for Product Configurator or 4th Generation Design objects. However, you can use the **CONFMGMT-cut-back-effectivity** workflow handler to propagate the release status effectivity of an engineering change object to configurator and 4GD objects that are attached to the change object as solution items. This translates the release status effectivity to the effectivity model used in Product Configurator and 4th Generation Design.

Note:

The **EPM_skip_dataset_purge** preference determines if dataset versions are purged when the **EPM-set-status** workflow handler adds a status.

Note:

Configure the WRKFLW_change_target_lmu preference to indicate if the last_mod_user attribute of a workflow target is changed when the status is applied. Set the preference value to TRUE to indicate the attribute value is changed to the user who completes the task, or set the preference value to FALSE indicating the attribute value is not changed.

SYNTAX

EPM-set-status -action=append | rename | replace | delete
[-status=name]
[-new_status=new_name]
[-retain_release_date]
[-set_effectivity]
 [-status_not_shared]

ARGUMENTS

-action

append

Attaches the root-task release status to the targets. Any previous statuses for the same targets are not affected.

rename

Renames the release status from *name* to *new_name*. If the *name* release status is not found, the handler renames the last status attached to the targets.

replace

Removes all release statuses attached to the targets, and attaches the root task release status to the targets.

Note:

If more than one status object exists on the root task, apply the **-status** argument variable **-status**_name. If the **-status** argument is not specified then replacement status is not guaranteed.

delete

Removes the release status specified by the -status argument from the targets.

- If the **-status** argument is not used, all release statuses are removed from the targets.
- This handler does not remove root-task release statuses that were created in the same workflow as the root task.

This value can also be used to remove release statuses that were applied in other workflows.

-status

Specifies the name of the release status. When used with the **-action** argument, offers additional options to define the status.

Note:

Enter the name as defined in the Business Modeler IDE, not the display name.

-action argument value	-status argument result
append	If the specified release status is not attached to the root task, the handler:
	Creates a new status with the specified name.
	Attaches the new status to the root task.
rename	The handler renames the release status to the value specified in -new_status .
replace	If the specified release status is not attached to the root task, the handler:

-action argument value	-status argument result
	Creates a new status with the specified name.
	Attaches the new status to the root task.
delete	The handler removes the release status from the targets, but does not remove the status from the root task.

-new_status

Specifies the new name for the release status. Use this argument only if you use the **-action** argument's **rename** value.

Enter the name as defined in the Business Modeler IDE, not the display name.

Caution:

If the release status type is not defined, effectivity and configuration may be unavailable for the release status.

-retain_release_date

Retains the original release date on the target if it had previously been released. Not valid for **replace**.

-set_effectivity

If used, the handler creates the open-ended date effectivity with release date as start date.

-status_not_shared

Places on each target an individual copy of the root-task release status. By default, all targets share a reference to the release status.

PLACEMENT

Place on any action. Typically attached to the **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

- By default, the **-action** argument and its **append** value are assumed if no argument is specified, or if an argument other than those specified is supplied to the handler.
- If the root task bears two or more statuses, and if the **-action** argument value is **replace**, the latest status on the root task replaces the status on the targets.

EXAMPLES

• This example adds the status object of the root task to the target object:

Argument	Values
-action	append

• This example adds the status object of the root task to the target object and retains the original released date of the target object:

Argument	Values
-action	append
-retain_release_date	

• This example replaces all existing status objects with the status object of the root task:

Argument	Values
-action	replace

• This example replaces existing status objects with the status object of the root task. It also sets an open-ended effectivity with release date as the start date on the new status object:

Argument	Values
-action	replace
-set_effectivity	

• This example renames all the status objects named **pre-released** to the name of the new status object, **released**:

Argument	Values
-action	rename
-status	pre-released
-new_status	released

• This example deletes all status objects from the target object but does not delete it from the root task:

Argument	Values
-action	delete

• This example deletes a status called **released** from the target object, but does not delete it from the root task:

Argument	Values
-action	delete
-status	released

• This example attaches a release status named **released** to the root task:

Argument	Values
-action	append
-status	released

• This example places on each target an individual copy of the root-task release status.

Argument	Values
-action	append
-status_not_shared	

• This example creates a new release status named **released**, attaches that status to the root task. and places an individual copy on each target.

Argument	Values
-action	append
-status_not_shared	
-status	released

EPM-set-task-result-to-property

DESCRIPTION

Reads the specified property from the identified task or target object, and uses that property value to set the result string attribute of the task where this handler is located or on the task specified by the - target_task argument. A common use for this handler is to control Condition task branching instead of using a more involved scheme that requires a custom handler. Using this handler to set a Condition task's result attribute allows the workflow process to branch based on a property of the identified task or target source object.

SYNTAX

EPM-set-task-result-to-property -source=task | target [-source_task= task-name] [-include_type=target-object-type] [-target_task= \$ROOT_TASK | \$DEPENDENT_TASK] - property-property-name

ARGUMENTS

-source

Indicates from which source object (task or target) the identified property should be read. The property is identified by the -property argument.

task

Indicates the property should be read from a task. The **-task_name** argument specifies the task to use.

target

Indicates the property should be read from a target object. The **-include_type** argument specifies the target object type to use.

-source_task

Identifies the name of a task from which to read the specified property (the -property argument specifies the property). This argument is valid only if -source=task. If a valid -source_task argument is absent, the property is read from the task where the handler is located.

-include_type

Identifies the target type from which to read the specified property (the -property argument specifies the property). This argument is valid only if -source=target. If there are more than one target objects of the given type, the first target on the list is used. If a valid -include_type argument is absent, the property is read from the first target on the list.

-target_task

Identifies where the result string attribute is set.

This is an optional argument. If **-target_task** is not specified, then the task **result** attribute will be set for the task containing the **EPM-set-task-result-to-property** handler.

\$ROOT_TASK

Sets the result string attribute on the root task of the process.

\$DEPENDENT_TASK

Sets the result string attribute on the parent process task which is dependent on this subprocess. The parent process task should be a **Condition** task.

-property

Specifies the property to be read from the identified source object (task or target).

PLACEMENT

Typically placed on the **Start** action of the specified **Condition** task.

However, this handler can be placed on any task but can set the result only on either the root task or a **Condition** task. The **Condition** task can be the task where the handler is placed or a parent task that is dependent on the task where the handler is placed.

RESTRICTIONS

- Do not place this handler on the **Perform** action.
- Do not use this handler in conjunction with other handlers that also set the **result** attribute, such as **EPM-set-condition**, **EPM-set-parent-result**, or a custom handler.
- You can use this handler on the **Complete** action only if a change occurred on the **Perform** action.
- This handler allows you to set the **result** attribute on the root task or any other **Condition** task.

EXAMPLES

• This example branches a **Condition** task based on the item revision's revision if a workflow process has an item revision as a target object. The handler is placed on the **Task01 Condition** task.

Argument	Values
-source	target
-include_type	ItemRevision
-property	item_revision_id

You then draw paths from the **Condition** task and assign custom flow path values by right-clicking the path and choosing **Custom**.

• This example branches a **Condition** task based on a task's responsible party. The handler is placed on the **Task02 Condition** task, and the responsible party is read from the **Task01** task.

Argument	Values
-source	task
-source_task	Task01
-property	resp_party

• This example branches a **Condition** task based on a task's responsible party. The handler is placed on the **Task02 Condition** task, but it is not configured with the **-source_task** argument and therefore defaults to reading the responsible party attribute from the **Task02 Condition** task.

Argument	Values
-source	task
-property	resp_party

EPM-suspend-on-reject

DESCRIPTION

Suspends the task when the approval quorum cannot be met.

SYNTAX

EPM-suspend-on-reject

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** task.

RESTRICTIONS

Place only on the **perform-signoffs** task.

EPM-system

DESCRIPTION

Runs the first operating system argument passed to it.

The **EPM-system** handler cannot handle run-time command line arguments. For information about addressing such issues, see the **EPM-execute-follow-up** action handler. The **EPM-system** handler does not accept return values.

SYNTAX

EPM-system -command= argument

ARGUMENTS

-command

Operating system command to be run. Define with a standalone program or command. The length is determined by your local system's command line length settings.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example sends an e-mail to **smith** with a body from the **/tmp/approval_note.txt** file and the subject **Notification: Task has been approved**:

Argument	Values
-command	mailx -s "Notification: Task has been approved" smith /tmp/approval_note.txt

EPM-trigger-action

DESCRIPTION

Triggers the specified action on the task to which this handler is attached.

SYNTAX

EPM-trigger-action -action -action -comment=comment

ARGUMENTS

-action

Performs the designated task. Accepts one of these task actions:

- EPM_assign_action
- EPM_start_action
- EPM_complete_action
- EPM_skip_action
- EPM_suspend_action
- EPM_resume_action
- EPM_undo_action
- EPM_abort_action
- EPM_perform_action

-comment

Associates comment with the task action when the action is logged in the workflow audit log file.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

Note:

Infinite loops can occur when **EPM_trigger_action** handler with the task action **EPM_complete_action** is placed on the **Assign**, **Start**, or **Complete** of a task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This example performs the **Complete** action, displaying the text **Triggering the Complete action from the EPM-trigger-action handler** when the **Complete** action is logged in the workflow audit log file.

Argument	Values
-action	EPM_complete_action
-comment	Triggering the Complete action from the EPM-triggeraction handler

EPM-trigger-action-on-related-process-task

DESCRIPTION

Triggers an action on a task within a related workflow process.

Workflow processes can be related and/or coupled using reference attachments. Triggered workflow processes can be coupled with the triggering workflow process by:

- Adding triggering workflow process target attachments as reference attachments to the triggered
 workflow process. For example, the triggering workflow process could be the workflow process for a
 change object. Each workflow process for the affected item, the problem item, and so on, are then
 triggered workflow processes. Pasting the change object as a reference attachment to each workflow
 process for the affected item, the problem item, and so on, establishes a coupling. The change object
 process can now trigger task actions (such as Suspend and Resume) in each triggered workflow
 process.
- Adding triggered workflow process target objects as reference attachments to the triggering workflow
 process. This example is similar to the previous example. It also uses a coupling, but in the opposite
 direction: the triggering workflow process could be a review process for a part that is affected by a
 change. The change object process is then the triggered workflow process. Pasting the change object
 as a reference attachment to each workflow process for the affected item, the problem item, and so
 on, establishes a coupling. The part review process can now trigger task actions (such as Suspend
 and Resume) in the change object process.
- Adding the triggering workflow process object as a reference to the triggered workflow process. This example uses a coupling achieved by pasting the workflow process object itself, not a target or reference attachment. The triggering workflow process could be the process for a change object. Each process for the affected item, the problem item, and so on, are then triggered processes. Pasting the change process object as a reference attachment to each process for the affected item, the problem item, and so on, establishes a coupling. The change object process can now trigger task actions (such as **Suspend** and **Resume**) in each triggered process.

This handler helps to identify sibling workflow processes (processes that have reference to a higher-level process) and to trigger an action on a task within those processes. For example, you can control the appearance of workflow processes in your inbox by suspending and resuming the workflow processes depending on the reference workflow processes they have.

SYNTAX

EPM-trigger-action-on-related-process-task
-task=task-name
-action=action-name
[-active=ACTION]

[-active=OTHER-ACTION]] [-comment=comment] [-process_type=Processes_Referencing_Target_Objects | Processes_Referencing_This_Process | Reference_Object_Processes]

[-template=process-template-name]
[-depth=level]
 [-debug]

ARGUMENTS

-task

Name of the task in which the given action needs to be triggered. If the task name is ambiguous (such as **perform-signoffs**), Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends that the task name is qualified with its parent task name (for example, **level2.perform-signoffs** or **conditional branch 2.level2.perform-signoffs**).

-action

Name of the action that needs to be triggered. The following are valid action names: **ASSIGN**, **START**, **PERFORM**, **COMPLETE**, **SUSPEND**, **RESUME**, **SKIP**, **ABORT**, and **UNDO**.

Note:

The action cannot succeed if the task is not in the correct state when the action is triggered. For example, the **COMPLETE** action cannot succeed if a **Condition** task result is something other than **Unset**. Therefore, you must set the value before triggering the action. To set the value, write a custom handler that is triggered before this action.

-active

Name of the action for which this handler is valid.

If this argument is used, and the handler is called as part of a trigger to a nonlisted action, the handler silently returns immediately. For more information about valid action names, see the **action** argument.

This argument can be useful when the handler is used in **Perform** actions. The following actions also automatically run the **Perform** action handlers, raising the potential for infinite loops or unnecessary processing:

- EPM_add_attachment_action
- EPM_remove_attachment_action
- EPM_approve_action
- EPM_reject_action

- EPM_promote_action
- EPM_demote_action
- EPM refuse action
- EPM assign approver action
- EPM_notify_action

This argument is optional.

-comment

The comment to be incorporated when the action is triggered.

If this argument is not specified, it defaults to the name of this handler: EPM-trigger-action-onrelated-process-task.

This argument is optional.

-process_type

The workflow processes to find. It can have one of the following values:

Processes_Referencing_Target_Objects

Finds workflow processes that reference one or more of the target attachments belonging to the current workflow process. The action is initiated for each matching attachment found. For example, if a workflow process references two target attachments belonging to the current workflow process, the action is initiated twice.

This is the default value for this argument

Reference_Object_Processes

Finds workflow processes with target attachments that match reference attachments belonging to the current workflow processes. The action is initiated for each matching attachment found. For example, if the current workflow process reference two target objects of a workflow process, the action is initiated twice.

Processes Referencing This Process

Finds workflow processes that reference the current workflow process.

This argument is optional.

-template

The name of the workflow process template of the workflow process(es) to be triggered.

This argument is useful to save processing time and/or improve robustness. Use this argument to configure this handler to trigger actions on specific workflow processes of a particular workflow process template. This name may contain wildcard characters.

This argument is optional.

-depth

This argument controls the recursion depth.

This argument is useful when the triggering of an action results in another action being triggered (due to the configuration of the **EPM-trigger-action-on-related-process-task** handler, or any other handler placed in that action) and so on.

The recursion depth defaults to 1. If the recursion depth is required, set the depth carefully to avoid infinite loops. If set to zero, make sure that the algorithm converges to a definite end of the recursion.

-debug

This argument writes debug messages to the log file.

This argument is optional.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement. Depending on the purpose, may be placed at various tasks and actions. If placed on the **Start** action of the root task, controls whether or not a workflow process can be initiated.

RESTRICTIONS

Do not use this handler in a subprocess.

EXAMPLES

The following example has two workflow process templates: Initiate Item Revision and Initiate

Dataset. The EPM-trigger-action-on-related-process-task handler in the Initiate Item Revision

process triggers the Complete action on the ApproveDesignWork task in the Initiate Dataset process.

This example uses the following item revision with a **UGMASTER** dataset:



Process Template

	Tasks	Steps to follow
Initiate Item Revision	Start→	In the root task in the Start action, add the EPM-trigger-action-on-

Process Template

Tasks

Steps to follow

ApproveltemRevision (Review related-

task)→

Finish

process-task handler with the following arguments:

- -task=ApproveDesignWork
- -action=COMPLETE
- -comment=approved



Initiate Dataset



Start→

CreateDesignWork (Review task)→

ApproveDesignWork (Do task) reference attachment.

Finish

Create an Initiate Dataset workflow process for the ABC123/001-**UGMASTER** dataset and paste the ABC123/001 item revision as the

Sign off the CreateDesignWork task, which starts the ApproveDesignWork task.

To perform the Do task, select **Task** View then select the Complete option.

Note:

Do not click Apply.

Then, create an **Initiate Item Revision** workflow process for the ABC123/001 item revision.

Note:

Before the EPM-trigger-action-on-related-process-task handler is triggered, the ApproveDesignWork Do task is in the Started state. After the handler executes, the task is in the Completed state.

Since -process_type=Processes_Referencing_Target_Objects is the default setting, and the ABC123/001 item revision is a reference attachment of the Initiate Dataset process, the Complete action of the **ApproveDesignWork** task is triggered.

Note that the Complete action is successful only if all conditions for the completing a Review task are already met.

ERP-att-logfile-as-dataset-RH

DESCRIPTION

Creates the **ERP_Log_Dataset** text dataset and attaches it as a reference to the process. Through the lifetime of the process, this dataset logs the progress of the ERP-related parts of the process. On completion of the process, the log file is exported to the directory specified by the **Tc_ERP_rellog_file_path** preference.

SYNTAX

ERP-att-logfile-as-dataset-RH

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Review** task. Call this handler before any other ERP handler, as other handlers work on the assumption that the ERP logfile dataset exists.

Note:

Although not a rule handler, this was made a rule handler that can be placed and run before any other handler.

RESTRICTIONS

ERP-attach-targets-AH

DESCRIPTION

Attaches all ERP forms as targets of the process and then creates a transfer folder (of type ERP_transfer_folder_type) for each target item revision, which is attached as references to the process. All ERP forms with the relations specified in the reln_names argument are pasted into the corresponding transfer folder.

ERP forms are those that are defined in the mapping schema.

SYNTAX

ERP-attach-targets-AH -reln_names = reln1,reln2,...

ARGUMENTS

-reln_names

A list of the relation types used to relate ERP forms to item revisions.

Separate multiple types with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

Note:

Relation names are case sensitive and should be named, for example, **tc_specification** not **TC_Specification**.

ERP_Data is the special relation supplied for attaching ERP forms, if these are to be distinguished from other relations. The semantics are as for manifestation:

- The advantage is that ERP forms can be added later in the life cycle without forcing a new revision of the item.
- The disadvantage is that the ERP data is less secure and the forms can be removed or replaced.

Access to the forms is controlled using access rules.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Review** task.

RESTRICTIONS

ERP-delete-log-dataset-AH

DESCRIPTION

Cleans up the database by deleting the ERP logfile once the process has successfully completed.

SYNTAX

ERP-delete-log-dataset-AH

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place this handler on the **Complete** action of the root task.

RESTRICTIONS

ERP-download-AH

DESCRIPTION

Extracts attribute values from the Teamcenter database and writes these out to an operating system transfer file. The transfer file is placed in the directory specified by the **Send_file_format** global setting with the name defined by the **Send_file_name** global setting.

The behavior of this handler depends on the **Send_file_format** global setting.

The format of the transfer file can be configured by the mapping file. This is a key feature of the Teamcenter/ERP Connect Toolkit.

This handler also writes the names of the **Send** file and **Response** file paths to the **Description** box of the **ERP_Logfile** dataset, which are required.

SYNTAX

ERP-download-AH

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform Signoff** task.

RESTRICTIONS

ERP-post-upload-AH

DESCRIPTION

Runs after the upload and reads the contents of the ERP logfile dataset. The handler looks in the directory defined in the **Response_file_path** global setting for the **Response** file, with the name defined in the **Description** box of the **ERP_Logfile** dataset. It imports the **Response** file into the latest version of the ERP logfile dataset.

The handler parses the ERP logfile according to the **Send_file_format** global setting as follows:

- If the status is **CREATED** or **CHANGED** and the **set_transfer** argument is set to **YES**, set the **Sent to ERP** box of the respective forms to user idlupload date.
- At the end of the logfile, there is a single **UPLOAD_STATUS** parameter. If set to **FAILURE**, the handler returns an error code other than **ITK_ok**, which displays an error message and stalls the process. If set to **SUCCESS**, the handler:
 - Removes transfer folders from the process and delete them.
 - Returns ITK_ok, indicating the process/review level is complete.
- The handler parses the ERP logfile for the single overall status of the upload according to the success/ error message defined in the **Error_success_message** global setting.

SYNTAX

ERP-post-upload-AH -set_transfer={YES|NO}

ARGUMENTS

-set transfer

Value must be **YES** or **NO** (case insensitive). If **YES**, the **Sent_to_ERP** fields are set upon successful transfer.

Note:

Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends you set the value to **YES**, so it is clear the data is uploaded. If this is only working data, the you can remove the value in the **set_transfer** field to allow data to be resent.

PLACEMENT

Place this rule after the SAP-upload-AH handler on the perform-signoff task.

RESTRICTIONS

ERP-set-pathnames-in-logds-AH

DESCRIPTION

Reads the configuration file and sets the path names of the transfer file and response file (listed in the configuration file), in a log dataset property.

SYNTAX

ERP-set-pathnames-in-logds-AH

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the Complete action of any task. Apply after the EPM-set-pathnames-in-logds-AH handler.

RESTRICTIONS

ERP-transform-Al-contents-AH

DESCRIPTION

Reads the PLM XML contents of an Al object attached as reference to the process. It then applies the XSLT transform specified in an input parameter and writes the resulting .xml file to the to the export directory.

SYNTAX

ERP-transform-Al-contents-AH

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Complete** action of any task. Apply after the Al-export-AH handler.

RESTRICTIONS

GMIMAN-invoke-subscription-event-on-item

DESCRIPTION

Notifies the subscribed user about an event by checking the release status of the item revision with the specified argument.

SYNTAX

GMIMAN-invoke-subscription-event-on-item -event=event-type-release-status

ARGUMENTS

-event

Valid event-type release status.

PLACEMENT

Add this handler after the EPM-set-status handler in the Complete action of the release workflow.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler can only be used when the GM Overlay is installed. The valid event-type release statuses are limited to the event types that are installed for the Subscription Administration.

HRN-revise

DESCRIPTION

Use the **HRN-revise** handler to revise Teamcenter designs and the corresponding Capital designs in a workflow process. When used in a workflow template, the **HRN-revise** handler collects the Capital designs for the target Teamcenter design through Capital webservices and then revises both the Teamcenter and corresponding Capital designs.

SYNTAX

```
HRN-revise
[-capital_pwd_file = capital_password_file_path]
[-capital_user = capital user]
[-change_releaselevel_to_draft = true|false]
[-ignore_lock = true|false]
[-include_children = true|false]
[-populate_children = true|false]
[-revise_children = true|false]
[-include_resolved_comments = true|false]
[-include_unresolved_comments = true|false]
[-include_pending_checklists = true|false]
[-include_completed_checklists = true|false]
[-include_notes = true|false]
[-include_watchlist = true|false]
[-include_links = true|false]
[-revise_desc = new revision short description]
ARGUMENTS
-capital_user
```

The Capital user name used to log on and invoke the Capital webservices.

-capital_pwd_file

The absolute path of the password file used to log on to the Capital webservices.

The password file can be generated through the Teamcenter install utility.

-change_releaselevel_to_draft

If the value is **true**, the release level of the newly created revision is reset to **Draft**.

If the value is **false**, the release level is copied from the source design to the revised design.

Default value is true.

-ignore_lock

If the value is **true**, a revision is created even if the design is locked in another session.

If **false**, the system prohibits creating a revision if the design is locked.

Default value is true.

-include_children

All child designs are included with the composite revision. Their inclusion is dependent on the **revise_children** and **-populate_children** arguments.

If false, none of the child designs are included in the composite design revision.

Default value is false.

-revise_children

Applicable only if **-include_children** argument is **true**.

If set to **true**, a new revision of each child design is created and included with the new composite revision.

If set to **false**, all child designs are included with the composite revision, but a revision is not created for any of the child designs. Instead, the current child revision is associated with the new composite revision for each child design. It revises the composite but maintains a link to the same child designs as in the original composite.

Default value is false.

-populate_children

Applicable only if -include_children and -revise_children arguments are true.

If set to **true**, a diagram is created for the revised child design.

If set to false, a diagram is not created for the revised child design.

Default value is false.

-include_resolved_comments (optional)

Designers and reviewers working on a project can add comments related to the design, diagram, or objects available for the diagram.

If set to **true**, the resolved comments are copied from the source design to the revised design.

If not specified, the Capital preference is honored.

Default value is true.

-include_unresolved_comments (optional)

Designers and reviewers working on a project can add comments related to the design, diagram, or objects available for the diagram.

If set to **true**, the unresolved comments are copied from the source design to the revised design.

If not specified, the Capital preference is honored

Default value is **true**.

-include_pending_checklists (optional)

Checklists capture tasks or design checks requiring completion.

If set to **true**, the pending checklists are copied from the source design to the revised design.

If not specified, the Capital preference is honored.

Default value is true.

-include_completed_checklists (optional)

Checklists capture tasks or design checks requiring completion.

If set to **true**, the completed checklists are copied from the source design to the revised design.

If not specified, the Capital preference is honored.

Default value is **true**.

-include_notes (optional)

Notes add additional information to a diagram.

If set to **true**, the notes are copied from the source design to the revised design.

If not specified, the Capital preference is honored.

Default value is true.

-include_watchlist (optional)

A watchlist lists users tagged within comments, notes, or a checklist, who receive an email notification, detailing the content they are associated with.

If set to **true**, the watchlist is copied from the source design to the revised design.

If not specified, the Capital preference is honored.

Default value is true.

-include_links (optional)

Links Capital objects to different entities (external or internal to Capital).

Example:

A Teamcenter requirement is associated to several Capital objects in various designs. These Capital objects are linked to Teamcenter requirements using links. The link object has a **name** and collection of associated objects. The **name** represents Teamcenter requirement name. Associated objects represent Capital objects associated to that Teamcenter requirement.

If set to **true**, the links are copied from the source design to the revised design.

If not specified, the Capital preference is honored.

Default value is true.

-revise_desc

This refers to the new short description for a revised design.

PLACEMENT

This is placed on an action, typically on the Start or Perform action of a Do task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This collects and revises all of the Capital designs for the corresponding target Teamcenter designs.

Arguments	Values
-capital_user	system
-capital_pwd_file	Absolute path of the generated password file.
-change_releaselevel_to_draft	true
-ignore_lock	true
-include_children	false
-populate_children	false
-include_resolved_comments	false
-include_unresolved_comments	false
-include_pending_checklist	false
-include_completed_checklist	false
-include_notes	false
-include_watchlist	false
-include_links	false
-revise_children	false
-revise_desc	

HRN-set-reject-state

DESCRIPTION

The **HRN-set-reject-state** handler provides status alignment between Teamcenter designs and **Electrical** designs in Capital.

When used in a Workflow template, the **HRN-set-reject-state** handler fetches all the Capital designs for the target Teamcenter design through Capital webservices. It then assigns the required **Reject** status to the Capital design.

Note:

Use this handler in the design approval Workflow process to assign the required status to the electrical design in the Capital tool when the Teamcenter design is rejected.

SYNTAX

```
HRN-set_reject_state
[-annotate = true|false]
[-capital_pwd_file = capital_password_file_path]
[-capital_status = capital reject status]
[-capital_user = capital user]
[-freeze_sharedobjects_used = {doNotFreeze | freeze | skipIfAllowed}]
[-run_drcs = {useCapitalPreference| forceRunDRC| skipIfAlreadyRun}]
[-treat_warnings_as_errors = true|false]
```

ARGUMENTS

-annotate

Annotates diagrams after the release of the design.

Valid values are true and false. The default value is false.

-capital_pwd_file

Determines the absolute path of the password file used to log on to the Capital webservices.

The password file can be generated through the Teamcenter install utility.

-capital status

Defines the **Reject** status name applied on the Capital design.

Defines the release level name and the release transition path in Capital in order to apply the release level on the Capital designs.

-captial_user

Defines the Capital user name used to log on and invoke the Capital webservices.

-freeze_sharedobjects_used

Configures freezing shared objects for a release level in Capital preferences. The possible values are as follows:

doNotFreeze

Does not freeze the objects on transitioning to the target release level. If it is configured to freeze shared objects for the target release level in Capital preferences, passing this value results in an error.

• freeze

Configures whether or not to freeze shared objects for the target release level in Capital preferences.

skipIfAllowed

Skips freezing of shared objects only if it is not configured to freeze shared objects for the target release level in Capital preferences.

The default value is doNotFreeze.

-run_drcs

Defines how **Design Rule Checks** (DRCs) perform when the design in Capital is rejected.

useCapitalPreference

Runs **Design Rule Checks** (DRCs) configured to run in Capital preferences for a design type and a target release level.

forceRunDRC

Enforces **Design Rule Checks** (DRCs) even if they are not configured to run in Capital preferences for a design type and target release level.

skipIfAlreadyRun

Skips running **Design Rule Checks** (DRCs) if they have already run.

Example:

If a design is already transitioned to a **Release** level of type **Release**, and the transition is happening at another **Release** level of the same type (**Release**), the user may choose to not run them again by passing this value.

The default value is **useCapitalPreference**.

-treat_warnings_as_errors

Changes warnings from **Design Rule Checks** (DRCs) to errors.

Valid values are true and false. The default value is false.

PLACEMENT

Place on any action. Typically, place on the **Start** or **Perform** action of a **Do** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This fetches all electrical designs for Capital for the corresponding target Teamcenter designs. It applies **Draft** status to the Capital designs that use the Capital webservices.

Arguments	Values
-annotate	false
-capital_pwd_file	Absolute path of the generated password file
-capital_status	Draft
-capital_user	system
-freeze_sharedobjects_used	doNotFreeze
-run_drcs	useCapitalPreference
-treat_warnings_as_errors	false

HRN-set-release-state

DESCRIPTION

The **HRN-set-release-state** handler provides status alignment between Teamcenter designs and electrical designs in Capital.

When used in a Workflow template, the **HRN-set-release-state** handler fetches all the Capital designs for the target Teamcenter design through Capital webservices. It then assigns the required **Release** status to the Capital design.

Note:

Use this handler in the design approval Workflow process to assign the required status to the electrical design in the Capital tool when the Teamcenter design is released.

SYNTAX

```
HRN-set_release_state
  [-annotate = true|false]
  [-capital_pwd_file = capital_password_file_path]
  [-capital_status = capital release status]
  [-capital_user = capital user]
  [-freeze_sharedobjects_used = {doNotFreeze | freeze | skipIfAllowed}]
  [-run_drcs = {useCapitalPreference| forceRunDRC| skipIfAlreadyRun}]
  [-treat_warnings_as_errors = true|false]
```

ARGUMENTS

-annotate

Annotates diagrams after the release of the design.

Valid values are true and false. The default value is false.

-capital_pwd_file

Determines the absolute path of the password file used to log on to the Capital webservices.

The password file can be generated through the Teamcenter install utility.

-capital status

Defines the **Release** status name applied on the Capital design.

Define the release level name and the release transition path in Capital in order to apply the release level on the Capital designs.

-captial_user

Defines the Capital user name used to log on to and invoke Capital webservices.

-freeze_sharedobjects_used

Configures freezing shared objects for a release level in Capital preferences. The possible values are as follows:

doNotFreeze

Does not freeze the objects on transitioning to the target release level. If it is configured to freeze shared objects for the target release level in Capital preferences, passing this value results in an error.

• freeze

Configures whether or not to freeze shared objects for a target release level in Capital preferences.

skipIfAllowed

Skips freezing of shared objects only if it is not configured to freeze shared objects for the target release level in Capital preferences.

The default value is doNotFreeze.

-run_drcs

Defines how **Design Rule Checks** (DRCs) perform when the design in Capital is released.

• useCapitalPreference

Runs **Design Rule Checks** (DRCs) configured to run in Capital preferences for a design type and a target release level.

forceRunDRC

Enforces **Design Rule Checks** (DRCs) even if they are not configured to run in Capital preferences for a design type and a target release level.

skipIfAlreadyRun

Skips running **Design Rule Checks** (DRCs) if they have already run.

Example:

If a design is already transitioned to a **Release** level of type **Release**, and the transition is happening at another **Release** level of the same type (**Release**), the user may choose to not run them again by passing this value.

The default value is **useCapitalPreference**.

-treat_warnings_as_errors

Changes warnings from **Design Rule Checks** (DRCs) to errors.

Valid values are true and false. The default value is false.

PLACEMENT

Place on any action. Typically, place on the **Start** or **Perform** action of a **Do** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This fetches all electrical designs for Capital for the corresponding target Teamcenter designs. It applies a **Released** status to the Capital designs that use the Capital webservices.

Arguments	Values
-annotate	false
-capital_pwd_file	Absolute path of the generated password file
-capital_status	Released
-capital_user	system
-freeze_sharedobjects_used	doNotFreeze
-run_drcs	useCapitalPreference
-treat_warnings_as_errors	false

ISSUEMGT-check-review-decision

DESCRIPTION

Checks issue review records for a target issue report revision when the specified review decision is made. If no issue review record is found for the issue report revision contained as a target of the workflow, the signoff decision is reset to **No Decision**. The user is prompted to choose **Tools**—**Review Issue** to review the issue and record a decision.

SYNTAX

ISSUEMGT-check-review-decision=review-decision-type

ARGUMENTS

review-decision-type

Specifies which type of signoff decision prompts the system to check the issue review record for the issue report revision. It accepts one of the following values:

-Approve	Issue review records are checked for a target issue report revision when the user

approves the signoff.

-Reject Issue review records are checked for a target issue report revision when the user

rejects the signoff.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

In this example, issue review records are checked for a target issue report revision when the user approves the signoff. If no issue report revision is found for the target, the signoff is reset to No Decision. The user is prompted to choose Tools—Review Issue to review the issue and record a decision.

Argument	Values
	-Approve

• In this example, issue review records are checked for a target issue report revision when the user rejects the signoff. If no issue report record is found for the target issue report revision, the signoff is reset to **No Decision**. The user is prompted to choose **Tools**→**Review Issue** to review the issue and record a decision.

Argument	Values
	-Reject

In this example where no argument is given, issue review records are checked for a target issue report
revision when the user performs the signoff, either approving or rejecting it. If no issue report record
is found for the target, the signoff is reset to **No Decision**. The user is prompted to choose
Tools→Review Issue to review the issue and record a decision.

ISSUEMGT-update-issue-status

DESCRIPTION

Counts the issue review decisions from all reviewers and updates the issue status. It takes inputs such as decision type, passing threshold, and the list of issue attribute/value pairs to update when a review decision passes. If you use the **-force_set_properties** argument, the review decision does not need to be passed to update the issue status. You can optionally clean up review records after they are counted and issue status is updated. It sets a condition when configured with a **Condition** task.

SYNTAX

ISSUEMGT-update-issue-status -review_decision=decision-string **-threshold**=percentage-passes **-set_condition** [**-force_set_properties**] [-attribute-name=attribute-value] [**-clean_up_review_records**]

ARGUMENTS

-review_decision

Specifies the issue review decision. It accepts one of the following values:

- defer
- reject
- approveFix
- close
- reopen
- approvelssue

-threshold

Sets the percentage required to approve the review decision.

For example, -threshold=51 means that the review decision passes with a 51 percent majority.

-set_condition

Sets the **Condition** task to **TRUE** if the review decision passes.

-force_set_properties

Forces the issue attributes to be set regardless if review decisions are counted or if review decision passes.

-attribute-name

Updates the specified attribute with the specified value when the review decision passes. You can specify more than one attribute and value pair.

-clean_up_review_records

Cleans up review records after they are counted and the issue status is updated.

PLACEMENT

Place in any workflow task.

RESTRICTIONS

If the **-review_decision** argument is set for this handler and the **-force_set_properties** is not set, Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends placing the **ISSUEMGT-check-review-decision** action handler on a previous **perform-signoffs** task to ensure that review decisions are logged from all reviewers.

LDF-create-object

DESCRIPTION

Creates an object in the remote system and relates it to the workflow attachment.

SYNTAX

LDF-create-object
service_provider
-object_type
[-property::<oslc-namespace-prefix-url>.property-name]
[-from_attach]
-attachment_relation
[-remote_user_name]

ARGUMENTS

-service_provider

Service provider represents the services published by the external application.

Example:

Polarion is registered in Teamcenter as a site and service provider under which my objects will be created.

This is a mandatory argument.

The values specified for this argument can be dynamic. Users can configure the handler argument to read the property values from workflow attachments and substitute them as the argument values. For example, -service_provider=PROP::owning_project where owning_project is the property of the Teamcenter workflow attachment. If corresponding service_provider is not found, this handler returns an error.

-object_type

This argument specifies the type of object created in the remote system.

This is a mandatory argument.

-property::<oslc-namespace-prefix-url>.property-name

Specifies the property name for the remote object to be created.

Requires a fully qualified property name with a prefix URL prepended to every property in a workflow argument, which is prepended by **-property::**. The OSLC namespace prefix URL must be

contained in angle brackets, < and >, in the **<oslc-namespace-prefix-url >**.property-name format as shown in the examples section.

The values specified for this argument can be dynamic. User can configure the handler argument to read the property values from workflow attachments and substitute it as the argument value.

For example, -property::http://purl.org/dc/terms/>.title =PROP::object_name where object_name is the property of the Teamcenter workflow attachment. User can also configure prefix or suffix.

The dynamic property values can also have prefix or suffix. For example, -property::http://
purl.org/dc/terms/>.title =ABC PROP::object_name XYZ ABC">http://
purl.org/dc/terms/>.title =ABC PROP::object_name XYZ ABC is the prefix, PROP::object_name is the dynamic value from Teamcenter object, and XYZ is the suffix.

-from_attach

target | reference

(Optional) Specifies which type of attachment (target or reference) to get the property value from when a property is specified in the **-property::**<oslc-namespace-prefix-url>.property-name argument. For example, **-property::**<http://purl.org/dc/terms/>.title=PROP::object_name where object_name is the property of the Teamcenter workflow attachment.

You can use this argument only when you get the property value from a property of the attachment object.

-attachment relation

Specifies the relation name linking the remote object with the target. This relation name should match a relation name configured in Linked Data Framework. Refer to Integrating Applications Using Linked Data Framework > Define the relations to apply when creating remote links.

This is a mandatory argument.

-remote_user_name

Used by the handler to connect to a remote system like Polarion for sending HTTP requests.

The Restrictions section below describes separate actions required to generate an encrypted password file.

Note:

This argument is optional with SSO.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** or **Complete** action.

Note:

Do not place on a **Perform** action requiring specific user interaction. Placement on the **Perform** action may cause the handler to be triggered multiple times.

RESTRICTIONS

Use if you are using the Linked Data Framework for application integrations, and you want Teamcenter workflows to create an object in a remote system.

You must generate an encrypted password file by following these steps in a Teamcenter command shell:

- Run this command: mkdir %TC_DATA%\polarionconnector
- 2. Run this command:

%TC_ROOT%\bin\install -encryptpwf -f=%TC_DATA%\polarionconnector\ < user name> Where < user name > is user name of remote system such as Polarion ALM. This user name should be configured as a value of the -remote user name handler.

FXAMPLES

 This example shows the LDF-create-object handler configuration to create an object in the remote system of type changerequest, and attaching the remote link of this object with target by Lcm0RelatedChangeRequest relation. Uses service provider and title values from target object properties object_desc, object_name, respectively.

Argument	Values
-service_provider	PROP::object_desc
-object_type	changerequest
-property:: <http: dc="" purl.org="" terms=""></http:> .title	PROP::object_name
-from_attach	target
-attachment_relation	Lcm0RelatedChangeRequest
-remote_user_name	admin

• This example shows the **LDF-create-object** handler configuration to create an object in the remote system of type **issue**, and attaching the remote link of this object with target by

LcmOAffectedByDefect relation. Uses title and description values from target object properties **object_name**, **object_desc** respectively.

Argument	Values
-service_provider	Drive Pilot
-object_type	issue
-property:: <http: dc="" purl.org="" terms=""></http:> .title	PROP::object_name
-property:: <http: dc="" purl.org="" terms=""></http:> .description	PROP::object_desc
-from_attach	target
-attachment_relation	Lcm0AffectedByDefect
-remote_user_name	admin

LDF-set-task-result-to-property

DESCRIPTION

LDF-set-task-result-to-property reads the specified property from the remote object. **LDF-set-task-result-to-property** uses that property value to set the result string attribute of the task where this handler is located, or on the task specified by the **-target_task** argument. A common use for this handler is to control **Condition** task branching instead of using a scheme that requires a custom handler. Using this handler to set the result attribute of a **Condition** task branches the workflow process based on a remote property of the target source object.

SYNTAX

-property
-source
[-attachment_relation]
[-include_type]
[-target_task]
[-remote_user_name]

ARGUMENTS

-property

Specifies the property to be read from the identified remote object attached to the target with specified relation.

The values specified for this argument require a fully qualified property name with a prefix URL prepended to every property in a workflow argument value. The OSLC namespace prefix URL must be contained in angle brackets in the **<oslc-namespace-prefix-url > -property-name** format as shown in the **Examples** section below.

This is a mandatory argument.

-source

Determines which source object identifies the remote object property. Source object values are either **target** or **reference**. The remote object property is identified in the **-property** argument.

target

Declares that the remote object property is read from a target object. The **-include_type** argument specifies the target object type to use.

reference

Declares that the remote object property is from a reference object. The **-include_type** argument specifies the reference object type to use.

-attachment_relation

Specifies the relation name to expand to get a linked object from a workflow attachment. Linked objects, attached to targets and references in a workflow with the relation specified by - attachment_relation, are searched. Linked objects not matching the specified relation criteria are ignored.

This is an optional argument.

-include_type

Identifies the source type to read the specified property of the remote object. The property name is defined in the **-property** argument. If more than one target object of a given type exists, the first target on the list is used. If a valid **-include_type** argument is absent, the property is read from the first target on the list.

-target_task

Identifies where the result string attribute is set. If not specified, then the task result attribute is set for the task containing this handler.

This is an optional argument.

- **\$ROOT_TASK**—Sets the result string attribute on the root task of the process.
- **\$DEPENDENT_TASK**—Sets the result string attribute on the parent process task which is dependent on this subprocess. The parent process task should be a **Condition** task.

-remote_user_name

Used by the handler to connect to a remote system, like Polarion, for sending HTTP requests.

The **Restrictions** section below describes separate actions required to generate an encrypted password file.

Note:

This argument is optional with SSO.

PLACEMENT

Typically placed on the **Start** action of the specified **Condition** task.

Note:

You can apply the **LDF-set-task-result-to-property** handler to *any* task, but it sets the result on either a root or **Condition** task.

The **Condition** task can contain the handler or be a parent of another dependent task that contains the handler.

RESTRICTIONS

- Do not place this handler on the **Perform** action.
- Do not use this handler in conjunction with other handlers that set the **result** attribute, such as **EPM-set-condition**, **EPM-set-parent-result**, or a custom handler.
- You can use this handler on the **Complete** action only if a change occurred on the **Perform** action.
- This handler allows you to set the **result** attribute on the root task or any other **Condition** task.
- Use if you are using the Linked Data Framework for application integrations and you want Teamcenter workflows to create an object in a remote system. You must generate an encrypted password file in a Teamcenter command shell. To create an encrypted password:
 - 1. Run this command: **mkdir** %TC_DATA%\polarionconnector.
 - 2. Run this command: **%TC_ROOT%\bin\install -encryptpwf -f=%TC_DATA%\polarionconnector \<user name>**.
 - Where **<user name>** is the user name of a remote system such as Polarion ALM. Configure this user name as a value of the **-remote_user_name** handler.

EXAMPLES

This LDF_set_task_result_to_property handler configuration branches a Condition task based on the remote object property Priority, which is attached to a target change request revision with the relation Lcm0RelatedChangeRequest.

Argument	Values
-property	.priority">http://polarion.plm.automation.siemens.com/oslc#>.priority
-source	target
-include_type	Change Request Revision
-attachment_relation	Lcm0RelatedChangeRequest
-remote_user_name	admin

MDL-attach-changes-to-baselines

DESCRIPTION

For all change item revisions that are targets of the root task, this handler finds any baseline revisions in the **Reference Items** folder and attaches the change item revision as a reference to the baseline.

If the attachment fails for any reason, an error is returned.

SYNTAX

MDL-attach-changes-to-baselines

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

MDL-attach-subset-definition-changes

DESCRIPTION

Compares the mdl0HistorySyncStatus property for the content of all target subset definitions. Where content is out of synchronization, the handler adds the content to the workflow as a target.

An Mdl0ModelElement business object is in sync whenever the mdl0HistorySyncStatus property value is empty ("").

Examine both the latest-history and latest configurations for both content and partitions. This is required to get the correct promote-to-history of obsoleted or configured-out content.

SYNTAX

MDL-attach-subset-definition-changes [-partition=[scheme1, [scheme2, ...] | [* | all | any]

ARGUMENTS

-partition

(Optional) Attaches the required partitions from the subset definition content up to the root partitions. You can specify multiple partition schemes by name, all partitions, or any partition.

If the -partition argument is used, partitions in the specified partition schemes are also attached if the partition is:

- Configured by the subset definition.
- Itself is out of sync.
- Lies on the path from the subset definition content to the root partitions.

PLACEMENT

Place before the MDL-promote-objects-to-history handler to synchronize the subset definition content with the history.

RESTRICTIONS

MDL-promote-objects-to-history

DESCRIPTION

Promotes all targets and any related objects to history. For non-revisable targets, this handler checks the maturity status for object stability.

If the target object is revisable, the logical object is copied to POM history and its references are checked for stability.

If the target object is not revisable, it is checked for stability

SYNTAX

MDL-promote-objects-to-history

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

MDL-snapshot-baseline-revisions

DESCRIPTION

Sets the snapshot date and closure state for all baseline revisions that are targets of the root task.

Deleting and re-adding the baseline snapshot date is an alternative to revising a baseline. It avoids creating additional objects, but does not allow a record to be kept of the failed baseline attempt. The choice between a re-open versus a revise step is a business decision, and it is expected to be formally designed as a workflow.

Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends that you use a workflow action handler to close a baseline before performing signoffs. Once signoffs are complete, we recommend using another workflow action handler to assign a status to the baseline.

SYNTAX

MDL-snapshot-baseline-revisions -snapshot = add | replace | delete -closure=name |

ARGUMENTS

-snapshot

Sets the baseline revision snapshot date. The value can be one of the following:

add

Ensure the baseline revision has a snapshot date.

If the baseline revision does not have a snapshot date, it is set to the current date. If the baseline revision already has a snapshot date, the snapshot date is unchanged.

• replace

Sets the baseline revision snapshot date to the current date.

delete

Sets the baseline revision snapshot date to **null**.

-closure

Sets the baseline revision closure property to the specified value.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

ME-create-mirror-mbom-AH

DESCRIPTION

Creates a single manufacturing bill of materials (MBOM) master root from a single engineering bill of materials (EBOM) master root. It allows different item types in the MBOM than were in the EBOM for certain nodes based on custom logic. By default, the MEBOM_* preferences listed set the item type to be created.

- MEMBOM_Mirror_MakeRules
- MEMBOM_Mirror_RemoveLineWithIDIC
- MEMBOM_Mirror_ReplaceMakeOnChange
- MEMBOM_Mirror_TypePrefixSuffix

Note:

This utility requires a mfg_mbm_author or manufacturing_author license.

You can also customize the item type to be created using the **USER_create_or_ref_item** user exit operation exposed in the Business Modeler IDE through **BMF_ITEM_create_or_ref_id** on the item.

Attachments that are associated with item revisions in the EBOM structure are carried forward. A user exit operation (USER_sync_item) must also be available on the item to align any additional attachment information or non-occurrence properties. The user exit is exposed in the Business Modeler IDE through BMF_ITEM_sync on the item.

The target must be an item or item revision or a structure context object. The top line of the structure is where the creation starts.

SYNTAX

ME-create-mirror-AH
[-revrule=revision-rule]
[-mbomrevrule=mbom-revision-rule]
[-depth=depth]
[-clientdata=data]
[-actiononrelease= {1 | 2 | 3 | 4}]
[-mscuid=UID]
[-usemfk= {0 | 1}]
[-log=log-file]

ARGUMENTS

-revrule

Specifies the revision rule of the EBOM structure used to traverse. This argument is mandatory only if the target is an item or item revision. Do not use this argument if the target is a structure context object.

-mbomrevrule

Specifies the revision rule for the MBOM structure. This argument is mandatory only if the target is a an item or item revision. Do not use this argument if the target is a structure context object.

-depth

(Optional) Specifies the depth up to which to create the MBOM nodes.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter creates all of the MBOM nodes.

-clientdata

(Optional) Data to be passed to any custom-registered user exit functions defined on the item.

-actiononrelease

(Optional) Specifies a value indicating the action to be taken if an MBOM node already exists (has a computed ID linked to the EBOM) and is released. Possible values are:

- 1 Skip (the default).
- 2 Revise and modify,
- 3 Update properties on the released item.
- 4 Update properties on the MBOM and its children.

-mscuid

Specifies the UID of the structure context object for the MBOM structure if the mobmrevrule is not suitable (for example, it is a private revision rule).

-log

(Optional) Specifies the absolute path and name of the log file to capture details about the nodes created.

-usemfk

(Optional) Specifies whether to include the MEMBOM_Mirror_TypePrefixSuffix preference value with the EBOM item identifier as a multifield key that becomes the new MBOM item identifier. Values are:

0	Do not include the preference value in the multifield key. This value is the default.
1	If the preference defines an item type without a prefix or a suffix, include the value in the multifield key. This value is ignored if the preference also defines a prefix or a suffix.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

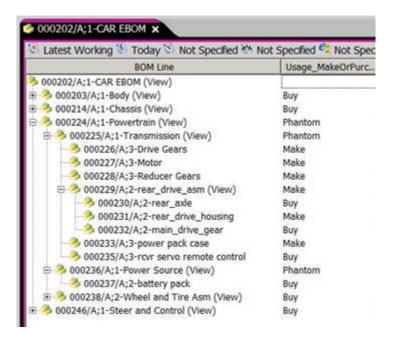
None.

EXAMPLES

The following examples of specifying arguments for the **ME-create-mirror-mbom-AH** action handler demonstrate its use and the differences in output caused by changing the arguments. The initial values of the preferences are as follows.

- MEMBOM_Mirror_MakeRules=KEY:Usage_MakeOrPurchase,VALUE:Make |VALUE:Phantom
- MEMBOM_Mirror_RemoveLineWithIDIC=false
- MEMBOM_Mirror_TypePrefixSuffix=Company,M_
- MEMBOM_Mirror_ReplaceMakeOnChange=false
- Create an MBOM

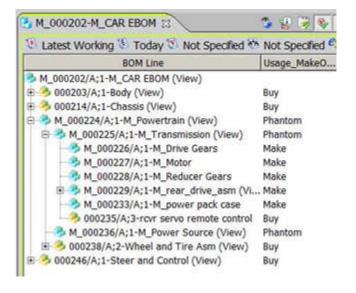
For the following EBOM, which is the target of the workflow:



The following arguments on **ME-create-mirror-mbom-AH**:

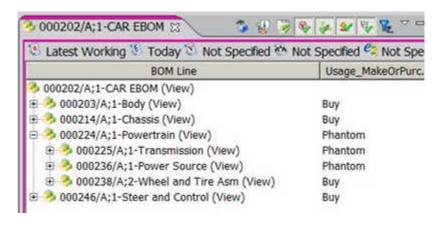
Argument	Values
-revrule=	"Latest Working"
-mbomrevrule=	"Latest Working"

Produce the following MBOM:



Create the MBOM to a specific level

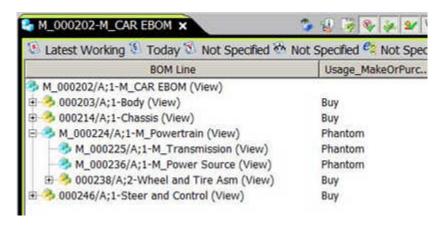
For the following EBOM, which is the target of the workflow:



The following arguments:

Argument	Values
-revrule=	"Latest Working"
-mbomrevrule=	"Latest Working"
-depth=	2

Produce a new MBOM, which contains only two levels of structure. The remaining levels in the EBOM are ignored.



ME-create-revision-change-XML-AH

DESCRIPTION

Creates a revision change delta XML file. The manufacturing change notice (MCN) revision contains the item revisions to find revision changes. The configuration context object supplies the current configuration, and the MCN can optionally have a **was** configuration set on it. The generated XML file is attached to the request object.

SYNTAX

ME-create-revision-change-XML-AH [-filename=file-name]

ARGUMENTS

(Optional) **-filename**=file-name

When you specify the **-filename=** argument, the system uses it as a base name; however, the actual filename is **RevisionChangeXML**basename-randomstring.xml

REFERENCES

- (Required) MCN revision object.
- (Required) Configuration context (execution plan type) object.

TARGETS

(Required) Request object.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

ME-mbom-resolve-AH

DESCRIPTION

Searches the specified engineering bill of materials (EBOM) for parts that resolve the search recipes defined in the target (root) manufacturing bill of materials (MBOM) and assigns them to the MBOM.

You can choose the scope of the resolution and whether to recursively resolve all nodes underneath the selected scope (-recurse) and remove previously assigned parts. Because you most often define the root of the EBOM as the target, be sure to set the -recurse argument to 1 to resolve the entire structure.

SYNTAX

ARGUMENTS

[-removepreviousresolvednodes=1 | 0]

-itemid

(Optional) Specifies the root of the EBOM structure to be searched.

One of the **-itemid**, **scuid**, or **key** arguments is mandatory. Therefore, do *not* use if you define a structure context or a key.

-scuid

(Optional) Specifies the structure context capturing the root of the EBOM structure and configuration to be searched.

One of the **-itemid**, **-scuid**, or **-key** arguments is mandatory. Therefore, do *not* use if you define an item or item revision or a key.

-key

(Optional) Specifies the key of the top line of the root EBOM structure to be searched when multiple attributes are used to form the unique item ID. Use the following format:

```
[keyAttr1=keyVal1] [,keyAttr2=keyVal2]...[,keyAttrN=keyValN]
```

One of the **-itemid**, **-scuid**, or **-key** arguments is mandatory. Therefore, do *not* use if you define an item or item revision or structure context.

-revrule

(Optional) Specifies the revision rule of the EBOM structure to be searched. This argument is mandatory only if the EBOM is an item or item revision or key. Do *not* use if the target is a structure context object.

-mbomrevrule

(Optional) Specifies the revision rule for the MBOM structure where the recipes are defined. This argument is mandatory only if the target is *not* a structure context object.

-log

(Optional) Specifies the absolute path and name of the log file to capture details.

-scopeid

(Optional) Specifies the item ID in the EBOM from which to begin the search. This argument cannot be used with **scopeidincontext** or **scopekey**.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter begins searching at the top line of the EBOM.

Select one of the **-scopeid**, **-scopeidincontext**, or **-scopekey** arguments. Do *not* use if you define a structure context or a key.

-scopeidincontext

(Optional) Specifies the ID in top level context in the EBOM from which to begin the search. This argument cannot be used with **scopeid**.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter begins searching at the top line of the EBOM.

Select one of the **-scopeid**, **-scopeidincontext**, or **-scopekey** arguments. Do *not* use if you define an item or item revision or a key.

-scopekey

(Optional) Specifies the IDIC of the line in the EBOM from which to begin the search. This argument cannot be used with **scopeid**.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter begins searching at the top line of the EBOM.

Select one of the **-scopeid**, **-scopeidincontext**, or **-scopekey** arguments. Do *not* use if you define an item or item revision or structure context.

-mscopeid

(Optional) Specifies the item ID in the MBOM to resolve, for example, if you want to resolve for a particular phantom node. This argument cannot be used with **mscopeidincontext**.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter resolves at the top line of the MBOM.

Select one of the **-mscopeid**, **-mscopeidincontext**, or **-mscopekey** arguments. Do *not* use if you define a structure context or a key.

-mscopeidincontext

(Optional) Specifies the ID in top level context in the MBOM to resolve, for example, if you want to resolve for a particular phantom node.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter resolves the recipes starting at the top line of the MBOM.

Select one of the **-mscopeid**, **-mscopeidincontext**, or **-mscopekey** arguments. Do *not* use if you define an item or item revision or a key.

-mscopekey

(Optional) Specifies the IDIC of the line in the MBOM to resolve, for example, if you want to resolve for a particular phantom node. This argument cannot be used with **mscopeid**.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter resolves the recipes starting at the top line of the MBOM.

Select one of the **-mscopeid**, **-mscopeidincontext**, or **-mscopekey** arguments. Do *not* use if you define an item or item revision or structure context.

-recurse

(Optional) Specifies whether to resolve all nodes under the specified scope node. Valid values are **1** and **0**. The default value is **0** meaning Teamcenter only resolves the recipes at the specified scope node.

-removeprevious resolved nodes

(Optional) Specifies whether to remove the previously assigned parts. Valid values are **1** and **0**. The default value is **0** meaning Teamcenter does not remove parts that have already been resolved in the MBOM.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

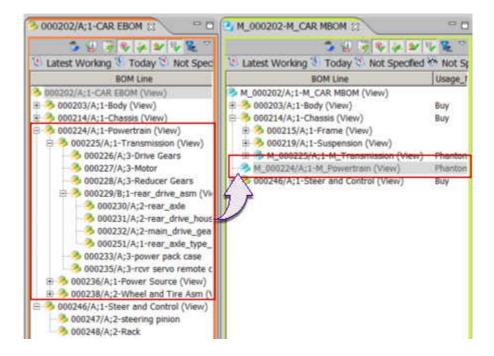
RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

The following arguments search the EBOM (000202/A;1–CAR_EBOM) for parts that resolve the recipes defined at node 000224/A of the target MBOM (M_000202–M_CAR_MBOM) and assigns them to the MBOM:

Argument	Values
-itemid=	000202
-revrule=	"Latest Working"
-mbomrevrule=	"Latest Working"
-mscopeid=	000224
-recurse	1



ME-stamp-ids-AH

DESCRIPTION

Traverses a structure according to a closure rule and automatically assigns a value to a specific property based on a recipe determined by the value of the **MEIdGenerationPropertySetting** preference. The workflow targets must be items, item revision, or structure context objects.

The target item or item revision is used as the top line of the BOM window. Normally, the top line of the structure is where the transverse is started. If you need to start at a lower line, use the-**scopeid** or - **scopeidincontext** arguments.

SYNTAX

ME-stamp-ids-AH
[-revrule=revision-rule]
[-scopeid=scope-ID|-scopeidincontext=scope-in-context-ID]
[-closurerule=closure-rule-name]
[-preference=preference-name]
[-forceupdate=1]

ARGUMENTS

-revrule

Specifies the revision rule. This argument is mandatory only if the target is an item or item revision to set up the BOM window. Do not use this argument if the target is a structure context object.

-scopeid

(Optional) Specifies the item ID in the manufacturing BOM from which to begin the traversal. This argument cannot be used with **scopeidincontext**.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter begins the traversal at the top line in the manufacturing BOM.

-scopeidincontext

(Optional) Specifies the IDIC of the line in the manufacturing BOM from which to begin the traversal. This argument cannot be used with **scopeid**.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter begins the traversal at the top line in the manufacturing BOM.

-closurerule

(Optional) Specifies the closure rule that determines which lines in the structure Teamcenter stamps when it traverses the manufacturing BOM structure below the scope line.

If you do not specify a closure rule, every line in the structure below the given scope line is stamped.

-preference

(Optional) Specifies the preference name containing the rules for setting the BOM line property. The default preference is **MEIdGenerationPropertySetting**.

-forceupdate=1

(Optional) Specifies that an existing ID in a **Context** string should be ignored and that a new value is generated. By default, the old value is not overridden.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

- This example creates in-context IDs that are based on the **Usage Address** property based on the constituent properties of item ID and item type. To do this:
 - 1. Define the recipe for the IDIC value by setting the **MEIdGenerationPropertySetting** to:

type:Item,key: bl_usage_address,prop:bl_item_item_id, prop:bl_item_object_type

- 2. Do one of the following:
 - Create the usage address property on each line under the top line.

Argument	Values
-revrule	Latest Working

• Create the usage address on selected lines specified in a closure rule under a scope line determined by the specified IDIC (top level) value. In other words, the handler begins with a line that you specify by IDIC, traverses the structure from the IDIC line downward using the given closure rule, and stamps the resulting lines with the usage address string.

Argument	Values
-revrule	Latest Working
-scopeidincontext	kJBtMh0hAAbaaA
-closurerule	AccountabilityAll

ME-update-mirror-mbom-AH

DESCRIPTION

Updates a manufacturing bill of materials (MBOM) based on an engineering bill of materials (EBOM) from the top structure level. It allows different item types in the MBOM than were in the EBOM for certain nodes based on custom logic. By default, the MEMBOM_* preferences listed below set the item type to be created.

- MEMBOM_Mirror_MakeRules
- MEMBOM_Mirror_RemoveLineWithIDIC
- MEMBOM_Mirror_ReplaceMakeOnChange
- MEMBOM_Mirror_TypePrefixSuffix

Note:

This utility requires a mfg_mbm_author or manufacturing_author license.

You can also customize the item type to be created using the **USER_create_or_ref_item** user exit operation exposed in the Business Modeler IDE through **BMF_ITEM_create_or_ref_id** on the item.

The target must be an item or item revision or a structure context object. The top line of the structure is where the update is started. If you need to start at a lower line, use the-**scopeid** or **-scopeidincontext** arguments.

SYNTAX

ME-update-mirror-mbom-AH

[-revrule=revision-rule]
[-mbomrevrule=mbom-revision-rule]
[-depth=depth]
[-clientdata=data]
[-actiononrelease= {1 | 2 | 3 | 4}]
[-mscuid=UID]
[-mbomroot=root-itemid]
[-usemfk= {0 | 1}]
[-log=log-file]

ARGUMENTS

-revrule

Specifies the revision rule of the EBOM structure used to traverse. This argument is mandatory only if the target is an item or item revision. Do *not* use this argument if the target is a structure context object.

-mbomrevrule

Specifies the revision rule for the MBOM structure. This argument is mandatory only if the target is a structure context object. This argument is required if the target is an item revision.

-depth

(Optional) Specifies the depth up to which to create the MBOM nodes.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter creates all of the MBOM nodes.

-clientdata

(Optional) Data to be passed to any custom-registered user exit functions defined on the item.

-actiononrelease

(Optional) A value indicating the action to be taken if an MBOM node already exists (has a computed ID) and is released. Possible values are:

- 1 Skip (the default).
- 2 Revise and modify,
- 3 Update properties on the released item.
- 4 Update properties on the MBOM and its children.

-mscuid

The UID of the structure context object for the MBOM structure if the **mobmrevrule** is not suitable (for example, it is a private revision rule). Either this argument or the **mbomroot** argument is mandatory.

-mbomroot

(Optional) The ID of the root of the MBOM structure. Either this argument or the **mscuid** argument is mandatory.

-scopeid

(Optional) Specifies the item ID in the EBOM from which to begin the traversal. This argument cannot be used with **scopeidincontext**.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter begins the traversal at the top line in the EBOM.

-scopeidincontext

(Optional) Specifies the IDIC of the line in the EBOM from which to begin the traversal. This argument cannot be used with **scopeid**.

If you do not specify this value, Teamcenter begins the traversal at the top line in the EBOM.

-log

(Optional) Specifies the absolute path and name of the log file to capture details about the nodes created.

-usemfk

(Optional) Specifies whether to include the **MEMBOM_Mirror_TypePrefixSuffix** preference value with the EBOM item identifier as a multifield key that updates the existing MBOM item identifier. Values are:

- **0** Do not include the preference value in the multifield key. This value is the default.
- If the preference defines an item type without a prefix or a suffix, include the value in the multifield key. This value is ignored if the preference also defines a prefix or a suffix.

PLACEMENT

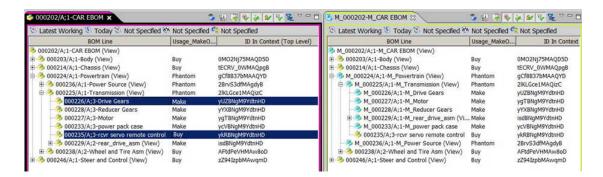
Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

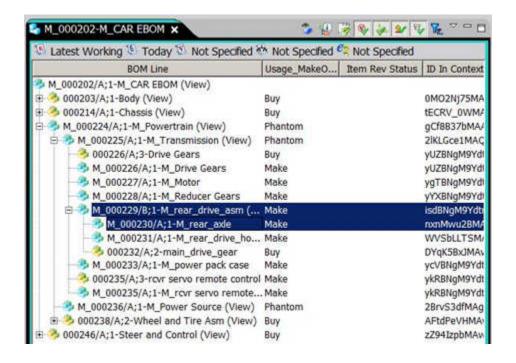
In the following EBOM and MBOM, M_000229/A;1-M_rear_drive_asm is released and then the make/buy property on its child, 000230/A;2-rear_axle, is changed from Buy to Make.



You revise the MBOM part so you have write access and run the update workflow using the following arguments on **ME-update-mirror-mbom-AH** action handler for the target MBOM:

Argument	Values
-revrule=	"Latest Working"
-mbomrevrule=	"Latest Working"
-actiononrelease=	2

The results are the following:



MES-Update3DPDFReports

DESCRIPTION

Updates all 3DPDF reports attached to selected lines (processes and/or operations), according to the settings on the report creation. If a report update fails, the process continues until all update processes are complete.

The handler creates a dataset with a summary log, detailing for each report whether it successfully updated or not. Also, for each report that has failed to update, the handler creates a dataset with its log.

By default, the datasets are created in the **Newstuff** folder. You can define a different folder with the **MES_3DPDF_UPDATE_WORKFLOW_LOG_FOLDER** preference. If the handler does not complete in 10 minutes, a timeout error message is issued and the task fails. You can change the timeout wait time with the **MES_3DPDF_UPDATE_WORKFLOW_WAIT_TIME** preference.

SYNTAX

MES-Update3DPDFReports

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

Use only on process revision and operation revision business objects.

OBJIO-archive-target-objects

DESCRIPTION

Archives objects from the master site to the archive site.

The user executing OBJIO-archive-target-objects must be a system administrator with DBA privileges.

SYNTAX

OBJIO-archive-target-objects [-include_bom]

ARGUMENTS

-include_bom

Specifies to include assembly components of the BOM at all levels for processing. Caution must be exercised in using this option as all children components of BOM gets archived. This option cannot be used with 4GD target objects.

PLACEMENT

No restrictions.

RESTRICTIONS

Use in workflow processes with objects belonging to either class or subclass of **Item** or **Mdl0ApplicationModel** as targets.

OBJIO-release-and-replicate

DESCRIPTION

Supports controlled replication of structure context objects.

(SCOs). An SCO represents a virtual product configuration. The assembly for such a configuration might spread across multiple sites. To make the information available as quickly as possible to all sites participating on the assembly, Multi-Site provides *controlled replication*. This functionality replicates these objects to participating sites when the assembly is released.

Note:

A *structure context* is a specific configuration of structure representation. A structure context is similar to an occurrence group but contains a configuration context. The configuration context is a persistent object that stores the configuration specified by revision and variant rules. The structure context also contains the root item.

You can use this handler to:

- Configure the target assembly with a specified revision rule or variant rule.
- Perform specified checks against the first level of the target assembly and apply a Release status to
 the target assembly when the checks are successful. You can check that all levels are precise, that no
 components are stubs, and/or that all components have a Release status.
 If any check fails, an error appears.
- Initiate additional validation by the **CreateAssemblyPLMXML** Dispatcher task, performed asynchronously.
 - If the validation fails, a **Release_check_failed** status is applied to the target assembly and an e-mail notification sent to the process initiator

SYNTAX

OBJIO-release-and-replicate [-revision_rule=revision-rule-to-configure-assembly] [-variant_rule=variant-rule-to-configure-assembly] [-check_precise] [-check_no_stubs] [-check_all_released]

ARGUMENTS

-revision_rule

Specifies the revision rule used to configure the target assembly. If not specified, the **Latest Released** revision rule is used for the BOM configuration.

-variant_rule

Specifies the variant rule used to configure the target assembly. If not specified, the default variant rule is used for the BOM configuration.

-check_precise

Checks that all levels of the assembly are precise. If this check fails, **Release** status is not applied to the assembly.

-check_no_stubs

Checks that no component of the assembly is a stub. If this check fails, **Release** status is not applied to the assembly.

-check_all_released

Checks that each component of the assembly have a **Release** status. If this check fails, **Release** status is not applied to the assembly.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

Use in workflow processes with SCOs as targets.

OBJIO-restore-target-objects

DESCRIPTION

Restore objects from the archive site to the master site.

The user executing OBJIO-restore-target-objects must be a system administrator with DBA privileges.

SYNTAX

OBJIO-restore-target-objects [-include_bom]

ARGUMENTS

-include_bom

Specifies to include assembly components of the BOM at all levels for processing. Caution must be exercised in using this option as all children components of BOM gets archived. This option cannot be used with 4GD target objects.

PLACEMENT

No restrictions.

RESTRICTIONS

Use in workflow processes with objects belonging to either class or subclass of **PublishedObject** as targets.

OBJIO-send-target-objects

DESCRIPTION

Sends to or synchronizes objects at other Multi-Site Collaboration sites. If the object is not present at the remote site, the object is replicated; otherwise, it is synchronized.

SYNTAX

OBJIO-send-target-objects [-class=classname] {-target_site=site-name | ALL | \$SCHEDULE_SITE | - owning_site=site-name | \$SCHEDULE_SITE} [-target_revision_only=YES] [-reason=string]

ARGUMENTS

-class

Sends target objects of the specified class to the specified site. You can specify this argument more than once to send different classes of target objects. If this argument is not used, all target objects are sent.

-target_site

Sends the target objects to the specified site, but does not transfer ownership. You can specify multiple sites, separated by a comma or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference. Use **ALL** to send the specified target objects to all sites.

Use the **\$SCHEDULE_SITE** keyword to define the target site as the owning site of the schedule task or schedule task proxy link attached to the workflow process as **schedule_task**.

This argument is mutually exclusive with the **-owning_site** argument. One or the other of these two arguments must be specified for the handler to run.

-owning_site

Transfers site ownership of the target objects to the specified site. All target objects are converted to reference objects before the data transfer.

Use the **\$SCHEDULE_SITE** keyword to define the owning site as the owning site of the schedule task or schedule task proxy link attached to the workflow process as **schedule_task**.

This argument is mutually exclusive with the **-target_site** argument. One or the other of these two arguments must be specified for the handler to run.

-target_revision_only

Exports only the released item revision to the remote site. When this argument is not used, all item revisions are exported.

Do not use this argument with the **-owning_site** argument; all revisions must be transferred when transferring site ownership.

-reason

Allows you to enter a string (up to 240 characters) explaining why these objects were sent.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

- Requires Multi-Site Collaboration to be configured at your site.
- The sending site must own all objects to be sent to other sites.
- When using the **-target_revision_only** argument, the **-class** argument must be set to *ItemRevision*. This argument cannot be used with the **-owning_site** argument; all revisions must be transferred when transferring site ownership.

EXAMPLES

• This example shows how to send all item target objects to the **Detroit** and **Tokyo** sites without transferring ownership:

Argument	Values
-class	Item
-target_site	Detroit, Tokyo

• This example shows how to send item and dataset target objects to all sites without transferring ownership:

Argument	Values
-class	Item, Dataset
-target_site	ALL

• This example shows how to transfer site ownership of item and dataset target objects to the **Tokyo** site:

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Argument	Values
-class	Item, Dataset
-owning_site	Tokyo

PARTITION-activate-or-inactivate

DESCRIPTION

Marks a partition as active or inactive.

SYNTAX

PARTITION-activate-or-inactivate -activate={true | false}

ARGUMENTS

-activate

Marks the partition as active (-activate=true) or inactive (-activate=false).

PLACEMENT

Place in a new workflow specifically designed to activate or inactivate partitions. The ability to activate partitions must be enabled first by setting the **Ptn0EnableActivationBehavior** business object constant to **true**.

RESTRICTIONS

PIE-export-to-plmxmlfile

DESCRIPTION

Exports targets, references, and/or workflow process information to a PLM XML file. Use this handler to export targets and references data to a PLM XML file during a workflow process. You can also export operation and plant objects or the state of the workflow tasks to the PLM XML file. See *Workflow task actions and states* for more information.

SYNTAX

PIE-export-to-plmxmlfile [-context=context-string]
[-attach={target|reference|both}] [-file=filename] [-include_process_info] [-revrule]

ARGUMENTS

-context

Defines the context string, which specifies the transfer mode used for export. If not specified, it uses the default transfer mode.

-attach

Specifies which workflow process attachments are exported. If not specified, only targets are exported.

-file

Specifies the path and file name to which the data is exported. The export file is saved to the server machine.

If the path is not specified, the file is placed in the TC_TMP_DIR directory on the server. If this argument is not defined, the workflow process name is used as the file name, and the file is placed in the TC_TMP_DIR directory.

-include_process_info

Includes the workflow process information in the PLM XML file.

-revrule

Specifies the revision rule to be applied for the BOM lines while exporting the structure.

This argument applies only when the target object is a single item or item revision. The argument is ignored when the target has multiple objects or when the object is not an item or item revision.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

Note:

Exporting this information may take some time, depending on the export content. Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends using the **-context** and **-file** arguments, which provide better control over the XML file's content and location, respectively.

EXAMPLES

This example releases an item revision, exporting the item revision information along with the BOM to a PLM XML file and sending the file to a third-party application. In this example, it is assumed that there is a transfer mode context named **MyApplication** that has a tool attached that connects to the third-party application and process the PLM XML file. Place this handler immediately after you add a release status.

Argument	Values
-context	MyApplication
-attach	target
-file	tceng2myap.xml
-revrule	Latest Working

PROJ-assign-members

DESCRIPTION

Adds members to projects. You can specify the projects and the members using handler arguments only, using properties on a form attached to the workflow template, and using a combination of handler arguments and form properties.

- The list of projects to receive new members is specified directly by projects and indirectly by the **projects_property** argument.
- The list of nonprivileged members to be added to the projects is specified directly by members and indirectly by the **members_property** argument.
- The list of privileged members to be added to the projects is specified directly by privileged_members and indirectly by the **privileged_members_property** argument.

Note:

To run this handler, you must be either the project administrator, or the project team administrator of each project receiving new members.

SYNTAX

PROJ-assign-members [-source_task=task-name.attachment-type]
[-type=form_type_name]
[-projects=comma_separated_project_list]
[-members=comma_separated_member_list]
[-privileged_members=comma_separated_member_list]
[-projects_property=property_name]
[-members_property=property_name]
[-privileged_members_property=property_name]
[-bypass]

ARGUMENTS

-source_task

Specifies the task-name and attachment-type combination that associates a source form with the EPM task. The default reference attachments are those that are attached to the current task and are of the type specified by the **-type** argument.

task-name

Use one of the following values:

• The name of the current task (the default value)

• The **\$ROOT** reserved keyword (the root task)

attachment-type

Use one of the following reserved keywords:

- **\$REFERENCE** for reference attachments
- **\$TARGET** for target attachments

-type

Specifies the form type that designates properties to be used as the source of project names and member references.

-projects

Specifies a list of project names to receive new members. The privileged and non-privileged members are added to each project. Members already assigned to a particular project remain assigned.

Separate multiple entries with commas.

-members

Specifies a list of members to be added to the projects as non-privileged members. Each member is of the form group/role/user. An empty value can be specified for group, role, or user when necessary.

Separate multiple members with commas. Separate sub-groups with a period.

-privileged_members

Specifies a list of members to be added to the projects as privileged members. Each member is of the form group/role/user. An empty value can be specified for group, role, or user when necessary.

Separate multiple members with commas.

-projects_property

Specifies the name of a source-form property that designates project names to receive new members. The privileged and non-privileged members are added to each project. Members already assigned to a particular project remain assigned.

If you use this argument, you must use the **-type** argument also.

-members_property

Specifies the name of a source-form property that designates member references to be added to the projects as non-privileged members.

If you use this argument, you must use the **-type** argument also.

-privileged_members_property

Specifies the name of a source-form property that designates member references to be added to the projects as privileged members.

If you use this argument, you must use the **-type** argument also.

-bypass

Specifies that access checks are bypassed for reading the project name and member references from the source form. Otherwise, you must have access to read properties from the source form.

PLACEMENT

Place on any task action.

RESTRICTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

- This example adds members to projects using handler arguments only. In this example, assume the following:
 - The projects to receive members are named **Proj1** and **Proj2**.
 - The user named **john** is to be added to both projects as a non-privileged member. This user has the **Designer** role in the **Engineering** group.
 - The user named **jane** is to be added to both projects as a privileged member. This user has the **Manager** role in the **Engineering** group.

Argument	Values
-projects	Proj1,Proj2
-members	Engineering/Designer/john
-privileged_members	Engineering/Manager/jane

- This example adds members to projects using properties of a form attached to the workflow template. In this example, assume the following:
 - The source form is associated with the root task as a reference attachment.
 - The form type is **Pwf0ProjMemberForm**.
 - The projects to receive members are listed in the value of the **pwf0Projects** form property.

- The non-privileged members to be added are listed in the value of the **pwf0NonPrivilegedMembers** form property.
- The privileged members to be added are listed in the value of the **pwf0PrivilegedMembers** form property.

Argument	Values
-source_task	\$ROOT.\$REFERENCE
-type	Pwf0ProjMemberForm
-projects_property	pwf0Projects
-members_property	pwf0NonPrivileged Members
-privileged_members_ property	pwf0PrivilegedMembers

- This example adds members to a project using a combination of handler arguments and form properties. In this example, assume the following:
 - The source form is associated with the root task as a reference attachment.
 - The form type is **Pwf0ProjMemberForm**.
 - The projects to receive members are **Proj1** and those that are listed in the value of the **pwf0Projects** form property.
 - The non-privileged members to be added are **john**, with the **Designer** role in the **Engineering** group, and those users that are listed in the value of the **pwf0NonPrivilegedMembers** form property.
 - The privileged members to be added are **jane**, with the **Manager** role in the **Engineering** group, and those users that are listed in the value of the **pwf0PrivilegedMembers** form property.

Argument	Values
-source_task	\$ROOT.\$REFERENCE
-type	Pwf0ProjMemberForm
-projects	Proj1
-members	Engineering/Designer/john
-privileged_members	Engineering/Manager/jane
-projects_property	pwf0Projects

Argument	Values
-members_property	pwf0NonPrivileged Members
-privileged_members_ property	pwf0PrivilegedMembers

PROJ-update-assigned-projects

DESCRIPTION

Updates the list of projects to which the workflow target objects are assigned. The handler arguments determine project IDs to be assigned to and removed from the targets. You can assign and remove projects using handler arguments only, using properties on a form attached to the workflow template, and using a combination of handler arguments and form properties.

Note:

The ability to assign or remove a project is controlled by the following:

- The TC_project_validate_conditions preference.
- The Access Manager privileges Assign to Project and Remove from Project.
- Whether you are a privileged or non-privileged member of the project.

SYNTAX

PROJ-update-assigned-projects [-source_task=task-name.attachment-type] [-type=form_type_name] [-assign_property=property_name] [-remove_property=property_name] [-assign_projects=comma_separated_project_list] [-remove_projects=comma_separated_project_list] [-bypass]

ARGUMENTS

-source_task

Specifies the task-name and attachment-type combination that associates a source form with the EPM task. The default reference attachments are those that are attached to the current task and are of the type specified by the **-type** argument.

task-name

Use one of the following values:

- The name of the current task (the default value)
- The **\$ROOT** reserved keyword (the root task)

attachment-type

Use one of the following reserved keywords:

- **\$REFERENCE** for reference attachments
- \$TARGET for target attachments

-type

Specifies the type name of a form that contains project IDs to assign or remove from the target objects.

-assign_property

Specifies the name of a source-form property that designates projects to assign to the target objects.

If you use this argument, you must use the **-type** argument also.

-remove_property

Specifies the name of a source-form property that designates projects to remove from the target objects.

If you use this argument, you must use the **-type** argument also.

-assign_projects

Specifies a list of projects to assign to the target objects. Projects already assigned to a particular target remain assigned.

Separate multiple entries with commas.

-remove_projects

Specifies a list of projects to remove from the target objects. Projects not already assigned to a particular target remain unassigned.

Separate multiple entries with commas.

-bypass

Specifies that access checks are bypassed for reading the source form and for writing the target objects. Otherwise, you must have both read access to the source form and write access to the target objects.

Note:

If you use this argument, you must have the Access Manager privileges **Assign to Project** and **Remove from Project** for each project assigned to or removed from the target objects.

PLACEMENT

Place on any task action.

RESTRICTIONS

None

EXAMPLES

• This example assigns and removes projects from the target objects using handler arguments only. In this example, assume that the projects to be assigned are **Proj1** and **Proj2**, and that the projects to be removed are **Proj3** and **Proj4**.

Argument	Values
-assign_projects	Proj1,Proj2
-remove_projects	Proj3,Proj4

- This example assigns and removes projects from the target objects using properties of a form attached to the workflow template. In this example, assume the following:
 - The source form is associated with the root task as a reference attachment.
 - The form type is **Pwf0AssignProjForm**.
 - The projects to be assigned are listed in the value of the **pwf0AssignProjects** form property.
 - The projects to be removed are listed in the value of the **pwf0RemoveProjects** form property.

Argument	Values
-source_task	\$ROOT.\$REFERENCE
-type	Pwf0AssignProjForm
-assign_property	pwf0AssignProjects
-remove_property	pwf0RemoveProjects

- This example assigns and removes projects from the target objects using a combination of handler arguments and form properties. In this example, assume the following:
 - The source form is associated with the root task as a reference attachment.
 - The form type is **Pwf0AssignProjForm**.
 - The projects to be assigned are Proj2 and those that are listed in the value of the pwf0AssignProjects form property.

• The projects to be removed are **Proj4** and those projects that are listed in the value of the **pwf0RemoveProjects** form property.

Argument	Values
-source_task	\$ROOT.\$REFERENCE
-type	Pwf0AssignProjForm
-assign_projects	Proj2
-remove_projects	Proj4
-assign_property	pwf0AssignProjects
-remove_property	pwf0RemoveProjects

PS-attach-assembly-components

DESCRIPTION

Attaches all the components of the target assembly as the targets of the same workflow process. This handler is intended for use only with item revisions.

When a workflow process is initiated for an item revision, this handler derives the components of the targeted item revision by traversing item revisions attached BOM.

By default, the handler traverses only one level deep. Set the **-depth** argument to **all** to traverse all levels. In this case, if any of the derived objects are subassemblies, they are also traversed and their component item revisions are also added as targets to the workflow process. If any remote item revisions are encountered, a warning is displayed and the remote item revisions are attached as references to the workflow process.

By default, all component item revisions currently in workflow process are ignored. If the **EPM_multiple_processes_targets** preference is set to **ON**, you can use the - **include_in_process_targets** argument to attach components that are currently in workflow process.

Note:

If the WRKFLW_allow_replica_targets preference is set to true and if any replica object qualifies to be attached as a workflow target, that object is attached as a Replica Proposed Target to the workflow process.

If the preference is set to **false** or is undefined, the handler attaches replica objects as references instead of targets.

Note:

If the target item revision contains attachments such as BOM view revisions, datasets should be released along with the assembly, the **EPM-attach-related-objects** handler should be used in conjunction with this handler.

SYNTAX

PS-attach-assembly-components [-depth=depth-of-traversal]
[-owned_by_initiator][-owned_by_initiator_group] [-initiator_has_write_prev]
[[-exclude_released [-traverse_released_component]]] [-rev_rule=revision-rule]
[-saved_var_rule=saved-variant-rule]
[[-exclude_related_type=types-to-be-excluded] |
[-include_related_type=types-to-be-included]] [-add_excluded_as_ref]
[-include_in_process_targets]

ARGUMENTS

-depth

Defines the depth to which the traversal should take place. Specify 1 to traverse one level deep. Specify all to traverse all levels.

If not specified, traverses one level deep.

-owned_by_initiator

Adds all the component item revisions owned by the initiator as targets to the workflow process.

-owned by initiator group

Adds all the component item revisions owned by the initiator's group as targets to the workflow process.

-initiator has write prev

Adds all the component item revisions to which the initiator has write access as targets to the workflow process.

-exclude released [-traverse released component]

Excludes released component item revisions from being added as targets. If the released component is a subassembly, the handler does not traverse the components of the released component unless traverse_released_component is also specified. The traverse_released_component argument can only be used in conjunction with the **exclude released** argument.

The -traverse released component argument can only be used in conjunction with the exclude_released argument.

If the -traverse_released_component is used, the handler traverses the structure of the released component, and adds the components as targets to the workflow process.

If the -depth argument is set to 1, -traverse_released_component only traverses one level deep.

If the -depth argument is set to all, the -traverse_released_component traverses all levels of the subassembly.

-rev_rule

Defines the name of the revision rule to be applied for BOM traversal. If not supplied, the default revision rule is used.

-saved var rule

Defines the name of the saved variant rule to be applied on BOM window for BOM traversal.

-exclude_related_type

Defines the types to be excluded from being added as targets.

The **-exclude_related_type** and **-include_related_type** arguments are mutually exclusive. Only one of these can be specified as arguments to the handler. If both arguments are specified, an error is displayed when running a workflow process using this handler.

-include_related_type

Defines the types to be included as targets.

The **-exclude_related_type** and **-include_related_type** arguments are mutually exclusive. Only one of these can be specified as arguments to the handler. If both arguments are specified, an error is displayed when running workflow process using this handler.

-add_excluded_as_ref

Adds components that are not included as targets as reference to the workflow process.

-include_in_process_targets

Can be used only if the preference **EPM_multiple_processes_targets** is set to **ON**. In this case, this argument attaches components that are currently in process as targets.

PLACEMENT

Can place on any action. Typically placed on the **Start** action of the root task so that the initial list is expanded at the start of the workflow process.

RESTRICTIONS

Do not place the **disallow_adding_targets** handler before this handler or it fails. The **disallow_adding_targets** handler can be used after the placement of this handler.

EXAMPLES

• This example releases an assembly when only one level of traversal is required. Only the components of the top-level assembly are released, not the components of any subassemblies:

Argument	Values
-depth	1

• This example releases an assembly using a specific revision rule and a saved variant rule. For this example, the **Working** revision rule and the **GMC 300 Rule** variant rule are used:

Argument	Values
-rev_rule	Working
-saved_var_rule	GMC 300 Rule

• This example releases an assembly using the default revision rule and the default saved variant rule, releasing only the components owned by the workflow process initiator:

Argument	Values
-owned_by_initiator	

• This example releases an assembly using the default revision rule and the default saved variant rule, releasing only the components owned by the group to which the workflow process initiator belongs:

Argument	Values
-owned_by_initiator_group	

• This example releases an assembly using the default revision rule and the default saved variant rule, releasing only the components to which the workflow process initiator has write access:

Argument	Values
-initiator_has_write_prev	

• This example releases an assembly, including all components traversed to all depths, using the **Latest Released** revision rule, excluding released components from the assembly but attaching them as references:

Argument	Values
-depth	all
-rev_rule	Latest Released
-exclude_released	
-add_excluded_as_ref	

• This example releases an assembly, including all components traversed to all depths using the **Latest Released** revision rule, excluding released components from the assembly but attaching them as references, yet traversing the excluded released components to all depths for subcomponents to be added as targets:

Argument	Values
-depth	all
-rev_rule	Latest Released
-exclude_released	

Argument	Values
-traverse_released_component	
-add_excluded_as_ref	

In this example, consider an assembly containing these revisions: CORP_Part, CORP_Tool,
 CORP_Vehicle, CORP_Product, CORP_Analysis, CORP_Proc_Plan, CORP_Facility, and CORP_Build.
 To release the top-level assembly, excluding all the CORP_Build revisions, define the arguments:

Argument	Values
-exclude_related_type	CORP_Build

In this example, consider an assembly containing the revisions: CORP_Part, CORP_Tool,
 CORP_Vehicle, CORP_Product, CORP_Analysis, CORP_Proc_Plan, CORP_Facility, and CORP_Build.
 To release the top-level assembly, including only the CORP_Build revisions, define the arguments:

Argument	Values
-include_related_type	CORP_Build

• This example releases an assembly containing targets already in process. This argument can only be used if the **EPM_multiple_processes_targets** preference is set to **ON**.

Argument	Values
-include_in_process_targets	

This example releases an assembly, including all components traversed to all depths using the Latest
Released revision rule, excluding released components from the assembly but attaching them as
references, yet traversing the excluded released components to all depths for subcomponents to be
added as targets, and all CORP_Build item revisions must be excluded:

Argument	Values
-depth	all
-rev_rule	Latest Released
-exclude_released	
-traverse_released_component	
-add_excluded_as_ref	
-exclude_related_type	CORP_Build

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This handler attaches component item revisions of the assembly to the workflow process. Therefore, you should not place the **EPM-disallow-adding-targets** handler before this handler.

Care should be taken when using this handler in conjunction with the **EPM-check-status-progression** and **PS-check-assembly-status-progression** handlers; possible placement conflicts could arise, including:

- If you place the above rule handlers in a **Task** action ahead of this handler, there is a possibility that the assembly may never be released, as some business rules may fail, and the rule handlers may return an **EPM_nogo**.
- If you place this handler in a **Task** action ahead of the above rule handlers, there is a possibility that the assembly may be released, but may not follow the business rules. For example, the assembly may have a status which may not follow the progression path.

Teamcenter provides another method of releasing an entire assembly. You can use the **Advanced Paste** button to compile a list of objects to be pasted into the assembly. These objects can be appended to the list from multiple sources, including query results, active rich client applications, and BOM views.

PS-make-mature-design-primary

DESCRIPTION

Sets the item revision as the primary representation of the associated part revision. This handler checks if the input item revision is mature. If it is, all part revisions for the design revision are found and the item revision is set as the primary representation.

SYNTAX

PS-make-mature-design-primary

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Preferably placed on the **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

Considers only item revisions or a subclass of them.

PS-occ-effectivity-cutback

DESCRIPTION

Process Occurrence Effectivity Cutbacks associated with a **BOMViewRevision** object. The **BOMViewRevision** object needs to be a target to the workflow. This workflow handler currently supports only **Execute**.

SYNTAX

PS-occ-eff-cutback [-mode = { EXECUTE }]

ARGUMENTS

-mode Sets the handler to operate in a specified mode. Currently supported mode is to search

and apply active cutbacks related to BVRs attached as targets to workflow process using

the **Execute** flag.

PLACEMENT

The handler should be used in the **Complete task** folder.

RESTRICTIONS

Must have write access to BVR in order to apply occurrence effectivity cutback updates.

PUBR-publish-target-objects

DESCRIPTION

Publishes target objects (that is, enters them) in the Object Directory Services (ODS) database.

SYNTAX

PUBR-publish-target-objects [-class=classname] [-site=site-ID]

ARGUMENTS

-class

Class of the target objects being published. This argument can be supplied more than once to publish multiple classes of target objects. If not supplied, all target objects are published. See the second item in the **Restrictions** section.

-site

ODS sites that publishes the objects. This argument can be supplied more than once to publish the objects to multiple ODS sites. If not supplied, the default ODS is used.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

- Requires Multi-Site Collaboration to be configured at your site.
- The class must be defined by the TC_publishable_classes preference or it cannot be published.
- You can control the publication behavior of item revision objects by changing the setting of the **TC_publish_item_or_itemrev** preference. You can publish only the item revision object, only its parent item object, or both.

EXAMPLES

This example shows how to publish all item revision target objects to **Detroit** and **Tokyo** ODSs:

Argument	Values
-class	ItemRevision
-site	Detroit, Tokyo

PUBR-unpublish-target-objects

DESCRIPTION

Unpublishes target objects (removes them) from the ODS.

SYNTAX

PUBR-unpublish-target-objects [-class=classname] [-site=site-ID]

ARGUMENTS

-class

Teamcenter *classname* of the target objects being unpublished. This argument can be supplied more than once to unpublish multiple classes of target objects. If not supplied, all target objects are unpublished.

-site

Teamcenter ODS *site-ID*s that unpublishes the objects. This argument can be supplied more than once to unpublish the objects to multiple ODS sites. If not supplied, the default ODS is used.

PLACEMENT

Place on any task where a demotion or cancellation is performed.

RESTRICTIONS

Do not place this handler on the **Perform** action, or any other action that is called multiple times. Place on an action that is only called once, such as **Start**, **Complete**, or **Undo**.

EXAMPLES

This example shows how to unpublish all item and dataset target objects from the default ODS:

Argument	Values
-class	Item, Dataset

RDV-delete-ugcgm-markup

DESCRIPTION

Attaches all the drawing sheets as a target object for a **UGMASTER/UGPART** dataset in the selected workflow process, so the **DrawingSheet** dataset also attains a release status once the workflow process is approved. If the **DrawingSheet** dataset names are the same as for the previous item revisions, all **DirectModelMarkup** datasets are deleted if the **UGMASTER/UGPART** dataset names are also the same as in the previous revision.

SYNTAX

RDV-delete-ugcqm-markup [-type=valid-dataset-type, [valid-dataset-type]]

ARGUMENTS

-type

The valid dataset types for this handler are **UGMASTER** and **UGPART**. A user can specify more than one dataset type separated by a comma or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference. If the user does not specify any dataset type, this handler assumes **UGPART** as the dataset type.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of the root task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

Argument	Values
-type	UGMASTER, UGPART

RDV-generate-image

DESCRIPTION

Generates NX part images for display by Web Reviewer. This handler calls an external NX UFUNC (no license required) to accomplish this. The generated images are stored as named references to the **UGMASTER** dataset; image types and sizes are specified in the preference XML file.

SYNTAX

RDV-generate-image [-stop] [-continue]

ARGUMENTS

-stop

Halts the process if image generation is unsuccessful.

-continue

For noncritical image generation, continues the process regardless of unsuccessful image generation.

PLACEMENT

Place at a point in the workflow process where the initiator has write and copy access to the **UGMASTER** dataset (that is, before object protections are locked down). Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends that this handler have its own **Review** task at the beginning of the workflow process.

RESTRICTIONS

- Parts requiring images must be **UGMASTER** dataset targets of the workflow process.
- The **ugimg** executable must be located in the **\$UGII_BASEDIR/ugmanager** directory.

Note:

Part files are automatically updated to the current NX version.

RDV-generate-ugcgm-drawing

DESCRIPTION

Generates drawing sheet datasets (CGM images) of NX drawings for display in Lifecycle Visualization. You must add this handler to a release procedure as an action handler. You should initiate the release procedure containing this action handler by selecting the **UGPART/UGMASTER** dataset. The **UGMGR_DELIMITER** preference must be added as a preference. This handler calls an external NX UFUNC program to generate the CGM images of the drawing sheets in the part. The generated images are stored as named references to the **DrawingSheet** dataset that is attached to the **UGMASTER/UGPART** dataset with an **IMAN_Drawing** relationship.

This handler requires NX to be installed on all systems on which the handler runs. In a 2-tier environment, NX must be installed on all clients that run this workflow handler. In a four-tier environment, handlers run in the **tcserver** process, so NX must also be installed onto the enterprise tier servers (pool servers). The environment variables **UGII_BASE_DIR** and **UGII_ROOT_DIR** (normally set by the NX installation) are used to determine the location of the NX software. This example depicts the two environment variables set to NX on a Windows platform.

```
set UGII_BASE_DIR = c:\apps\nx75
set UGII ROOT DIR = c:\apps\nx75\ugii\
```

SYNTAX

RDV-generate-ugcgm-drawing [-type=valid-dataset-type] [-text= text|polylines]

ARGUMENTS

-type

The valid dataset types for this handler are **UGMASTER** and **UGPART**. You can specify more than one dataset type separated by a comma or the character specified by the

EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator preference. If you do not specify any dataset type, this handler assumes **UGPART** as the dataset type.

-text

Specifies whether the text in your file is converted into searchable, standard font text or records text as CGM polyline elements, each of which is a collection of line segments. The valid values are **text** or **polylines**.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of the root task.

RESTRICTIONS

If you are using Teamcenter Integration for NX, this handler may require the external NX program **export_ugdwgimages** to be copied from **\$TC_BIN\ugcm_images** to **\$TC_BIN** or **UGII_BASE_DIR \ugmanager** directory.

The release procedure script **start_ugdwgimages** looks for the UFUNC program in the **UGII_BASE_DIR \ugmanager** directory first, then in the **\$TC_BIN** directory.

EXAMPLES

Argument	Values
-type	UGMASTER, UGPART
-text	text

RDV-tessellation-handler

DESCRIPTION

Tessellates NX datasets. It identifies which datasets to tessellate by reading the targets set in the **EPM_tessellation_target_type** preference and comparing them against the targets identified for the workflow process. Datasets identified as targets in both the workflow process and the preferences are tessellated. Targets are objects such as **UGMASTER** and **UGALTREP** datasets.

This handler can be run in the background or foreground. The background mode can be configured to act in:

• Synchronous mode

The workflow process waits for the tessellation to complete.

• Asynchronous mode

The workflow process continues after the tessellation is initiated.

SYNTAX

RDV-tessellation-handler -continue | {-signoff | -background | -status=status-type}

ARGUMENTS

-continue

Continues the review process, even when tessellation is unsuccessful. Use for noncritical tessellation processes.

-signoff

Completes the **perform-signoffs** task if the handler was placed on the **Complete** action of the **perform-signoffs** task. Completes the process if the handler was placed on the **Complete** action of the root task.

-background

Runs tessellation in the background.

-status

Status type to be applied to a rendered child.

PLACEMENT

- In the foreground mode, it requires no specific placement.
- For background tesselation, do the following:

- For asynchronous background tessellation, use the -background argument and place on the **Complete** action of the root task after the **EPM-set-status** handler.
- For synchronous background tessellation, use the -signoff argument and place on the Complete action of the **perform-signoffs** task.

RESTRICTIONS

NX datasets must be included as targets of the process.

PREFERENCES

You must set the following preferences before running the tessellation process with this action handler:

EPM_tessellation_target_type

Defines the NX dataset types requiring tessellation. Only targets matching these types are tessellated.

• **EPM_tessellation_servers=**hostname:port-number

Defines the host name and port number of the tessellation server. The value **None** indicates that the tessellation is performed on the client side only.

ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

You must set the following environment variables before running the tessellation process with this action handler:

- UGII_ROOT_DIR
- UGII BASE DIR

EXAMPLES

If a business process required that UGMASTER and UGALTREP datasets are tessellated when they are released, the tessellation can be performed in the modes:

Foreground mode

Include the handler in the workflow process template.

Background/Synchronous mode

Set the -background and -signoff arguments for the handler, and place the handler in the Complete action of the perform-signoffs task of the Review task. The workflow process waits for tessellation to complete before continuing.

• Background/Asynchronous mode

Set the **-background** argument for the handler, and place the handler in the **Complete** action of the root task.

Define the tessellation server by setting this preference in the **preference** XML file:

EPM_tessellation_server=hostname:port

Define the NX datasets that can be tessellated by listing the required NX datasets as values in the following preference in the **preference** XML file:

EPM_tessellation_target_type= UGMASTER UGALTREP

RM-attach-SM-tracelink-requirement

DESCRIPTION

Sends requirements tracelinked to Schedule Manager tasks to the specified folder in the task assignee's worklist.

This action handler is implemented to attach defining or complying objects using the trace links on predecessor tasks.

SYNTAX

RM-attach-SM-tracelink-requirement
[-defining_complying_type=defining | complying]
[-folder_type=target | reference] [-tracelink_subtype=subtype]

ARGUMENTS

-defining_complying_type

Specifies if the **defining** or **complying** requirement is sent. If this argument is not specified, **defining** is the default.

-folder_type

Specifies if the requirement is placed in the task's **target** or **reference** folder in the worklist. If this argument is not specified, **target** is the default.

-tracelink_subtype

Sends only the specified subtype of the tracelink object.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of the root task of the workflow process.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler is implemented only for **RequirementRevision**, **ParagraphRevison**, and **RequirementSpecRevision** and its subtypes.

EXAMPLES

• This example sends a Schedule Manager task linked to a requirement with a tracelink to the **Tasks to Perform** folder of the assignee's worklist and places the defining requirement object in the task's **Targets** folder.

Argument	Values
-defining_complying_type	defining
-folder_type	target

• This example sends a Schedule Manager task linked to a requirement with a tracelink to the **Tasks to Perform** folder of the assignee's worklist and places the complying requirement object in the task's **References** folder.

Argument	Values
-defining_complying_type	complying
-folder_type	reference

RM-attach-tracelink-requirement

DESCRIPTION

Sends requirements tracelinked to Teamcenter objects in the **Targets** folder to the specified folder in the workflow assignee's worklist.

SYNTAX

RM-attach-tracelink-requirement
[-defining_complying_type=defining | complying]
[-folder_type=target | reference] [-tracelink_subtype=subtype]

ARGUMENTS

-defining_complying_type

Specifies if the **defining** or **complying** requirement is sent.

-folder_type

Specifies if the requirement is placed in the task's target or reference folder in the worklist.

-tracelink_subtype

Sends only the specified subtype of the tracelink object.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of the root task of the workflow process.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example sends the defining requirement linked to Teamcenter objects in the **Targets** folder with a tracelink to the **Targets** folder of the **Tasks to Perform** folder of the assignee's worklist.

Argument	Values
-defining_complying_type	defining
-folder_type	target

• This example sends the defining requirement linked to Teamcenter objects in the **Targets** folder with a tracelink to the **References** folder of the **Tasks to Perform** folder of the assignee's worklist.

Argument	Values
-defining_complying_type	complying
-folder_type	reference

SAP-set-valid-date-AH

DESCRIPTION

Copies the **Effect In** date from the release status object attached to the process and adds it to the **valid_from** box of all **BOMHeader** forms attached to the process using transfer folders. This handler is only required if you want to store the **Effect In** date persistently on the form. Use the special **effect_in_date** keyword to obtain the value for the transfer.

If the date is not set or there is no release status attached to the process, today's date is used.

Note:

This handler requires the **valid_from** attribute to exist in the form type with **erp_object ="BOMHeader"**.

SYNTAX

SAP-set-valid-date-AH

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform Signoff** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

SAP-upload-AH

DESCRIPTION

Calls the script defined in the **Transfer_script** global setting. This script calls a third-party upload program to update the ERP system.

This action handler depends on the **Send_file_format** global setting.

The upload program reads the data from the transfer file and updates the ERP database. The action handler passes the following arguments to the upload program:

- Transfer file path/name
 Set by the Send_file_path global setting.
- Response file path/name
 Set by the Response_file_path global setting.

Note:

This handler invokes the upload program and exits with success status, regardless of the success or otherwise of the upload itself. Success or failure of upload is logged in the ERP logfile dataset. The ERP-post-upload-AH handler must then be called to process the outcome of the upload.

SYNTAX

SAP-upload-AH

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform Signoff** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

SCHMGT-approve-timesheetentries

DESCRIPTION

Retrieves the target objects, the scheduled task, and the corresponding schedule, in the approve branch of the **TimeSheetApproval** workflow process. The minutes from the time sheet entry are updated in the scheduled task.

The **TimeSheetApproval** workflow is run from Schedule Manager. This handler can only be used within the **TimeSheetApproval** workflow process template. Do not add this handler to any other workflow process template.

SYNTAX

SCHMGT-approve-timesheetentries

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

By default, this handler is placed in the correct location of the **TimeSheetApproval** workflow process template. Do not change the placement.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler can only be used within the **TimeSheetApproval** workflow process template along the approval path. Adding this handler to any other workflow process template causes the workflow process to fail.

SCHMGT-reject-timesheetentries

DESCRIPTION

Retrieves the target objects, the scheduled task, and the corresponding schedule, in the reject branch of the **TimeSheetApproval** workflow process. The minutes from the time sheet entry are updated in the scheduled task.

The **TimeSheetApproval** workflow is run from Schedule Manager. This handler can only be used within the **TimeSheetApproval** workflow process template. Do not add this handler to any other workflow process template.

SYNTAX

SCHMGT-reject-timesheetentries

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

By default, this handler is placed in the correct location of the **TimeSheetApproval** workflow process template. Do not change the placement.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler can only be used within the **TimeSheetApproval** workflow process template along the reject path. Adding this handler to any other workflow process template causes the workflow process to fail.

SCHMGT-revise-timesheetentries

DESCRIPTION

Retrieves the target objects, the scheduled task, and the corresponding schedule, for the **TimeSheetRevise** workflow process. The minutes from the time sheet entry are updated in the scheduled task.

The **TimeSheetRevise** workflow is run from Schedule Manager. This handler can only be used within the **TimeSheetRevise** workflow process template. Do not add this handler to any other workflow process template.

SYNTAX

SCHMGT-revise-timesheetentries

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

By default, this handler is placed in the correct location of the **TimeSheetRevise** workflow process template. Do not change the placement.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler can only be used within the **TimeSheetRevise** workflow process template. Adding this handler to any other workflow process template causes the workflow process to fail.

SCHMGT-sync-schedule-attachments

DESCRIPTION

Synchronizes the change attachments of the parent schedule task with the workflow's change attachments. The change attachments of the schedule tasks are the same as that of the workflow after executing this handler if no error is encountered during the operation.

This handler works with remote schedule tasks only. The workflow does not inherit the change relations for local schedule tasks.

SYNTAX

SCHMGT-sync-schedule-attachments [-attachment= attachment-types]

ARGUMENTS

-attachment

(Optional) Specify one or more of the following change attachment types to synchronize.

- problem_item
- solution_item
- impacted_item

Separate multiple attachment types with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

If this argument is not specified, all three change attachments types are synchronized.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** or **Complete** action of any task. Do not place on the **Perform** action.

Because this handler invokes Multi-Site operations, Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends that you place this handler on a task marked for background processing.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

SERVICEFORECASTING-approve-ma-extension

DESCRIPTION

Approves a change in a maintenance action due date in Service Scheduler.

SYNTAX

SERVICEFORECASTING-approve-ma-extension-prop=ssf0ExtensionApproval-value=Approved

ARGUMENTS

-prop

Specifies the property to be updated. The only valid property for this handler is **ssf0ExtensionApproval**.

-value

Specifies the value for the property. The only valid value for this handler is **Approved**.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of a task that follows the approval path of a **Review** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• Approves the request to change a maintenance action due date.

Argument	Values
-prop	ssf0ExtensionApproval
-value	Approved

SERVICEPROCESSING-approve-service-structure

DESCRIPTION

Runs an approval process for SLM service structures.

SYNTAX

SERVICEPROCESSING-approve-service-structure

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

Use only for approval of SLM service structures inheriting from a transaction element.

SMC0-create-solution-variants

DESCRIPTION

Creates solution variants for item revisions and variant rules attached as target and reference respectively to the root task.

Solution variants can be created for multiple item revisions and variant rules. Ensure that each item revision and variant rule have a one to one correspondence.

You can provide the following optional arguments. They are applicable to the creation of all solution variants and cannot be provided individually for each input Item revision.

- Revision rule
- Solution variant category
- Multilevel boolean parameters

The output is:

- Item revision attached as a target.
- Solution variants attached as a target.

Both are attached as target and added in that order. The source item revision is attached first and then its associated solution variants. Users of the workflow handler can check its type. The source item revision is of the item revision type and the solution variant is the item type.

Any input item revision for which the handler fails to create a solution variant is added as a reference attachment to the root task.

SYNTAX

SMC0-create-solution-variants -revision_rule -sv_multi_level -sv_category

ARGUMENTS

-revision_rule

Defines the name of revision rule to be applied for BOMWindow configuration.

-sv_multi_level

Specify **0** or **1**. A multilevel solution variant is created if the input is **true**. A single level is created if **false** is provided as the input.

-sv_category

Specify one of the following values:

- **0** for unmanaged solution variant category.
- 1 for managed solution variant category.
- 2 for reuse solution variant category.

PLACEMENT

This handler can be placed on any action. It is typically placed at the **Start** action of the root task so that the initial list is expanded at the start of the workflow process.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

Use the following arguments and values to create a multilevel reused solution variant:

Argument	Values
Target Attachment	Item revision for which you want to create a new reused solution variant.
Reference Attachment	Variant rule acts a recipe with which a solution variant is to be created.
Revision_rule	Latest Working
sv_category	2

SMC0-update-solution-variants

DESCRIPTION

Updates solution variants for items or item revisions attached as target and reference respectively to the root task.

When a structure (item revision) is modified both within and outside of a change context, all solution variants associated with impacted item revisions are updated.

The default configuration for updating solution solutions is:

- Revision rule Use the Latest Working revision rule.
- Effectivity Use the effectivity of the active change. If an active change context is not set, effectivity is ignored.

The output is:

- Item revision attached as a target.
- Updated solution variants attached as a target.

Both are attached as target and added in that order. The source item revision is attached first and then its associated solution variants. Users of the workflow handler can check its type. The source item revision is of the item revision type and the solution variant is the item type.

SYNTAX

SMC0-create-solution-variants

ARGUMENTS

None

PLACEMENT

This handler can be placed on any action. It is typically placed at the **Complete** action of the root task so that the initial list is expanded at the start of the workflow process.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

Use the following arguments and values to create a multilevel reused solution variant:

Argument	Values
	Item revision for which you want to update the associated reused solution variant.

SMP-auto-relocate-file

DESCRIPTION

Relocates all released datasets of a job to a specified directory. Teamcenter does not automatically register this handler. Users have to register and modify the handler code to suit their requirements, using the sample code provided. For more information about using this handler and to reference the sample code, see *Server Customization*.

TCRS-IRM-cleanfields

DESCRIPTION

Allows you to delete the values of item revision master form attributes.

The attribute names must be defined as a Teamcenter preference. Create a Teamcenter preference called **EXPRESS_IRM_cleanfields** where *release* is the value defined in the **-block** parameter. For example, define the **EXPRESS_IRM_cleanfields** preference values as follows:

- TCX_Rel_No
- TCX_Rel_Txt

The field names must match the real attribute name and not the display names.

When the handler is run, the values stored in the **Release No** and **Release text** fields of the item revision master form are deleted.

SYNTAX

TCRS-IRM-cleanfields -block=blockname

ARGUMENTS

Parameter	Value	Required
-block	Any value.	Yes

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

All item revisions must have write privileges at the level at which the handler is used.

EXAMPLES

Argument	Values
-block	release

TSTK-CreateTranslationRequest

DESCRIPTION

Creates a new translation request for all datasets matching the type specified using the translator specified with the provider and service name. If more than one dataset exists in the item revision, multiple translation requests are created.

This handler does not create translation requests for custom types.

Note:

NX datasets containing drawing sheets must be pasted into the **Target** folder for **nxtocgmdirect** to create CGM files.

The target of the handler must be an item revision. The handler traverses the item revision to look for the dataset that was specified in the handler definition.

SYNTAX

TSTK-CreateTranslationRequest -ProviderName= *UGS -***ServiceName=** *nxtopvdirect -***Priority=**1 -**DatasetTypeName=***UGPART*

ARGUMENTS

-ProviderName

Creates a new translation request for all datasets with the specified translator provider name.

-ServiceName

Creates a new translation request for all datasets with the specified service name.

-Priority

Defines the priority assigned to the new translation request.

-DatasetTypeName

Specifies the dataset name for the selected workflow and item revision. Custom types cannot be specified.

PLACEMENT

The **Start** or **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

VAL-approve-result-overrides

DESCRIPTION

Sets all requested result overrides to the **Approved** state for the workflow targets when the **perform-signoffs** task is approved.

SYNTAX

VAL-approve-result-overrides

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** subtask of a **Review** task.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler should be used with the **perform-signoffs** task of the **OverrideReviewTask** template. This handler assumes that all target objects, reference objects, and status types are attached to the root task.

VAL-reject-result-overrides

DESCRIPTION

Sets all requested result overrides to the **Rejected** state for the workflow targets when the **perform-signoffs** task is approved.

SYNTAX

VAL-reject-result-overrides

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform** action of the **perform-signoffs** subtask of a **Review** task.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler should be used with the **perform-signoffs** task of the **OverrideReviewTask** template. This handler assumes that all target objects, reference objects, and status types are attached to the root task.

VAL-set-condition-by-check-validation-result

DESCRIPTION

This action handler can be configured to set the **Condition** task result status using **Validation Rule** and **Validation Object** applications a from workflow process. It can also check target NX datasets validation result status. To add this handler to a workflow process template, the user must have a well-defined **Validation Rule set file** that best describes the business process in terms of which NX datasets should run checks at certain times and the conditions that the check must meet.

The handler sets the **Condition** task result based on the overall result status of the verification (true when all target NX datasets satisfy all rules defined in the **Validation Rule set file**). The handler logs validation rules and validation result checks. The format of the log file name is *First-target-name_Time-stamp*. The log file is stored in the directory specified by the **TC_TMP_DIR** environment variable. If **TC_TMP_DIR** is not defined, it is stored in the **%TEMP%** directory (Windows) or **/tmp** directory (Linux).

When a **Condition** task template is configured with this action handler, no other saved queries or handlers should be added to the task template. The logic that this handler uses to check validation results is the same logic used by the **VAL-check-validation-result-with-rules** rule handler.

SYNTAX

VAL-set-condition-by-check-validation-result

-rule_item_revision=item-revision-id [-current_event=value]

[-pass_item_revision_only] [-ref_log]

ARGUMENTS

-rule_item_revision

The item revision ID that the validation rule set dataset is attached under.

-current_event

A value that is used to select validation rules from the rule file by comparing with the event values list of each rule. When this argument is not provided, all rules from the rule file are selected at the first step. When a rule is defined without the event values list, then the rule is selected at the first step. The event values list of a rule can contain an asterisk (*) as a wildcard. The event values list also can be marked as exclusive (it is inclusive by default).

-pass_item_revision_only

When this argument is added to the input list, only item revision targets are passed to the handler. NX datasets are searched from each item revision and verified according to rules.

-ref log

If this argument is present and the validation fails, the validation results log is created and the log is attached, but no warning is displayed.

If this argument is not present and the validation fails, the validation results log is created, the log is not attached, and no warning message is displayed.

If the validation passes, the validation results log is not created and no message is displayed.

PLACEMENT

Place under the **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

- -rule_item_revision cannot be NULL.
- You cannot customize the path names that branch from the **Condition** task. They must be either **T** or **F**.

VAL-set-condition-result-overrides

DESCRIPTION

If there are unapproved result override requests for the workflow targets, sets the condition to **EPM_RESULT_True**. If there are no unapproved result override requests, sets the condition to **EPM_RESULT_False**.

SYNTAX

VAL-set-condition-result-overrides

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of a **Condition** task.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler assumes that all target objects, reference objects, and status types are attached to the root task.

Rule handlers

Rule Handlers

Rule handlers integrate workflow business rules into EPM workflow processes at the task level. They attach conditions to an action. Rule handlers confirm that a defined rule has been satisfied. If the rule is met, the handler returns the **EPM_go** command, allowing the task to continue. If the rule is not met, it returns the **EPM_nogo** command, preventing the task from continuing. If there are multiple targets for a single rule handler, all targets must satisfy the rule for **EPM_go** to be returned (**AND** condition).

Many conditions defined by a rule handler are binary (that is, they are either true or false). However, some conditions are neither true nor false. EPM allows two or more rule handlers to be combined using logical **AND/OR** conditions. When several rule handlers are combined using a logical **Or** condition, rule handler quorums specify the number of rule handlers that must return **EPM_go** for the action to complete.

ASBUILT-validate-for-checkedout-physical partrevision

DESCRIPTION

Validates that the as-built structure does not contain any checked-out physical parts by any user other than the one submitting the physical part to a workflow.

SYNTAX

ASBUILT-validate-for-checkedout-physical partrevision

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place at the entry of the workflow to validate that the target structure does not contained any checked out physical part revisions.

RESTRICTIONS

ASBUILT-validate-for-physical partrevision

DESCRIPTION

Validates that the submitted object is a physical part revision before traversing the as-built structure and releasing each of the physical part revisions.

SYNTAX

ASBUILT-validate-for-physical partrevision

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place at the entry of the workflow to validate that the target object is a physical part revision for as-built structure traversal.

RESTRICTIONS

ASBUILT-validate-missing-structure

DESCRIPTION

Validates the as-built structure does not contain any missing or unidentified physical parts.

SYNTAX

ASBUILT-validate-missing-structure

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place at the entry of the workflow to validate that the target structure does not contain any missing physical parts.

RESTRICTIONS

ASMAINTAINED-validate-for-checkedout-physical partrevision

DESCRIPTION

Checks if any physical parts are checked out in the as-maintained structure by a user other than the creator or submitter of the workflow process.

SYNTAX

ASMAINTAINED-validate-for-checkedout-physical partrevision

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place at the entry of the workflow to validate that the target structure does not contained any checked out physical parts.

RESTRICTIONS

ASMAINTAINED-validate-for-latest-asmphysical partrevision

DESCRIPTION

Checks if the target physical part revision is the latest revision.

SYNTAX

ASMAINTAINED-validate-for-latest-asmphysical partrevision

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place at the entry of the workflow to validate that the target physical part revision is the latest one.

RESTRICTIONS

ASMAINTAINED-validate-for-unserviceable-physical partrevision

DESCRIPTION

Checks the as-maintained structure for any unserviceable physical parts.

SYNTAX

ASMAINTAINED-validate-for-unserviceable-physical partrevision

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place at the entry of the workflow to validate that the target structure does not contain any unserviceable physical parts.

RESTRICTIONS

ASMAINTAINED-validate-missing-asmaintained-structure

DESCRIPTION

Validates the as-maintained structure does not contain any missing or unidentified physical parts.

SYNTAX

ASMAINTAINED-validate-missing-asmaintained-structure

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place at the entry of the workflow to validate that the target structure does not contain any missing physical parts.

RESTRICTIONS

AUTOSCHEDULING-person-reassign-validate

DESCRIPTION

Verifies that when a workflow task with an attached job card or job task is reassigned to another user, that user has the discipline (skill) and qualifications specified on the job card or job task.

SYNTAX

AUTOSCHEDULING-person-reassign-validate

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of the **perform-signoffs** task.

RESTRICTIONS

EPM-assert-signoffs-target-read-access

DESCRIPTION

Checks if all the selected reviewers have read access to the attached target attachments.

SYNTAX

EPM-assert-signoffs-target-read-access [-check_assignee=\$RESOURCE_POOL_ALL]

ARGUMENTS

-check_assignee

If the selected reviewer is a resource pool, checks if all members of the resource pool have read access to the attached targets.

The only valid value is **\$RESOURCE_POOL_ALL**.

PLACEMENT

Place on the Complete action of a select-signoff-team task.

RESTRICTIONS

EPM-assert-targets-checked-in

DESCRIPTION

Verifies that all target objects in this workflow process are checked in.

Note:

EPM-assert-targets-checked-in will not execute on a fail path. Target objects in the workflow are only verified as checked in when a success path is taken.

SYNTAX

EPM-assert-targets-checked-in

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

EPM-check-action-performer-role

DESCRIPTION

Checks whether the user performing this action matches the criteria specified in the handler arguments.

SYNTAX

EPM-check-action-performer-role -responsible=[owner|\$OWNER] |
[group|\$GROUP] | [\$RESPONSIBLE_PARTY] | [privileged | \$PRIVILEGED] |
[group::{*|role}] | [role]

ARGUMENTS

-responsible

Checks if the user matches the specified value. Valid values are:

• owner | \$OWNER

Specifies the owner of the task.

• group | \$GROUP

Specifies that the current user's logged-on group be the same as one of the groups of the task's responsible party.

• \$RESPONSIBLE PARTY

Specifies the responsible party of the task.

• privileged | \$PRIVILEGED

Specifies the responsible party of the task and the owner of the workflow process. If the task does not have a responsible party, the handler ascends the hierarchy of tasks to find the first assigned responsible party.

group::{*|role}

Specifies a group name and role name to match.

role

Specifies a role name to match.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement. Typically place on the **Assign**, **Skip**, or **Undo** actions to control access to those actions.

RESTRICTIONS

There must be no role in the database with the name privileged.

EXAMPLES

• This example allows the owner of the workflow process and the responsible party to trigger the action.

Argument	Values
-responsible	privileged

• This example allows any member of the **engineering** group to trigger the action.

Argument	Values
-responsible	engineering::*

• This example allows any user with the role of **manager** to trigger the action.

Argument	Values
-responsible	manager

• This example allows any user with the role of **designer** in the **engineering** group or the **Project Administrator** role in the **Project Administration** to trigger the action.

Argument	Values
-responsible	Project Administration::Project Administrator, engineering::designer

• This example allows any user with the role of **designer** in the **structure** subgroup of the **engineering** group to trigger the action.

Argument	Values
-responsible	structure.engineering::designer

EPM-check-condition

DESCRIPTION

By default, this handler is placed on the **Complete** action of the **Condition** task, and on the successor tasks of the **Validate** task. When placed on these tasks, no arguments should be used. When placed on the **Complete** action of the **Condition** task, the handler confirms the result of the **Condition** task is either **true** or **false** or the specified custom result. The handler prevents the **Condition** task from completing until the default setting of **unset** has been modified to **true** or **false**. When placed on the successor tasks of the **Validate** task, the handler confirms whether errors occurred (either any error, or the specified errors.)

This handler can also be placed on the **Start** action of all tasks immediately succeeding the **Condition** task. Use the **-source_task** argument to specify the name of the preceding **Condition** task and the-**decision** argument to specify the result (**true**, **false**, or specified custom result) that must be met. (This value is defined during the workflow process template design, when the two or more flow paths that branch from the **Condition** task are created.) The handler returns **EPM_go** when the value matches or **EPM_nogo** when the value does not match. The immediately succeeding tasks only start if they match the required value, resulting in the conditional branching of the workflow process flow.

This handler exists as part of the workflow conditional branching functionality. Manually adding this handler to a task other than a **Condition** task, a task succeeding a **Condition** task, or the successor task of a **Validate** task has no advantage and is not recommended.

SYNTAX

EPM-check-condition -source_task= task-name-decision= {true | false | custom-result | ANY | error-code}

ARGUMENTS

-source_task

Specifies the name of the preceding **Condition** task. This argument is required if you place the handler on the **Start** action of a task succeeding a **Condition** task.

You must omit this argument if you place the handler on the **Complete** action of a **Condition** task.

-decision

Specifies the result that must be met. Use this argument in conjunction with a **Condition** task, placing this handler on a successor task. Valid values are the following:

custom-result

Valid values are any string. When the **Condition** task's task results return a value matching the value defined for this argument, the successor task starts when the **Condition** task completes. Multiple values are accepted, separated by commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

Note:

This value is automatically set when you use the **Set Custom Result** option to configure the flow path from the **Condition** task to the successor task.

ANY

Use this value in conjunction with a **Validate** task, placing this handler on a successor task. Indicates that if *any* error occurs on the **Validate** task, the workflow process starts the successor task.

Note:

This value is automatically set when you use the **Set to Error Path** option to configure a failure path from the **Validate** task to the successor task.

error-code

Use this value in conjunction with a **Validate** task, placing this handler on a successor task. Indicates that if the specified error codes occur on the **Validate** task, the workflow process starts the successor task.

Note:

This value is automatically set when you use the **Set Error Codes** option to configure a failure path from the **Validate** task to the successor task.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Complete** action of a **Condition** task, the **Start** action of any successor tasks of a **Condition** task, or the successor tasks of a **Validate** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

Note:

Workflow Designer provides a number of prepackaged task templates, such as the **Review** task, **Route** task, and **Acknowledge** task templates. Adding subtasks below any of these tasks to implement a branching condition is not recommended as this may jeopardize the integrity of the task's structure, and doing so may result in unpredictable behavior.

EPM-check-item-status

DESCRIPTION

Verifies that all secondary relations connected by **ImanRelations** of a target item or item revision have been released or that these secondary objects are also target objects in this workflow process. If the target object is an item, this handler checks the item's **Requirements** folder; if the target object is an item revision, this handler checks the item revision's **Specification** folder. All objects in these folders must satisfy these requirements for the handler to return **EPM_go**. The relation, type, and status arguments verify their relation, type, and status, respectively.

SYNTAX

EPM-check-item-status [-relation=relation-name] [-include_related_type=object-type] [-allowed_status=status-name-to-check]

ARGUMENTS

-relation

Relation name.

-include_related_type

Object type.

-allowed_status

Status to check.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This example verifies the text datasets in the Requirements folder of a target object have the status
of X:

Argument	Values
-relation	IMAN_requirement
-include_related_type	Text
-allowed_status	X

• This example verifies all the **UGPART** datasets of a target object have been assigned status. For example, that the datasets are released, or are the target object of the present job:

Argument	Values
-include_related_type	UGPART

EPM-check-object-properties

DESCRIPTION

Checks that a required or non-null value has been entered for the specified properties of the specified object type that is attached to the current workflow process. If any specified properties do not have the required values, an error message lists those properties.

If the specified object type is a form, this handler also checks for form attributes. If the - **check_first_object_only** argument is specified, it only checks the property on the first attached target type. You can use this handler to ensure that you are not releasing the form without defining the mandatory attributes.

SYNTAX

EPM-check-object-properties -include_type=object-type
-property=property-names
[-value=required-values]
[-attachment=attachment-type]
[-check_first_object_only] [-include_replica]

ARGUMENTS

Note:

To check for a single property value that is not null, omit the -value argument.

-include_type

Specifies the type of the workflow target/reference attachments to be checked. Workflow attachments not matching the specified type are not checked.

Caution:

This argument is required.

This argument is used in cases where the check is used only on a specific type subset of workflow attachments, particularly if that property is specific to that type and not found on others.

Note:

Multiple values can be added to -include_type by using a comma-separated list.

Note:

An error does not occur if target/reference objects do not match the -include_type value.

-property

Specifies the properties to be checked. Enter a list separated by commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

Note:

If the handler uses a property that references a group member and its value is being checked, then the value should be specified as: **group/role/person name (user id)**.

Caution:

If you specify a property of the **Reference** type, the handler checks the referenced object, not the workflow attachment.

-value

Specifies the required real values to be checked. Enter real values as defined in Business Modeler IDE.

Caution:

Do not enter localized values.

Enter a list separated by commas or the character specified by the EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator preference. The order of these values must match the order of properties listed in the -property argument.

This argument is optional.

Note:

If -value is not specified, then any populated value will be accepted.

-attachment

Specifies the type of attachment to be checked.

target

Checks the targets attachment.

reference

Checks the reference attachment.

schedule_task

Checks the schedule task attachment.

• both

Checks **target** and **reference** types of attachments.

If this argument is not used, the target attachment is checked.

This argument is optional.

-check_first_object_only

If specified, only the first object of type specified by type is considered. This argument is optional.

-include_replica

(Optional) Checks the **Replica Proposed Targets** as well as the target objects if the **attachment=target** argument is also specified.

If the **-attachment=schedule_task** argument is specified with this argument, it ignores the attached schedule object if it is a proxy link of schedule task.

PLACEMENT

Place on any action *except* the **Perform** action.

RESTRICTIONS

None. Both empty and null values are treated as null values.

EXAMPLES

• This example checks the target **CMII CR Form** for nonempty values for **cr_priority** and **prop_soln** properties:

Argument	Values
-include_type	CMII CR Form
-property	cr_priority,prop_soln
-attachment	target

• This example checks the target **CMII CR Form** for the specific value **1 = High** for the **cr_priority** property, and the specific value **Corrective Action** for the **cr_type** property:

Argument	Values
-include_type	CMII CR Form
-property	cr_priority,cr_type
-value	1 = High,Corrective Action
-attachment	target

• This example checks the target **CMII CR Form** for the specific value **1 = High** for the **cr_priority** property, and the specific value **Corrective Action** for the **cr_type** property, and any nonempty value for the **prop_soln** property:

Argument	Values
-property	cr_priority,prop_soln,cr_type
-value	1 = High,,Corrective Action
-include_type	CMII CR Form
-attachment	target

Note:

Not placing a value between two commas instructs the system to check for any non-null values for the corresponding property. In the previous example, the second of the three properties to be checked, the **prop_soln** property, corresponds to the empty value. Therefore, any non-null values for this property are checked.

• This example checks the target **CMII CR Form** for the specific value **1 = High** for the **cr_priority** property, and the specific value **Corrective Action** for the **cr_type** property, and any nonempty value for the **prop_soln** property:

Argument	Values
-include_type	CMII CR Form
-property	cr_priority,cr_type,prop_soln
-value	1 = High,Corrective Action
-attachment	target

Note:

An alternative method of checking for nonvalues as illustrated in example 3 is to place the property that needs to be checked for nonvalues at the end of the properties list, as in the previous example. This also instructs the system to check for any non-null values for the corresponding property.

• This example checks the target *and* reference **CMII CR Form** for the specific value **1 = High** for the **cr_priority** property, and the specific value **Corrective Action** for the **cr_type** property and any nonempty value for the **prop_soln** property:

Argument	Values
-include_type	CMII CR Form, CMII CN Form
-property	cr_priority,prop_soln,cr_type
-value	1 = High,,Corrective Action
-attachment	both
-check_first_object_only	

EPM-check-related-objects

DESCRIPTION

Checks whether the specified target object contains the required secondary related objects, and whether those objects are in process or have achieved a valid status. You can check only one type of target object per handler. You can check for either a primary or secondary attachment type; the validation confirms the attachment is the specified type and specified relation.

Note:

If this handler is checking multiple objects, all objects must meet the criteria to satisfy this handler.

SYNTAX

EPM-check-related-objects[-include_type=type-of-target-object]

{-primary_type=type-of-target-object
| -secondary_type=secondary-object-type}

[-relation=relation-type]

[-allowed_status=status-names | ANY | NONE | IN PROCESS]

[-check_first_object_only]

[-check_only_for_assembly] [-check_only_for_component] [-ignore_empty_bom] [-negate_return_result]

ARGUMENTS

-include_type

Specifies the type of the target object.

-primary_type

Specifies the type of the primary attachment.

This argument is mutually exclusive of the **-secondary_type** argument. You may specify only one of these arguments.

-secondary_type

Specifies the type of the secondary attachment. This argument is mutually exclusive of the **primary_type** argument. You may specify only one of these arguments.

-relation

Specifies the relation to be checked. The relation is between the specified target object and the specified attachment (either the primary attachment or the secondary attachment).

- Specify verification of a manifestation relationship with **IMAN_manifestation**.
- Specify verification of a specification relationship with **IMAN_specification**.
- Specify verification of a requirement relationship with IMAN_requirement.
- Specify verification of a reference relationship with **IMAN_reference**.
- Specify verification of a BOM view attachment with **PSBOMViewRevision**.
- Specify verification of an impacted item of a change object with **CMHasImpactedItem**.
- Specify verification of a solution item of a change object with **CMHasSolutionItem**.
- Specify verification of a problem item of a change object with **CMHasProblemItem**.
- Specify verification of a reference item of a change object with **CMReferences**.
- Specify verification of a change object that implements another change object with **CMImplements**.

-allowed_status

Specifies the target object status to be verified:

- Specify any Teamcenter status with ANY.
- Specify no status, or working status, with **NONE**.
- Specify in process with IN PROCESS.

This argument is optional.

-check_first_object_only

If specified, only the first object of type specified by **-include_type** is considered.

This argument is optional.

-check_only_for_assembly

If specified, the checks specified in the handler are made only on targets that have an assembly (BOM) structure associated with it.

This argument is optional.

-check_only_for_component

If specified, the checks specified in the handler are only made only for non-assembly target type.

This argument is optional.

-ignore_empty_bom

If used, this argument must be specified in combination with the argument [-check_only_for_assembly]. Specifying this argument makes the checks applicable only on a non-empty BOM target. Empty BOMs/leaf nodes of BOM that do not have any children are excluded from the check.

This argument is optional.

-negate_return_result

If specified, checks that the primary or secondary attachment type is not present on the target.

This argument is optional.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example checks for a secondary attachment of type xyz, with a release status of **Released**, with an **IMAN_specification** relation to the target item revision:

Argument	Values
-include_type	ItemRevision
-secondary_type	xyz
-relation	IMAN_specification
-allowed_status	Released

• This example checks for a primary attachment that is a **ChangeItemRevision**, currently in process, and attached to the target item revision with a **CMHasImpactedItem** relation:

Argument	Values
-include_type	ItemRevision
-primary_type	Change Item Revision
-relation	CMHasImpactedItem
-allowed_status	IN_PROCESS

• This example checks for a primary **ChangeItemRevision** attachment that is either a change request (ECR) or change notification (ECN), that is in process, and attached to the target item revision with a **CMHasImpactedItem** relation. This checks for both **ChangeRequestRevision** and **ChangeNoticeRevision ChangeItemRevisions**, whether in process or not:

Argument	Values
-include_type	ItemRevision
-primary_type	Changeltem Revision:: Change Request Revision ~ Change Notice Revision
-relation	CMHasImpactedItem
-allowed_status	IN_PROCESS

• This example checks for any released secondary **xyz** attachment with an **IMAN_specification** relation to the **type1** target object:

Argument	Values
-include_type	type1
-secondary_type	xyz
-relation	IMAN_specification
-allowed_status	ANY

• This example checks for a secondary **xyz** attachment with no status in the **Impacted Items** folder of the target change object revision:

Argument	Values
-include_type	Changeltem Revision
-secondary_type	xyz
-relation	CMHasImpactedItem
-allowed_status	NONE

• This example checks for a secondary dataset attachment with a working status attached to the target item revision. Defining the **secondary_type** as **Dataset** checks for all dataset types of the defined relation:

Argument	Values
-include_type	ItemRevision
-secondary_type	Dataset
-relation	IMAN_specification
-allowed_status	NONE

• This example checks for a secondary attachment of type xyz, with a release status of Released, with an IMAN_specification relation to the target item revision only:

Argument	Values
-include_type	ItemRevision
-secondary_type	xyz
-relation	IMAN_specification
-allowed_status	Released
-check_first_object_only	

EPM-check-responsible-party

DESCRIPTION

Verifies that the current user is the responsible party for the task (every task has a default responsible party). If not, it verifies whether the current user meets the criteria specified in the argument of the handler.

SYNTAX

EPM-check-responsible-party [-responsible={User|Group|Role}:value]

ARGUMENTS

-responsible

(Optional) Defines an additional responsible party.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform** action of the task.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler cannot be placed on the **Perform** action of the *root* task.

EXAMPLES

This example shows user **george**, members of group **dba**, and the responsible party being allowed to perform the action associated with this handler.

Argument	Values
-responsible	User:george, Group:dba

EPM-check-signoff

DESCRIPTION

Checks decisions of all the signoffs attached to this task. If the number of approvals is greater than, or equal to, the quorum, then **EPM_go** is returned. If it is possible to obtain enough approvals from those signoffs without a decision, **EPM_undecided** is returned. Otherwise, there are too many rejections and the function **EPM_nogo** is returned.

SYNTAX

EPM-check-signoff -quorum=*n*

ARGUMENTS

-quorum

Specifies the approval quorum, where n is an integer specifying the quorum. A value of -1 sets the quorum equal to the total number of signoffs; in other words, a unanimous decision is required.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

EPM-check-status-progression

DESCRIPTION

Checks the complete release status progression of a specific object. For example, this handler identifies the last status added on any item revision because the handler considers that the latest status for that item revision.

- This handler can also check whether the object follows a nonlinear progression. A nonlinear progression does not require every subsequent release status of an object to follow the progression path in the same order, though the latest release status must always be greater than the previous release status. For example, if the progression path is Experimental, Quote, Design, Manufacture, Production, the object can achieve Experimental, Quote, and then Production release statuses, skipping Design and Manufacture.
- If the workflow process contains several **Condition** tasks that apply different release statuses at different levels, the value provided in the **-status** argument can be used. If this argument is not used in this situation, the status applied to the target object is applied to the object.

SYNTAX

EPM-check-status-progression
[-status=status-being-applied-to-the-target-object]
[-rev=current_rev|previous_rev|latest_rev|greatest_released_rev]

ARGUMENTS

-status

Derives the status being applied to the target object.

-rev

Checks for one of the following:

- Only the current revision, use **current_rev**. Even if the previous revision is released to a production status, the current revision is released to a lesser status than production.
- The latest release status of the immediately previous revision, use **previous_rev**.
- The greatest release status of all the revisions of the target, use latest_rev.
 For example: An object has revisions A, B, and C. Revision A is released later than revision B, and C is not released. The latest_rev option returns A.
- The latest release status of the greatest release status of the target object, use **greatest_released_rev**.

For example: An object has revisions **A**, **B**, and **C**. Revision **A** is released later than revision **B**, and **C** is not released. The **greatest_released_rev** option returns **B**.

Note:

The **EPM-check-status-progression** rule handler first identifies the last status added on an item revision. The handler considers that the latest status for that item revision. Then this handler looks at the various **-rev** arguments to determine which revision to use.

When checking the last status added to each revision, status maturity is established by the release status order in the **ProgressionPath.plmxml** file.

PLACEMENT

Place on any task action. Typically placed on the **Complete** action of the **perform-signoffs** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example checks the status of design against the progression path when the workflow process contains several **Condition** tasks, which apply different release statuses at different levels:

Argument	Values
-status	Design

- In this example, consider the scenario:
 - Progression path: Quote, Experimental, Development, Design, Manufacturing, Production
 - IR ABC123
 - IR ABC123/001 has Experimental status
 - IR ABC123/002 in Working state
 - IR ABC123/003 status not yet applied

To release IR ABC123/003 based on the current revision status only, define the following arguments. Previous revision statuses are not checked. Even if the previous revision was released to a **Production** status the current revision can be released to a lesser status than **Production**. In this scenario, IR ABC123/003 can be released to **Quote** status or upward, even though IR ABC123/001 is released to **Experimental** status.

Argument	Values
-rev	current_rev

• In this example, consider the previous scenario. To release IR ABC123/003 based on the latest release status of its immediate previous revision, define the following arguments. The previous revision is IR ABC123/002, which is in **Working** state and does not have a status applied. In this case, IR ABC123/003 can be released to **Quote** status or upward.

Argument	Values
-rev	previous_rev

• In this example, consider the previous scenario. To release IR ABC123/003 based on the last status of the latest released revision, define the following arguments. The latest released revision is IR ABC123/001, its last status was **Experimental**. In this case, IR ABC123/003 can be released only to **Experimental** status or upward.

Argument	Values
-rev	latest_rev

- In this example, consider the progression path and values:
 - Progression path: Quote, Experimental, Development, Design, Manufacturing, Production.
 - IR XYZ123
 - IR XYZ123/001 has **Design** status
 - IR XYZ123/002 has **Experimental** status
 - IR XYZ123/003 has **Development** status
 - IR XYZ123/004 status not yet applied

To release IR XYZ123/004 based on the greatest release status among all the revisions of the target object, define the following arguments. IR XYZ123/004 releases as **Design**.

Argument	Values
-rev	greatest_released_rev

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The progression path must be manually defined in the **ProgressionPath.plmxml** file before the handler can reference the path. The file is stored in the *TC_DATA* directory. Create a backup copy of this file before editing it.

All target types that you want to follow the progression path must be set in this file. A **UserData** block must be created for each type that follows a progression path. For example, to define the progression path for the **ItemRevision**, **PSBOMView**, and **MSWord** types, the **UserData** blocks can be defined as follows:

```
<UserData id="id1">
   <UserValue title="Type" value="ItemRevision"/>
   <UserValue title="ReleaseProgressionList"</pre>
      value="Quote, Development, Prototype, Production">
   </UserValue>
</UserData>
<UserData id="id2">
   <UserValue title="Type" value="PSBOMView"/>
   <UserValue title="ReleaseProgressionList"</pre>
      value="Quote1, Development1, Prototype1, Production1">
   </UserValue>
</UserData>
<UserData id="id3">
   <UserValue title="Type" value="MSWord"/>
   <UserValue title="ReleaseProgressionList"</pre>
      value="Quote2, Development2, Prototype2, Production2">
   </UserValue>
</UserData>
```

Note:

- Add the UserData blocks between the <PLMXML> and </PLMXML> tags.
- Ensure you increment the **UserData id** value when you add a new entry.
- After adding a new UserData block, change the value for Type to a type you are defining.
- You can modify the value of the release status to meet your requirements.

EPM-check-target-attachments

DESCRIPTION

Checks that the specified target object contains the required attachment with the required status or statuses. You can provide the target object type, relation type, attached object type, and valid statuses as handler arguments.

This handler can be used with an LOV to specify different types of targets and attachments to be checked, requiring just one occurrence of the handler. For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see *Lists of values as argument values*.

Note:

Enable **debugging functionality** for this handler with the **TC_HANDLERS_DEBUG** environment variable.

SYNTAX

EPM-check-target-attachments { {-include_type=target-object-type

- -include_related_type=attached-object-type
- -relation=relation-type} | -lov=lov-name}

[-allowed status=valid-status-names | ANY | NONE]

ARGUMENTS

-include_type

Defines the type of target object to be checked.

Note:

To check multiple values for a single argument, separate the values with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator preference**.

Example:

The following example checks if the **UGMASTER** or **UGPART** dataset exists in the **ItemRevision** type with the *IMAN* specification relation **EPM-check-target-attachments**:

-include_type=ItemRevision

- -include_related_type= UGMASTER,UGPART
- -relation=IMAN specification
- -allowed status=NONE

-include_related_type

Defines the type of attachment to be checked.

-relation

Specifies the relation between the target object and the attachment:

- Specify a manifestation relationship with **IMAN_manifestation**.
- Specify a specification relationship with **IMAN specification**.
- Specify a requirement relationship with **IMAN_requirement**.
- Specify a reference relationship with **IMAN_reference**.
- Specify a BOM view attachment with **PSBOMViewRevision**.
- Specify an impacted item of a change object with **CMHasImpactedItem**.
- Specify a solution item of a change object with **CMHasSolutionItem**.
- Specify a problem item of a change object with **CMHasProblemItem**.
- Specify a reference item of a change object with **CMReferences**.
- Specify a change object that implements another change object with **CMImplements**.

-allowed_status

Specifies the required status of the attachment. Multiple statuses can be checked by listing valid Teamcenter statuses separated by commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

ANY checks for any status. **NONE** checks for working status.

-lov

Specifies the list of values (LOVs) used to define which objects are attached to which target objects.

This argument is mutually exclusive of the **-include_type**, **-include_related_type**, and **-relation** arguments. It can be used with the **-allowed_status** argument to check relation status.

See the LOV row, for the required LOV format.

LOV

For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see Lists of values as argument values.

The LOV can contain multiple optional lines: a line for each type of target to check, followed by one or more multilevel object path lines specifying the relations required for that target type.

For an overview of using multilevel object paths in handlers, see Defining multilevel object paths.

If the system does not find any targets for one of the target types, it checks the next target type line.

When a target exists for the specified type, then each relation listed must exist. An error is reported for each relation type missing.

```
[$TARGET.]target-(class)-or-type-1
relation1.sec-obj-(class)-or-type-in-target-1
relation2.sec-obj-(class)-or-type-in-target-1
[$TARGET.]target-(class)-or-type-2
relation1.sec-obj-(class)-or-type-in-target-2
relation2.sec-obj-(class)-or-type-in-target-2
```

Note:

When using a LOV with this handler, you can improve readability and clarity by indenting the relation lines with spaces. You can also add line numbers in square brackets.

[\$TARGET.]target-(class)-or-type-1

Defines the type/class of target to check, using a comma-separated list of types/classes in the format shown next.

Target lines are prefixed with **\$TARGET** or identified by their lack of dots (.).

[(Class)[!Type1][,(Class2)[,Type1[,...]]]]

For example, to specify that all item revisions are checked except software revision:

(ItemRevision)!Software Revision

relation1.sec-obj-(class)-of-type-in-target-1

A multilevel object path that must start with a relation (such as **IMAN_specification**). Defines a secondary object that must exist in the specified relation for the target line.

Relation lines always contain a dot (.).

For example, to check that a **UGMASTER** and **UGPART** dataset exist in all revision targets of the design revision type:

\$TARGET.Design Revision

IMAN_specification.UGMASTER

IMAN_specification.UGPART

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

If checking multiple statuses through LOVs, this handler must be used once for each status.

EXAMPLES

• This example checks the targeted change revision for an item revision with any status in the **Problem Items** folder:

Argument	Values
-include_type	Changeltem Revision
-include_related_type	ItemRevision
-relation	CMHas Problem Item
-allowed_status	ANY

• This example checks the targeted change revision for an item revision with no status in the **Impacted Items** folder:

Argument	Values
-include_type	Changeltem Revision
-include_related_type	ItemRevision
-relation	CMHasImpactedItem
-allowed_status	NONE

• This example checks the targeted change revision for the **CORP_Part** revision with a released status in the **Solution Items** folder:

Argument	Values
-include_type	Changeltem Revision
-include_related_type	CORP_PartRevision
-relation	CMHasSolutionItem
-allowed_status	Released

Alternatively, you can use these LOV settings:

Argument	Values
-lov	SYS_EPM_check_target_attachments
-allowed_status	Released

where the SYS_EPM_check_target_attachments LOV contains this data:

\$TARGET.ChangeItemRevision CMHasSolutionItem.CORP_PartRevision

• This example checks the targeted change revision for an item revision for any status of the following statuses (Concept Approval, Funding Approval, Design Approval) in the Solution Items folder:

Argument	Values
-include_type	ChangeltemRevision
-include_related_type	ItemRevision
-relation	CMHasSolutionItem
-allowed_status	Concept Approval, Funding Approval, Design Approval

• This example checks the targeted change revision for an item revision in the **Solution Items** folder, irrespective of status:

Argument	Values
-include_type	ChangeItemRevision
-include_related_type	ItemRevision
-relation	CMHasSolutionItem

• This example performs specific relation checks for particular revision type targets and other relation checks for the remaining revision types all with no status:

Argument	Values
-lov	SYS_EPM_check_target_attachments
-allowed_status	NONE

where the SYS_EPM_check_target_attachments LOV contains this data:

Value	Description
Software Revision, DocumentRevision IMAN_specification.Text	Check that any software and document revision targets have a text dataset attached in the IMAN_specification relation.
DocumentRevision IMAN_specification.Word, Excel, PowerPoint	Check that any DocumentRevision targets also have a Word, Excel OR PowerPoint dataset attached in the IMAN_specification relation.
(ItemRevision)!Software Revision! DocumentRevision	Check that any other targets of class ItemRevision , (in other words, that are not
IMAN_specification.UGMASTER	SoftwareRevision or DocumentRevision) have a UGMASTER and UGPART attached in
IMAN_specification.UGPART	the IMAN_specification relation.
(ItemRevision)	Check that any revision targets also have a project item attached to the custom Proj
Proj.Project	relation.

Note:

The relation lines are indented for clarity.

EPM-check-target-object

DESCRIPTION

Checks the status of the object to determine whether to allow the action.

Note:

Enable debugging functionality for this handler with the **TC_HANDLERS_DEBUG** environment variable.

SYNTAX

EPM-check-target-object -allowed_status= status-name| **-disallowed_status**=status-name

ARGUMENTS

-allowed_status

Defines statuses to check against target objects. If a potential target matches any of the statuses defined with this argument, paste is available.

Accepts one or more valid Teamcenter status names.

Indicate any status with one of the following:

*|all|ALL|any|ANY

Indicate *no* status with one of the following:

null|NULL|none|NONE

Indicate in process status:

IN_PROCESS

-disallowed_status

Defines statuses to check against target objects. If a potential target matches any of the statuses defined with this argument, paste is unavailable. Can use in place of **-status** for clarity. A warning message is displayed indicating noncompliance to the business rule when you click **OK**. Additionally, if the argument passed to the handler is incorrect, this warning message is also displayed when you click **OK**.

Accepts one or more valid Teamcenter status names.

Indicate any status with one of the following:

*|all|ALL|any|ANY

Indicate no status with one of the following:

null|NULL|none|NONE

Indicate in process status:

IN_PROCESS

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform** action of the root task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example allows any target to be attached with a status of **Pending** or with no status (work in progress):

Argument	Values
-allowed_status	Pending, NONE

• This example disallows any targets from being attached with a status of **Released** or **Obsolete**:

Argument	Values
-disallowed_status	Released, Obsolete

EPM-debug-rule

DESCRIPTION

Notifies a user that an action is executing. Attaching **EPM-debug-rule** to any EPM action notifies the user when that task action runs by printing that action name to the standard output device.

SYNTAX

EPM-debug-rule -comment=string

ARGUMENTS

-comment

Additional descriptive string appended to the action name.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This example notifies the user when the **Complete** action runs by printing **Complete**, **action is executing** to the standard output device.

Argument	Values
-comment	action is executing

Note:

This example assumes you have attached this handler to a **Complete** action.

EPM-disallow-adding-targets

DESCRIPTION

Disallows adding targets interactively after a workflow process is initiated. A switch can be used to specify the types of objects to be excluded. If you configure other handlers to add targets programmatically, they are added during the workflow process even if this handler is used.

It is good practice to add this handler to the root task **Perform** action to ensure that target objects are not added from a workflow process once it is started. If you want to allow the addition of objects of all types as targets, this handler should be removed from the respective workflow process template, and you must ensure that the desired users have change access to the workflow process (job) object. You may need to use the **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** handler to ensure that the required change access is asserted.

Note:

The EPM-attach-related-objects and PS-attach-assembly-components handlers are dependent on this handler.

SYNTAX

EPM-disallow-adding-targets [-exclude_type=type-of-object [, type-of-object2]]

ARGUMENTS

-exclude_type=type-of-object [, type-of-object2]

Types of objects that are allowed to be added as targets after the workflow process is initiated.

This argument is optional.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform** action of the root task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This example allows only BOM view revisions to be added interactively as targets after the workflow process is initiated.

Argument	Values
-exclude_type	BOMView Revision

EPM-disallow-removing-targets

DESCRIPTION

Prevents targets from being removed from a workflow process after the workflow process has been started.

It is good practice to add this handler to the root task of the **Perform** action. This prevents target objects from being removed from a workflow process once it is started. To allow the removal of targets, verify that this handler has been removed from the respective workflow process template (if it has not been removed, do so) and ensure that the desired users have *change* access to the workflow process object. You may need to use the **EPM-set-rule-based-protection** handler to ensure that the required *change* access is asserted.

Note:

The named ACL must have change access to provide the proper protection.

SYNTAX

EPM-disallow-removing-targets

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Perform** action of the root task.

RESTRICTIONS

EPM-disallow-reviewers

DESCRIPTION

Prevents specified users, the workflow process owner, reviewers for a specified task, reviewers from all tasks, or a combination of them from being added to a signoff team in a **Review** task.

SYNTAX

EPM-disallow-reviewers -assignee=user:[user-name-1] [,user:user-name-2,...] | [user:\$PROCESS_OWNER] -task=[parent-task-name:sub-task-name | ALL]

ARGUMENTS

-assignee

Specifies the user IDs and/or the workflow process owner that are not allowed as reviewers.

Any Teamcenter users or **\$PROCESS_OWNER** are specified in the following format:

```
user:user-name-1, user:user-name-2, ...
```

You must use either the **-assignee** or the **-task** argument. You can optionally use both.

-task

Specifies the parent task and subtask names, separated by a colon (:), for an existing **select-signoff-team** task in the workflow process. Reviewers for this task are not allowed as reviewers for the task with this handler. You can specify all tasks in the workflow process with the **ALL** keyword.

You must use either the -assignee or the -task argument. You can optionally use both.

PLACEMENT

Place only on the **Complete** action of the **select-signoff-team** task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example prevents the user **Smith** from being a reviewer:

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:Smith

• This example prevents the workflow process owner and user **Smith** from being reviewers:

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:\$PROCESS_OWNER, user:Smith

• This example prevents the existing reviewers on the **Review1:SST1** task from being reviewers:

Argument	Values
-task	Review1:SST1

• This example prevents the existing reviewers on all other **select-signoff-team** tasks within the workflow process from being the reviewers:

Argument	Values
-task	ALL

• This example prevents the process owner and existing reviewers on the **Review1:SST1** task from being reviewers:

Argument	Values
-assignee	user:\$PROCESS_OWNER
-task	Review1:SST1

EPM-hold

DESCRIPTION

Pauses the task, requiring the user to perform an action on the task before the task can complete. Typically, a task completes automatically once started. **EPM-hold** prevents this automatic completion.

Use this rule handler with custom tasks that require customized **Perform** actions, or to require the user to manually perform a **Complete** action to complete the task.

This handler checks the **task_result** property of the task to which it is attached. If this property is not set to **Completed**, this handler pauses the task. If the value is set to **Completed**, the task progresses normally.

In addition, in case of **Notify** tasks that are sub-tasks of **Route** tasks, this handler checks whether the reviewers are completely assigned to the **Route** task. If the reviewers' assignment is complete, then it allows the **Notify** task to proceed even if the value of **task_result** property of the **Notify** task is not set to **Completed**.

Configuring a task to display forms using EPM-display-form, EPM-hold, and EPM-create-form

To configure a task to display a form when a user performs a specified action, use the **EPM-hold** handler. This handler pauses the task, requiring the user to perform an action on the task before the task can complete. Without the use of this handler, a task completes automatically once started.

To create an instance of a specified form and attach the form to the specified task, use the **EPM-create-form** handler.

Therefore, the **EPM-create-form** handler creates the form when the **Start** action is initiated, the **EPM-display-form** handler displays the form when the **Perform** action is initiated, and the **EPM-hold** handler prevents the task from automatically completing, allowing the form to be completed by the user.

Variations on the above example may be required for a more sophisticated interaction when it is required that the task not complete until required fields are entered in the form. This type of configuration requires the creation of customized rule handlers.

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EPM-hold

ARGUMENTS

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Complete** action of any task with which you want the user to interact before the task completes.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- By default, this handler is placed in the **Do** task template, pausing the task to allow the **Do Task** dialog box to display when the user performs the **Perform** action on a selected **Do** task.
- Use this handler with custom tasks that present custom forms when the user performs the **Perform** action.
 - For information about configuring custom tasks to present custom forms when the **Perform** action is invoked, see the description of the **EPM-display-form** handler.

EPM-invoke-system-rule

DESCRIPTION

Runs an external command (specified with the **-command** argument) such as Perl scripts, shell scripts, or external ITK programs, then continues or halts the workflow process based on the return code of the external command.

Use this handler for increased control of the workflow process. For example, to synchronize NX attributes and structure with Teamcenter, or to generate JT tessellation from CAD files.

This handler writes process-related information to an XML file. The file is passed to the external script or program as **-f** *XML-file-name*. APIs are provided (in the form of Perl modules) to read the XML file and perform functions on its data objects. The APIs are located in the **Workflow.pm** file in the *TC_ROOT/bin/tc* directory.

Write Perl scripts (for example, *TC_ROOT/bin/iman_check_renderings_pl* for background tessellation of CAD data) using the provided APIs to read the XML file and perform required functions on its data objects. Then use the Perl script as the value of the **-command** argument in the workflow process template.

Note:

Siemens Digital Industries Software recommends you place the Perl scripts in the *TC_ROOT/bin* folder.

Alternatively, you can place the script in an alternate location and provide an absolute path to the location (for example, c:\temp\test.bat). However, using an absolute path requires that you update the template if there are any changes. In the previous example, c:\temp\test.bat is a path on a Windows platform. If you were to change to a Linux platform, the template would need to be updated. This second method is not recommended.

The handler returns a code that is mapped to:

- EPM_go when the external script returns 0 or EPM_go and no other errors are returned
- EPM_nogo when the external script/program returns error or EPM_nogo
- EPM_undecided when the external script/program returns EPM_undecided

SYNTAX

```
EPM-invoke-system-rule -command=name-of-the-external-program
[-trigger_on_go= [task:]action]
[-trigger_on_nogo= [task:]action]
[-trigger_on_undecided= [task:]action] [-skip_unreadable_objs]
[-change_status_on_go= [old-status-name:][new-status-name]]
```

[-change_status_on_nogo= [old-status-name:][new-status-name]]
[-change_status_on_undecided= [old-status-name:][new-status-name]]
[-add_occurrence_notes] [-comment=signoff-comment]
[-responsible_party= [User:responsible-party[; Task:task-name]]
[-reviewer= [User:user-id] [; Group:group] [; Role:role] [; Level:level]]
[-send_mail=user-ids] [-initiate_process] [-where_used=item-revision-type]
[-expand=item-revision-type] [-list_sibling_processes=wildcarded-procname]
[-depth=maximum-recursion-depth] [-debug]

ARGUMENTS

-command

Name of the external executable. This executable can be an external Perl script that reads and modifies the XML file that this handler writes, or an ITK program to perform specific functionality.

This argument is required.

-trigger_on_go

Triggers an action in the same workflow process when **EPM_go** is returned.

Trigger an action in another task by specifying an action and task name. If another task name is unspecified, the specified action in the current task is triggered.

The system supports the following actions:

ASSIGN, START, PERFORM, COMPLETE, SUSPEND, RESUME, SKIP, ABORT, REFUSE, UNDO, REJECT, APPROVE, PROMOTE, DEMOTE.

Action names are not case sensitive.

Task names cannot contain a colon or a period. If the task name is ambiguous (for example, **select-signoff-team**), hierarchical notation is required.

This argument is optional.

-trigger_on_nogo

Triggers an action in the same workflow process when **EPM_nogo** is returned. Trigger an action in another task by specifying an action and task name. If another task name is unspecified, the specified action in the current task is triggered.

The system supports the following actions:

ASSIGN, START, PERFORM, COMPLETE, SUSPEND, RESUME, SKIP, ABORT, REFUSE, UNDO, REJECT, APPROVE, PROMOTE, DEMOTE.

Action names are not case sensitive.

Task names cannot contain a colon or period. If the task name is ambiguous (for example, **select-signoff-team**), hierarchical notation is required.

This argument is optional.

-trigger_on_undecided

Triggers an action in the same workflow process when **EPM_undecided** is returned.

Trigger an action in another task by specifying an action and task name. If another task name is unspecified, the specified action in the current task is triggered.

The system supports the following actions:

ASSIGN, START, PERFORM, COMPLETE, SUSPEND, RESUME, SKIP, ABORT, REFUSE, UNDO, REJECT, APPROVE, PROMOTE, DEMOTE.

Action names are not case sensitive.

Task names cannot contain a colon or period. If the task name is ambiguous (for example, **select-signoff-team**), hierarchical notation is required.

This argument is optional.

-skip_unreadable_objs

Unreadable objects are not processed. The handler does not attempt to write information about unreadable objects into the XML file; the objects are skipped.

If this argument is not specified, the handler displays an error when a failure occurs when there is no read access.

-change status on go

Adds, removes, or changes the status of attachments when **EPM_go** is returned.

Both the old and new status names are optional.

- If both status names are specified, the new status name replaces the old status name.
- If only the new status name is specified, the corresponding status is added.
- If only the old status name is specified, the corresponding status name is removed.
- If neither status name is specified, no action is taken.

If a value is not provided for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

-change_status_on_nogo

Adds, removes, or changes the status of attachments when **EPM_nogo** is returned.

Both the old and new status names are optional.

- If both status names are specified, the new status name replaces the old status name.
- If only the new status name is specified, the corresponding status is added.
- If only the old status name is specified, the corresponding status name is removed.
- If neither status name is specified, no action is taken.

If a value is not provided for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

-change_status_on_undecided

Adds, removes, or changes the status of attachments when **EPM_undecided** is returned.

Both the old and new status names are optional.

- If both status names are specified, the new status name replaces the old status name.
- If only the new status name is specified, the corresponding status is added.
- If only the old status name is specified, the corresponding status name is removed.
- If neither status name is specified, no action is taken.

If a value is not provided for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

-add_occurrence_notes

Sets occurrence notes of target assemblies. Can be used in combination with the **-expand** argument to set **OccurrenceNotes** for components of assembly structures.

This argument is optional.

-comment

The signoff decision is set depending on the return code of the external program:

- 0=Approve
- 1=Reject
- 2=No Decision

If a value is not provided for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

This argument is optional.

-responsible_party

Assigns a responsible party. If no user ID is specified for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

This argument is optional.

-reviewer

Assigns a reviewer for a release level. If no reviewer is specified for this argument, the value set by the external Perl script is read.

This argument is optional.

-send mail

Sends target, reference, or sibling objects through program mail. If one or more user IDs are defined for this argument, the workflow process is sent to the specified users through program mail.

Separate multiple user IDs with a space, a comma, or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

If no user IDs are defined for this argument, the recipients and the contents of the envelope set by the external Perl script is read.

This argument is optional.

-initiate_process

Initiates a workflow process for another object. Target objects are defined by the values set by the external Perl script.

This argument is optional.

-where used

Reports the where-used of item and item revision target attachments by writing the hierarchy of all parent and grandparent assemblies of item and item revision target attachments into the XML file to allow the external Perl script to perform required functions. If an ItemRevision type is specified, the type argument is compared to the corresponding item revision type. For example, ItemRevision matches objects of the **Item** type. If an item revision type is specified, the parent assemblies of only those target attachments that match this type are listed.

This argument is optional.

-expand

Reports the assembly of item and item revision target attachments by writing the hierarchy of all child and grandchild components of item and item revision target attachments into the XML file to allow the external Perl script to perform required functions.

If an ItemRevision type is specified, the type argument is compared to the corresponding item revision type. For example, ItemRevision matches objects of the Item type. The assembly structure is expanded for all item revision of all matching item target attachments.

If an item revision is specified, the child components of only those target attachments are listed that match this type.

This argument is optional.

-list_sibling_processes

Writes information regarding processes that belong to the same **Change** item into the XML file to allow the external Perl script to perform required functions. The information concerns processes sharing the same **Change** item as a reference attachment.

If a process template name is specified in the procedure definition, only the processes that match the procedure name are included.

This argument is optional.

-depth

Increases the maximum incursion depth. The **-trigger_on_go** or **-initiate_process** arguments could cause the triggered action to use the same handler in a deeper level of recursion. If this is intended, the maximum level of recursion must be set to the desired number. If necessary, it can be disabled by setting it to 0. The default is set to 1, to avoid infinite loops.

This argument is optional.

-debug

Enables debugging. Each occurrence of this argument increases the debug level by one. Debug messages are written to the Teamcenter error stack for display in the rich client user interface, as well as written to the syslog file.

This argument is optional.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** or **Complete** action of any task. If this handler is configured to set the signoff decisions on a **perform-signoffs** task (for example, if the **-comment** argument is specified), then place on the **Complete** action of the **perform-signoffs** task.

RESTRICTIONS

Do not add to a workflow process containing any handler using resource pools.

EXAMPLES

This example shows how to run the **iman_check_renderings_pl** script using the **-command** argument. Do not list the file extension in the value. This value runs either the **iman_check_renderings_pl.bat** (Windows) or **iman_check_renderings_pl** (Linux) script, depending on which platform the server is running.

Note:

The script should be placed in the *TC_ROOT/***bin** directory.

Argument	Values
-command	iman_check_renderings_pl

EPM-signoff-team-validation

DESCRIPTION

Checks to ensure the minimum number of reviewers specified by the **-num_reviewers** argument is assigned to the **select-signoff-team** task. If no argument is provided, the handler checks for at least one reviewer.

If the number of reviewers assigned to the **select-signoff-team** task is less than the minimum reviewers required, then **EPM_nogo** is returned.

SYNTAX

EPM-signoff-team-validation [-num_reviewers= minimum-number]

ARGUMENTS

-num_reviewers

(Optional) Minimum number of reviewers required for the select-signoff-team task.

PLACEMENT

Place only on the Complete action of the select-signoff-team task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This example checks to see if at least 2 reviewers are assigned to the **select-signoff-team** task.

Argument	Values
-num_reviewers	2

EPM-validate-target-objects

DESCRIPTION

Restricts the types of objects that can be added as target objects. It always prevents the **Home**, **Newstuff**, and **MailBox** folders from being added as target objects.

Note:

Enable debugging functionality for this handler with the TC_HANDLERS_DEBUG environment variable.

SYNTAX

EPM-validate-target-objects

[-include_type =type-of-workspace-object[, type-of-workspace-object2,..]]
[-exclude_type =type-of-workspace-object[, type-of-workspace-object2,..]]
[-latest_rev]

ARGUMENTS

-include_type

Defines the type of objects that can be added as target objects to a workflow process. You can define more than one type by using commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference between the types. This argument is optional.

Accepts valid Teamcenter object types, such as ItemRevision, UGMASTER, and UGPART.

When you add any object type or class as a target, all its subtypes are also included. To explicitly exclude any subtypes, use the **-exclude_type** argument.

For example, if this argument is specified as **ItemRevision**, any type of item revision (for example, **DocumentRevison**, and so on, and any custom item revision types) is allowed.

Does not accept bracketed () class notation to distinguish between classes and types.

-exclude_type

Defines the type of objects that cannot be added as target objects to a workflow process. You can define more than one type by using commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference between the types.

Accepts valid Teamcenter object types, such as ItemRevision, UGMASTER, and UGPART.

If this argument is specified as **ItemRevision**, any type of item revision (for example, **DocumentRevison**, and so on, and any custom item revision types) is disallowed.

-latest_rev

Ensures any revisions added to the workflow process are the latest revision within their owning item. This argument is optional.

PLACEMENT

Place on any action in any task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example allows only item revisions as targets:

Argument	Values
-include_type	ItemRevision

• This example allows **MEOPRevision** objects as the targets and disallows **MENCMachining Revision** and **METurningRevision** objects:

Argument	Values
-include_type	MEOPRevision
-exclude_type	MENCMachining Revision, METurningRevision

Note:

MEOPRevision is the parent type (class) for **MENCMachining Revision** and **METurningRevision**. In this example, all **MEOPRevision** subtypes are allowed as targets except for **MENCMachining Revision** and **METurningRevision**.

• This example allows only the latest item revisions as targets:

Argument	Values
-include_type	ItemRevision
-latest_rev	

EPM-verify-digital-signature

DESCRIPTION

Verifies if the target objects and, optionally, the schedule task have a valid digital signature.

SYNTAX

EPM-verify-digital-signature [-include_schedule_task] [-quorum=size] [-no_void]

ARGUMENTS

-include_schedule_task

(Optional) Verifies the digital signature on the schedule task and all target objects of the workflow. If this argument is not provided, the digital signature is verified only on the target objects of the workflow.

-quorum

(Optional) Specifies the minimum number of valid digital signatures each target must have, where *size* is a positive integer specifying the quorum. If this argument is not specified, all digital signatures on all targets must be valid.

-no_void

(Optional) Checks each target object in the workflow for a void digital signature. If the target object has one or more void digital signatures, the handler fails with an error indicating the failure, even if the quorum in the **-quorum** argument for valid digital signatures is met.

PLACEMENT

Place on any action on any task.

RESTRICTIONS

ERP-check-effective-date-RH

DESCRIPTION

Checks the **Effect In** date on the release status attached to the process does not have a value before the current date.

SYNTAX

ERP-check-effective-date-RH

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **perform-signoff** task.

RESTRICTIONS

ERP-check-target-status-RH

DESCRIPTION

Checks that the release status for target item revisions is specified.

SYNTAX

ERP-check-target-status-RH -status_name=name

ARGUMENTS

-status_name

Specifies the name of the release status.

RESTRICTIONS

ERP-validate-data-RH

DESCRIPTION

Applies the validation criteria specified in the mapping schema on all forms attached to the process's transfer folders and related **BOMComponent** data. The following validations are performed:

- For each attribute:
 - If the attribute parameter is required, the field must have a value.
 - If the attribute definition has an LOV, the value in the field must match one in the list. Although this is checked at entry time, this allows for LOVs that changed in the mapping since the data was originally entered.
 - For an overview of using LOVs in handlers, see Lists of values as argument values.
 - For string attributes, the length of string entered must be no more than that defined in the schema.
 - If there is a custom validation function defined using the **custom_check** attribute parameter, call the function.
- For each **BOMHeader** to be sent to ERP:
 - Check a corresponding BOMView revision of the correct type exists, as described for the SAPcheck-forms-attached-RH handler.
 - Check all components with the same item ID have the same attribute values (for those attributes specified in the mapping schema, except quantity).
 - Check component attribute values conform to parameters in the mapping schema (mandatory, LOV, length). Although LOVs cannot be presented to the user for Structure Manager notes, values can still be validated with this handler.

SYNTAX

ERP-validate-data-RH

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Call this handler after you attach data with **ERP-attach-targets-AH**. Place this handler on the **perform-signoff** task.

RESTRICTIONS

ICS-assert-target-classified

DESCRIPTION

Checks whether an item is classified by verifying that target objects of the specified types in this workflow process are classified. If the item is classified, the rule handler returns **EPM_go**. If the item is not classified, it returns **EPM_nogo**. The user then has the option of associating this rule handler with the selected workflow completion process, therefore, preventing the state transition if the item does not comply with the classified business rule.

SYNTAX

ICS-assert-target-classified -allowed_type = type-of-workspace-object [, type-of-workspace-object2,..]

ARGUMENTS

-allowed_type

Must be valid workspace object types. For example: ItemRevision and ITEM

If this argument is specified as **Dataset**, any type of dataset (**UGMASTER**, **UGPART**, **Text**, and so on) is considered.

If this argument is specified as **ItemRevision**, any type of item revision (**DocumentRevison**, and so on, and any custom item revision types) is considered.

PLACEMENT

Place on any action and on any task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This example checks item revisions as targets:

Argument	Values
-allowed_type	ItemRevision

This handler is very useful in restricting unclassified items and item revisions from being released.

LDF-sync-ldf-status

DESCRIPTION

Queries the remote Linked Data Framework (LDF) integrated systems, such as Polarion, for properties, and checks their values against the expected values configured.

- If the values match, the handler applies the configured status to the target(s) and allows the task to continue processing.
- If the expected values do not match, the handler does not allow a task to continue processing.

Querying a remote system like Polarion is accomplished through APIs against LDF objects attached to the root task by target or reference relations, or attached to a target or reference by a specified relation or property.

Note:

Arguments specific to applying release status are the same as the **EPM-set-status** handler. Any added, modified, or deleted **EPM-set-status** handler arguments apply to the **LDF-sync-ldf-status** handler arguments.

SYNTAX

LDF-sync-ldf-status -property=<oslc-namespace-prefix-url>.property-name
[-remote_user_name=user_name]
[-attachment={target / reference / both}] [-attachment_property=property-name]
[-attachment_relation=relation-name
] [-include_type=include-type]
[-include_related_type=include_related_type] [-check_first_object_only]
[-[action={append/rename/replace/delete}]
[-status=name]
[-new_status=new-status]
[-retain_release_date] [-set_effectivity]

ARGUMENTS

Parameter	Description	Default	Req
-property:: <oslc-namespace- prefix-url> . property-name</oslc-namespace- 	Specifies the remote property or properties check.		Yes
	Requires a fully qualified property name with a prefix URL prepended to every property in a workflow argument, which is prepended by -property:: . The OSLC namespace prefix URL must be		

Parameter	Description	Default	Req
	contained in angle brackets, < and >, in the <oslc-namespace-prefix-url>.property-name format as shown in the Examples section.</oslc-namespace-prefix-url>		
	Enter a list separated by commas or the character specified by the EPM_ARG_target_user_ group_list_separator preference.		
-remote_user_name	Used by the handler to connect to a remote system like Polarion for sending HTTP requests.		No
	The <i>Restrictions</i> section describes separate actions required to generate an encrypted password file.		
-attachment	Specifies the type of attachment to be checked:	target	No
	target		
	Checks the target attachments		
	reference		
	Checks the reference attachment		
	both		
	Checks target and reference types of attachments.		
-attachment_property	Property of the attachment to derive the linked object.		No
-attachment_relation	Specifies the relation name to expand to get the linked object from workflow attachment. Linked objects attached to targets and references of a workflow with the relation specified by attachment_relation are searched. Linked objects not matching the specified relation are not checked.	Lcm0Affected ByDefect	No
-include_type	Specifies the type of workflow target and reference attachments to be checked. Workflow attachments not matching the specified type are not checked.	target	No

Parameter	Description	Default	Req
-include_related_type	Specifies the type of linked object to retrieve that is related to the workflow attachment using the attachment_relation value. This argument should be used in conjunction with the attachment_relation or attachment_property arguments.	target	No
-check_first_object_only	If specified, only the first object of the type specified by include_type is considered. This argument is optional.	true	No
-status	When the check is satisfied, a new milestone with the name specified by this argument is added to targets and references of the workflow.	task-name	No
-action	Specifies an action:	append	No
	append		
	Attaches the status objects from the root task to the target objects, with no impact to any previous status objects applied to the same targets.		
	replace		
	Deletes all existing status objects attached to target objects and attaches the status objects from the root task to the target objects.		
	rename		
	Renames an existing status object attached to the target objects from old_name to new_name.		
	If a status object with the old_name status is not found, it renames the last status object attached to the target objects.		
	If the target object has an existing status, the status object is renamed from old_name to new_name .		
	delete		

Parameter	Description	Default	Req
	Deletes the status status_name specified by the status argument from the target object.		
	If the delete argument is not used in combination with the status argument, all status objects are removed from the target objects.		
	If the status objects being removed from the target objects were created in the same workflow, they are attached to the root task upon creation and are not removed from the root task by this handler.		
-new_status	Specifies the new name for the status object.		No
	Use in conjunction with rename and replace actions.		
-retain_release_status	Retains the original release date on the target object if it had previously been released. Not valid for replace .	false	No
-set_effectivity	If used, the system creates the open- ended date effectivity with the release date as the start date.	false	No

PLACEMENT

Because this is a rule handler with some action handler behavior, place it as the last rule handler in the rule handler list for the task **Complete** action.

RESTRICTIONS

Use if you are using the LDF framework for application integrations and you want Teamcenter workflows to apply status based on LDF linked property values.

You must generate an encrypted password file by following these steps in a Teamcenter command shell:

1. Run this command:

mkdir %TC_DATA%\polarionconnector

2. Run this command:

%TC_ROOT%\bin\install -encryptpwf -f=%TC_DATA%\polarionconnector\<user name>

Where *<user name>* is user name of remote system such as Polarion ALM. This user name should be configured as a value of the **-remote_user_name** handler.

EXAMPLES

• The following example checks the status property of linked objects on the remote system.

Argument	Values
<pre>-property:: <http: oslc#="" polarion.plm.automation.="" siemens.com=""> .priority</http:></pre>	Low, Medium
-attachment	target
-attachment_relation	Lcm0RelatedChangeRequest
-include_type	Change Request Revision
-status	Synced
-action	append
-remote_user_name	admin

MESINTEG_ValidateReleaseAndExport

DESCRIPTION

Performs customized validation checks for Manufacturing Execution System Integration. This handler does the following:

- Takes the CC object and creates BOP windows.
- Configures all windows with the configuration rule.
- Calls the validation checks for any BOP window.

If a validation check fails or there is an error or warning, it is returned within the **validationError** structure and added to the log in the handler or in the user interface.

SYNTAX

MESINTEG_ValidateReleaseAndExport -Type = callback-type-1, callback-type-2, ...

ARGUMENTS

-Type

Specifies the callback type, for example, MFG_ValidationChecksCallback or MESINTEG_ValidationChecksCallback. Each -Type value is paired with the -Name value, separated by commas or the character specified by the EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator preference. You can have more than one type/name pair.

-Name

Specifies the callback name, for example, ValidationCheck1.

Each -Type value is paired with the -Name value, separated by commas or the character specified in the EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator preference. You can have more than one type/name pair.

-perform

Specifies the list of operations to be performed by the action handler.

Values include Validate, Release, GenerateMESWIRep, Export, and modifyscope.

Note:

Specify these values without spaces and separated by commas or the character specified in the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference

-fullexport

Indicates whether it is a full export or a delta export.

-ContinueOnFail

(Optional) Specifies whether to continue checking if the previous check fails. The default value is **False**. You can use multiple values, separated by commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference. Specify one value less than the number of type/name pairs, because if the last check fails, there is no check to continue.

-export_as_fai

Specifies whether to consider the work package as part of the **Send to MES** command.

If set to **True**, the work package is considered as a part of the **Send to MES** command.

PLACEMENT

Place this handler on any workflow that eventually creates a BOP window from the **VisStructureContext**, exports the data, and updates the release status.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

Arguments used in the ReleaseToMES, Send, and ReleaseUpdateToMES workflows.

Note:

Specify values without spaces and separated by commas or the character specified in the **EPM_- ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference

Argument	Values
-Туре	MFG_ValidationChecksCallback, MFG_ValidationChecksCallback, MFG_ValidationChecksCallback
-callback_name	Release Status Validation, Workarea Assigned Validation, Process Hierarchy Validation, Workarea Name Validation
-perform	Validate, Release, GenerateMESWIRep, Export
-fullexport	True

Argument	Values
-ContinueOnFail	True or False
-export_as_fai	True, False
	If this property is set to True , the work package is considered as a part of the Send to MES command.

Arguments used in the **ReleaseToProduction** workflow.

Note:

Specify values without spaces and separated by commas or the character specified in the **EPM_-ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference

Argument	Values
-Type	MFG_ValidationChecksCallback
-callback_name	Change Object Validation
-target	production
-perform	Validate, Pending,Export, exportdelta, Release, modifyscope
	The modifyscope value is specific to ReleaseToProduction workflow. If you want to use this value, you must register this callback using the following command:
	<pre>install_callback -u=Tc-admin-user -p=password - g=group -mode=create - type=MFG_ModifyScopeCallback -library=library -function=function -name=Modify Export Scope</pre>
	Note:
	Do not use modifyscope , Pending , or exportdelta values for MES Integration.
-fullexport	TRUE
-ContinueOnFail	TRUE
-export_as_fai	True, False

Argument	Values	
	If this property is set to True , the work package is considered as a part of the Send to MES command.	

MFG-invoke-customized-validations

DESCRIPTION

Performs customized validation checks for Manufacturing Execution System Integration. This handler does the following:

- Takes the CC object and create BOP windows.
- Configure all windows with the configuration rule.
- Calls the validation checks for any BOP window.

If a validation check fails or there is an error or warning, it is returned within the **validationError** structure and added to the log in the handler or in the user interface.

SYNTAX

MFG-invoke-customized-validations -Type = callback-type-1, callback-type-2, ... **-Name =** callback-name-1, callback-name-2, ... **[-ContinueOnFail = True|False, True|False, ...]**

ARGUMENTS

-Type

The callback type; for example, MFG_ValidationChecksCallback or MESINTEG_ValidationChecksCallback. Each -Type value is paired with the -Name value, separated by commas or the character specified by the EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator preference. You can have more than one type/name pair.

-Name

The callback name; for example, **ValidationCheck1**. Each **-Type** value is paired with the **-Name** value, separated by commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference. You can have more than one type/name pair.

-ContinueOnFail

(Optional) Whether or not to continue checking if the previous check failed. The default is **False**. You can use multiple values, separated by commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference. There should be one less value than the number of type/name pairs, because if the last check fails, there is not another check to continue to.

PI ACEMENT

Place this handler on any workflow that transfers a CC object to a BOP window.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

• This example runs three different validation checks, ValidationCheck1, ValidationCheck2, and ValidationCheck3. If ValidationCheck1 fails, the handler runs ValidationCheck2 anyway. If ValidationCheck2 fails, the handler does not run ValidationCheck3.

Argument	Values
-Туре	MFG_ValidationChecksCallback, MFG_ValidationChecksCallback, MFG_ValidationChecksCallback
-Name	ValidationCheck1, ValidationCheck2, ValidationCheck3
-Continue On Fail	True, False

MROCORE-validate-for-class

DESCRIPTION

Validates that the item revision submitted to the workflow is a physical part revision. If it is a physical part revision, the handlers returns **EPM_go**. If it is not a physical part revision, the handler displays an error, returns the decision as **EPM_nogo**, and stops further processing.

SYNTAX

MROCORE-validate-for-class -class name=class-name

ARGUMENTS

-class name

Specifies the class name to validate.

PLACEMENT

Place at the entry of the workflow to validate that the target object is the physical part revision for the as-built structure traversal.

RESTRICTIONS

This handler is available only when Teamcenter service lifecycle management Service Manager or As-Built Manager is licensed and installed.

PS-check-assembly-status-progression

DESCRIPTION

Enforces status value progression for BOM assemblies. When an assembly is selected for release to a specific status, this handler checks if all its components are at or above the status of the assembly.

An item revision is required as the target of the workflow process. Additional targets are derived by traversing the BOM attached to the target item revision. The handler then compares the targeted release status to the release status of its components. The latest release status of the components must be the same or later in the status progress, in relationship to the targeted release status of the assembly.

This handler traverses only one level. If every subassembly of the target were previously released by this handler, all subassemblies would have been forced to align to the progression path.

Note:

If the target release status of the assembly must be checked against the latest release status of its own preceding revisions, use the **EPM-check-status-progression** handler before using this handler.

If the workflow process contains several **Condition** tasks that apply different release statuses at different levels, the value provided in the **-status** argument can be used. If this argument is not used in this situation, the status applied to the target object is applied to the object. There is no validation ensuring the value provided by this argument is a valid status being applied by the current release procedure.

You can check the BOM components for a specific status, rather than for any status. In this case, the handler traverses the BOM, checking for the specific release status of each individual component, rather than any status; the progression path is not read.

SYNTAX

PS-check-assembly-status-progression [-rev_rule=revision-rule] [-saved_var_rule=saved-variant-rule] [-status=
status-being-applied-to-the-target-object][-check_component_status=
component-status-to-be-checked-against] [-check_unconfigured]

ARGUMENTS

-rev_rule

Specifies the name of the revision rule to be applied for BOM traversal. If not supplied, the default revision rule is used.

-saved var rule

Specifies the name of the saved variant rule to be applied on BOM window for BOM traversal.

-status

Defines the status being applied to the target object. If you do not specify **-status**, you must specify **-check_component_status**.

-check_component_status

Checks if all the components have this status. If you do not specify **-check_component_status**, you must specify **-status**.

-check_unconfigured

Returns **NO-GO** in case the applied revision rule on the assembly results in unconfigured children.

When specified, all the components are checked to see if they are configured. While the components are checked, if any component has an invalid status, the status is ignored for the time being and the rest of the components are continued to be checked. After all the components are checked:

- If one of the components is unconfigured, **NO-GO** is returned regardless of whether any other component has an invalid status.
- If all the components are configured then if one of them has an invalid status, the invalid status error is displayed and **NO-GO** is returned.

PLACEMENT

Place on any task action. However, if the target assembly is very large, placing it on the **Start** action of the root task could affect performance. With this placement, the **Create Process** dialog box does not close until the entire assembly is traversed.

RESTRICTIONS

If there are separate release progression tables for assemblies and for components, there must be common statuses between these two tables. If there are no common statuses between these two tables, this handler returns an **EPM_nogo** and aborts the release process of the assembly when the workflow process is initiated. See the fourth example below.

EXAMPLES

• In this example, assume that the revision rule is **Working** and the variant rule is **GMC 300 Rule**. If an assembly target object has to be checked against the status of its components, using a specific revision rule and saved variant rule to configure the assembly, define the arguments:

Argument	Values
-rev_rule	Working
-saved_var_rule	GMC 300 Rule
-status	Design

• In this example, if the assembly target object being released has to check if each of its components are at **Design** status, rather than any status, define the following argument. In this case, the progression path is not read:

Argument	Values
-check_component_status	Design

• In this example, assume a workflow process contains several **Condition** tasks, which apply different release statuses at different levels, and **Design** is a status at one of the levels. To check the status of **Design** against the progression path, rather than deriving the status being applied to the target object, define the following argument:

Argument	Values
-status	Design

- In this example, consider the scenario:
 - Assy1/A is a CORP_Product item revision, at Design status
 - 002/A is a CORP_Part item revision, at Design status
 - 003/A is a CORP_Part item revision, at Design status
 - CORP_Product progression path: Assembly Quote, Experimental, Development, Design, Prototype, Manufacturing, Production
 - CORP_Part progression path: Quote, Experimental, Development, Design, Manufacturing,
 Production

If Assy1/A is now being released to **Prototype** status, the handler returns an **EPM_nogo** because the component's progression path (and therefore the component progression table) does not contain the **Prototype** status. The assembly process would be aborted.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- If the target release status of the assembly has to be checked against the latest release status of its
 own preceding revisions, the best practice is to use the EPM-check-status-progression handler
 before this handler.
- The progression path must be manually defined in the **ProgressionPath.plmxml** file before the handler can reference the path. The file is stored in the *TC_DATA* directory. Create a backup copy of this file before editing it.
 - All target types that you want to follow the progression path must be set in this file. A **UserData** block must be created for each type that follows a progression path. For example, to define the progression

path for the **ItemRevision**, **PSBOMView**, and **MSWord** types, the **UserData** blocks can be defined as follows:

```
<UserData id="id1">
   <UserValue title="Type" value="ItemRevision"/>
   <UserValue title="ReleaseProgressionList"</pre>
      value="Quote, Development, Prototype, Production">
   </UserValue>
</UserData>
<UserData id="id2">
   <UserValue title="Type" value="PSBOMView"/>
   <UserValue title="ReleaseProgressionList"</pre>
      value="Quote1, Development1, Prototype1, Production1">
   </UserValue>
</UserData>
<UserData id="id3">
   <UserValue title="Type" value="MSWord"/>
   <UserValue title="ReleaseProgressionList"</pre>
      value="Quote2, Development2, Prototype2, Production2">
   </UserValue>
</UserData>
```

Note:

- Add the **UserData** blocks between the **<PLMXML>** and **</PLMXML>** tags.
- Ensure you increment the **UserData id** value when you add a new entry.
- After adding a new **UserData** block, change the value for **Type** to a type you are defining.
- You can modify the value of the release status to meet your requirements.

PS-check-occ-notes

DESCRIPTION

Checks whether a value has been entered for the specified occurrence note types on the occurrences of a given assembly.

SYNTAX

PS-check-occ-notes -note_types=occurrence-note-type-names

ARGUMENTS

-note_types

Defines the occurrence note types to be validated.

PLACEMENT

Requires no specific placement.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

EXAMPLES

This example checks if the given assembly has the **Torque** and **Power** occurrence note types defined in all its BOM lines:

Argument	Values
-note_types	Torque,Power

SAP-check-forms-attached-RH

DESCRIPTION

Makes the following checks:

• For each BOM, check that the master data for each component and the assembly itself is created in ERP at the plant specified in the associated **BOMHeader** form or is a target of the current process. This prevents the upload failing, which it would if the component data did not already exist. This handler does not make any calls to ERP; it simply checks the **Sent to ERP** box.

Note:

If the process has both component and assembly item revisions, the material data is created first, and then the BOMs.

- For each **BOMHeader** form, there must be a corresponding BOM view revision with the view type specified by the **TC_view_type** attribute in the form.
- Complete sets of ERP forms are attached to each item revision as a target of the process. The mapping schema allows data for an **erp_object**, typically plant-specific, to be split across several form types. As the upload is expecting a complete set of attribute values for an **erp_object**, a complete set of forms must be transferred (for example, an instance of each form type defined for the **erp_object**).
- For a BOM, check that the parent and all components have had their master data **Sent to ERP** for the plant in which the BOM is created or are part of the process.

Note:

If the **erp_object** defines a key field with the **is_key_fld** parameter, the value in this field is used to distinguish between different instances of data for the same **erp_object**. For example, all forms having value 1000 in the **plant** field for form types with **erp_object PlantSpecific** constitute the set of forms defining the plant-specific data for plant 1000.

This handler only searches for ERP forms defined in the mapping schema attached by the relation types listed by the **-reln_names** argument. This list should be consistent with that used in the **ERP-attach-targets-AH**. Only those forms whose state has not yet been transferred to ERP (for example, those for which the **Sent_to_ERP** field is empty) are checked.

SYNTAX

SAP-check-forms-attached-RH -reln_names = reln1,reln2,...

ARGUMENTS

-reln_names

A list of the relation types used to relate ERP forms to item revisions.

Separate multiple types with commas or the character specified by the **EPM_ARG_target_user_group_list_separator** preference.

Note:

Relation names are case sensitive and should be named, for example, **tc_specification** not **TC_Specification**.

ERP_Data is the special relation supplied for attaching ERP forms.

PLACEMENT

Place this handler on the Review task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

SAP-check-forms-to-download-RH

DESCRIPTION

Checks to make certain all form sets in transfer folders are valid, with the same rules as the SAP-check-forms-attached-RH rule handler. However, the SAP-check-forms-to-download-RH handler is intended for final checking of the form sets to be sent, rather than an initial input validation set.

SYNTAX

SAP-check-forms-to-download-RH

ARGUMENTS

None.

PLACEMENT

Call this handler after data is attached using the ERP-attach-targets-AH handler. Place this handler on the Perform Signoff task.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

VAL-check-validation-result

DESCRIPTION

Evaluates the validation result of each target before releasing the object. The handler first looks for all results relative to all targets. If no validation result is found, or all results are outdated or failed, the handler reports the corresponding error message and returns an **EPM_nogo** and the workflow is cancelled. If at least one validation result is successful and current, the handler returns an **EPM_go** and the workflow proceeds.

There are five situations in which validation results are checked:

- If the target object is an item revision, the handler finds all the validation targets by the closure rule specified in the **NX Agent** and then finds all the results relative to these validation targets.
- If the target object is an item, the handler runs on the latest revision, searching for validation results as specified in the previous situation. You may also supply a handler specifying the item revisions. After the first handler runs, the second handler runs on the specified item revisions as specified in the previous situation.
- If the target object is a dataset, the handler finds the validation results relative to the dataset.
- If the target object is a folder, the handler includes all secondary objects under the folder in its search for validation results.
- If there are multiple objects as targets, (for example, if multiple item revisions are selected as targets of a workflow), the handler finds all the validation results relative to all the validation targets by closure rule.

SYNTAX

VAL-check-validation-result [-each validation target]

ARGUMENTS

-each_validation_target

(Optional) At least one validation result must exist for each NX dataset for the workflow to proceed.

If this argument is not used, the workflow proceeds if there is a successful result on one NX dataset.

PLACEMENT

Place on the **Start** action of the root task. The workflow process is aborted if a target is not validated, or if its validation result is not **Pass**.

An alternative is to place on the **Complete** action of the root task. The release status is not added to a target if it is not validated, or if its validation result is not **Pass**.

RESTRICTIONS

None.

VAL-check-validation-result-with-rules

DESCRIPTION

Leverages validation rule and validation object applications from the workflow process and checks target NX datasets validation result status. To add this handler to a workflow process template, the user must have a well-defined validation rule set file that best describes the user's business process in terms of what NX datasets should run what checks at what time and what conditions that the check must meet. The handler returns a **EPM_go** or **EPM_nogo** decision based on overall result status of the verification (**EPM_go** is returned only when all target NX datasets satisfy all rules defined in validation rule set file).

The handler logs validation rules and validation result checks. The format of the log file name is *First-target-name_Time-stamp*. The log file is stored in the directory specified by the **TC_TMP_DIR** environment variable. If **TC_TMP_DIR** is not defined, it is stored in the **%TEMP%** directory (Windows) or */tmp* directory (Linux).

Note:

The system will not process a log file name longer than 32 characters when the **TC_Allow_Longer_ID_Name** preference is set to **false**. In this situation, if the log file name is longer than 32 characters, the log file name is automatically truncated.

SYNTAX

VAL-check-validation-result-with-rules -rule_item_revision=item-rev-id [-current_event=event-value] [-pass_item_revision_only] [-ref_log]

ARGUMENTS

-rule item revision

The item revision ID that the validation rule set dataset is attached under.

-current event

A value that is used to select validation rules from the rule file by comparing with the event values list of each rule. When -current_event is not provided, all rules from the rule file are selected at the first step. When a rule is defined without the event values list, the rule is also selected at the first step. The event values list can contain a wildcard (* only). The event values list also can be marked as exclusive (inclusive by default).

-pass_item_revision_only

When this argument is added to an input list, only item revision targets are passed to the handler. NX datasets are searched from each item revision and verified according to rules.

-ref_log

If this argument is present and the validation fails, the validation results log is created, a warning message is displayed, and the log is attached.

If this argument is not present and the validation fails, the validation results log is created, a warning message is displayed, but the log is *not* attached.

If the validation passes, the validation results log is not created and no message is displayed.

PLACEMENT

Do not place this handler on the root task. Place it on the **Start** action of a subsequent task after a target is attached.

Note:

If the handler is placed on the root task, and the handler fails to complete, the workflow process itself is not created. No log file under the **Newstuff** folder is created.

RESTRICTIONS

-rule_item_revision cannot be NULL.