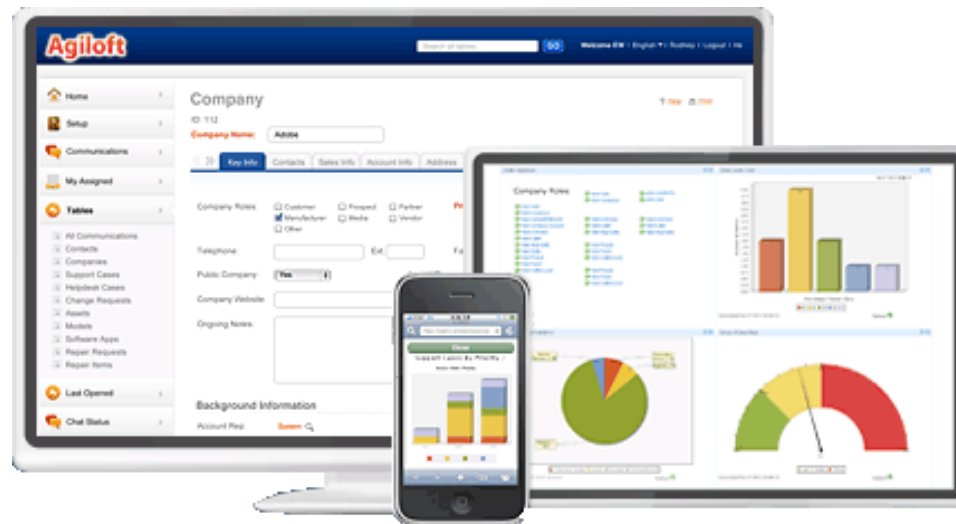


# Unit 7: Working with Email



# Questions Covered

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- What kinds of inbound and outbound email are possible in Agiloft?
- How do we configure the system to send outbound email and receive inbound email?
- Why set up inbound email?
- Can we use Outlook to forward or send email into the system and have it attached to the right records?
- Where are emails stored and where do users go to view emails sent or received by the system?
- What are the different ways that users can send email from the system?
- Why are outbound emails sent as bcc's and how can we show cc's to recipients?

# Working with Email Unit Overview

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- In this unit we will first get an overview of the email features available in Agiloft.
- We will learn what happens when emails are sent and received by the system.
- We will learn how emails are stored and the different places they are displayed in the system.
- We will learn how to configure your email server to allow inbound and outbound email, how to set up inbound and outbound mail handling, and how to set up a personal inbound account for use with the Outlook plug-in.
- We will learn how to adjust permissions and searches so users see the correct communications.

# General Email Capabilities

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- Agiloft can collect email sent to an accessible email address and create new records from it in the table of your choosing.
- If an inbound email is a reply to an outbound Agiloft email, that email can be linked to the record that sent the email and its content mapped to fields in the record. If parsing is enabled, specific fields may be mapped from within the body of the inbound email to fields in Agiloft.
- Agiloft can send emails to one or more people automatically, using an email action based on a template, or manually by a user in the system.
- The Outlook plug-in can be used to send or forward emails to Agiloft and have them linked to a record holding the email address of the recipient or sender.
- If marketing tracking options are on, Agiloft can indicate whether a sent email was opened, bounced, read, and so on. It can track all links that were clicked in an outbound email and provide marketing campaign statistics.

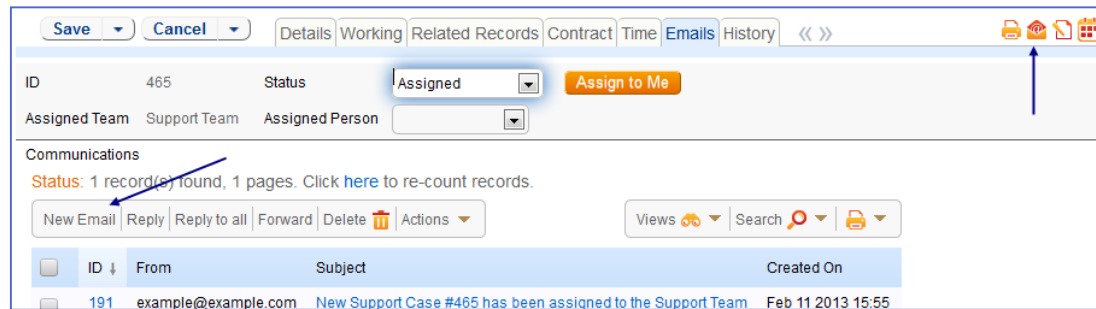
# Unified Communications Structure

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- All communications are stored in the All Communications table.
  - This table has sub-tables for emails, faxes, notes, tweets, and voice calls.
  - By default, only the Emails sub-table is activated. If Agiloft is integrated with your phone system, you can activate voice calls and faxes, and if you are going to use Twitter integration, you can activate tweets.
- Because this table will likely have a very large number of records, there are several filtered points of access that provide separate windows into the table.
- Permissions to the main table and Email sub-table control the overall create/view access, while additional permissions for sending and filters on the Communications table visible within each table provide further control over what users can see and do with emails at each point.

# Sending Emails

- Emails can be sent in a variety of ways:
  - Manually from within a record using the **Email** icon or **New Email** button.



- To multiple records from the **table view** by selecting them and clicking the **Email** icon above the view.
- Automatically via a **rule** when predefined criteria are met.
- From the **Communications** tab in the left pane outside of any record.
- From Outlook (cc:'d to Agiloft using the Outlook plug-in).

# What Happens when an Email is Sent?

- In the All Communication table, several to/from related fields are automatically populated based on the sender and the recipient(s).

Edit Close Email Marketing Background Details << >>					
ID	191	Type	Email		
From	example@example.com	From Login	customer	From Company	IBM
To	example7@example.com, johndoe.ew@gmail.com, chris@example.com	To Logins	johndoe.ew, support, supportmgr	company_to	EnterpriseWizard
Email CC					

- If sent by a user, the sender's **Login** and **Company Name** will be mapped to the **From Login** and **From Company** fields.
- If sent by a rule, the **From Login** and **From Company** values will be mapped based on the **From** email address.
  - 💡 Tip: If you have an outbound address used by rules, you can set up a user with a login of email rule with a company value of your company.
- All recipient email addresses are matched against contacts. If found, the **Logins** and **Companies** of those contacts are populated into the multi-value **To Logins** and **To Companies** fields.

# What Happens when an Email is Sent? (continued)

- If sent from a record in a table, the email is linked to that record by populating the **Table Name** and **Record ID** into two special fields found on the **Background Details** tab of the All Communications table. These fields are combined into a hyperlink which can be clicked to navigate to that record.

Email Type	Outgoing Email	Email Sending Type	Rule
Triggered By	Create: New support case actions, ID : [.2669.], email action : ID : [.10502.] - Email Assigned team or person of new case / email template ID=16 []		Reply To Login
Creator Login	system	Email Reply To	example@example.com
Linked Table	case	Linked ID	465
Linked Record	case/465		
Header	EWAudit[ Generated Date : Mon Feb 11 15:55:40 PST 2013 Server : HOST: officedemo (10.168.6.3) IP: 10.168.6.3 KB : Agiloft Webinar Sample - Agiloft Webinar Sample Table : Support Case Process : Rule By : Create: New support case actions, ID : [.2669.], email action : ID : [.10502.] - Email Assigned team or person of new case / email []		

- If sent from the left pane **Communications** tab, the email will not be linked to a record, but will be visible in the user's sent email link and will be visible in the contact record of the recipient.



# What Happens when an Email is Received?

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- Email may be received either through an email account associated with a specific table or through an account defined as a Personal Inbound account.
- When email is received by a table's inbound account, it will be processed according to the configuration settings for that account (more on that later).
  - Typically, this involves creating a new record or updating an existing record in that table, based on whether the header or subject of the email contains a code identifying an existing table/record in Agiloft.
  - The email will also be stored in the All Communications table and will be linked to the appropriate record.

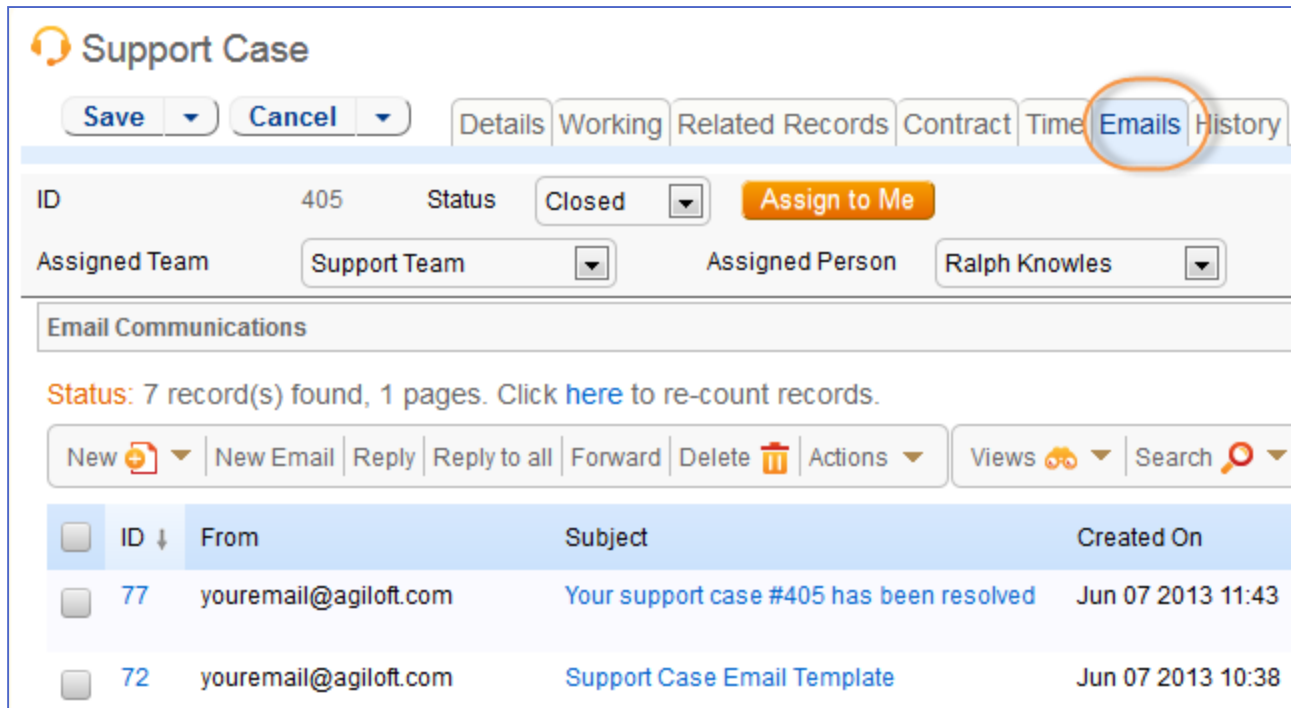
# What Happens when an Email is Received? (continued)

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- When email is received through a personal inbound account, it will be processed according to the settings applied to that account.
  - Typically, this involved comparing the **From** address to specific fields in one or more tables in a pre-defined order until a match is found. Once found, the email is linked to the appropriate record.
  - Personal inbound accounts are generally emailed from the Outlook plug-in which maps the **From** and **To** fields according to the email as it exists in Outlook.

# Where are Emails Displayed in a Record?

- Generally, emails relate to a specific record in a table. The most common place to view emails is in the **Communications** table within that record.

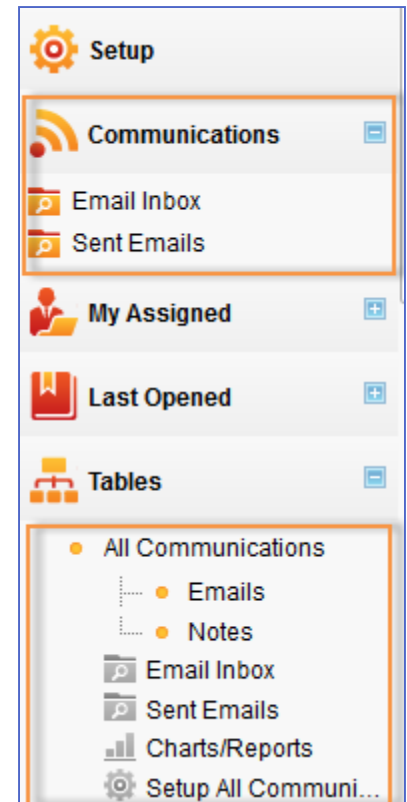


The screenshot displays the 'Support Case' record interface in Agiloft. At the top, there's a header with a headset icon and the title 'Support Case'. Below this are buttons for 'Save', 'Cancel', and a series of tabs: 'Details', 'Working', 'Related Records', 'Contract', 'Time', 'Emails', and 'History'. The 'Emails' tab is highlighted with an orange circle. Below the tabs, the record details are shown: ID 405, Status Closed (with a dropdown arrow), and an 'Assign to Me' button. Further down, 'Assigned Team' is 'Support Team' and 'Assigned Person' is 'Ralph Knowles'. The main section is titled 'Email Communications'. Below this, a status message reads: 'Status: 7 record(s) found, 1 pages. Click [here](#) to re-count records.' A toolbar contains buttons for 'New' (with a plus icon), 'New Email', 'Reply', 'Reply to all', 'Forward', 'Delete' (with a trash icon), and 'Actions'. To the right are 'Views' (with a magnifying glass icon) and 'Search' (with a magnifying glass icon). Below the toolbar is a table of email communications.

<input type="checkbox"/>	ID ↓	From	Subject	Created On
<input type="checkbox"/>	77	youremail@agiloft.com	Your support case #405 has been resolved	Jun 07 2013 11:43
<input type="checkbox"/>	72	youremail@agiloft.com	Support Case Email Template	Jun 07 2013 10:38

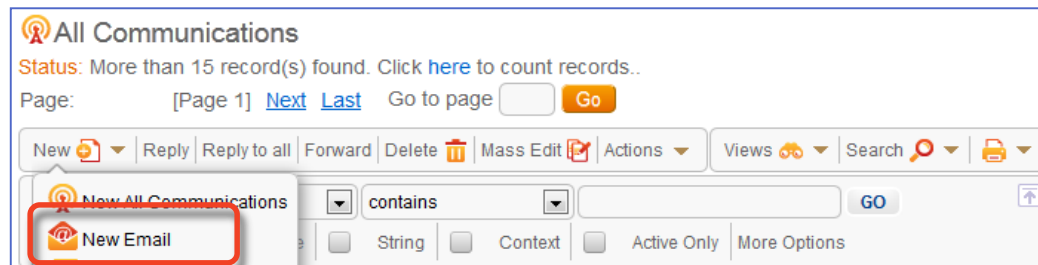
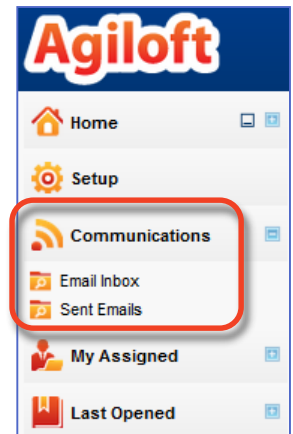
# Where are Emails Displayed in the Left Pane?

- There are two access points for Emails in the left pane:
  - The **Communications** tab – this provides a filtered view of emails sent to or from the logged in user for any record in the system (or no record).
  - The All Communications table – this presents the Communications table as any other table, with access to all records the user has permission to view based on their group permissions.
- We strongly recommend **not** showing the All Communications table on the left pane, as it eliminates the specific table filters that control what users see.
- In many implementations, the **Communications** tab is also hidden, as it may not be relevant.
- Group permissions can turn off both options (**General** tab for the **Communications** tab and the All Communications table permissions for the table visibility).



# Left Pane Communications Tab

- The links for [Email Inbox](#) and [Sent Emails](#) are **saved searches** created on the All Communications table and added to the left pane. They can be changed and other searches can be created.
- Users will only see them if the searches are made accessible to their groups.
- Communications unrelated to records can be sent and received directly from this tab:



# Permissions in the Communications Tab

- When a user navigates to the **Communications** tab, their view is filtered by three things:
  - Group permissions for the All Communications table.
  - A special group permission filter, on the **General** tab of the group permissions wizard, which further restricts what can be viewed through the **Communications** tab.
    - We use this special filter because a staff user's general group permissions may state they can view all communication records. This is necessary so they can view communications linked to records in any table where they can view both the record and the communications table. Without a filter here, the user could see communications related to records that they are not permitted to view.

Show Communications Tab

☒ Yes  
☐ No

Limit view of Communications shown in left pane to those found by this saved search:

To or From Me

- The default searches that are run when accessing communications, such as **Email Inbox** or **Sent Emails**. Because these are only searches, the user can click **Show All** and will be shown all communications permitted by the first two filters.

# Visibility of the All Communications Table

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- Any group that has access to the All Communications table in the left pane will have access to all email communications in the system, unless complex, table-specific permissions are set for their group.
- For this reason, we generally only give admin users permission to access the All Communications table from the **Tables** menu on the left pane.
- By default, staff communications permissions restrict the user from viewing any email linked to an employee record where they are not in the **To** or **From** field. This prevents users from viewing emails about other employees to which they are not privy, e.g. HR related emails.
- By default, end user groups see only emails to or from themselves.

# Tips for Saved Searches on All Communications

- Because the Communications table is likely to hold millions of records, it is important to design filters that will run searches quickly. This is especially important when searching on a *multi-value linked field* such as **To Company** or **To Login**.
  - The best way to accomplish this is by using a *Related Table* saved search.
  - Create a saved search on the source table, and then use a *Related Table* filter in the Communications table. The **Email Inbox** search is an example of just that.

Add Filters:

Simple Time Calendar Advanced Related Table Run-Time Duplicate First/Last

Type equals, = Email now

and To Logins contains records that match the saved search: Login Matches My Login

and ( Email Type equals, = Value Incoming Email now

or Email Sending Type equals, = Value User-sent now )

Next Finish Cancel

- When you cannot use a *Related Table*, for instance if you want to match a field in the communication record against a field in its linked record, use the contains item operator instead of the contains string operator.
  - This is much faster and more accurate.

To Companies contains item ~== Variable \$company.company\_n



# Setting Up Email—Order Matters

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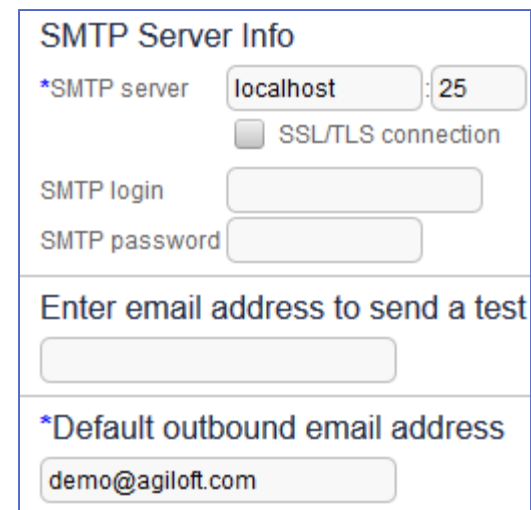
- There is a correct order in which to set up email integration with Agiloft:
  - Configure the outbound email server.
  - Set up inbound email accounts for each table in which records are to be created and/or updated by email.
  - Set up outbound email behavior for each table that will be sending email notifications.
  - Set up a personal inbound account if the Outlook plug-in will be used.
  - Instruct employees how to install the Outlook plug-in.
  - Check group permissions on the All Communications/Email table to ensure groups which need to send/view emails can do so.
  - Customize default **views** on the All Communications table if desired.

# Let's Configure the Email SMTP Server

- Select **Setup > Email and SMS > Configure Email Server**.
- 💡 If you are using Agiloft's hosted service, you do not need to configure the outbound email server, but you will still want to identify the default outbound address for your system.
- By default, the **SMTP Server** is set to "localhost," which will work if Sendmail is installed on your server (it is, for the training KB). Otherwise, you will need to identify an SMTP server to use.
  - The **SSL/TLS** option is used if the server supports encryption, for maximum security.
  - If this does not work, the **STARTTLS** option often works, as it negotiates security after the initial exchange.

# Configure the Email SMTP Server (continued)

- Define a default outbound email address for your system. Use [your-name-training@agiloft.com](mailto:your-name-training@agiloft.com) as your outbound address.
- 💡 The outbound address does not have to be a “real” address but it must be formatted like an email address.
- 💡 If you do send emails using this address as the “from” address, it is ideal if it matches the email server’s domain so that it is less likely to be marked as spam.
- Test your email setup by entering your email address in the test box and clicking **Finish**.



The screenshot shows a configuration window titled "SMTP Server Info". It contains several input fields and a checkbox. The "SMTP server" field is set to "localhost" and the port is "25". There is an unchecked checkbox for "SSL/TLS connection". Below these are empty input fields for "SMTP login" and "SMTP password". A section titled "Enter email address to send a test" has an empty input field. At the bottom, a section titled "\*Default outbound email address" has an input field containing "demo@agiloft.com".

SMTP Server Info	
*SMTP server	localhost : 25
	<input type="checkbox"/> SSL/TLS connection
SMTP login	<input type="text"/>
SMTP password	<input type="password"/>
Enter email address to send a test	
<input type="text"/>	
*Default outbound email address	
<input type="text" value="demo@agiloft.com"/>	

# Why Do We Need an Inbound Email Account?

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- It is generally a good idea to set up at least one inbound account for each main process table, and to use that account as the default outbound account for emails sent from that table. Why?
  - This way, if the system sends an email and the recipient replies, their reply will come back into the system.
  - It is not required to have any inbound accounts, but not having one will shut down all incoming email.
- You do not have to let people create records via the inbound email account.
  - This is controlled in the account setup options – you can prevent everyone from creating records, or limit creation to only registered users, or people within a certain domain.

# How Does an Inbound Account Work?

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- Inbound email accounts associated with a particular table are popped by Agiloft every minute.
- They are processed differently based on whether they contain an encrypted table/ID in the subject or header or not.
  - When an email is sent by the system from a record in a table, e.g. from a contract or a support case, the table name and record ID are encrypted into the header and the subject line of the outbound email.
  - When an email is received by the system, it looks for the encrypted ID in the subject or header to determine if it is a reply to an existing record or not. If it is, then the email is treated as an update by email.
  - If there is no encrypted ID found, it is treated as an email that will create a new record if record creation is enabled.

# Processing Updates by Email

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- If the email is an update to an existing record:
  - A communication record is created and linked to the record from which the original email was sent (e.g. the support case or contract) so it will appear within that record.
  - The email body and attachments are typically mapped into an *append only field* and *attached file field* within the linked record.
  - How the parts are mapped is defined in the inbound account setup on the **Email Updates** tab and/or the **Email Parsing** tab.

# Permission for Inbound Email Updates

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- ⚠ For email updates the system does not check the permissions of the sender unless **email parsing** is turned on.
- Unless parsing is enabled, the update will be applied to the correct record without limitation (the content will be put into the fields mapped by the admin).
  - This is meant to enable people who were cc'd on the original email to successfully reply to the system even if they are not loaded as a user.
  - If email parsing is turned on for a reply, then the user must have edit permissions to both the record and to the fields being updated via parsing.

# Creating Records by Email

- When an email is received with no encrypted ID:
  - If creation is permitted:
  - AND the sender's group has permission to create a new record OR the account setup grants guests that permission:
    - A new record is created that maps the content of the email according to the options on the **Record Mapping** tab of the Inbound Email Setup.
    - A communication record is created and linked to the new record.
  - Otherwise, the email is discarded.
- 💡 If you want unknown users to have permission to create records, be sure to select a user account on the **Access** tab that has permission to create records in this table.

**Record Creation**  
☒ Enable creation of records by email  
☐ Send the following Email message when creation by email is attempted:

**On record create if the sender is not recognized**  
☒ Create a new Ticket under this user account:  

admin

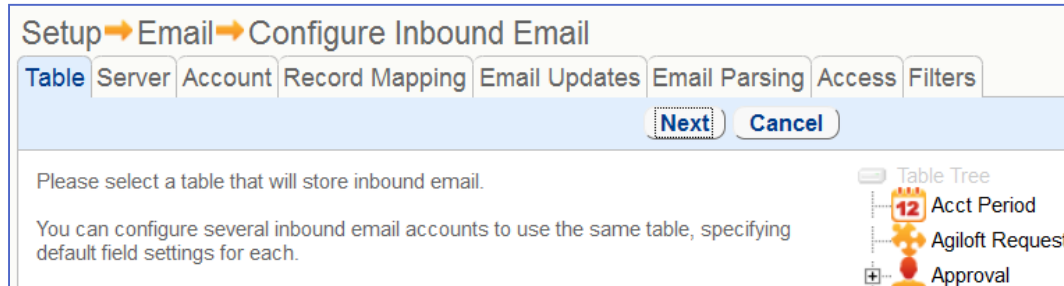
Only if the from address includes one of these domains (to remove the limitation just leave the field empty):

esmsolutions.com; agiloft.com

  
☐ Discard the email



# Inbound Email Setup Overview



The screenshot shows the 'Configure Inbound Email' wizard. At the top, a breadcrumb trail reads 'Setup → Email → Configure Inbound Email'. Below this is a horizontal tab bar with the following tabs: 'Table' (selected), 'Server', 'Account', 'Record Mapping', 'Email Updates', 'Email Parsing', 'Access', and 'Filters'. To the right of the tabs are 'Next' and 'Cancel' buttons. The main content area contains the text: 'Please select a table that will store inbound email.' and 'You can configure several inbound email accounts to use the same table, specifying default field settings for each.' On the right side of the main area is a 'Table Tree' with a plus icon and a list of tables: '12 Acct Period', 'Agiloft Request', and 'Approval'.

- To access the Inbound Email wizard, navigate to **Setup > Email and SMS > Configure Inbound Email**.
- This wizard is used to set up email accounts allowing users to create new records or update existing records.
- You can set up multiple inbound email accounts, one or many for each table, and define individual behaviors for each.
- The following slides describe the options in this wizard.

# Inbound Email Wizard

- The wizard defines:
  - The table into which the email will be mapped.
  - The server and email account credentials.
  - How emails are mapped to fields.
  - How email updates to records are to be handled.
  - Whether unknown users are permitted to submit email and create records.
  - Filters for preventing spam and out-of-office email loops.
  - The length of time emails are stored on the server.

The screenshot shows the 'Configure Inbound Email' wizard interface. At the top, there is a breadcrumb trail: 'Setup → Email → Configure Inbound Email'. Below this is a tabbed interface with tabs for 'Table', 'Server', 'Account', 'Record Mapping' (which is active), 'Email Updates', 'Email Parsing', 'Access', and 'Filters'. Under the 'Record Mapping' tab, there are 'Back', 'Next', and 'Cancel' buttons. The main area is divided into three sections:

- Store email subject in:** A dropdown menu with options: 'Assigned By', 'Updated By', 'Owned By', and 'Title'.
- Select the field that will store email address of the sender:** A text input field.
- Store sender's address in:** A dropdown menu with options: 'Lead Email' and 'Creator Email'.

Below these sections, there is a text block: 'The body of the email can be mapped to a field or entered into the Communications table. Typically you will want to populate a large-text field in the table of your choice with the email message body.'

At the bottom, there is an important note: 'Important: If the email body contains field labels and field values using the following format: *field\_label: field\_value*, (example: *Status:Closed*), and the user has the permission to edit the listed fields, the field content will be placed into the corresponding field rather than into the generic text field selected here.'

Finally, there is a section 'Store email message in' with a dropdown menu showing 'Task Description'.

# Inbound Email Wizard—Table and Server Tabs

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- From the **Table** tab, select the table for which you are setting up inbound email.
- **Server** tab: Sets the access to the POP3 or IMAP server.
  - In addition to **POP3** and **IMAP** protocols, Agiloft also supports the **MS Exchange Web DAV** and **Outlook Web Access** methods of collecting email. For these protocols, select **IMAP** in the first option.
  - Detailed instructions are provided on the screen for the syntax to use for various versions of Exchange. The syntax can be a bit tricky to get right, as it depends on the version and detailed configuration of Exchange.
  - The **Custom Port** value will change automatically depending on the other settings, but it can be overwritten if needed.

# Inbound Email Wizard—Account Tab

- Once you have successfully connected to the server, you can set up the account information.
- When you navigate to this screen, the system status message tells you whether the connection to the server is successful.
- In the first box, type the full email address as shown to the right.
- In the second box, just provide the account without the hostname.
- Enter the password into the **Password** field.
- Click **Next** to go to the next screen. A status message will tell you whether the account can be accessed successfully.

<b>*Email</b>
<input type="text" value="youremail@agiloft.com"/>
<b>*Email Account</b>
<input type="text" value="youremail"/>
<b>Password</b>
<input type="password" value="....."/>
<b>Folders</b>
<input type="text" value="INBOX"/>

# Inbound Email Wizard—Record Mapping Tab

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- This screen defines the handling of the email for **record creation**.
- Options on this screen control how the contents of the email, such as the [Subject Line](#), [Sender's Address](#), [To Addresses](#), [CC Addresses](#), [Email Message](#), and [Attached Files and Images](#), are mapped to fields in the record.
- It also defines how to handle “from” values that include both a name and an email address.
  - 💡 It is best to [Strip out all text other than the email address](#) if you are trying to match a contact record's [Email](#) field.
- It provides a list of all fields of type [Choice](#) or [Multi-choice](#) and allows their value to be set for records created from this inbound account.
  - This offers the ability to have multiple inbound accounts for different issue types or priorities. For example, you might have an address for [urgent-outage@yourcompany.com](mailto:urgent-outage@yourcompany.com) mapped to [Priority](#) 1 automatically.

# Inbound Email Wizard—Email Updates Tab

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- This screen defines the handling of email that updates an existing record.
- Options determine where the body of the email and the attached images or files are stored. It is usually best to **append** the body of the email into an *Append Only* field.
- The option: **Do not include quoted content when mapping into the field above** attempts to truncate any part of the email that follows a hidden code (which is defined to be inserted in the outbound settings).
  - This is intended to eliminate the “quoted” part of the email that was included in the response, to avoid very long and repetitious emails in a long thread of emails.

# Inbound Email Wizard—Email Parsing

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- By default, other than the main parts of the email, the body of the email is not parsed to find specific field content. However, it is possible to enable email parsing so that additional specific fields can be mapped from the main body of the email.
- If parsing is turned on, text within defined delimiters that has the format **Field Label: Content** will be mapped to the fields matching the **Field Label**.
- This is mostly useful for receiving emails from other systems, where those emails can be pre-formatted with the proper syntax.
  - For instance, if you have an event monitoring system and want to create a support ticket from an event, you might output an email with the proper syntax from the event system that can be parsed into specified fields in Agiloft.
  - Note that generally the **REST** or **SOAP** protocols are more reliable for transmitting data between systems than email, but setting up a parsed email can be simpler.

# Inbound Email Wizard—Email Parsing Tab

- When using parsing, you must define a delimiter string the system will use to start and end parsing. For example, if “Agiloft Details” is defined as the delimiter, the following email will set the **Manager**, **Comments**, and **Priority** fields in the record:

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Hi Joe,  
Here is the info you requested  
--Agiloft Details; en;--  
Manager: Joe Smith  
Comments: This was a great win  
Priority: High  
--Agiloft Details--
```

- ⚠ The heading delimiter must contain the **Language Code** defined in the wizard. While the delimiter is set to “Agiloft Details” the actual email header and footer delimiters must be formatted as:

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--Agiloft Details; en;--
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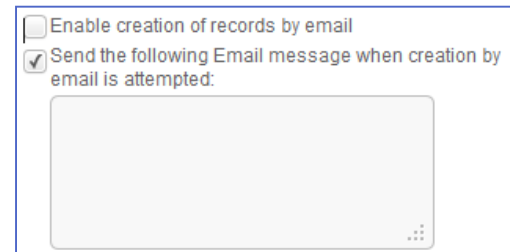
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--Agiloft Details--
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- This tab also defines how parsing errors are handled.



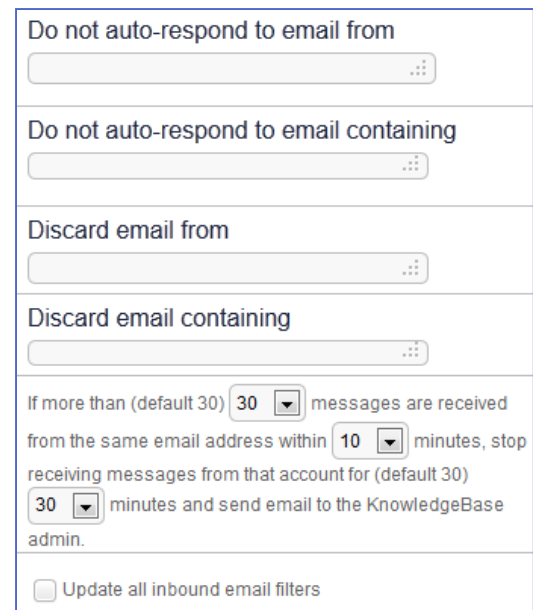
# Inbound Email Wizard—Access Tab

- This tab defines options such as whether or not record creation by email is allowed, what to do when the sender is not recognized, who to notify if an email is rejected, and how long emails are left on the server after they have been retrieved.
    - You can prevent records from being created by email and only permit email updates by setting this option:
    - This way, you can force users to submit required fields, while still allowing them to reply to system generated outbound emails to update their record.
  - Permission checking: When a new email is received by an account used to create records in a table, the system looks at the sender's email address and checks the Person table for a match. If it finds one, it applies the user's group permissions.
- 💡 It is generally best to leave email on the server for one or two days, allowing time for troubleshooting inbound email.

A screenshot of a web form titled "Inbound Email Wizard—Access Tab". It contains two checkboxes: "Enable creation of records by email" (unchecked) and "Send the following Email message when creation by email is attempted:" (checked). Below the second checkbox is a large, empty text area for composing an email message. The text area has a small "..." icon in the bottom right corner.

# Inbound Email Wizard—Filters Tab

- The **Filters** tab defines options for preventing email loops and spam caused by out of office emails.
  - To prevent email loops, you can discard emails from specific addresses.
  - Discontinue auto-responding by setting the number of messages from a single address in a given timeframe.
  - If you suspect a loop, first inspect the records which were automatically updated and then update this tab.
  - If you have multiple inbound accounts, you only have to maintain these settings for a single account, and then click the box to [Update all inbound email filters](#).



The screenshot shows the 'Filters Tab' settings for the Inbound Email Wizard. It contains several sections with input fields and a final 'Update' button.

- Do not auto-respond to email from**: A text input field with a dropdown arrow.
- Do not auto-respond to email containing**: A text input field with a dropdown arrow.
- Discard email from**: A text input field with a dropdown arrow.
- Discard email containing**: A text input field with a dropdown arrow.
- Loop Prevention**: A paragraph stating: "If more than (default 30)  messages are received from the same email address within  minutes, stop receiving messages from that account for (default 30)  minutes and send email to the KnowledgeBase admin." Each input field has a dropdown arrow.
- Update all inbound email filters**: A checkbox.

# Set Up an Inbound Email Account

- The instructions below will set up inbound email with a Gmail account. You will need an account to use.
- Navigate to **Setup > Email and SMS > Configure Inbound Email**.
  - Click **New** to set up a new inbound account.
- On the **Table** tab, select the Task table and click **Next**.
- On the **Server** tab, select **IMAP**.
  - The hostname will be **imap.gmail.com**
  - Check the **SSL/TSL** connection box.
  - Custom Port = 993.
- Click **Next**. When you arrive at the **Accounts** tab, note at the top of the screen that the **Status** reads: “Communication established with imap.gmail.com.” If not, check that you entered your email information correctly before continuing.

# Set Up an Inbound Email Account (continued)

- On the **Accounts** tab, enter your email address into both the **Email** and **Email Account** fields.
  - Enter your password into the **Password** field and in the **Folders** field, enter "INBOX."
  - Click **Next**.
- ⚠ If you receive an error message like the one below, check use the information on the following slide to enable the proper Gmail settings. If Gmail doesn't recognize Agiloft as a secure application you will be unable to connect and finish your account setup.

Setup → Email and SMS → Configure Inbound Email

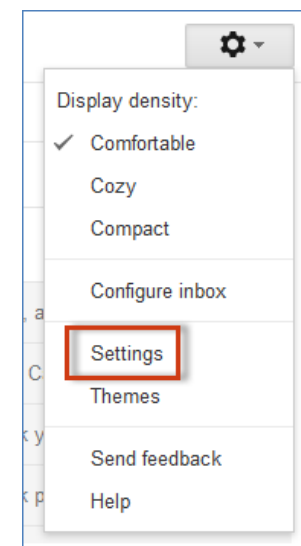
Table Server Account **Record Mapping** Email Updates Email Parsing Access Filters

Back Next Cancel

Status: Able to contact imap.gmail.com, but unable to establish successful email communication. Please check the account name and password on the Account tab.  
[[ALERT] Please log in via your web browser: <https://support.google.com/mail/accounts/answer/78754> (Failure)]

# Gmail Settings

- If you're having trouble connecting, sign in to your Gmail account, select your image icon in the top right corner, and click **My Account**.
  - Under **Sign-In & security**, select **Connected apps & sites**.
  - Turn **Allow less secure apps** to **ON**.
    - 💡 Note: If you have Two-Factor Authentication enabled in Gmail this option will not be available.
- Next, navigate to the gear icon and choose **Settings**.
  - Navigate to the **Forwarding and POP/IMAP** tab.
  - Under **IMAP Access** select **Enable IMAP** and save your changes.
- If you're still having trouble connecting, navigate to <https://www.google.com/accounts/DisplayUnlockCaptcha> and follow the instructions on the page.
- Go back to your Training KB and try connecting again.



## Let's Set Up an Inbound Email Account (continued)

- When you arrive at the **Record Mapping** tab, note at the top of the screen that the **Status** reads: "Email Account is Valid." If not, check that you entered your email information correctly before continuing.
  - Under **Store email subject in**, select **Task Summary**.
  - Under **Strip out**, select the option to **strip out all text other than the email address**.
  - Under **Store email message in**, select **Task Description**.
  - For the attachment options, select the option to store the file in the **Attached Files field**.
  - Notice the list of choice fields that can be set for tasks created through this email address.
  - Click **Next** to navigate to the **Email Updates** tab.

# Let's Set Up an Inbound Email Account (continued)

- On the **Email Updates** tab, choose to **Store Email Body** in the **Working Notes** field, **appending existing content**.
  - Choose to not include quoted content.
  - Add any attached image or non-image files to the *Attached Files field*.
- On the **Access** tab, select the check box for **Enable creation of records by email**.
  - Select the **Agiloft Admin** user for: **On record create if the sender is not recognized**. This way if an email is received from an unknown person, the admin user's permission will be used to create the task.
  - Select **Anonymous User** under **On record update if the sender is not recognized**.
  - Do not enable forwarding.
  - Leave email on the server for 1 day.

## Let's Set Up an Inbound Email Account (continued)

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- On the **Filters** tab, click **Finish**.
  - If you have some email domains or content keywords you would like to filter, feel free to enter them prior to clicking **Finish**.
- Send an email to the account you set up and test your inbound email configuration. A task will be created within a couple of minutes. Note the user shown as the creator by examining the **History** tab for the **Created By** value.
- If you haven't yet done so, add your email address to a user and then send another email to the system. This time, that user will be shown as the creator.



# Tips for Inbound Email Mapping

- On the **Record Mapping** tab, choice fields can be set to different values by using separate inbound email accounts, enabling better automatic processing.
  - For instance, an inbound account with the address billing@company.com can set a choice field to **Billing**, while a different inbound account, newaccount@company.com can set the same choice field to **New Account Setup**.
- On the **Email Updates** tab, we typically map the body of the email to an *Append-Only field* in the record.
- This way it is native to the table and can be sent with other fields in an email notification.
  - For instance, you can create the following email notification:
  - “An email was received from \$updated\_by and here is its content: \$additional\_notes\_latest.”

# Outbound Email—Questions Covered

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- Do we need to set up outbound email for each table?
- How do we control the **From** and **Reply-to** addresses?
- How do we control how outbound mail is formatted?
- How can we track whether emails are opened or bounced?

# Outbound Email Overview

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- Outbound email configuration sets the default from and reply-to addresses and some additional settings used for each table.
- If you do not specifically configure outbound email for a given table, the system will use default values.
  - The wizard allows you to update these options to better meet your needs.
- ⚠ You must have a validly formatted outbound email address when sending email, or emails will not be sent. This is important to remember if you use a particular field value (e.g. [Sales Rep Email](#)) as the outbound email address – do not use this option unless you can be sure that the field will always have a value.
- ⚠ While hosting your knowledgebase on Agiloft servers, you may elect to use "localhost" as your mail server, however, the spam score calculated and assigned to your mail by receiving servers will be worsened because the domain of the sending email address will not match the domain in the SMTP server name.

# Configuring Outbound Email—From Options Tab

- From the **Table** tab select the table for which you are setting up outbound email.
- The **From Options** tab controls which groups have access to the email icon on the **action bar**. Groups without access may still automatically generate emails through **rules** and **workflow**.
  - Controls the default **From** address and **Reply-to** address for manually generated emails in the staff and end user interfaces.
    - The **From** address defines the account the email “appears” to originate from.
    - The **Reply-to** address defines where the response will actually be when the recipient replies.
  - Controls which groups can change the **From** and **Reply-to** address for manual emails. In order to change these fields, users must also belong to a group that has edit field access to the **From/Reply-to** fields in the All Communications table. This option is a way of turning off access to a particular table while leaving it enabled on others.
- 💡 In order to change the **From** address, the group must be able to edit it and view it. You may choose to let some groups view but not edit.

# Configuring Outbound Email—Bounced Emails

- The **From Options** tab includes a setting to handle bounced emails:
- If the system sends an email to someone that bounces, the bounce notification can be forwarded to the address selected here.
- We recommend using a person related to the record, such as the **Assigned Person**, rather than sending it back to the table's incoming address because the bounce notification may strip out the encrypted **ID** in the subject line, which will prevent it from being attached to the correct record.

Address to send Bounced Emails to:

☐ Sender's email address

☐ Table's incoming address

When a bounce notification is received by this account

☒ Ignore it

☐ Forward it to

☐ Teams

☐ Users

☒ Email Address

☐ Update the communication table email status field to

☒ Address from Contact field

☐ Email address for field

☐ Default system outgoing address

☐ User defined

# Configuring Outbound Email—To Options Tab

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- **To Options** tab: Defines the default **To** field for the staff and end user interfaces.
  - Controls whether HTML or plain text is used by default.
  - Defines whether or not original text is included when replying to an email and, if so, how it is formatted.
  - Controls whether the encrypted record **ID** is included in the subject line by default. This option can be overridden in a particular email template or by the user when sending manually.
    - 💡 The **ID** is required for replies to update the appropriate record.
  - Defines which fields from the record are included by default.
  - Determines whether or not a hidden code is included in the email to allow replies to truncate. This is useful for preventing prior email text from being included in every subsequent message.

# Configuring Outbound Email—Fields Included

- The **Include Fields** option on the **To Options** tab defines which fields are added to the bottom of the email text.
- The selected fields are shown with their label and content, in layout order, as shown below.
  - **All Fields** will include all fields that the person sending the email has the right to view.
  - **Based on Recipient's Access Permissions** will send all fields that both the person sending the email and the person receiving it have the right to view.
  - **Selected Fields** will send the fields selected in the box, provided the sender has view permissions.
- Instead of showing fields below the message text, field variables can be inserted within the email body and formatted exactly as you want them. The sender must have view permission for a field to be populated into the email.

**Include Fields**

☐ Do not include fields by default

☐ All Fields

☐ Based on Recipient's Access Permissions

☒ Selected Fields

Record Type

Parent Contract ID

ID

Assigned Team

Internal Contract Owner

Status

Renewal Type

Contract Party Type

<b>ID:</b>	41722
<b>Date Created:</b>	Jun 02 2014 03:13 PM
<b>Priority:</b>	Low
<b>Assigned To:</b>	Support Team 2
<b>Status:</b>	Open

# Configuring Outbound Email—Marketing Tab

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- The **Marketing** tab allows for the tracking of email bounces, click rates, and unsubscribe requests.
- If email marketing is turned on, Agiloft automatically:
  - Adds a unique one-pixel image to emails. This allows the system to determine if the email was opened. The system also tracks if a user clicks on a hotlink within a record.
  - Adds an **Unsubscribe** link to each email for compliance with CAN-SPAM law. If clicked, this updates the record as mapped.
- When users send marketing emails, they must first select a particular campaign. The results are tracked in the Campaign table where each record corresponds to a campaign.
- The **Email Results** tab of the campaign shows the number of emails sent and the percent read, clicked on, unsubscribed, etc.
- This tab controls which fields are updated when a link is clicked or the recipient unsubscribes.
- It also defines which campaigns can be selected.



# Let's Set Up an Outbound Email Account

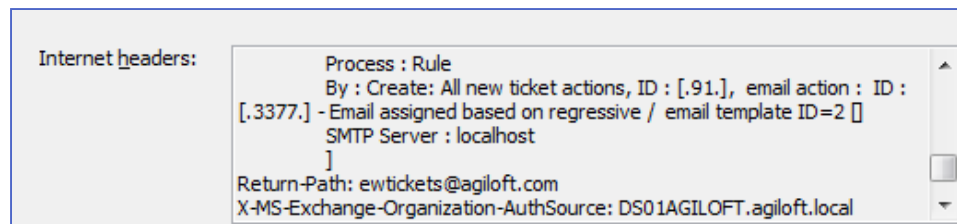
- Navigate to **Setup > Email and SMS> Configure Outbound Email**.
- On the **Table** tab, choose the **Tasks** table.
- On the **From Options** tab:
  - Select **admin**, **Professional Services**, and **Support Staff** as the groups that can send emails.
  - Select the table's incoming address (the new account you set up previously) as the default **From** and **Reply-to** address for system generated emails.
  - Select the table's incoming address as the **From** and **Reply-to** for user emails.
  - Select the sender's address as the **From** address for **EUI user emails**.
  - Select the sender's email address as the address to send **Bounced Emails** to.
  - Allow only the **admin** group to view and edit the **From** and **Reply-to** addresses

## Let's Set Up an Outbound Email Account (continued)

- On the **To Options** tab, select the option to **Leave the 'To' field blank** for both normal and EUI emails.
- For the **Include Fields** option, choose **Selected Fields** and multi-select the fields you want to include, while holding down the Control key.
- For **Identifying the "To" and "CC" recipients of the email**:
- Check the box to **Include text note at bottom....**
- Choose the second option to **Show both email address and Full Name field of recipients known by the system.**
- Leave the other values as their defaults.
- On the **Marketing** tab, do not enable marketing on this table.
- Click **Finish**.

# Outbound Email: Fine Points

- How does the system know which record to update when an email update is received?
  - The outbound email header contains encrypted information about the table and record ID from which it was sent. Because MS Exchange strips out headers when sending internal emails, we also add this encrypted information to the subject line of emails as a backup.
  - The outbound email header also contains complete details on how and why the email was sent, including server URL, KB, table, rule or workflow ID which initiated the email, etc. This information is displayed in the communication record. It can also be viewed in an email received in Outlook by clicking View > Options (on older releases of Outlook) or File > Properties and scrolling through the Internet Header Display. This is useful when testing or troubleshooting surprise emails of the “why did I receive this email” variety.



# Personal Email Overview

- Personal inbound accounts are inbound accounts that are not associated with a single table. They are used with the Outlook Plug-in.

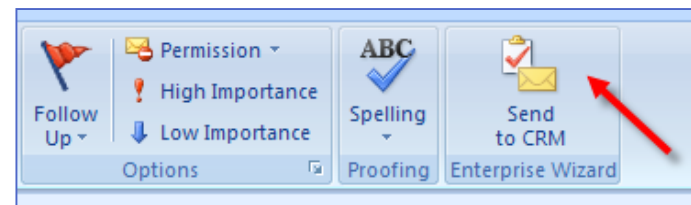
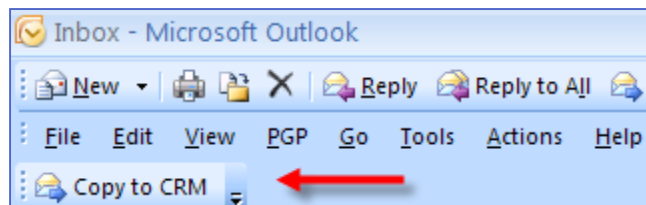
Attach inbound emails to

	Table	Field
Search in:	Person	Email
Then, search in:	Lead	Email
Then, search in:	Do Not Search	

- Email sent to the personal email account does not create or update records. Instead, a search is performed on the tables specified in the **Table** tab of the Personal Email wizard. The email is linked to the first matching record found. As shown above, the default is to search the People and Lead tables.
- A personal email account is set up to use with the Outlook Plug-in. This plug-in cc's emails sent from Outlook to the system and maintains a copy of all correspondence. Only one such account is needed.
- After setting the table search order for matching records, the remaining tabs are the same as for standard inbound email accounts.

# Outlook Integration

- Outlook integration is possible once at least one personal inbound account is set up.
- The add-on is downloaded by users from their Home > Preferences page and installed in Outlook.
- Once set up, users may click a button in Outlook to cc: the system on an outbound email they are sending, or to copy an email they have received in Outlook into the system.
- The email will be linked to a record in Agiloft based on the personal inbound email mapping order defined in the **Table** tab of the wizard.
- The email will also be visible in the user's sent and received email in the system.



- For more details on the Outlook plug-in and personal inbound setup, please review documentation at [www.agiloft.com/documentation/unified-communications-setup.pdf](http://www.agiloft.com/documentation/unified-communications-setup.pdf)

# Email Summary and Conclusion

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- We have learned how to configure inbound and outbound email accounts.
- We have learned how to track opened and bounced emails.
- We have learned how to create and update records via email.
- We have learned how to integrate Agiloft with the Outlook plug-in.