Work Flow Automation

What you need to know before you flow



What will workflows accomplish?

- consistency
- time efficiency
- streamlining
- productivity
- quality



What and where are your processes?



If you're like a lot of organizations your processes and rules are *scattered* all over the place or haven't even reached the point of full comprehension by your managers and employees. "I have a system in my head"

Why is disintegration a problem?



- You fail to deliver "consistent execution"
- Your team doesn't have a reference point
- Training is erratic and incomprehensible
- Inherent inconsistencies make diagnosis difficult

Software is the tool:

"The aim of software is to repetitively produce complicated artefacts in an efficient way."

Therefore,in my opinion, the purpose of software is to simplify repetitive and complex things. Stay out of spreadsheet hell and k.i.s.s.

Things that can become a process

- Advertising
- Recurring Marketing
- Sales
- Implementation
- Education
- Retention
- Fulfillment and Processing (and much more)



Your Workflow Must ...



- Be finite and compartmentalized
- Articulateable (I made this word up)
- Visually represented (visually concrete)

Your work flow does NOT...

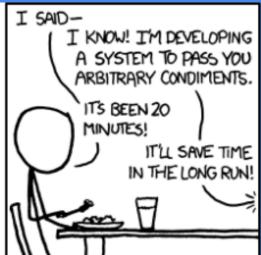
- Have to be perfect initially -- Get started and optimize!
- Need to be "over-engineered"
- Replace management or workers

(It enhances them)

It is a "Work" or "Human" "Flow" or "Logic"







What is a workflow?

- A flow is a series of steps in a process
- Steps are "coordinated" to form a set of instructions
- A Milestone represents a completion of a series of steps

Flows vs. Work

- Flows are sequential (ordinal)
- ie step 1, step 2, step 3
- Flows are declarative
- ie "do not send"



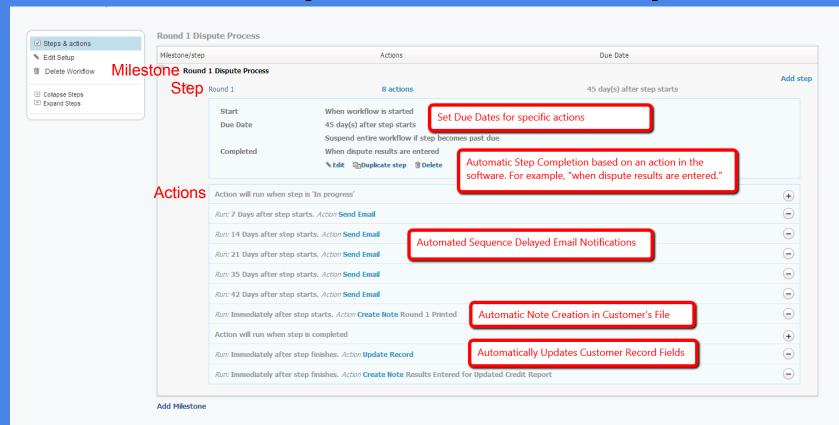


- Flows are made of rules .. rules are logical
- Work in this context is distinctly human

Sneak Peek into DisputeSuite's Workflow Module

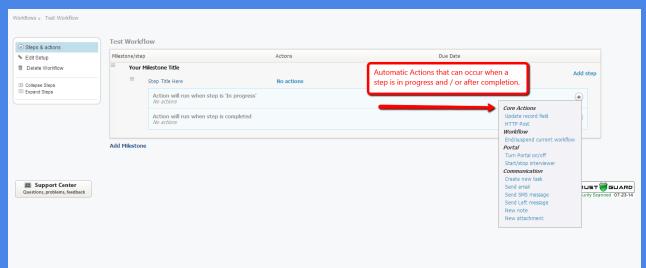
- **Milestones**: A goal that represents the completion of a series of steps.
 - **Steps**: The actions taken to reach a specific milestone (goal).
 - **Actions**: Various actions that perform automatically until the step is complete or when the step is complete (email, sms, notes, etc.).

Example Workflow Setup



Step setup Workflow Step Start and Completion based on specific actions in the software, which will trigger * Step Name Step is optional 3 the workflow sequence automatically. * Start How does the step start? A step can start automatically based on same event or manually. Manually *Completed based on same event or manually. When any Invoice is marked paid New Invoice is created Step setup When an Invoice is due Due Date When a credit card is active * Step Name When a payment is successful When a payment fails Automatically complete step on due date * Start How does the step start? A s Manually **Invoices & Payments** Cancel Save Portal *Completed Logs into portal Step setup Interviewer is complete Interviewer is started Due Date * Step Name Step Agreement signed in portal * Start New attachment marked as ID How does the step start? A step can start automatically based on same e New attachment Manually Automatically complete step on due date *Completed When round X of disputes are printed When any dispute letter is created Customer Portal When any dispute letter is printed Cancel Save Due Date When any dispute letter becomes past due When dispute results are entered Invoices / Payments Automatically complete step on due date Letters & Disputes Save

Action Autoresponders



AUTORESPONDER LIST

Update Record Field
HTTP Post
End / Suspend Current Workflo
Turn Portal on/off
Start / Stop Interviewer
Create a New Task
Send Email
Send SMS message
Send Left message
New Note
New Attachment

Want to learn more?

Email Jennifer Cullen: <u>jcullen@disputesuite.com</u> if you are interested in learning more about the workflow module and assistance with workflow setup.

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