



RELEASE NOTES

Desktop Manager 2.8

What's New?



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Introduction

This document describes the main Desktop Manager 2.8 enhancements. Among others, this new release helps you to leverage Notes 9 Social Edition new features.

News Summary

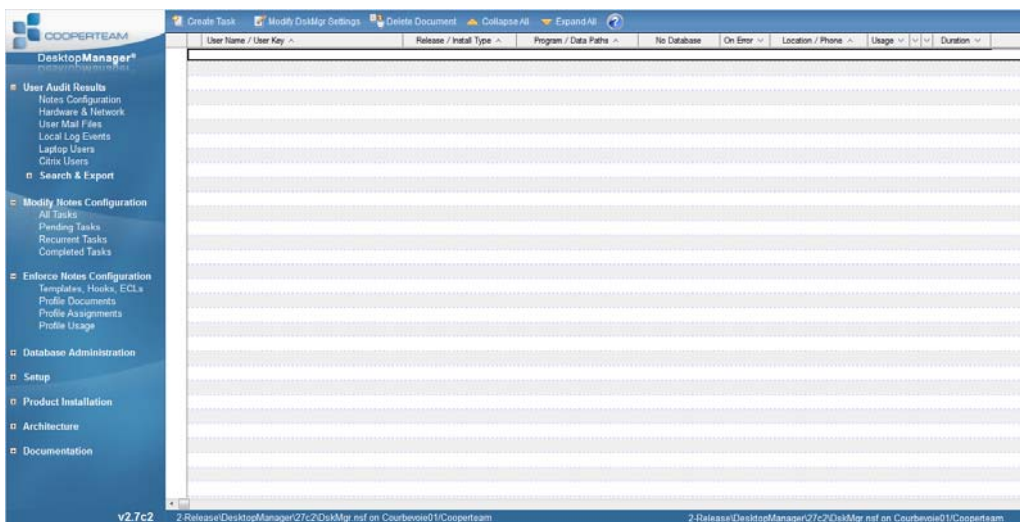
Please find below a list of the main enhancements described in more detail in the next chapters of this document:

- **Re-designed Administration Interface:** the Desktop Manager 2.8 default user interface has been re-designed with reorganized views.
- **[NEW] Powerful reporting engine:** ability to create Excel & Word reports easily, based on your Notes Infrastructure data
- **[NEW] Smart Notes users segmentation:** enables you to segment Notes Users by custom criteria and to apply mass processing on categories of user
- **Extended audit capabilities:** Notes database access, group members, user dictionary, calendar profile and delegation, Windows registry keys, etc.
- **Easier deployment :** new Desktop Manager settings file - DskMgrParam.ini
- **Enhanced user experience :** ability to launch background agents
- **New Notes parameters support**
- **Extended Script Language :** new FTP, HTTP, LDAP and XML API functions
- **Windows 8 and IBM Notes 9 Social Edition Compatibility**

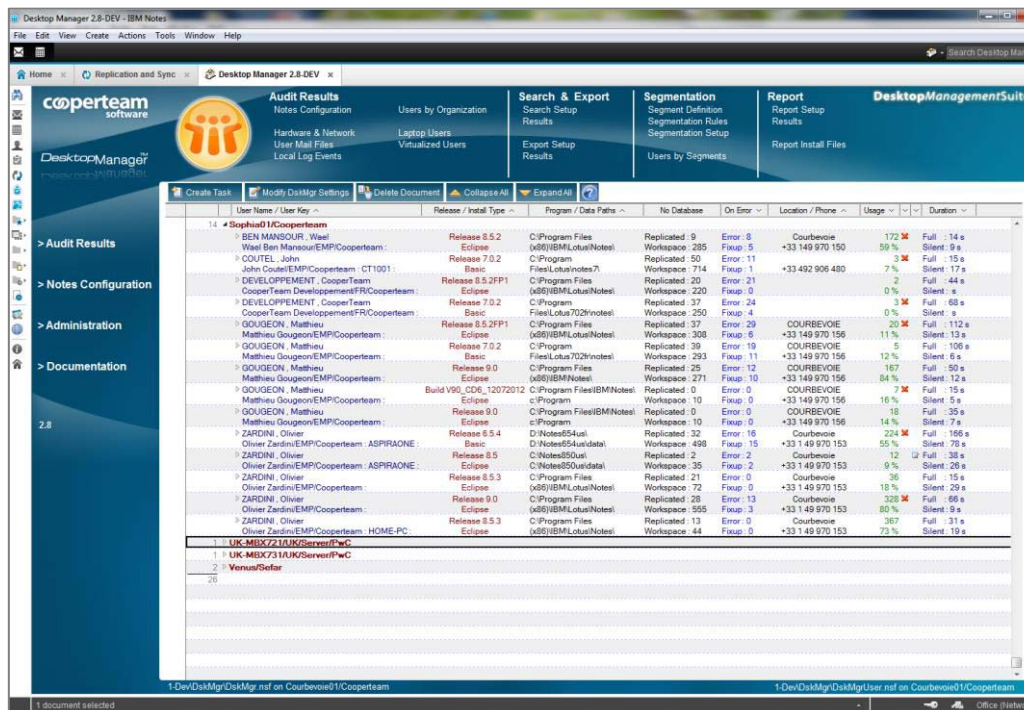
Re-designed Administration Interface

The Desktop Manager 2.8 default administration interface has been re-designed, and the views reorganized to simplify the administrator tasks.

The tasks and profiles menus, and all the settings and Desktop Manager administration menus have been consolidated in one place at the top of the screen.



Previous user interface



New user interface

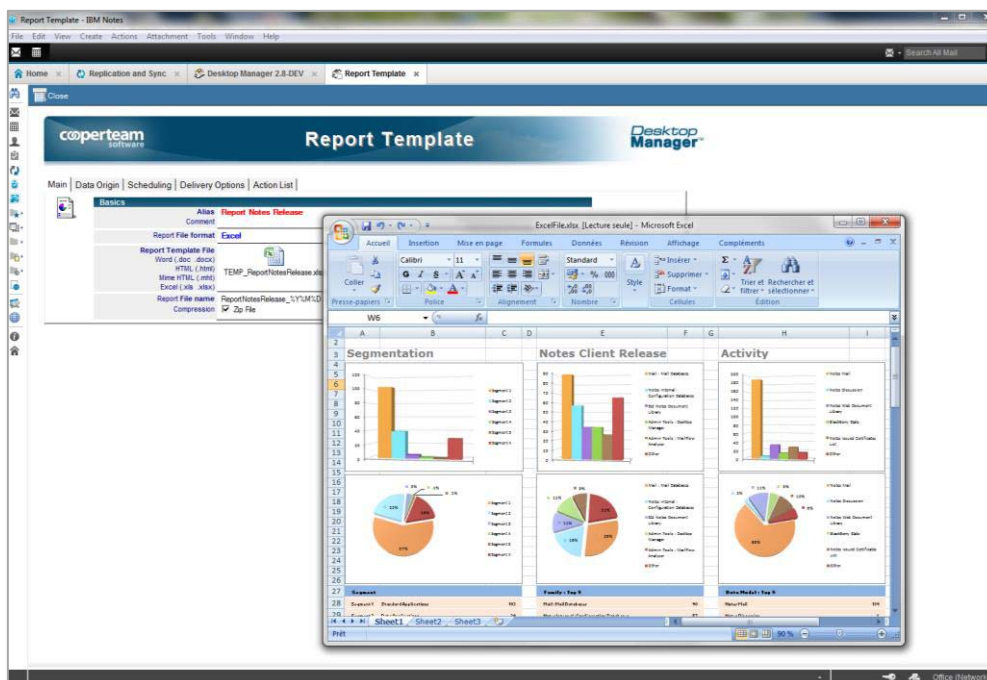
Powerful Reporting Engine

Desktop Manager 2.8 embeds a new reporting engine to create Excel & Word reports easily, based on your Notes Client Infrastructure data

You can do queries based on your Desktop Manager data, use grouping operations such as Sum on the data and dynamically create Word or Excel documents based on a pre-defined templates.

Microsoft Office can be used to create advanced charts and tables.

Reports are generated based on template documents. These can be generated automatically and sent to a group of people or to a Notes database.



Advanced Report Sample

Smart User Segmentation

Desktop Manager 2.8 enables you to groups of users, called 'segments', based on custom criteria.

Bulk updates can be applied to a segment. For example, you can assign a profile to a group of users that have a managed replica, have recent contacts, have a chosen Notes database on their workplace, etc.

Segmentation settings

Segmentation results

Extended Audit Capabilities

With Desktop Manager 2.8 you can audit new data:

- Databases Access : list of the last databases that have been used
- Plug-ins used
- Widgets used
- Feeds used
- Group Membership : lists of the groups users belong to
- Audit and Retrieval of user dictionaries
- Email Notes Database agents
- Discover page (new notes 9 homepage)
- Windows registry keys
- New Calendar Profile options

Audit Results Desktop Manager Settings Latest Access TimeDate Extra Fields Errors & Events									
User Identity		Hardware & Software		Network Usage		Databases Access		Notes Client Configuration	
Databases Access									
Period of Analysis 02/09/2013 - 30/10/2013									
Number of databases 22									
		Database Path		Latest Month #Access History			Latest Year #Access History		
		Database Replica ID		October	September	August	2013	2012	2011
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Audit result

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Main | Mail Impact | Recipients Names | Recipients Number

Prevent users to send mail to the following recipients

Recipients Names

Recipients Address

Enable small-size emails Enable users to send e-mails smaller than KB

* Make sure you have enabled the **Synchronize NAB Groups** option in the Setup document to resolve Group membership on local.

Hook « Recipients Names »

Easier Deployment

Stored Desktop Manager Settings

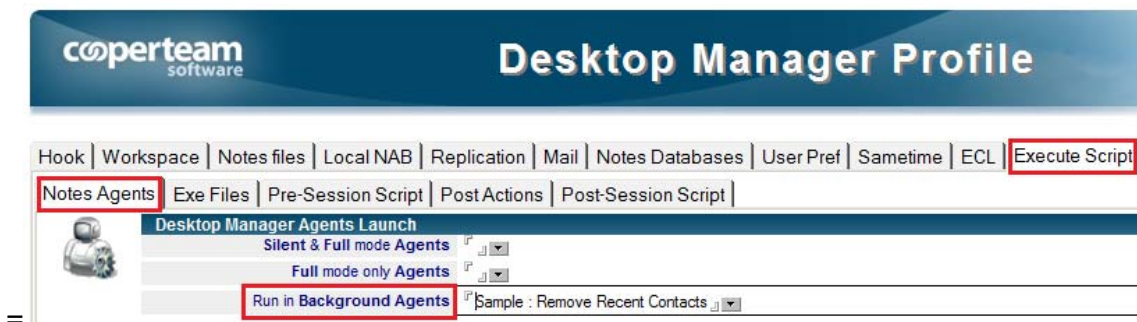
The Desktop Manager settings are now stored in a new file "DskMgrParam.ini" and not in the Notes .ini file anymore, to avoid potential conflict.

Desktop Manager launch

From Notes version 8.5.3 (and above), we can use the new "StartupDBName" parameter from the Notes .ini file to launch Desktop Manager with Notes automatically.

Enhanced User Experience

The administrator has the ability to launch agents in background.

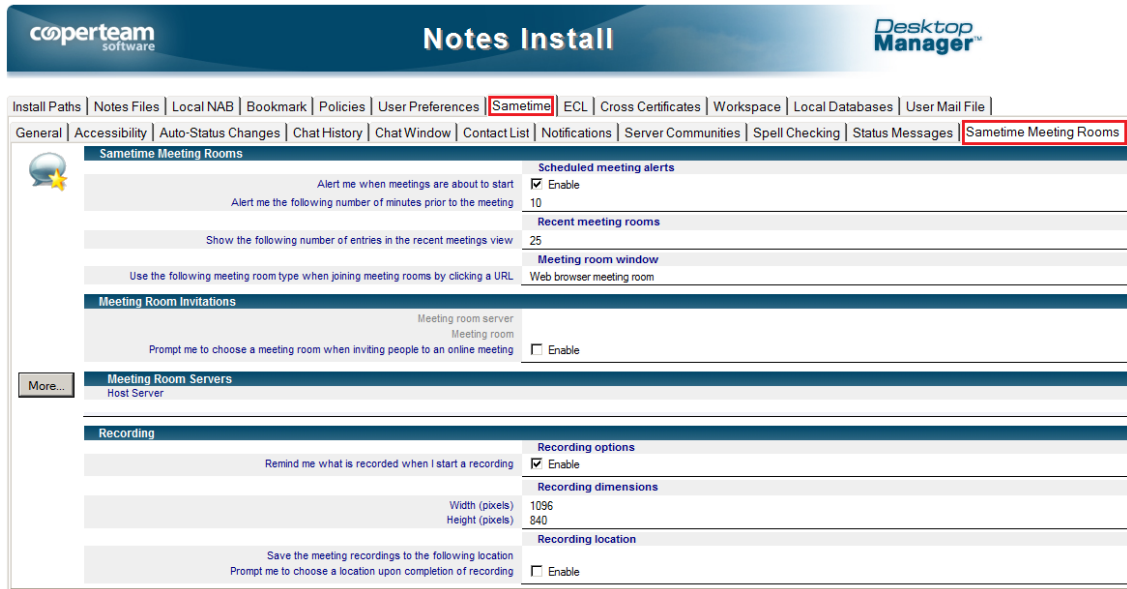


Background Agents Parameter

New Notes Parameters Support

Sametime Support

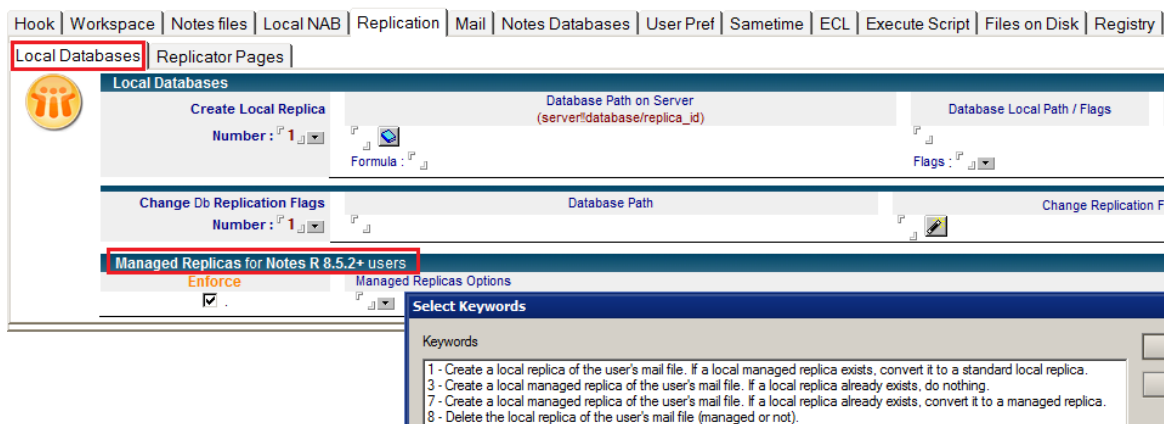
Sametime parameters can now be managed with Desktop Manager (Meeting Rooms, etc.)



User Interface - Sametime Parameters

Managed Replicas

This feature is available in Notes from release 8.5.2. You can manage it for tasks and profiles in Desktop Manager. This parameter is very important in multi-site environments.

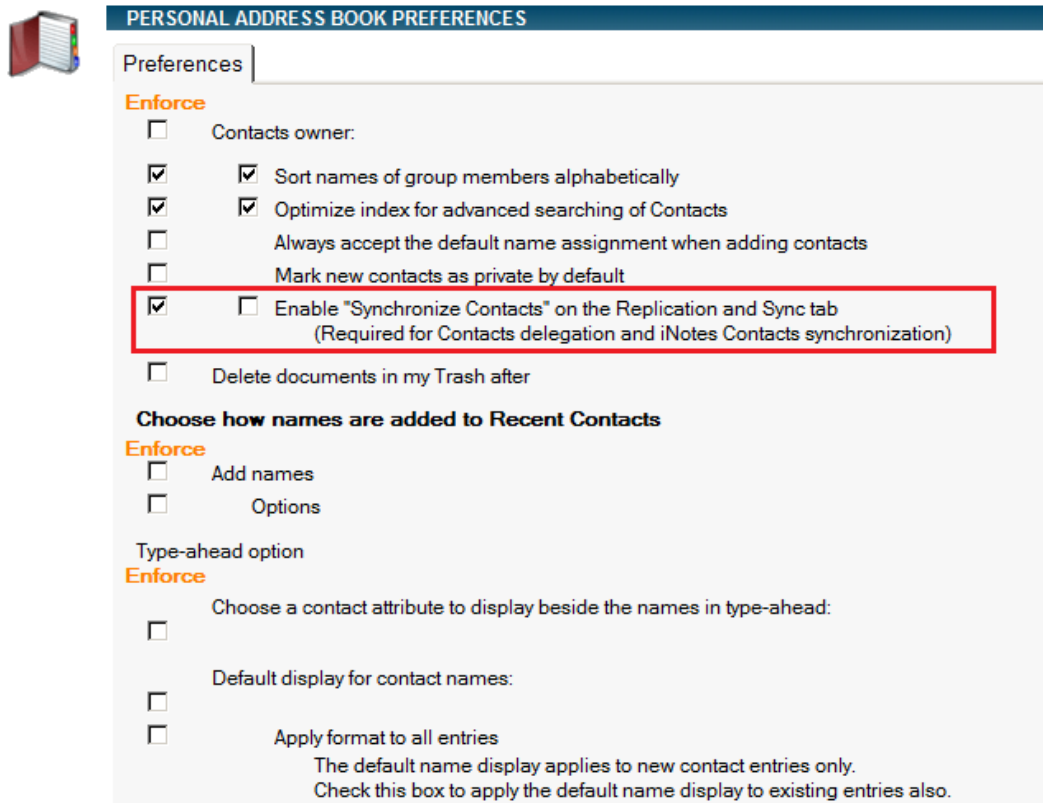


Manage Replicas

Recent Contacts Management

The “Recent Contacts” feature is available in Notes from release 8 and enables a user to keep the contact info from emails’ senders and recipients.

In Desktop Manager 2.8, you can easily audit and modify this parameter.

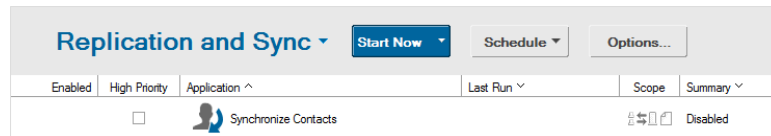


Recents contact parameter in Desktop Manager

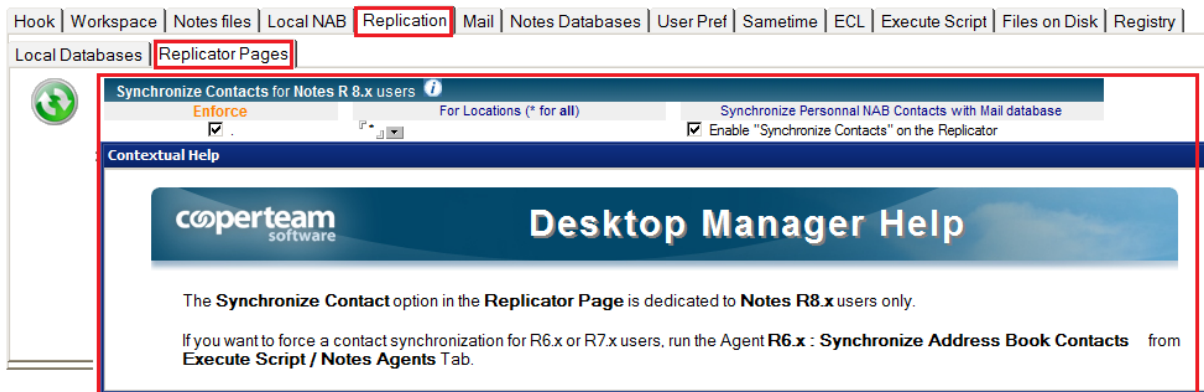
Synchronize Contacts

This option enables access your contacts from everywhere.

Note: this feature exists from Notes 8 release. Desktop Manager 2.7 was able to manage it. This has been improved in 2.8 release. Desktop Manager enables it using a Notes client agent for versions lower than version 8.



Notes settings



Desktop Manager Settings

New User Preferences Support

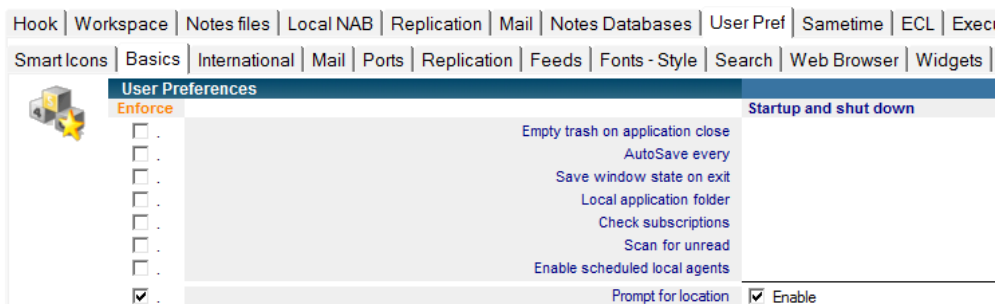
Setting the following user preferences is now supported:

- Prompt for location on startup
- Do not inform me that I am a roaming user when I switch ID
- Drag and drop saves messages as a .eml format file (Notes.ini : "EML_OR_URL")
- Preserve setting for printing calendar to document (Notes.ini : "PreservePrintCalendarToDocumentSetting")
- Enable alternate keyboard shortcuts (for example, CTRL+R=Reply)
- Windows Themes and "IBM Social Theme"

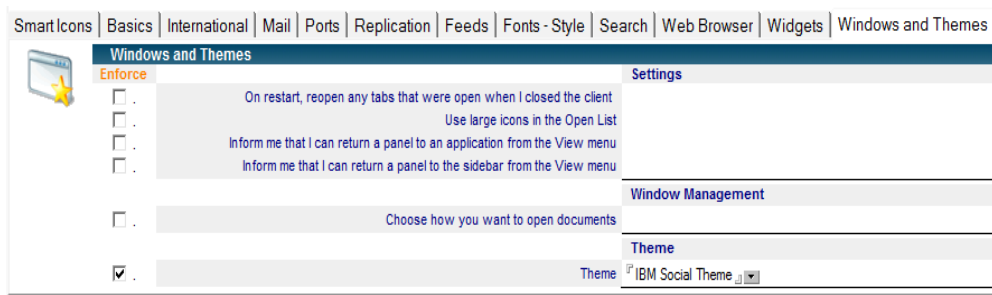
User preferences can be defined at task or profile level and can be applied to the Notes client:

- Do not inform me that I am a roaming user when I switch ID
Do not prompt when closing a document with edited attachments
Do not prompt when forwarding a document with edited attachments
Show check marks in margin for selected documents
- Drag and drop saves as eml file
- Preserve setting fo printing calendar to document
Log out (and lock Notes display) if you haven't used Notes for [35] minutes
- Enable alternate keyboard shortcuts (for example, CTRL+R=Reply)

Notes User Preferences



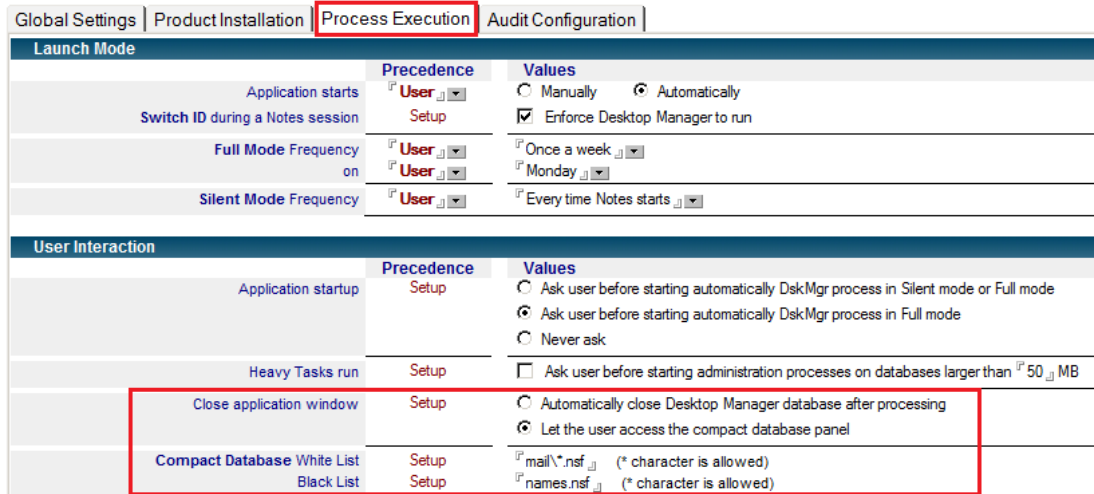
Desktop Manager Settings for User Preferences



Theme Parameter in Desktop Manager

New Desktop Manager Parameters

The parameter "Compact Database White List and Black list" enables the administrator to define which databases are shown to the user in the list of databases to be compacted (in the Desktop Manager User interface)



Extended script Language: FTP, http, LDAP, XML

The Desktop Manager Script language enables to use new functions which support FTP, HTTP, LDAP and XML

API Lotus Script samples:

- Fonction dmGetFileByHTTP : http file download
- Fonction dmFTPDeleteFile : FTP file deletion
- Fonction dmFTPGetFile : FTP file download
- Fonction dmFTPGetLargeFile : FTP large file download
- Fonction dmFTPPutFile : FTP file upload
- Fonctions dmReadXMLFile et dmReadXMLKeys : XML file parsing

IBM Notes & Operating System Compatibility

IBM Notes 9 Social Edition - « Web Application Plugin » support

All the Desktop Manager capabilities are now also supported in plug-in mode.

Note: the new “Web Application Plugin” enables you to open a Notes session in your browser.

Microsoft Windows 8 Compatibility

Desktop Manager 2.8 has been validated for Windows 8