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TASKE Administrator program



Selecting the Administrator icon accesses the TASKE Administrator program.

The TASKE Administrator program is used in the process of creating a database of names, numbers and other characteristics of your Call Center. Creating a database enables the TASKE system to generate reports for elements of the telephone system used throughout your company. Changes to the database can only be made through the TASKE Administrator program.

Configuration activities for the database such as reviewing Error Logs, setting Alarms and generating Statistics files are also performed through the TASKE Administrator program. The Administrator is divided into two functional areas: Database Manipulation and Configuration Tasks.

The major features in Database mode include configuring the number of Trunks, Extensions, Agents, Pilots and Accounts in use on the telephone system.

The major features in Configuration mode include configuring disk storage settings, error log tracking and ensuring the security of your stored records by setting alarms to notify of any abnormalities. The program may be used routinely for activities such as reading Configuration logs, archiving, deleting and synchronizing shadow files, as well as performing disk statistics.

TASKE Administrator and Database Concepts

Account Codes Definition

Account Codes are numbers an Agent enters in the system while engaged on a Pilot call to flag the call by type so that call statistics can be collected by the TASKE system for analysis and planning.

The fields that are applicable to Verified Call Activity Account Codes are: the Call Account Code Number, Name and Nick Name. A Call Account Code Number must be four (4) digits or less.

Verified Account Codes are constructed as multiple pairs of 2 decimal digits. The first pair of digits forms a primary pair and is typically displayed as a row header in the Call Account Reports. Secondary pairs of digits typically form a column list; in effect a matrix is formed. Combining the primary pair with multiple secondary pairs results in codes of six digits or more.

Non-Verified Account Codes are used in an ad-hoc manner and are free form. They are used as a convenient mechanism to collate statistics on various types of calls. The TASKE system performs no verification on them and requires only that they be constructed in pairs of digits. Because the TASKE system places virtually no restrictions on the format of Non-Verified Account Codes, the Account Codes administrator does not apply to them.

Agent Groups Definition

A group of Agents will be used as the resource to handle incoming telephone calls depending on the Pilot/Path the caller is on. Agent Groups are also used for reporting purposes.

Extension Groups Definition

Extensions may be placed in groups to form *Extension Hunt Groups* or *Station Hunt Groups*. These are sometimes referred to simply as *Extension Groups* or *Hunt Groups*. Hunt Groups may be used, for instance, when Callers wish to reach anyone in the Sales department rather than a particular individual in Sales. Again, the use of a group enables calls to be addressed to all Extensions of a Group, rather than trying one Extension after another to find one free. If any employee in the Extension Group is free, then they are given the call.

Thus a telephone call arriving at the telephone system is addressed to an individual Trunk, or to a Trunk Group. After arriving on an incoming Trunk, the call may be switched by the telephone system to an individual extension, an Extension Group, to a Voice Mail/Automated Attendant system, or to some other answering point.

Extensions Definition

The keyset connected to the phone system is described as an *Extension* or *Station*. In principle, the keyset operates in the same way as the telephone in your home, and may in fact be the same type of telephone instrument. The telephones that are used in the business environment, particularly the telephones that are used in Call Centers may also be more sophisticated than typical residential telephones.

Path Definition

A Path is a relationship in the telephone system between a number that can be dialed, and a search order of Agent Groups and Interflow points for the call to be offered to. A Path encapsulates the routing and timing options available to a telephone call. Each Path has an Access Code, which is a reporting mechanism and cannot be dialed. To access a Path it is given a Pilot Number and a Caller dials the Pilot. When generating reports in the TASKE system, the Pilot Number is the Access Code preceded by a P (P001).

Pilots Definition

From a telephone perspective, a Pilot is an access code. From a TASKE perspective, a Pilot is what shows up in the data records. The TASKE system employs a *Pilot* concept, where a pilot is primarily a means of providing an address mechanism for Extension Groups. The Pilot enables one dialable number to represent all Extension members of a Group. The Pilots that are used in the telephone system are dialable address numbers that correspond to telephone Hunt Groups.

Pilot Groups Definition

Pilots are placed in *Pilot Groups*, in the same manner that Trunks and Extensions are grouped. This effectively enables "super-addresses" to be formed, where one Pilot Group represents multiple answering points for reporting purposes. This provides powerful and flexible reporting mechanisms to be developed and used within the TASKE system.

Shadow Definition

The TASKE ToolBox network may run with a shadow disk function, where each record received from the Telephone System is written both to a network file server (used to share TASKE data files) and to the shadow directory (not necessarily "local", it may be located on another hard drive). This double storage of records provides a duplicate copy of the data records that are received from the Telephone System.

Typically, the shadow drive would be a local hard drive resident on the TASKE Network Server, and the primary drive (storing all TASKE data files) would be a hard drive resident on a separate network file server.

The shadow drive is used as a backup mechanism and stores data for a relatively short period of time, such as 30 days. This usually provides a long enough period to determine if the data on the primary network file server is accurate.

TSF Time Definition

The Telephone Service Factor (TSF) is the ratio of calls which are either Answered or Abandoned before a threshold time, to (divided by) the total number of calls which are offered. You specify the threshold, or TSF Time, in the TSF Time field for individual Pilots.

Trunk Groups Definition

The Trunks on a telephone system are usually programmed in one or more groups of Trunks called *Trunk Groups*. Using a Trunk Group enables several Trunks to be addressed as a single entity, so the Central Office does not have to direct a call to a particular Trunk and be concerned with whether the Trunks are individually busy or free. It merely sends a call to the telephone system's Trunk Group(s). If any Trunk in the group is free, then the call gets through to the system. This avoids the Caller having to try a Trunk and find it busy, and then try another, and so on until a free Trunk is found.

Trunk Definition

A Trunk is a telephone circuit from the local Central Office to your telephone system, and is similar to the telephone line from the Central Office to your house or the telephone line from the telephone system to your desk. That is, a Trunk is a connection between two telephone switching systems, while a line is a connection between a telephone switching system and a telephone instrument.

Outgoing calls from your telephone system to the Public Network are made over outgoing Trunks, whereas calls to the telephone system from the Public Network are made over incoming Trunks. In some Call Centers, Trunks handle both incoming and outgoing calls.

Overview of the TASKE Administrator Interface

Overview of Database Mode

Database Mode allows you to perform the design, construction and editing of the Administration database. This Includes configuring the number of Trunks, Extensions, Agents, Pilots and Accounts in use on your telephone system and establishing groups for reporting purposes.



To use the TASKE Administrator in Database Mode, click on the Database icon in the TASKE Tool section of the TASKE Administrator (upper left-hand corner).

Trunks
Trunk Groups
Extensions
Extension Groups
Agents
Agent Groups
Pilots
Pilot Groups
Account Codes
Spectrums
Options

Once Database mode has been selected, a list of editable tables is displayed on the left-hand side of the TASKE Main Control Panel.

These tables include: Trunks and Trunk Groups, Extensions and Extension Groups, Agents and Agent Groups, Pilots and Pilot Groups, and Account Codes.

Settings can also be created for Spectrum and Database options.

List panel

In the List panel (upper right-hand side) the ID Number, Name and Nick Name of any record in a chosen table are displayed.

List Of Trunks (Total = 17)		
ID	Name	Nick Name
100	Main Hunt Line 1 591-9267	23
101	Main Hunt Line 2 591-7215	
102	Main Hunt Line 3 591-6574	
103	RAS Modem Line 2 591-9267	
104	RAS Modem Line 1 591-1721	
105	Main Hunt Line 4 591-8190	
106	Main Hunt Line 5 591-9465	
107	TRUNK 107	
108	TRUNK 108	
109	TRUNK 109	
110	TRUNK 110	
111	TRUNK 111	
112	TRUNK 112	
120	E & M Trunk 1	

To choose which table records should be displayed from, you must click on one of the table buttons on the left-hand side of the screen (these include Trunks, Trunk Groups, Extensions, Extension Groups, Agents, Agent Groups, Pilots, Pilot Groups, and Accounts).

Details panel

In the Details panel (lower right-hand side) any detailed information pertaining to a particular record selected in the List panel is displayed.



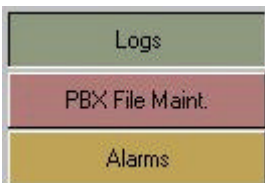
As the different tables require different information, the details in the Details panel change accordingly. Any specific details may be edited, updated or deleted.

Overview of Configuration Mode

Configuration Mode allows you to perform file maintenance, set alarms and view logs for the TASKE Administrator Database.



To use the TASKE Administrator in Configuration Mode, click on the Configuration icon in the TASKE Tool section of the TASKE Administrator (upper left-hand corner).

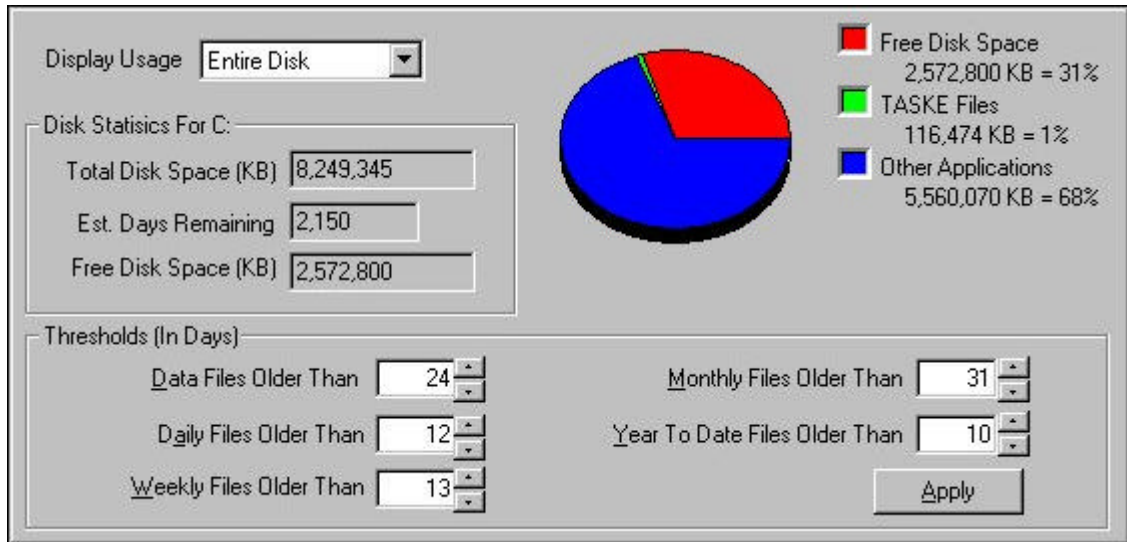


Once Configuration mode has been selected, a list of Configuration tools is displayed below the Database and Configuration Mode buttons on the left-hand side of the TASKE Main control panel.

Note: If the Administrator program is being used on the TASKE Server machine, the tasks include: File Maintenance, Alarms and Logs. If the TASKE Administrator is being used on a Supervisor machine, only the Logs option will be available.

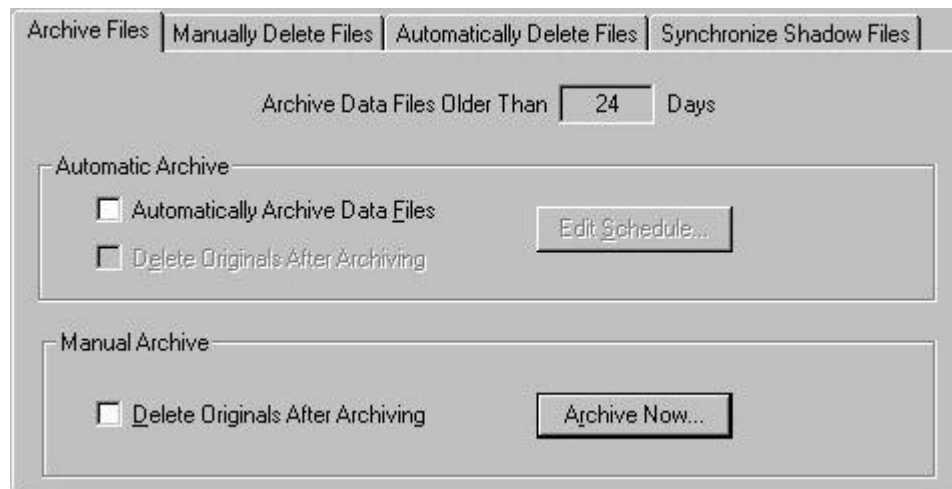
File Maintenance

The File Maintenance tool contains 2 panels. The top panel displays current statistics on file space and disk space for the TASKE Administrator machine (the Server in a Client/Server installation).



Different statistics can be displayed by choosing different criteria in the Display Usage drop down list.

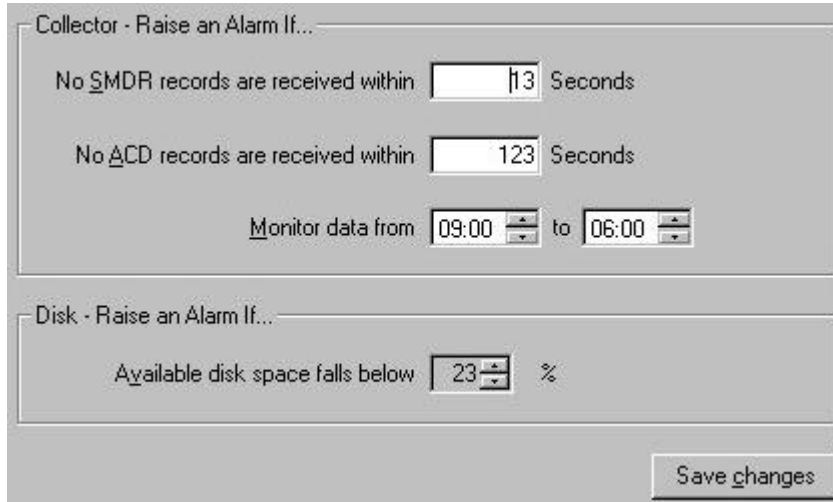
The lower panel displays controls for archiving, deleting and synchronizing shadow files, as required.



At the bottom of each panel is a button to perform the tasks immediately. For example, at the bottom of the Archive Files panel is a **Archive Now...** button which performs all archive tasks selected upon being pressed (when pressed, a dialog box will appear, confirming the actions).

Alarms

The Alarms section allows setting alarms for notification if the Collector isn't receiving data records, or if the available disk space falls below an acceptable level.



Logs

The Logs section displays an error log from the TASKE Administrator, allowing for the tracking and reporting of any errors encountered by the TASKE system.

	Application	Date	Time	Description
⊘	Taske Server	19990920	15:44:30	connect error,ec=10061
i	Taske Client	19990921	13:08:51	connect to 192.168.21.254:5210 pending
⊘	Taske Server	19990921	13:13:14	connect error,ec=10061
⊘	Monitor	19990921	13:13:24	An unknown error occurred
⊘	Monitor	19990921	16:45:44	An unknown error occurred
i	Taske Client	19990922	18:13:40	connect to 192.168.21.136:5210 pending
⊘	Taske Server	19990922	18:13:42	connect error,ec=10061
⊘	State Machine	19990922	18:14:10	Event sink advise failed (0x80004005)
⊘	Agent Desktop	19990922	18:14:10	State machine service error has occurred. See the log file for more informat
⊘	Taske Server	19990922	18:20:12	connect error,ec=10061
⊘	Taske Server	19990922	18:20:22	connect error,ec=10061
i	Taske Client	19990922	18:23:43	connect to 192.168.21.254:5210 pending
⊘	Taske Server	19990923	10:11:12	connect error,ec=10061

The log displayed is a record of Collector events and any errors or alarms that occur.

Manipulating the database

Trunks



Selecting the Trunks button within the TASKE Administrator in Database Mode causes the Trunks section of the database to be displayed. At the top of the window, in the List panel, is a scrollable list of all of the Trunks included in the database.

The ID Number Column displays unique ID Numbers for each Trunk defined in the TASKE Database. The ID Number is the key parameter by which the TASKE Database indexes and tracks Trunk elements.

The Name Column displays the names for each Trunk defined in the TASKE Database. The Name is a character string that represents the Trunk's full name for reference purposes and may appear in Trunk reports.

The Nick Name Column displays nicknames for each Trunk defined in the TASKE Database. The Nick Name is simply an alternate way of naming Trunk records and may be used in reports.

In the Details panel Trunks may be added, deleted or modified by using the New, Update and Delete buttons.

To make a new Trunk entry

1. Click the Database Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Database mode.
2. Click the Trunks button.
3. In the Trunk Record Details panel, click the New button.
4. In the Trunk Record Detail panel, enter the ID, Name, and Nick Name of the new Trunk Record.
5. Select the Trunk Groups that the new Record belongs to from the Member Of list.
6. Click the Update button.

To modify an existing trunk entry


1. Choose the Trunk entry to be modified from the List panel.
2. In the Trunk Record Detail panel, modify the Trunk Record.
3. In the Trunk Record Details panel, click the Update button.

To delete a trunk entry

1. Choose the Trunk entry to be deleted from the List panel.
2. In the Trunk Record Details panel, click the Delete button.
3. Click Yes in the confirmation box that displays to continue with the Delete.

Tip To Examine one of the Trunk Groups listed in the Member Of panel, select the Trunk Group and click Go To.

Note The Trunk ID Number must be as programmed in your telephone system.

Trunk GroupsA rectangular button with a reddish-brown background and the text "Trunk Groups" in white.

Selecting the Trunk Groups button within the TASKE Administrator in Database Mode causes the Trunk Groups section of the database to be displayed. In the List panel at the top of the window, is a scrollable list of all of the Trunk Groups included in the database. The list contains an ID Number, Name and Nick Name for each Trunk Group.

The ID Number Column displays unique ID Numbers for each Trunk Group defined in the TASKE Database. The ID Number is the key parameter by which the TASKE Database indexes and tracks Trunk Group elements.

The Name Column displays the names for each Trunk Group defined in the TASKE Database. The Name is a character string which represents the Trunk Group's full name and is for reference purposes and may appear in Trunk Group reports.

The Nick Name Column displays nicknames for each Trunk Group defined in the TASKE Database. The Nick Name is simply an alternate way of naming Trunk Group records and may be used in reports.

In the Details panel Trunk Groups may be added, deleted or modified by using the New, Update and Delete buttons.

To make a new Trunk Group entry

1. Click the Database Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Database mode.
2. Click the Trunk Groups button.
3. In the Trunk Group Record Details panel, click the New button.

4. In the Trunk Group Record Detail panel, enter the ID, Name, and Nick Name of the new Trunk Group Record.
5. Select the Trunks that belong to the new Trunk Group from the Trunk Members list.
6. Click the Update button.

To modify an existing Trunk Group entry

1. Choose the Trunk Group entry to be modified from the List panel.
2. In the Trunk Group Record Detail panel, modify the Trunk Group Record.
3. In the Trunk Group Record Details panel, click the Update button.


To delete a Trunk Group entry

1. Choose the Trunk Group entry to be deleted from the List panel.
2. In the Trunk Group Record Details panel, click the Delete button.
3. Click Yes in the confirmation box that displays to continue with the Delete.

Tip To Examine one of the Trunks listed in the Trunk Members panel, select the Trunk to examine and click Go To.

Note If you intend to implement the TASKE Call Costing program in your Call Center, it is absolutely necessary to define the lowest Trunk Group Numbers, such as 1000, 1001, 1002, and 1003 in the TASKE Database as Call Costing Trunk Groups, and reserve the higher Trunk Group numbers, such as 1010, for reporting purposes. This is because the Call Costing program searches for costing information on TASKE Database Trunk Groups with the lowest Trunk Group number.

Extensions

 Selecting the Extensions button within the TASKE Administrator in Database Mode causes the Extensions section of the database to be displayed. In the List panel at the top of the window, is a scrollable list of all of the Extensions included in the database. The list contains an ID Number, Name and Nick Name for the Extension.

The ID Number Column displays unique ID Numbers for each Extension defined in the TASKE Database. The ID Number is the key parameter by which the TASKE Database indexes and tracks Extension elements.

The Name Column displays the names for each Extension defined in the TASKE Database. The Name is a character string which represents the Extension's full name and is for reference purposes and may appear in Extension reports.

The Nick Name Column displays nicknames for each Extension defined in the TASKE Database. The Nick Name is simply an alternate way of naming Extension records and may be used in reports.

In the Details panel Extensions may be added, deleted or modified by using the New, Update and Delete buttons.

To make a new Extension entry

1. Click the Database Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Database mode.
2. Click the Extensions button.
3. In the Extension Record Details panel, click the New button.
4. In the Extension Record Detail panel, enter the ID, Name, and Nick Name of the new Extension Record.
5. Select the Extension Groups that the new Extension belongs to from the Member Of list.
6. If the Extension is a Voice Mail extension, and should not get counted in the reports as an extension being answered, abandoned or interflowed, mark the checkbox for the Voice-Mail flag.
7. If the Extension is an Auto-Attendant, and should not get counted in the reports as an extension being answered, abandoned or interflowed, mark the checkbox for the Auto-Attendant flag.
8. Click the Update button.

To modify an existing Extension entry

1. Choose the Extension entry to be modified from the List panel.
2. In the Extension Record Detail panel, modify the Extension Record.
3. In the Extension Record Details panel, click the Update button.

To delete an Extension entry


1. Choose the Extension entry to be deleted from the List panel.
2. In the Extension Record Details panel, click the Delete button.

3. Click Yes in the confirmation box that displays to continue with the Delete.

Tip: To Examine one of the Extension Groups listed in the Members Of panel, select the Extension Group to examine and click Go To.

Note: The Extension Number must be as programmed in the telephone system as it is the key parameter by which the TASKE Administrator indexes and tracks Extension elements in the TASKE Administrator Database. An Extension Number must be seven digits or less, in order to be compatible with PBX data record entries.

Extension Groups

 Selecting the Extension Groups button within the TASKE Administrator in Database Mode causes the Extension Groups section of the database to be displayed. In the List panel at the top of the window, is a scrollable list of all of the Extension Groups included in the database. The list contains an ID Number, Name and Nick Name for each Extension Group.

The ID Number Column displays unique ID Numbers for each Extension Group defined in the TASKE Database. The ID Number is the key parameter by which the TASKE Database indexes and tracks Extension Group elements.

The Name Column displays the names for each Extension Group defined in the TASKE Database. The Name is a character string that represents the Extension Group's full name and is for reference purposes and may appear in Extension Group reports.

The Nick Name Column displays nicknames for each Extension Group defined in the TASKE Database. The Nick Name is simply an alternate way of naming Extension Group records and may be used in reports.

In the Details panel Extension Groups may be added, deleted or modified by using the New, Update and Delete buttons.

To make a new Extension Group entry

1. Click the Database Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Database mode.
2. Click the Extension Groups button.
3. In the Extension Group Record Details panel, click the New button.

4. In the Extension Group Record Detail panel, enter the ID, Name, and Nick Name of the new Extension Group Record.
5. Select the Extensions that belong to the new Extension Group from the Extension Members list.
6. Click the Update button.

To modify an existing Extension Group entry

1. Choose the Extension Group entry to be modified from the List panel.
2. In the Extension Group Record Detail panel, modify the Extension Group Record.
3. In the Extension Group Record Details panel, click the Update button.

To delete an Extension Group entry

1. Choose the Extension Group entry to be deleted from the List panel.
2. In the Extension Group Record Details panel, click the Delete button.
3. Click Yes in the confirmation box that displays to continue with the Delete.

Tip To Examine one of the Extensions listed in the Extension Members panel, select the Extension to examine and click Go To.

Agents

Selecting the Agents button within the TASKE Administrator in Database Mode causes the Agents section of the database to be displayed. In the List panel at the top of the window, is a scrollable list of all of the Agents included in the database. The list contains an ID Number, Name and Nick Name for each Agent.

The ID Number Column displays unique ID Numbers for each Agent defined in the TASKE Database. The ID Number is the key parameter by which the TASKE Database indexes and tracks Agent elements.

The Name Column displays the names for each Agent defined in the TASKE Database. The Name is a character string which represents the Agent's full name and is for reference purposes and may appear in Agent reports.

The Nick Name Column displays nicknames for each Agent defined in the TASKE Database. The Nick Name is simply an alternate way of naming Agent records and may be used in reports.

In the Details panel Agents may be added, deleted or modified by using the New, Update and Delete buttons.

To make a new Agent entry

1. Click the Database Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Database mode.
2. Click the Agents button.
3. In the Agent Record Details panel, click the New button.
4. In the Agent Record Detail panel, enter the ID, Name, and Nick Name of the new Agent Record.
5. Select the Agent Groups that the new Agent belongs to from the Member Of list.
6. Click the Update button.

To modify an existing Agent entry

1. Choose the Agent entry to be modified from the List panel.
2. In the Agent Record Detail panel, modify the Agent Record.
3. In the Agent Record Details panel, click the Update button.

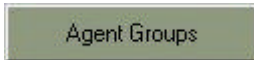
To delete an Agent entry

1. Choose the Agent entry to be deleted from the List panel.
2. In the Agent Record Details panel, click the Delete button.
3. Click Yes in the confirmation box that displays to continue with the Delete.

Tip To Examine one of the Agent Groups listed in the Members Of panel, select the Agent Group to examine and click Go To.

Note The Agent Number must be as programmed in the telephone system as it is the key parameter by which the TASKE Administrator indexes and tracks Agent elements in the TASKE Administrator Database. The individual Agents in this section of the Database form the pool of available Agents which may be used in defining Agent Groups within the TASKE Database. An Agent ID Number must be seven digits or less in order to be compatible with the PBX data record entries.

Agent Groups



Selecting the Agent Groups button within the TASKE Administrator in Database Mode causes the Agent Groups section of the database to be displayed. In the List panel at the top of the window, is a scrollable list of all of the Agent Groups included in the database. The list contains an ID Number, Name and Nick Name for each Agent Group.

The ID Number Column displays unique ID Numbers for each Agent Group defined in the TASKE Database. The ID Number is the key parameter by which the TASKE Database indexes and tracks Agent Group elements.

The Name Column displays the names for each Agent Group defined in the TASKE Database. The Name is a character string which represents the Agent Group's full name and is for reference purposes and may appear in Agent Group reports.

The Nick Name Column displays nicknames for each Agent Group defined in the TASKE Database. The Nick Name is simply an alternate way of naming Agent Group records and may be used in reports.

In the Details panel Agent Groups may be added, deleted or modified by using the New, Update and Delete buttons.

To make a new Agent Group entry

1. Click the Database Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Database mode.
2. Click the Agent Groups button.
3. In the Agent Group Record Details panel, click the New button.
4. In the Agent Group Record Detail panel, enter the ID, Name, and Nick Name of the new Agent Group Record.
5. Select the Agents that belong to the new Agent Group from the Agent Members list.
6. Click the Update button.

To modify an existing Agent Group entry

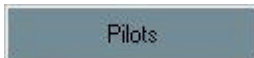
1. Choose the Agent Group entry to be modified from the List panel.
2. In the Agent Group Record Detail panel, modify the Agent Group Record.
3. In the Agent Group Record Details panel, click the Update button.

To delete an Agent Group entry

1. Choose the Agent Group entry to be deleted from the List panel.
2. In the Agent Group Record Details panel, click the Delete button.
3. Click Yes in the confirmation box that displays to continue with the Delete.

Tip To Examine one of the Agents listed in the Agent Members panel, select the Agent to examine and click Go To.

Note The Agent Group is a reporting concept within the TASKE Database that identifies a collection of Agents to be reported on as an entity. Unlike individual Agents, Agent Groups do not have to employ the same Number field entry as in the telephone system.

Pilots

Selecting the Pilots button within the TASKE Administrator in Database Mode causes the Pilots section of the database to be displayed. In the List panel at the top of the window, is a scrollable list of all of the Pilots included in the database. The list contains an ID Number, Name and Nick Name for each Pilot.

The ID Number Column displays unique ID Numbers for each Pilot defined in the TASKE Database. The ID Number is the key parameter by which the TASKE Database indexes and tracks Pilot elements.

The Name Column displays the names for each Pilot defined in the TASKE Database. The Name is a character string which represents the Pilot's full name and is for reference purposes and may appear in Pilot reports.

The Nick Name Column displays nicknames for each Pilot defined in the TASKE Database. The Nick Name is simply an alternate way of naming Pilot records and may be used in reports.

In the Details panel Pilots may be added, deleted or modified by using the New, Update and Delete buttons.

To make a new Pilot entry

1. Click the Database Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Database mode.
2. Click the Pilots button.
3. In the Pilot Record Details panel, click the New button.
4. In the Pilot Record Detail panel, enter the ID, Name, Nick Name and TSF Time of the new Pilot Record.
5. Select the Pilot Groups that the new Pilot belongs to from the Member Of list.
6. Select the primary Path for your Pilot (which group of Agents the call will initially route to) and then up to three additional Overflow Agent Group ID's. Choosing Path determines the routing of calls between the Primary and up to three Overflow Groups. Choosing Pilot enables one dialable number to represent all extensions within an extension group.
7. Click the Update button.

To modify an existing Pilot entry

1. Choose the Pilot entry to be modified from the List panel.
2. In the Pilot Record Detail panel, modify the Pilot Record.
3. In the Pilot Record Details panel, click the Update button.

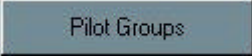
To delete a Pilot entry

1. Choose the Pilot entry to be deleted from the List panel.
2. In the Pilot Record Details panel, click the Delete button.
3. Click Yes in the confirmation box that displays to continue with the Delete.

Tip To Examine one of the Pilot Groups listed in the Members Of panel, select the Pilot Group to examine and click Go To.

Note The TASKE Pilot Number must be a mirror image of the Pilot Number in the phone system.

Pilot Groups

 Selecting the Pilot Groups button within the TASKE Administrator in Database Mode causes the Pilots section of the database to be displayed. In the List panel at the top of the window, is a scrollable list of all of the Pilot Groups included in the database. The list contains an ID Number, Name and Nick Name for each Pilot Group.

The ID Number Column displays unique ID Numbers for each Pilot Group defined in the TASKE Database. The ID Number is the key parameter by which the TASKE Database indexes and tracks Pilot Group Code elements.

The Name Column displays the names for each Pilot Group defined in the TASKE Database. The Name is a character string which represents the Pilot Group's full name and is for reference purposes and may appear in Pilot Group reports.

The Nick Name Column displays nicknames for each Pilot Group defined in the TASKE Database. The Nick Name is simply an alternate way of naming Pilot Group records and may be used in reports.

In the Details panel Pilot Groups may be added, deleted or modified by using the New, Update and Delete buttons.

To make a new Pilot Group entry

1. Click the Database Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Database mode.
2. Click the Pilot Groups button.
3. In the Pilot Group Record Details panel, click the New button.
4. In the Pilot Group Record Detail panel, enter the ID, Name, and Nick Name of the new Pilot Group Record.
5. Select the Pilots that belong to the new Pilot Group from the Pilot Members list.
6. Click the Update button.

To modify an existing Pilot Group entry

1. Choose the Pilot Group entry to be modified from the List panel.
2. In the Pilot Group Record Detail panel, modify the Pilot Group Record.
3. In the Pilot Group Record Details panel, click the Update button.

To delete an Pilot Group entry

1. Choose the Pilot Group entry to be deleted from the list.
2. In the Pilot Group Record Details panel, click the Delete button.
3. Click Yes in the confirmation box that displays to continue with the Delete.

Tip To Examine one of the Pilots listed in the Pilot Members panel, select the Pilot to examine and click Go To.

Account Codes**Account Codes**

An Account Code is a number used by an Agent for statistics purposes. When an Agent receives a Pilot call they determine the type of call and enter an Account Code into the TASKE system so the call is flagged by type in the TASKE system for analysis and planning. The TASKE Reports program can then generate reports for calls with specific codes, and provide supervisors with various statistics for these calls.

There are two types of Call Account Codes: Verified and Non-Verified. Selecting the Account Codes button within the TASKE Administrator in Database Mode causes the Account Codes section of the database to be displayed.

List Of Accounts [Total = 4]		
ID	Name	Nick Name
1	Account Code Description	
541	Sales	sls
542	Services	svc
543	Tech Support	ts

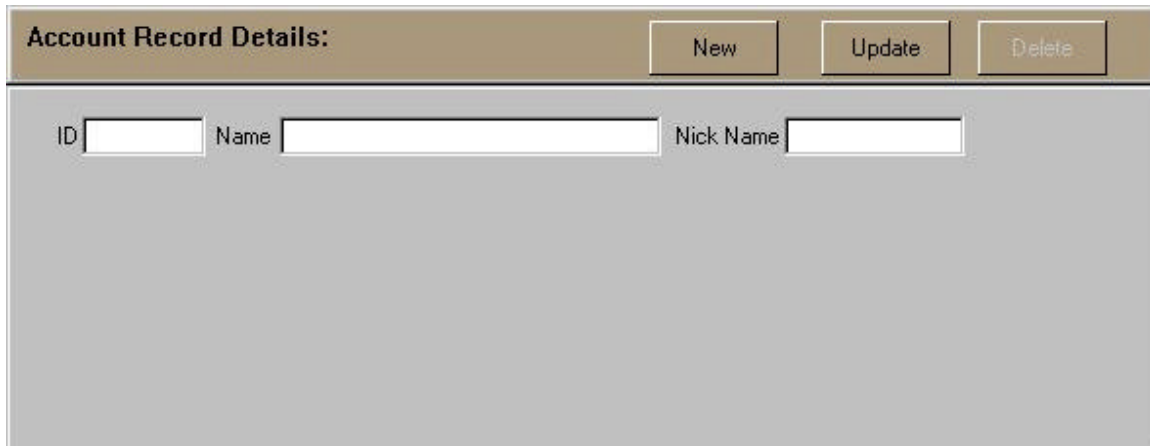
In the List panel at the top of the window, is a scrollable list of all of the Accounts included in the database.

The ID Number Column displays unique ID Numbers for each Account Code defined in the TASKE Database. The ID Number is the key parameter by which the TASKE Database indexes and tracks Account Code elements.

The Name Column displays names for each Account Code defined in the TASKE Database. The Name is a character string, which represents the Account's full name and is for reference purposes and may appear in Account reports.

The Nick Name Column displays nicknames for each Account Code defined in the TASKE Database. The Nick Name is simply an alternate way of naming Account records and may be used in reports.

In the Details panel Account Codes may be added, deleted or modified by using the New, Update and Delete buttons.



The screenshot shows a software interface titled "Account Record Details:". At the top right of the panel are three buttons: "New", "Update", and "Delete". Below these buttons are three text input fields. The first field is labeled "ID", the second is labeled "Name", and the third is labeled "Nick Name". The input fields are currently empty.

To make a new Account entry

1. Click the Database Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Database mode.
2. Click the Account Codes button.
3. In the Account Record Details panel, click the New button.
4. In the Account Record Detail panel, enter the ID, Name, and Nick Name of the new Account Code Record.
5. Click the Update button.

To modify an existing Account entry

1. Choose the Account Code entry to be modified from the List panel.
2. In the Account Record Detail panel, modify the Account Code Record.
3. In the Account Record Details panel, click the Update button.

To delete an Account entry

1. Choose the Account Code entry to be deleted from the list.
2. In the Account Record Details panel, click the Delete button.
3. Click Yes in the confirmation box that displays to continue with the Delete.

Spectrums



The TASKE ToolBox generates various reports that provide a spectrum or profile of the timing of calls to the Call Center.

For example, the Reports include a Time To Answer spectrum which indicates the numbers of calls answered between 10 and 20 seconds, between 20 and 30 seconds, and so on. This enables you to compare the spectrum of call answering and the time delay, and determine the delays faced by most callers.

Spectrums										Update
Answer Spectrum										
5	10	15	20	30	40	60	80	100	150	
Abandon Spectrum										
5	10	15	20	30	40	60	80	100	150	
Interflow Spectrum										
5	10	15	20	30	40	60	80	100	150	

Answer Spectrum

The Answer Spectrum edit boxes allow for 10 threshold times for the Time To Answer spectrum to be set. The Spectrum reports produced indicate the number of calls Answered within the threshold time for each column.

Thus, each of the 10 edit boxes is set to an independent threshold time (in seconds); the edit boxes are set with progressively longer times and a profile of Time To Answer from 0 to “x” seconds is produced.

Abandon Spectrum

The Abandon Spectrum edit boxes allow for 10 threshold times for the Time To Abandon spectrum to be set. The Spectrum reports produced indicate the number of calls Abandoned within the threshold time for each column.

Interflow Spectrum

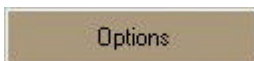
The Interflow Spectrum edit boxes allow for 10 threshold times for the Time To Interflow spectrum to be set. The Spectrum reports produced indicate the number of calls Interflowed within the threshold time, in each column.

Thus, each of the 10 edit boxes is set to an independent threshold time (in seconds); the edit boxes are set with progressively longer times and a profile of Time To Abandon from 0 to “x” seconds is produced.

To Update Spectrum Settings

1. Click the Database Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Database mode.
2. Click the Spectrums button.
3. Enter the number of seconds for each threshold time for Answer, Abandon and Interflow Spectrums.
4. Click the Update button.

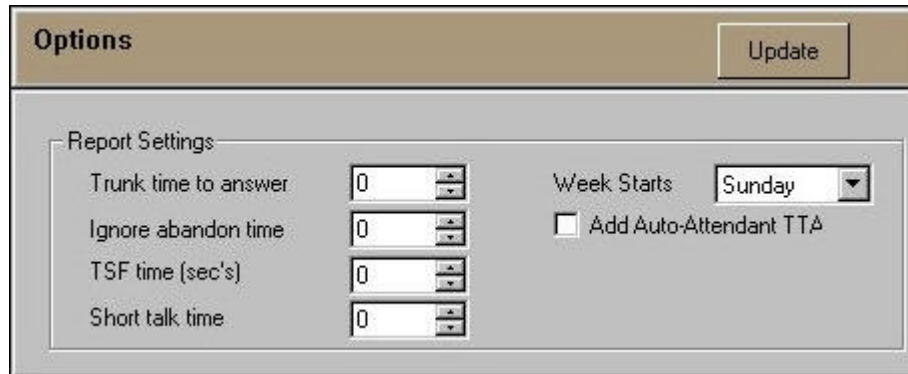
Options



The TASKE ToolBox provides a wide range of reports that provide statistics on almost all aspects of the operation of a Call Center. The available options are listed below.

Trunk time to answer

Trunk Reports list the percentage of calls that are actually answered within “x” seconds. This value is compared with the target service level. The threshold time is entered in the Trunk time to answer selection box in seconds, and is reported under the % Ans’d Before xx Secs column heading in the Reports.



The screenshot shows a window titled "Options" with an "Update" button in the top right corner. Below the title bar is a section titled "Report Settings" which contains four spinners for "Trunk time to answer", "Ignore abandon time", "TSF time (sec's)", and "Short talk time", all of which are currently set to "0". To the right of these spinners is a "Week Starts" dropdown menu set to "Sunday" and a checkbox labeled "Add Auto-Attendant TTA" which is currently unchecked.

Ignore abandon time

You can set a threshold time to identify genuine Abandons. These are calls that Abandon after the threshold time set in the Ignore abandon time selection box. Genuine Abandons are used in the Service Percentages for the Pilot.

TSF time

The Telephone Service Factor (TSF) is a measure of the level of service provided to Callers. It is the percentage of calls Answered and Abandoned within the defined threshold time compared to the total number of calls offered. The setting is now used only for extensions.

Short talk time

The TASKE ToolBox allows you to distinguish calls that terminate after a very short talk time, from other calls. The assumption is that a high proportion of very short Answered calls indicates a potential fault on one or more trunks. For example, a faulty Trunk may allow a call to be Answered, but may not provide a satisfactory audio connection for conversation to take place.

These calls are reported under the Short Dur'n Calls column heading in the TASKE Trunk and Trunk Group Reports. The threshold is set in the Short talk time selection box.

Week Starts

The TASKE ToolBox enables you to produce Daily Reports by Day of Week. The setting of the Week Starts selection box determines which day is the start of the work week.

Add Auto Attendant TTA

If your Call Center has implemented an Auto-Attendant function, then a call may be Answered within a short period of time, such as 6 seconds. However this is not the time that the Caller perceives as the Time to Answer, since the Caller may have to wait an additional period of time after the Auto-Attendant answers before reaching an Agent.

To obtain a true measure of the time that it takes to reach the Agent, the TASKE system takes into account both time periods. Enabling the Add Auto-Attendant TTA check box causes the TASKE ToolBox to add the Time to Answer for the Auto-Attendant function to the Trunk Time to Answer.

To Update Option Settings

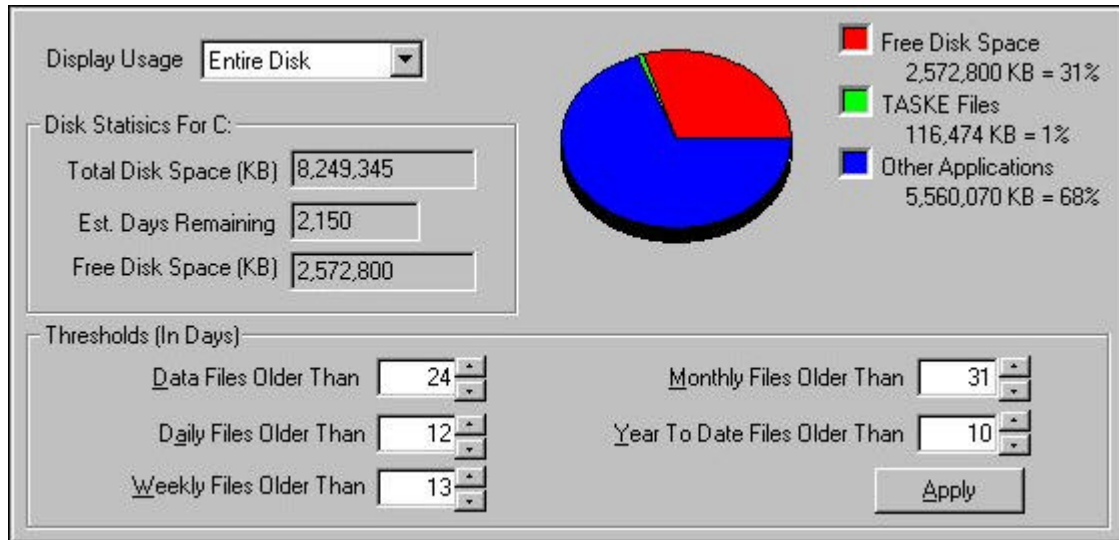
1. Click the Database Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Database mode.
2. Click the Options button.
3. Change the settings to be affected.
4. Click the Update button.

Performing Configuration Tasks

Examining General Disk Statistics

This option is only available on the TASKE Server or Standalone machine.

Current statistics on file space and disk space for the TASKE Server or Standalone machine are displayed in the TASKE Administrator in Configuration Mode under File Maintenance.



The Total Disk Space feature displays the total (used and unused) disk space available on the local machine.

The Estimated Days Remaining feature displays an estimate of how many days TASKE will have enough disk space available to continue producing logs and files at the current rate until more free disk space is required. N/A is displayed on Client machines.

The Free Disk Space feature displays how much free (available for use) disk space is currently available on the local machine.

To examine General Statistics

1. Click the Configuration Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Configuration mode.
2. Click the PBX File Maint. button.
3. The Statistics are now displayed in the top panel of the Administrator window in a section called Disk Statistics for...

Getting detailed statistics on your data files

This option is only available on the TASKE Server or Standalone machine.

Current statistics on file space and disk space for the TASKE Server or Standalone machine are displayed in the TASKE Administrator in Configuration Mode under File Maintenance. Statistics can be displayed for the data files on the local machine by choosing different groups from the Display Usage drop down list.

Viewing statistics for the Entire Disk will display the Free Disk Space available on the local machine, the amount of disk space being occupied by TASKE files and the amount of disk space being occupied by other - non TASKE files.

Viewing statistics for the TASKE Files will display the space occupied by Compressed Files, Daily Summaries, Weekly Summaries, Monthly Summaries and Yearly Summaries.

Viewing statistics for the PBX Data Files will display the space occupied by Data Files less than 24 days old and those greater than 24 days old.

Viewing statistics for the Daily Files will display the space occupied by Data Files organizing statistics by day that are less than 12 days old and those greater than 12 days old.

Viewing statistics for the Weekly Files will display the space occupied by Data Files organizing statistics by week that are less than 13 days old and those greater than 13 days old.

Viewing statistics for the Monthly Files will display the space occupied by Data Files organizing statistics by month that are less than 31 days old and those greater than 31 days old.

Viewing statistics for the Year to Date Files will display the space occupied by Data Files organizing statistics by year to date that are less than 10 days old and those greater than 10 days old.

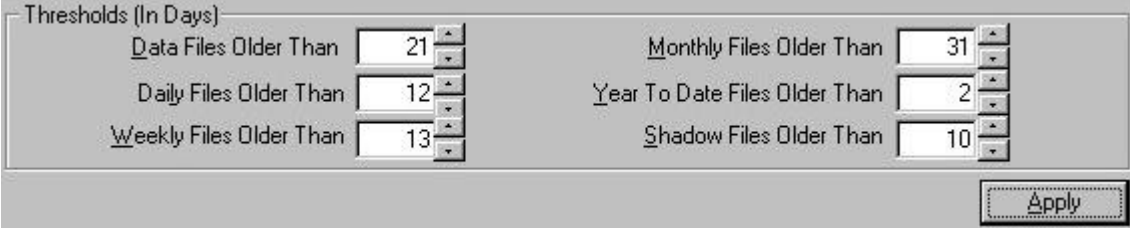
To retrieve File Statistics

1. Click the Configuration Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Configuration mode.
2. Click the PBX File Maint. Button.
3. To display the different groups of statistics, choose the group desired from the Display Usage drop down list.

Setting Thresholds

This option is only available on the TASKE Server or Standalone machine.

The TASKE File Maintenance tool allows a user to create thresholds (in days) for data files for the purpose of keeping the files on the TASKE Server current and using disk space efficiently. Thresholds that are set affect documents being archived and deleted from the system.



Thresholds (In Days)	
Data Files Older Than	21
Daily Files Older Than	12
Weekly Files Older Than	13
Monthly Files Older Than	31
Year To Date Files Older Than	2
Shadow Files Older Than	10

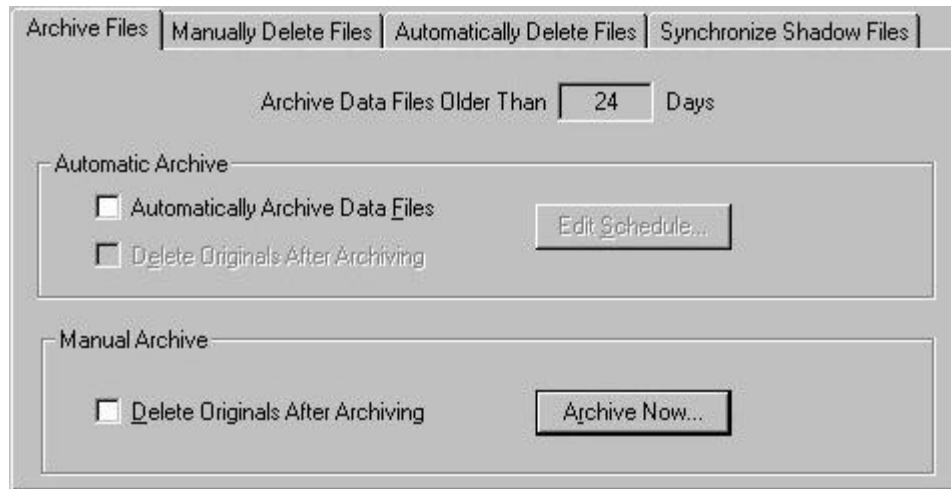
Apply

To set thresholds

1. Click the Configuration Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Configuration mode.
2. Click the PBX File Maint. Button.
3. In the Thresholds section of the File Maintenance window, set the number of days for each threshold in each of the threshold fields. For example, if Data Files older than 21 days are to be archived and deleted, set the number of days in the Data Files field to 21.
4. Click the Apply button to save the changes.

Archiving old data

This option is only available on the TASKE Server or Standalone machine.



Archiving old data allows copies of the data to be saved as well as creating more space for new data files and logs being created. Once files have been archived, the TASKE Administrator recalculates the current disk usage and displays the information in the Disk Statistics panel of the TASKE Administrator window.

The archived files are placed under the same directory as the TASKE source file. Archiving compresses the source files and renames the files with a new extension (.zip). Zip compression is a standard compression that pkzip or Winzip tools will decompress. Files can be archived on an automatic, scheduled basis, or manually.

To archive your data files

1. Click the Configuration Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Configuration mode.
2. Click the PBX File Maint. button.
3. Choose the Archive Files tab in the lower panel of the Maintenance window.
4. Enter the number of days for any files older than to be archived.
5. If the files are to be archived immediately, choose the Delete Originals after Archiving option to free up space on your hard disk and then choose the Archive Now... button to start the process immediately.
6. If the files are to be archived automatically on a scheduled basis, choose the Automatically Archive Data Files checkbox.

On the Schedule Auto Archive / Delete / Sync dialog box that appears, choose the day(s) of the week and the time of day for the Automatic Archiving to occur. When your settings are made, choose the Set Password... button.

On the Set Password dialog box, enter the network ID and Network password for the Administrator program to use to access the network to perform the automatic archiving. When the password is entered, press the OK, button to return to the Schedule Auto Archive / Delete / Sync dialog box. Press the OK button to accept the changes and to return to the Archive Files tab.

Then choose the Delete Originals after Archiving option to free up space on your hard disk if desired.

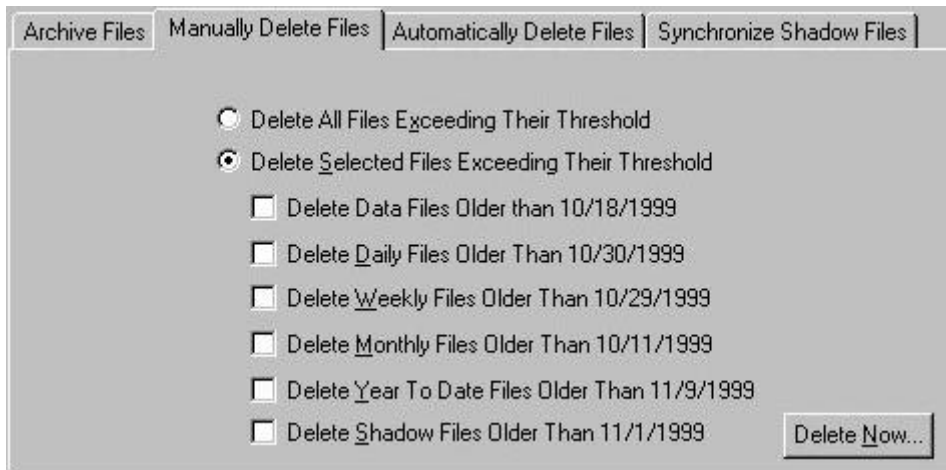
Your Auto Archiving settings are now complete.

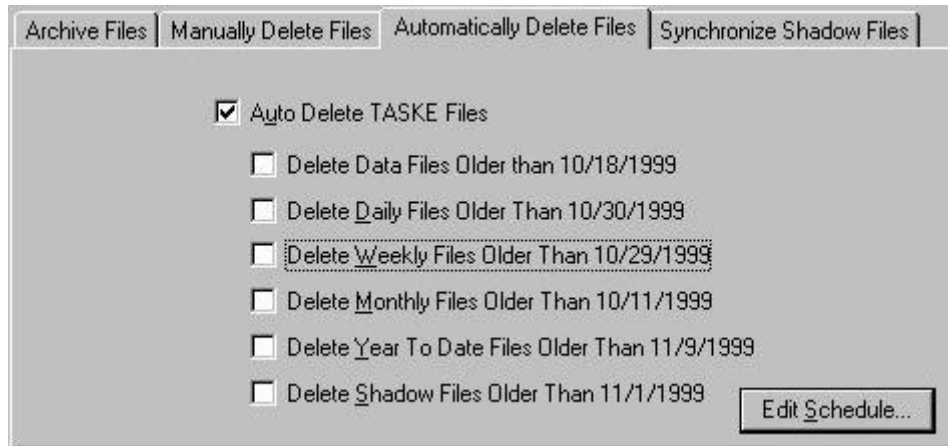
Note Even though the files are archived they are still going to be used by the Reports tool since it can understand archived files. Archiving gives the administrator the opportunity to reduce the size of files so they won't take up too much space.

Deleting old data

This option is only available on the TASKE Server or Standalone machine.

Deleting Files allows you to purge any old or outdated data files from your system to create more space for new data files and logs being created. Once files have been deleted, the Administrator recalculates the current disk usage and displays the information in the Disk Statistics panel of the Administrator window. Files can be deleted on an automatic, scheduled basis, or manually.





Using the Delete Files options will delete any archived files that fit the criteria set in the delete. For example, if the option “Delete daily files older than 10/23/98” is selected, and the delete is performed, all data files (archived and not) older than 10/23/98 are deleted.

To delete data files manually

1. Click the Configuration Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Configuration mode.
2. Click the PBX File Maint. button.
3. Choose the Manually Delete Files tab in the lower panel of the Maintenance window.
4. To delete any files exceeding the thresholds set in the PBX File Maintenance option Thresholds, choose the Delete Selected Files Exceeding their Threshold option.

Press the Delete Now... button to manually delete all files exceeding the thresholds.

5. To delete selected files exceeding the thresholds set in the PBX File Maintenance option Thresholds, choose the Delete All Files Exceeding their Threshold option.

Select the groups of files you would like deleted by clicking the checkbox next to them.

Press the Delete Now... button to manually delete all selected files exceeding the thresholds.

6. Click Yes in the confirmation box that displays to continue with the Delete.

To delete data files automatically

1. Click the Configuration Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Configuration mode.
2. Click the PBX File Maint. button.
3. Choose the Automatically Delete Files tab in the lower panel of the Maintenance window.
4. To create scheduled deletion of files, select the Auto Delete TASKE Files checkbox.
5. Select the groups of files you would like deleted by clicking the checkbox next to them.
6. Choose the Edit Schedule... button.

On the Schedule Auto Archive / Delete / Sync dialog box that appears, choose the day(s) of the week and the time of day for the Automatic Delete to occur. When your settings are made, choose the Set Password... button.

On the Set Password dialog box, enter the network ID and Network password for the Administrator program to use to access the network to perform the automatic archiving. When the password is entered, press the OK, button to return to the Schedule Auto Archive / Delete / Sync dialog box. Press the OK button to accept the changes and to return to the Automatically Delete Files tab.

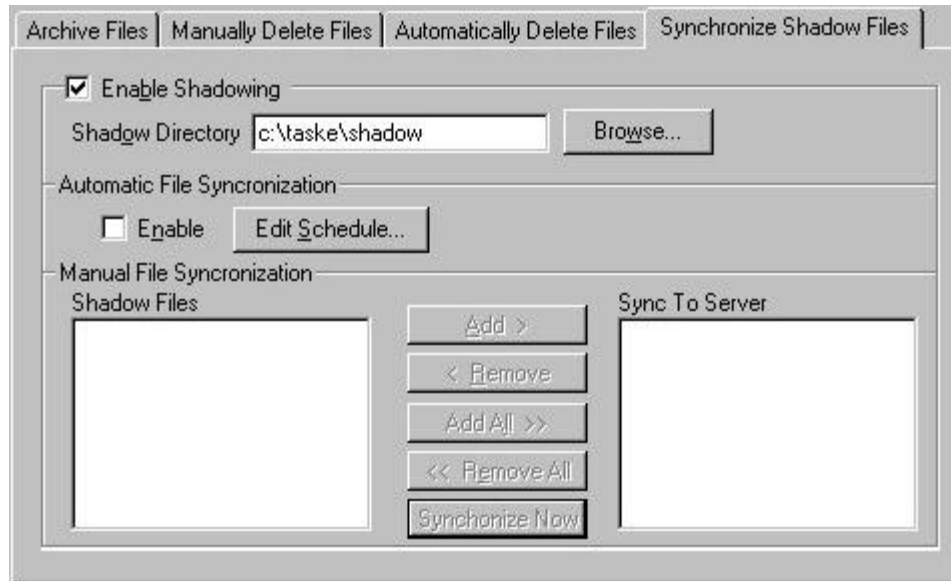
Your Auto Deleting settings are now complete.

Note Caution is required in using this function since the files, once deleted by this function, are permanently removed by the system. That is, they are gone forever! If you wish to archive files as part of your backup procedure, then you must do this prior to using the Configuration program to purge the files.

Synchronizing Local Shadow Files

This option is only available on the TASKE Server machine.

The TASKE Administrator allows manual synchronization of Shadow Files as needed to ensure that the Shadow files saved locally are up to date with the Shadow files saved on a network.



When the Synchronize Shadow files feature is selected, the shadow disk compares the file on the local shadow drive with the file stored on the network. If the file does not exist on the network, it is copied from the shadow drive to the network. If the files differ in size, the shadow drive file is copied to the network. This process protects your system from any possible file errors induced by network problems.

If your network configuration is such that the serverPath directory is somewhere on the network, and is not on the PC that is running as the TASKE Server, then enable Shadow Drive functionality in the TASKE ToolBox. An example of such a configuration is the installation of a TASKE Server onto a Novell LAN, where the Telephone System data collection is actually stored on the Novell File Server.

The problem that the Shadow Drive attempts to solve is collecting data records when the connection to the Central File Server is broken. The Telephone System data files are stored in the Shadow Drive and in the Central File Server simultaneously, as the records are received from the Telephone System.

If data is lost on the LAN Server end due to a network problem, then the local Shadow Drive copies of the Telephone System data files can be used to re-synchronize the LAN File Server's copies.

To Synchronize Shadow Files Manually

1. Click the Configuration Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Configuration mode.
2. Click the PBX File Maint. button.
3. Choose the Synchronize Shadow Files tab in the lower panel of the Maintenance window.
4. Choose the Enable Shadowing checkbox to create Shadow Files settings.
5. Enter the location of your shadow files directory in the Shadow Directory field.
6. Select the files you would like to synchronize from the Shadow Files list at the bottom of the tab. Clicking the Add button will select any that are highlighted in the list, Add All will select all of the files in the list. Clicking the Remove button will remove any that have been selected already from the list, and Remove All will remove all files from the selected list.
7. Click the Synchronize Now button to start the process immediately once the Synch To Server list contains the files you want to synchronize.

To Synchronize Shadow Files Automatically

1. Click the Configuration Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Configuration mode.
2. Click the PBX File Maint. button.
3. Choose the Synchronize Shadow Files tab in the lower panel of the Maintenance window.
4. Choose the Enable Shadowing checkbox to create Shadow Files settings.
5. Enter the location of your shadow files directory in the Shadow Directory field.
6. Select the Enable checkbox in the Automatic File Synchronization section.
7. Choose the Edit Schedule... button.

On the Schedule Auto Archive / Delete / Sync dialog box that appears, choose the day(s) of the week and the time of day for the Automatic Shadow File Synchronization to occur. When your settings are made, choose the Set Password... button.

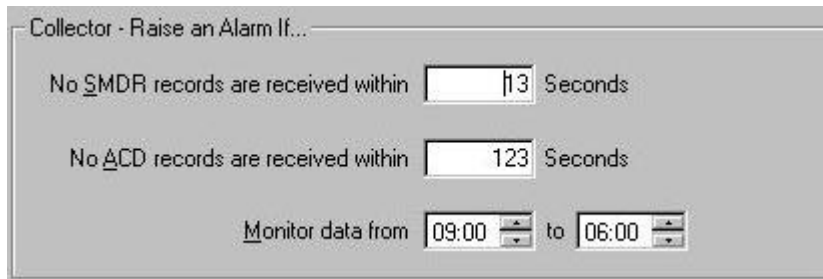
On the Set Password dialog box, enter the network ID and Network password for the Administrator program to use to access the network to perform the automatic archiving. When the password is entered, press the OK, button to return to the Schedule Auto Archive / Delete / Sync dialog box. Press the OK button to accept the changes and to return to the Synchronize Shadow Files tab.

Your Automatic Shadow File Synchronization settings are now complete.

Setting Collector Alarms

This option is only available on the TASKE Server machine.

The TASKE Collector monitors the com port link connected to the Telephone System to ensure it remains operational.



Collector - Raise an Alarm If...

No SMDR records are received within Seconds

No ACD records are received within Seconds

Monitor data from to

The Collector observes the data stream from the Telephone System and verifies its integrity by timing the rate of arrival of Data Event records. The Collector raises an alarm if data is not received from the switch within the period specified.

When the Collector measures a threshold period of seconds without receiving a Data Event record, then an alarm is raised. The ACD Collector records all potential data loss alarms but only raises alarm between the Monitor Start Time and the Monitor End Time.

To avoid raising alarms when there is no one to respond to them, the data monitoring function is typically applied during normal business hours. The business hours are entered in the Monitor Start Time and Monitor End Time edit fields.

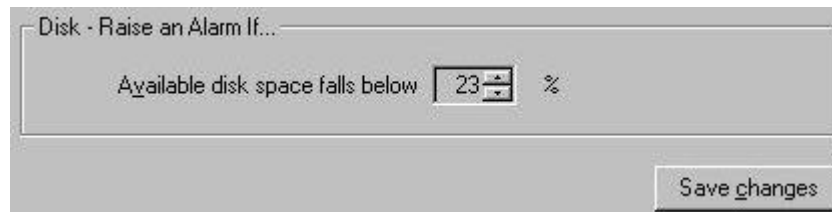
To create an Alarm monitoring data records

1. Click the Configuration Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Configuration mode.
2. Click the Alarms button.
3. In the Collector panel at the top of the window enter the number of seconds to wait for a new data file before raising an alarm.
4. Enter the start and end times for monitoring data.
5. When you exit from the Alarms section of the TASKE Administrator, save the new Alarm settings by clicking Yes in the confirmation box that displays to save the new Alarm settings.

Setting Disk Space Alarms

This option is only available on the TASKE Server machine.

The TASKE Administrator monitors the remaining available disk space to ensure it is sufficient to handle the expected records from the Telephone System.



The TASKE system receives large amounts of records from the Telephone System. Despite the data compression techniques it uses, there is still a large disk storage space requirement. TASKE provides a disk audit function that indicates when the available disk space is running low. If the available disk space falls below the setting specified an alarm is raised.

The user sets the alarm threshold based on the estimated percentage of disk space required for new records that arrive from the Telephone System. To determine what percentage to set for this alarm, look at the general disk statistics in the PBX File Maintenance section of the TASKE Administrator program.

When an alarm is activated, clear it by freeing up disk space. Free up disk space by deleting non TASKE programs or data, or by using the TASKE Delete tool in TASKE's Administrator Configuration.

To create an Alarm monitoring Disk Space

1. Click the Configuration Button on the upper left corner of the TASKE Administrator program to switch to Configuration mode.
2. Click the Alarms button.
3. In the Disk - Raise an Alarm If: panel at the bottom of the window enter the minimum percentage of free disk space.
4. When exiting from the Alarms section of the TASKE Administrator, save the new Alarm settings. Click Yes in the confirmation box that displays to save the new Alarm settings.

Viewing Logs

When a running TASKE program encounters an error, or an alert condition, it writes an entry in the maintenance log. For example, a maintenance log entry could be an invalid record received by the TASKE Collector from the Telephone System. The system will record the error, the time it occurred and provide a short description of the error.

Selecting the Logs button within the TASKE Administrator in Configuration Mode causes the Logs section of the Database to be displayed. In the List panel in the window, is a scrollable list of all of the system Logs. The list contains an Application, Date, Time and Description for each Log. The display of logs is chronologically ordered, with the latest reported logs appearing first.

The Application Column displays the application in which the error or alert occurred.

The Date Column displays the date on which the error or alert occurred.

The Time Column displays the time at which the error or alert occurred.

The Description Column displays a description for the type of alert or error that occurred.