# How to Resolve Contacts that Fail to Sync to Repfabric in Outlook



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Repfabric Sync+ will not synchronize contacts in your email contact list to Repfabric in some cases to avoid mismatches between your contacts in Outlook and the company and contacts belonging to companies already in Repfabric. This tutorial describes:

- How to determine which contacts are not syncing to Repfabric
- How to correct them so that they can begin syncing to Repfabric

If you do not want specific contacts to sync to Repfabric, please see the **Tutorial – How to** mark contacts "Private" in Outlook.

# What contacts do not sync from my email to Repfabric?

The Repfabric sync engine will not sync contacts coming from your email contact list for the following reasons:

- 1. You do not have the Sync+ enabled
- 2. The contact in your email is in Repfabric already, but is on another person's sales team to which you do not belong
- 3. The contact in your email is on a sales team you belong to, but you have the sync for that sales team disabled in your sync settings
- 4. The contact in your email does not have a Company Name, and no email address that matches a website of a company currently in Repfabric
- 5. The contact in your email does not have an email address whose email domain matches any company's website domain currently in Repfabric
- 6. The contact in your email matches more than one company currently in Repfabric (such as several locations of the same company, such distributor branches)
- 7. You have exactly the same name of 2 contacts in Outlook one will not be able to sync

How do I determine which contacts are NOT syncing from Outlook? This tutorial show you where to find contacts that are not syncing between your email contacts and Repfabric. There are two methods.

Method 1.) Review contacts whose categories are tagged with "RepfabricResolve."

- 1. Left click "People" (contacts) icon in Outlook.
- 2. Left click "View" tab.
- 3. Left click "Change View."
- 4. Left click "List."





### This concludes the instructions for this section

Method 2.) From within the Sync+ Connector, determine which contacts are not syncing.

There are exceptions listed that also depict why the synchronization failed for each contact. By expanding these sections and reading the error messages, you can determine what data in the Outlook contact record is needed to fix the contact so that it can synchronize.

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- 2. Left click "Repfabric Sync+" button.

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# How to Resolve Contact Sync Issues

These pages show you how to troubleshoot and resolve the underlying causes of your contacts not syncing. There are several possibilities, which require you to check in both Repfabric and Outlook.

## Step 1: Is my Sync+ Enabled?

Have I turned on Sync+ within Outlook? Are my user settings in Repfabric allowing me to turn it on?

- 1. Left click any email message.
- 2. Left click "Repfabric Sync+" button.
- 3. Left click "Sync" status button.
- 4. ONLY VERIFY that the screen says "Sync Now" (DO NOT PRESS "Sync Now" button!). sslt must not say "Enable Sync". If is does, the sync engine is not turned on for your email. Please contact <u>support@repfabric.com</u> to review your contacts prior to sync to avoid any duplicate companies and contacts from being created by mistake if you have never sync'd before.

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2. Type in the name to search.

\*If the contact you are searching for is not found, contact your administrator to see if they can see the contact using the same method. If they can see the contact, you do not have rights to sync the contact to your email contacts because of sales team assignments. You will still have access to the contact in your email as you do today, but changes will not sync between your email contact and Repfabric. Modifications to sales teams can be made by your administrator.

If the contact does show up in Repfabric, proceed to next page to make it available in Outlook Sync+

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# Step 3: Is my Sales team configuration for Sync correct?

Repfabric supports the option to sync contacts of sales teams that you choose. When you are a member of multiple sales teams, you may not want the full set of contacts of a sales team to populate your email contacts (and your phone). This happens for instance where you may want visibility to contacts in another territory, but you do not need them in your phone because rarely do you use them. However, because of the sales team sync settings, you may not be syncing contacts that are currently in Repfabric, but on a sales team to which you the sync is disabled.

- A. Determine the sales team to which the contact belongs.
  - 1. Left click desired contact to open.
  - 2. Double check the sales team assignment.



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- 3. Left click global menu (four lines in upper left).
- 4. Hover over "Settings."
- 5. Left click "Users."
- 6. Verify that your name appears in the list of users.





- 7. Left click desired sales person.
- 8. Left click "Contact Sync" tab.
- 9. Confirm the checkbox is enabled for the sales team on the contact.

NOTE: This will also synchronize ALL contacts on that sales team, not just the contact in question. If you prefer to NOT do this, this contact can either be moved to a shared sales team between you and the contact owner or you can simply not establish the sync to Repfabric for this contact.

Mark it "Private" to avoid the sync engine processing this contact with each sync cycle (shown on page xx of this tutorial).

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Chris Farley has his own sales team and also belongs to two other sales teams, "All" and "Rotem." In this case, only contacts on Chris Farley sales team will sync to his email contacts in Outlook. Contacts on "All" and "Rotem" sales teams will NOT sync to Chris Farley's email contacts in Outlook.

# Step 4: Does the company exist in Repfabric?

During the onboarding process of Repfabric, you create companies in Repfabric from a company in an email contact not currently in Repfabric is turned off. This is to avoid creating many "nearly the same" duplicate companies when the team has not fully scrubbed their email contacts. While this is turned off, a new company will not be created within Repfabric from the company listed in your email contact. You will need to check the existence of the company in Repfabric and if it is truly a new company that needs to creation first in Repfabric. Otherwise the contact will not be allowed to sync because creating the contact's company is forbidden.

1. Left click "Companies" shortcut.

OR left click four lines (global menu) then select "Companies."







- 1. Left click "Companies."
- 2. Search for desired company.
- 3. Left click to open company record.
- 4. If there is not a company web address, enter it in "Website" field.
- 5. Left click "Save."

If the website is already correct in the company record, proceed to the next page.





# Step 6: Match the company name in the email contact with the company name in Repfabric

There are cases where too many companies in Repfabric have domains that match the email domain of the contact. It these cases, the sync engine cannot resolve which company the contact should be associated to. This is especially common with distributors that have many branches, where each branch shares the same domain name as other branches (all of which match the email domain of the contact in Outlook). An example of this would be "Ace Hardware-Boca Raton" and "Ace Hardware-Tampa" companies in Repfabric, both having a domain of <u>www.acehardware.com</u>. When <u>Bill.smith@acehardware.com</u> gets tried for sync, the engine cannot resolve which Fastenal branch he belongs to.

The sync engine then considers the company name of Bill Smith in the email contact to determine if is a near match to a company name in Repfabric with the same website domain of Fastenal.com. When that matching fails, Bill Smith is tagged "RepfabricResolve" for manual fixing.

- 1. Left click "Companies."
- 2. Search for desired company.
- 3. Left click to open company record.
- 4. Highlight name and copy (CTRL + C to copy).



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- 5. Open your contacts (people) in Outlook.
- 6. Search for desired contact.
- 7. Open contact.
- 8. Paste company name in "Company" field.
- 9. Left click 'Save & Close."



# Step 7: The contact full name in Outlook contacts is a duplicate, and thus cannot sync to Repfabric.

Repfabric currently prevents the same contact name from existing in Repfabric. There are various reasons for this restriction. However, when you have two contacts with exactly the same full name, only one will be able to synchronize to Repfabric. The other will be tagged for resolution. By making the contact full name unique, such as by appending the company name to which they belong, the new contact becomes unique and will synchronize.

- 1. Open your contacts (people) in Outlook.
- 2. Search for desired contact.
- 3. Open contact.
- 4. Add company name (or other text) to the "Full Name" field.
- 5. Left click 'Save & Close."



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