



# Getting Started with SalesForce CRM

## Working Force.com Migration Utility

### Description:

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## Force.com Migration Tool Overview

The Force.com Migration Tool is a Java/Ant-based command-line utility for moving metadata between a local directory and a Salesforce organization.

- Development projects where you need to populate a test environment with large amounts of setup changes — Making these changes using a Web interface could take a long time.
- Multistage release processes — A typical development process requires iterative building, testing, and staging before releasing to a production environment. Scripted retrieval and deployment of components can make this process much more efficient.
- Repetitive deployment using the same parameters — You can retrieve all the metadata in your organization, make changes, and deploy a subset of components. If you need to repeat this process, it's as simple as calling the same deployment target again.
- When migrating from stage to production is done by IT — Anyone that prefers deploying in a scripting environment will find the Force.com Migration Tool a familiar process.

### Understanding Metadata API :

Metadata API contains a set of objects that manage setup and customization information (metadata) for your organizations, and the SOAP calls that manipulate those objects. With Metadata API you can:

- Work with setup configuration as XML metadata files
- Migrate configuration changes between organizations
- Create your own tools for managing organization and application metadata

### Installing the Force.com Migration Tool

Before you install the Force.com Migration Tool you will need Java and Ant installed on your local machine.

you can download on this link : <http://ant.apache.org/> and also need JDK 1.6.x or later. .  
<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads/index.html>

1. Install Java and Ant.

2. Login to a Salesforce organization and download the Force.com Migration Tool, as described in Installing the Force.com Migration Tool.

download the Force.com Migration Tool from a Salesforce organization.

Click on **Setup** > **Develop** > **Tools**, then click Force.com Migration Tool. see below.

The screenshot shows the Salesforce Tools page. The 'Tools' section is highlighted with a red box. Under 'Salesforce-Supported Tools', the 'Force.com Migration Tool' is highlighted with a red box and an arrow pointing to it. The 'Tools' link in the left sidebar is also highlighted with a red box.

Save the .zip file locally and extract the contents to the directory of your choice. Copy ant-salesforce.jar and paste into your Ant installation's lib directory. The lib directory is located in the root folder of your Ant installation.

After install Jdk check java version open command prompt then type java -version, you can see below.

```
Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
C:\Users\Kuldeep>java -version
java version "1.7.0_45"
Java(TM) SE Runtime Environment (build 1.7.0_45-b18)
Java HotSpot(TM) 64-Bit Server VM (build 24.45-b08, mixed mode)
C:\Users\Kuldeep>
```

### How set ant path :

Syntax	Example
<b>SET ANT_HOME=my_path_to_ant_folder</b>	Ex : SET ANT_HOME= D:\cp sharma\sw\apache-ant-1.9.3-bin\apache-ant-1.9.3
<b>SET JAVA_HOME=my_path_to_jdk_folder</b>	Ex: C:\Program Files\Java\jdk1.7.0_45
<b>SET PATH=%PATH%;%ANT_HOME%/bin; %JAVA_HOME%\bin;</b>	Ex : SET PATH=%PATH%;%ANT_HOME %/bin;%JAVA_HOME%\bin;

After set path you can check ant version by using this syntax.  
syntax : ant -version

```
Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
C:\>ant -version
Apache Ant(TM) version 1.9.3 compiled on December 23 2013
C:\>
```

## Using the Force.com Migration Tool

The Force.com Migration Tool is a Java/Ant-based command-line utility for moving metadata between a local directory and a Salesforce organization.

The general procedure you will follow when using the Force.com Migration Tool to copy metadata from one Salesforce organization to another is:

- 1) Enter credentials and connection information for source Salesforce organization in build.properties
- 2) Create retrieve targets in build.xml
- 3) Construct a project manifest in package.xml
- 4) Run the Force.com Migration Tool to retrieve metadata files from Salesforce
- 5) Enter credentials and connection information for destination Salesforce organization in build.properties
- 6) Run the Force.com Migration Tool to deploy metadata files or deletions to Salesforce

### SalesForce Connection Information:

1. Go to the location where you extracted the Force.com Migration Tool files and open the sample subdirectory.
2. Open build.properties in a text editor and substitute a valid Salesforce username and password. If you are using a security token, paste the 25-digit token value to the end of your password.

you can see below.

```
1 # build.properties
2 #
3
4 # Specify the login credentials for the desired Salesforce organization
5 sf.username = <Insert your Salesforce username here>
6 sf.password = <Insert your Salesforce password here>
7 #sf.pkgName = <Insert comma separated package names to be retrieved>
8 #sf.zipFile = <Insert path of the zipfile to be retrieved>
9 #sf.metadataType = <Insert metadata type name for which listMetadata or bulkRetrieve operations are to be performed>
10
11 # Use 'https://login.salesforce.com' for production or developer edition (the default if not specified).
12 # Use 'https://test.salesforce.com' for sandbox.
13 sf.serverurl = https://login.salesforce.com
14
15 sf.maxPoll = 20
16 # If your network requires an HTTP proxy, see http://ant.apache.org/manual/proxy.html for configuration.
17 #
```

Enter User name and  
Password with token

Parameter	Value
<code>sf.username</code>	The salesforce.com username for login. The username associated with this connection must have the “Modify All Data” permission. Typically, this is only enabled for System Administrator users. When connecting to a sandbox instance your sandbox name is appended to your username. For example, if your production username is <code>foo@salesforce.com</code> , and one of your sandboxes is called <code>bar</code> , then your sandbox username is <code>foo@salesforce.com.bar</code> .
<code>sf.password</code>	The password you use to log into the organization associated with this project. If you are using a security token, paste the 25-digit token value to the end of your password.
<code>sf.serverurl</code>	The salesforce server URL. Use <code>https://login.salesforce.com</code> to connect to a production or Developer Edition organization. To connect to a sandbox instance, change this to <code>https://test.salesforce.com</code> .

### Constructing a Project Manifest :

The package.xml file is a project manifest that lists all the components you want to retrieve or deploy in a single request. You can retrieve or deploy only a single package at a time.

The following elements may be defined in package.xml :

Name	Description
<code>&lt;fullName&gt;</code>	The name of the server-side package to deploy into. If the <code>&lt;fullName&gt;</code> field is omitted, components will not be assigned to a package when deployed, and will be in the unpackaged package.
<code>&lt;types&gt;</code>	This element contains one or more <code>&lt;members&gt;</code> tags and one <code>&lt;name&gt;</code> tag, and is used to list the metadata components of a certain type to retrieve or deploy.
<code>&lt;members&gt;</code>	The full name of a component. There is one <code>&lt;members&gt;</code> element defined for each component in the directory. You can replace the value in this member with the wildcard character * (asterisk) instead of listing each member separately.
<code>&lt;name&gt;</code>	There is one name defined for each component type in the directory. This is a child element of <code>&lt;types&gt;</code> .
<code>&lt;version&gt;</code>	The Metadata API version number of the files being retrieved or deployed. When deploying, all the files must conform to the same version of the Metadata API.

### Specifying Standard Objects :

To retrieve standard objects and/or custom fields on standard objects, you must name the component in package.xml.

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Package xmlns="http://soap.sforce.com/2006/04/metadata">
<types>
<members>Case.Employee__c</members>
<name>CustomField</name>
</types>
<types>
<members>Account</members>
<name>CustomObject</name>
</types>
<version>29.0</version>
</Package>

```

### Specifying Named Components :

To retrieve a component, specify the type of component in the <name> element and declare each component to be retrieved or deployed in the <members> element. The following is a sample package.

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Package xmlns="http://soap.sforce.com/2006/04/metadata">
<types>
<members>MyCustomObject__c</members>
<members>MyHelloWorldObject__c</members>
<name>CustomObject</name>
</types>
<version>29.0</version>
</Package>

```

### Specifying all Components of a Type :

To retrieve all components of a particular type, use the wildcard symbol (\*). For example, to retrieve all custom objects:

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Package xmlns="http://soap.sforce.com/2006/04/metadata">
<types>
<members>*</members>
<name>CustomObject</name>
</types>
<version>29.0</version>
</Package>

```

### Specifying Standard Objects :

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```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Package xmlns="http://soap.sforce.com/2006/04/metadata">
<types>
<members>Case.EngineeringReqNumber__c</members>
<name>CustomField</name>
</types>
<types>
<members>Account</members>
<name>CustomObject</name>
</types>
<version>29.0</version>
</Package>

```

### Describing Metadata Types .



Field	Description
<b>username</b>	Required. The Salesforce username for login. The username associated with this connection must have the "Modify All Data" permission.
<b>password</b>	Required. The password you use to log into the organization associated with this project. If you are using a security token, paste the 25-digit token value to the end of your password.
<b>serverurl</b>	Optional. The Salesforce server URL (if blank, defaults to login.salesforce.com). To connect to a sandbox instance, change this to test.salesforce.com.
<b>apiVersion</b>	Optional. The API version to use for the metadata. The default is 29.0.
<b>resultFilePath</b>	Optional. The path of the output file where results are stored. The default output is the console. Directing the output to a file makes it easier to extract the relevant information for your package.xml manifest file.
<b>trace</b>	Optional. Defaults to false. Prints the SOAP requests and responses to the console. Note that this will show the user's password in plain text during login.

Get the list of metadata types enabled for your organization, specify a target in the build.xml file using

```
<sf:describeMetadata>.
<target name="describeMetadata">
<sf:describeRetrieve
username="{sf.username}"
password="{sf.password}"
serverurl="{sf.serverurl}"
resultFilePath="describeMetadata/describe.log"/>
</target>
```

### Listing Components for a Metadata Type :

The listMetadata target retrieves property information about metadata components in your organization. This target is useful when you want to identify individual components in package.

Field	Description
<b>username</b>	Required. The Salesforce username for login. The username associated with this connection must have the "Modify All Data" permission.
<b>password</b>	Required. The password you use to log into the organization associated with this project. If you are using a security token, paste the 25-digit token value to the end of your password.
<b>serverurl</b>	Optional. The Salesforce server URL (if blank, defaults to login.salesforce.com). To connect to a sandbox instance, change this to test.salesforce.com.
<b>metadataType</b>	Required. The name of the metadata type for which you are retrieving property information; for example, CustomObject for custom objects, or Report for custom reports.
<b>folder</b>	The folder associated with the component. This field is required for components that use folders, such as Dashboard, Document, Email Template,



	or Report.
<b>apiVersion</b>	Optional. The API version to use for the metadata. The default is 29.0.
<b>resultFilePath</b>	Optional. The path of the output file where results are stored. The default output is the console. Directing the output to a file makes it easier to extract the relevant information for your package.xml manifest file.
<b>trace</b>	Optional. Defaults to false. Prints the SOAP requests and responses to the console.

Note that this will show the user's password in plain text during login.

Get property information for components of one metadata type, such as CustomObject, specify a target in the build.xml file using

```
<target name="listMetadata">
<sf:listMetadata
username="${sf.username}"
password="${sf.password}"
serverurl="${sf.serverurl}"
metadataType="CustomObject"
resultFilePath="listMetadata/list.log"/>
</target>
```

### Creating Retrieve Targets :

The build.xml file specifies a series of commands to be executed by Ant. Within the build.xml file are named targets that process a series of commands when you run Ant with a target name. The following parameters may be set for each <sf:retrieve> target :

Field	Description
<b>username</b>	Required. The Salesforce username for login. The username associated with this connection must have the "Modify All Data" permission.
<b>password</b>	Required. The password you use to log into the organization associated with this project. If you are using a security token, paste the 25-digit token value to the end of your password.
<b>serverurl</b>	Optional. The Salesforce server URL (if blank, defaults to login.salesforce.com). To connect to a sandbox instance, change this to test.salesforce.com.
<b>retrieveTarget</b>	Required. The root of the directory structure into which the metadata files are retrieved.
<b>packageNames</b>	Required if unpackaged is not specified. A comma-separated list of the names of the packages to retrieve.
<b>apiVersion</b>	Optional. The API version to use for the metadata. The default is 29.0.
<b>pollWaitMillis</b>	Optional. Defaults to 10000. The number of milliseconds to wait between attempts when polling for results of the retrieve request.
<b>maxPoll</b>	Optional. Defaults to 20. The number of times to poll the server for the results of the retrieve request.
<b>singlePackage</b>	Optional. Defaults to true. This must be set to false if you are retrieving multiple

packages. If set to false, the retrieved zip file includes an extra top-level directory containing a subdirectory for each package.

**trace** Optional. Defaults to false. Prints the SOAP requests and responses to the console.

**unpacked** Note that this will show the user's password in plain text during login. Required if packageNames is not specified. The path and name of a file manifest that specifies the components to retrieve.

**unzip** Optional. Defaults to true. If set to true, the retrieved components are unzipped.

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## Retrieving Metadata from a Salesforce Organization :

### To retrieve Force.com components :

1. Open a command prompt.
2. Run Ant by specifying a target name in build.xml. If this is the first time you are running Ant, use `ant retrieveUnpackaged` to retrieve unpackaged components specified in package.xml.

### Running Tests in a Deployment :

For deployment to a production organization, all the tests in your organization, except for those that originate from installed

If the deployment includes components for any of the following metadata types, all the tests are automatically run.

- ApexClass
- ApexComponent
- ApexPage
- ApexTrigger
- ArticleType
- CriteriaBasedSharingRule
- CustomDataType
- CustomField
- CustomObject
- DataCategoryGroup
- Flow
- InstalledPackage
- NamedFilter
- OwnerSharingRule
- PermissionSet
- Profile
- Queue
- RemoteSiteSettingRecordType
- Role
- SharingReason

- Territory
- Validation Rules
- Workflow

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