



# Searching Guide

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# 1 Searching overview

Relativity includes flexible search features designed to facilitate the document review process. These features support a range of searching needs from filtering on fields and simple keyword searches to the development of complex queries. The following list summarizes the searching features available in Relativity.

## Filters

You can use filters to limit the documents or items that appear in item lists on Relativity tabs and pop-ups. When you enable the filters for an item list, you can set criteria on single or multiple fields so that only matching documents or items appear in the view. Filters query across the searchable set of documents in the active view to return your results. Relativity supports multiple filter types so that you can choose the best format for different field types. See the Searching Guide for more information.

## Keyword searches

You can run keyword searches from the Documents tab and from Dynamic Object tabs. With these searches, you can leverage the basic functionality for querying the SQL full-text index populated with data from extracted text fields. The keyword search engine supports the use of Boolean operators and wildcards. See the Searching Guide for more information.

## Saved searches

Saved searches give you the functionality to define and store queries for repeated use. With flexible settings, you can create a saved search based on any Relativity search engine, assign security permissions to it, and define specific columns to display your search results. Saved searches support the development of complex queries that you build using a form with search condition options. These queries run dynamically to ensure that updated results appear when you access a saved search. See the Searching Guide for more information.

## dtSearches

dtSearch is available on the Documents tab. You can use the advanced searching functionality to run queries with proximity, stemming, and fuzziness operators, along with basic features such as Boolean operators and wildcards. System administrators can create a dtSearch index for a specific subset of documents in a workspace, and then assign security to it. They must manually update indexes when you modify the document search sets used to create them. See the Searching Guide for more information.

## Analytics

Supporting conceptual searching, Analytics includes documents in a result set when they contain similar ideas or conceptual relationships, rather than matching specific search terms or conditions. You can create searches with Analytics that categorize your documents based on the concepts contained in a sample document set. Instead of categorizing documents, you can also perform clustering, which uses specific algorithms, system-defined rules, to identify conceptually related documents. See the Searching Guide for more information.

## Regular expressions

Regular Expressions (RegEx) is a form of advanced searching that looks for specific patterns, as opposed to certain terms and phrases. With RegEx you can use pattern matching to search for particular strings of characters rather than constructing multiple, literal search queries. You can use RegEx with a dtSearch index using dtSearch syntax options to construct complex queries. See the Searching Guide for more information.

## Additional features

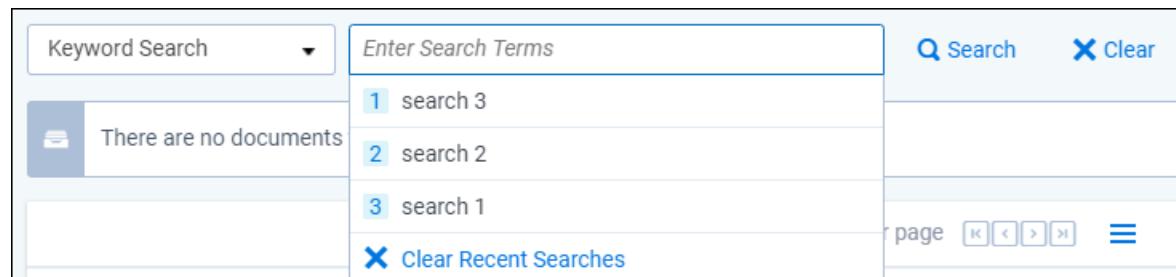
Relativity provides additional features that makes searching easy to use from the Documents tab. Use the **search bar** to run a keyword search query, or click the drop-down list to select another search index you created.



With the **search condition** option, you can build queries using the same condition options available for saved

searches. You can click **Save as Search**  on the Documents tab to create saved searches based on the criteria defined for keyword searches, dtSearches, Analytics, or the search conditions option. See the Searching Guide for more information.

You can also use the search bar to view **recent searches**. Click in the search bar to see up to 10 of the most recent searches from any index in descending order, with the most recently run search first.



Select any search from the list to run that search. To clear the list, click **Clear Recent Searches**.

## 2 Filters

Filtering provides a fast and easy way to search for items in a list in Relativity. You can use filters to search for values in the fields on the active view, and across all records available in the searchable set. Filters are also available for item lists on tabs and pop-up windows.

The field type associated with each column determines the available filter types, such as textboxes, popup pickers, and drop-down lists. You don't need any specific security permissions to use filtering.

### 2.1 Showing and hiding filters in the item list

You can use filters to quickly narrow your searchable set, allowing you to browse through the key documents in the viewer efficiently.

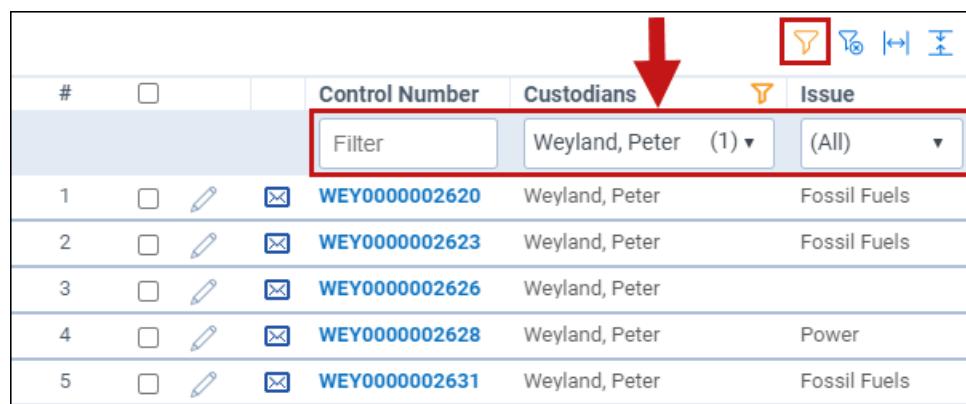
The following filter buttons display above item lists in Relativity:

- **Show/Hide filters**  - Displays the field column filters for an item list at the top of each column. This icon turns orange when filters are activated. Click the icon again to hide the filters if filtering options are displayed. Your filter settings remain unchanged.
- **Clear all**  - Removes the current filter settings. This option is only available after you set a filter.

The filter type determines the steps required to set the search criteria that it uses. See [Filter types on the next page](#)

**Note:** When you create or edit a field, you can select its **Filter Type**. See Fields in the Admin guide.

In the following example, the active filters display on the Documents tab.



The screenshot shows a table of document records. At the top, there are filter buttons for each column: 'Control Number', 'Custodians', and 'Issue'. The 'Custodians' filter is active, showing 'Weyland, Peter (1)' and '(All)'. A red box highlights the 'Custodians' filter button, and a red arrow points to it from the text above. The table has columns for #, Control Number, Custodians, and Issue. The data rows are as follows:

#	Control Number	Custodians	Issue
1	WEY0000002620	Weyland, Peter (1)	Fossil Fuels
2	WEY0000002623	Weyland, Peter	Fossil Fuels
3	WEY0000002626	Weyland, Peter	
4	WEY0000002628	Weyland, Peter	Power
5	WEY0000002631	Weyland, Peter	Fossil Fuels

### 2.2 Setting a filter

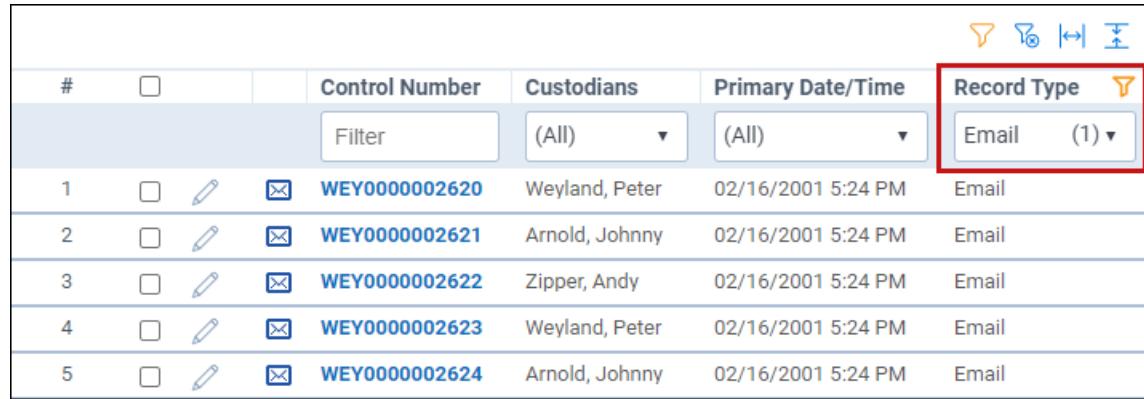
To activate the filter options at the top of each column in the item list, click the  icon. The icon turns orange when filters are activated. Click the icon again to hide the filters.

**Note:** Before defining a new search filter, click  or click **Clear Conditions** in the search panel to remove any previous settings. For example, say you create a filter on the Privileged field, but now want to search only by the Custodian field. If you don't clear the filter, Relativity filters your documents by both the Privileged and Custodian fields, and your result set may include fewer documents than you expect.

Select a field or fields that you want to filter (e.g., Record Type). The filter type determines the steps required to set the search criteria that it uses. See [Filter types below](#)

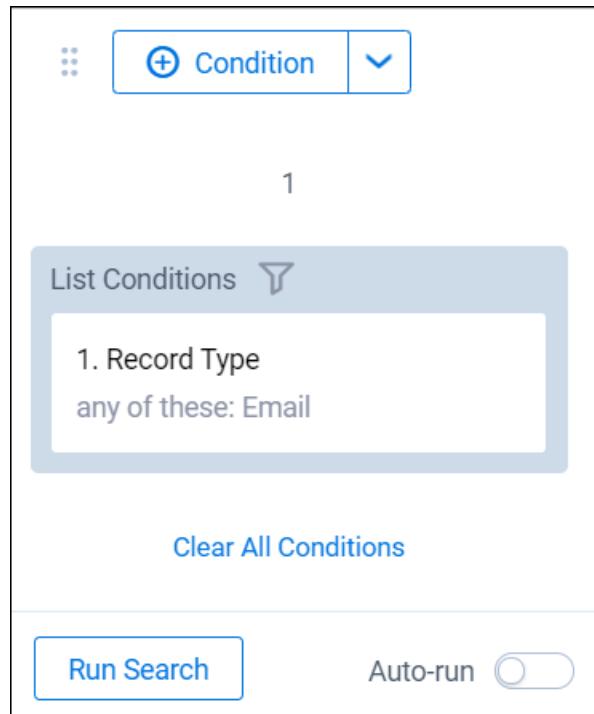
Make your selections from the filter drop-down menu or enter text in the filter textbox (if the field is a text field), and then click **Enter**.

The field column header is highlighted in orange and has a filter icon in the top right corner to let you know that filtering has been applied to that field. This will persist whether or not you have the filters shown or hidden.



#	Control Number	Custodians	Primary Date/Time	Record Type
1	WEY0000002620	Weyland, Peter	02/16/2001 5:24 PM	Email
2	WEY0000002621	Arnold, Johnny	02/16/2001 5:24 PM	Email
3	WEY0000002622	Zipper, Andy	02/16/2001 5:24 PM	Email
4	WEY0000002623	Weyland, Peter	02/16/2001 5:24 PM	Email
5	WEY0000002624	Arnold, Johnny	02/16/2001 5:24 PM	Email

The search panel is also updated with the applied filter conditions and displayed as a filter card in a List Conditions box.



You cannot edit the filter card by clicking on it. However, you can clear the list condition the same way you can clear any search conditions on the search panel. The item list will update accordingly.

See [Filter types below](#) and [Textbox filter search examples on page 20](#) for more information on using specific filters.

## 2.3 Filter types

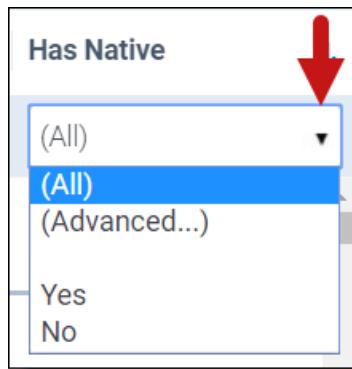
Relativity includes the following filter types:

- Boolean filters
- Numeric filters
- List filters
- Date filters
- Multilist filters
- Textbox filters

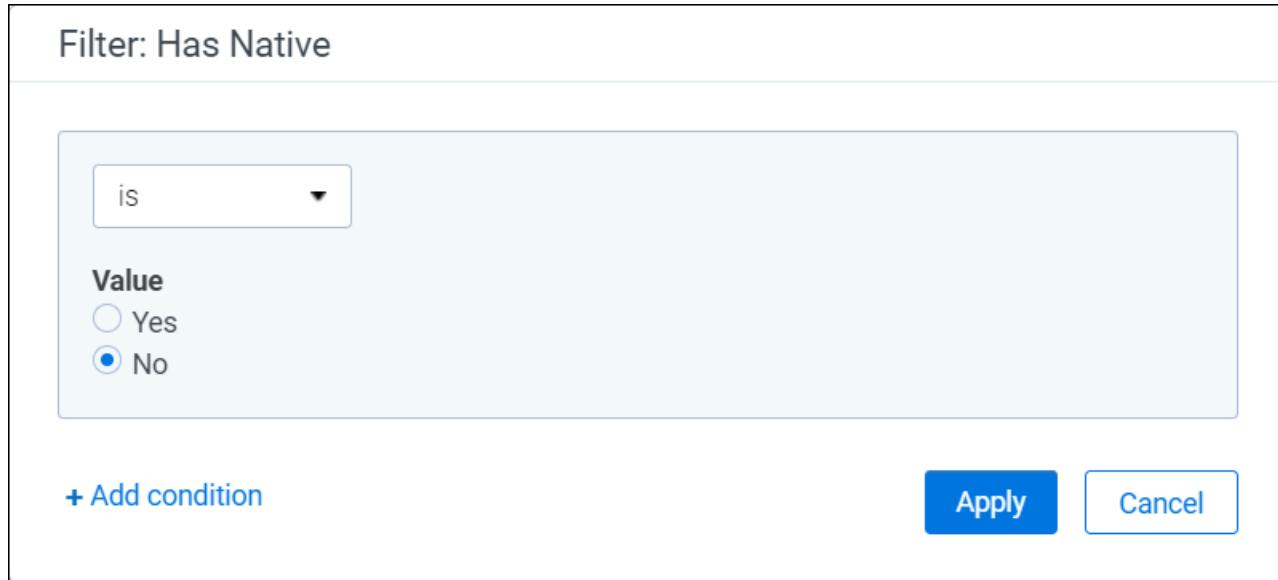
### 2.3.1 Using Boolean filters

Boolean filters are available only on Yes/No field types. To use a Boolean filter, click the drop-down menu arrow and select **True**, **False**, or **<blank>** from the list to apply the filter.

In the following example, selecting **True** would display only documents that have native files (where the field has a Yes value). If selected, **<blank>** displays only items that don't have the a True (Yes) or False (No) value assigned to the Boolean field (is not set).



If you click on **Advanced**, the pop-up for the Boolean filter appears where you can specify multiple filter conditions that are connected with explicit OR operators. Click **Apply** to apply the specified filter conditions to the field.



Click **Add Condition** to add an additional condition to the filter.

## 2.3.2 Using numeric filters for numbers

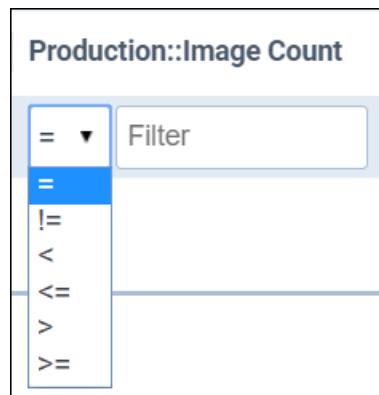
The numeric filter type is available for the following field types only:

- Decimal
- Whole Number
- Currency

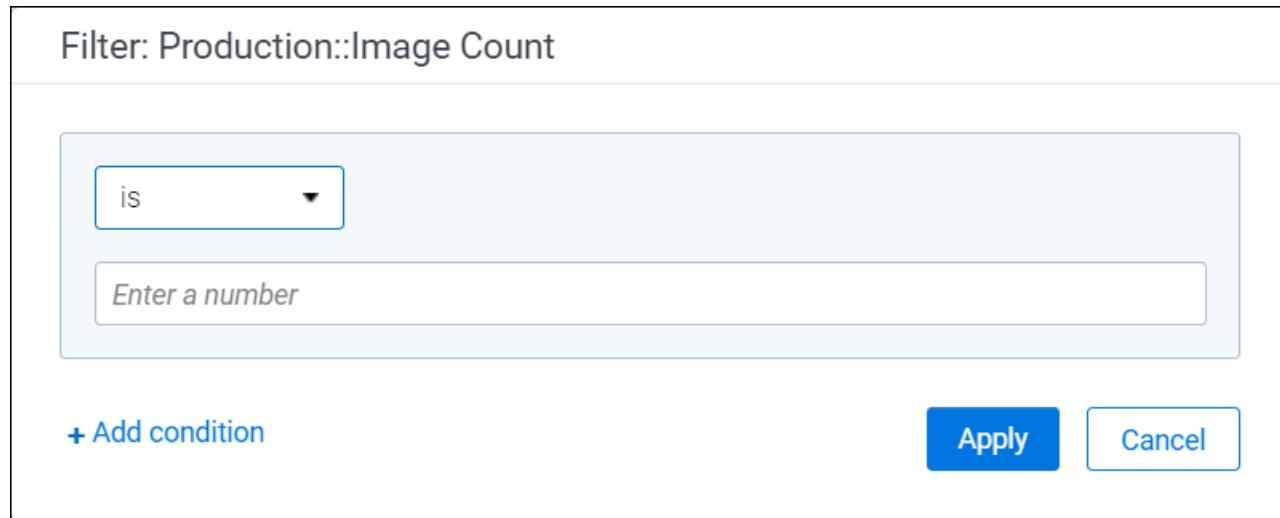
To use a numeric filter, click the drop-down menu arrow and select an operator (i.e., equal to (=), not equal to (!=), greater than (>), less than (<), less than or equal to (<=), or greater than or equal to (>=)), and then enter a numerical value in the **Filter** textbox.

**Note:** Relativity will also correctly read the thousands separator (e.g., 100,000.00) in numeric filters.

After you enter the value in the textbox, hit **Enter** to apply the conditional expression for filtering the list (e.g., filter the list for File Size greater than a certain number).



If you click into the Filter textbox, a drop-down menu will appear. You can select the **Advanced** option that appears in the drop-down menu to display the pop-up for the numeric filter. This is where you can specify multiple filter conditions that are connected with explicit OR operators. Click **Apply** to apply the specified filter conditions to the field.



Click **Add Condition** to add an additional condition to the filter.

### 2.3.3 Using List filters

The List filter type is available for the following field types only:

- Single Choice
- Single Object
- User
- Fixed Length Text

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#### Notes:

- Fields that contain a large number of items may also cause the List filter to take longer to populate. For fields that may contain a large number of choices, you can designate a Popup filter instead.
- **Fixed Length Text fields** - if the field contains more than 255 items, the List filter type you specify for the field will revert to the Textbox filter type and an error will be written to the Error Log when you visit a Document list view containing the field.
- **Single Choice / Single Object fields** - if the field contains more than 255 items, the List filter type you specify for the field will revert to None (disabled) and an error will be written to the Error Log when you visit a Document list view containing the field.

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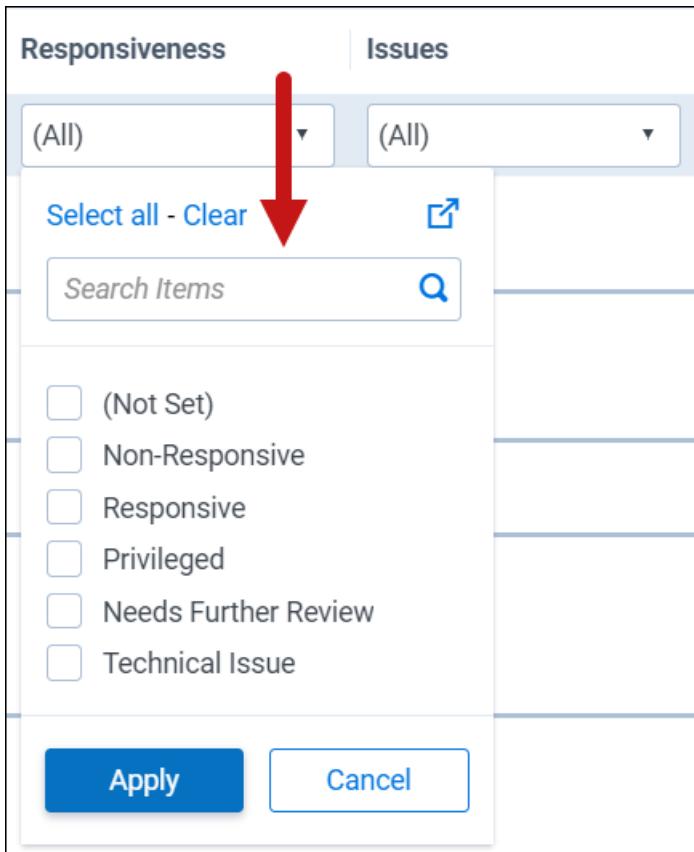
List filters are frequently associated with fields used for coding documents. The conditions displayed in the drop-down menu for this filter vary by the type and purpose of the associated field. For example, a field called Responsiveness might have the filter conditions of Responsive, Not Responsive, or Needs Further Review. You can select the checkboxes of the options that you want to filter for, and then click **Apply** to apply the filter to the item list. Alternatively, you can click **Select all** to select all filters in the list, you can click **Clear** to remove all selections in the menu or you can select **(Not Set)** to only show items where the field has not been set (null).

If there is a single choice that you would like to immediately apply as a filter to the document list, hover your cursor over that choice's row and then click **Only** on the right side of the row.

In this example, if you only select the Non-Responsive checkbox, then only documents that have been coded with this value will display in the item list.

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**Note:** You can find a specific option in a long list by entering all or part of the name of the option you are looking for in the Filter textbox under the Apply button. The list will filter automatically as you type.



Responsiveness Issues

(All) (All)

Select all - Clear 

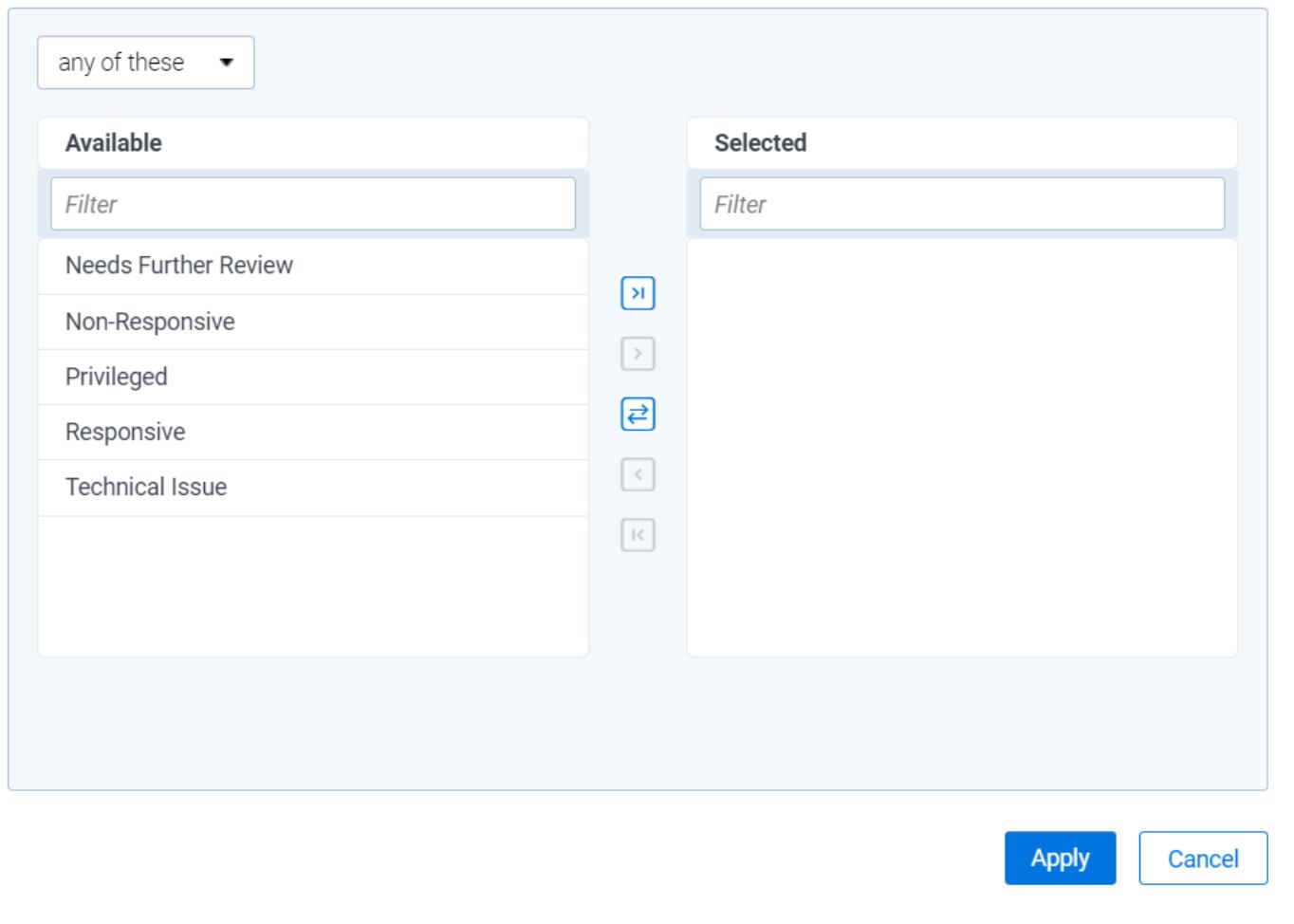
Search Items 

(Not Set)  
 Non-Responsive  
 Responsive  
 Privileged  
 Needs Further Review  
 Technical Issue

**Apply** **Cancel**

 Click the  icon in the upper-right corner of the drop-down menu to launch a pop-up where you can select items in the list and use additional operators such as filtering for items that do NOT contain certain field values. Click **Apply** to apply the specified filter conditions to the field.

## Filter: Responsiveness



### 2.3.4 Using date filters

The date filter type is only available for Date field types. Using the date filter, you can quickly and efficiently filter for items meeting the specific date criteria that you want.

The following operators are available:

- All
- Not Set
- Is
- Is before
- Is before or on
- Is after
- Is after or on
- Between

For example, you only want to view items that were sent before or on 7 AM on January 21, 2015. To set and apply a date filter for this scenario:

1. Select your operator from the drop-down list underneath the Apply button (e.g., is before or on).
2. Use the calendar interface to select the date criteria (e.g., January 21, 2015). There are drop-down menus for selecting a specific month and year or you can use the forward / backward arrows to navigate by month.
3. Enter the time below the calendar (e.g., 7:00 AM).

**Note:** Filtering on fields using the date/time format does not support using “@Today”. If you do not enter a specific time, a time of 12:00 AM will be entered explicitly for the filter.

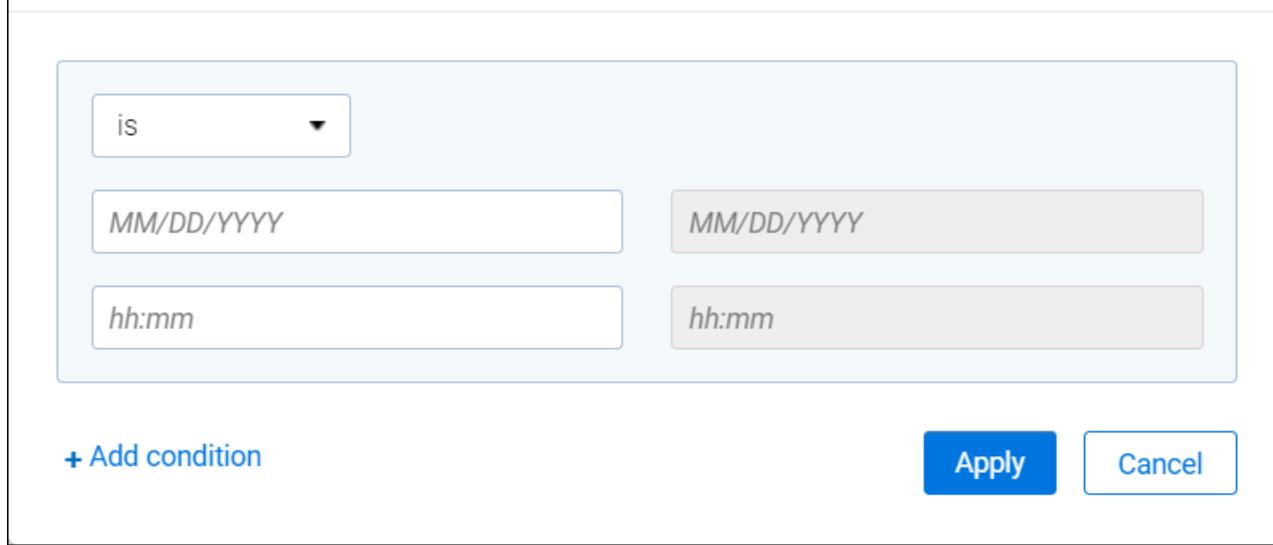
The screenshot shows the 'Primary Date/Time' filter interface. At the top, there are two dropdown menus labeled '(All)'. Below them is a dropdown menu set to 'is', with a red arrow pointing to it. Underneath is a calendar for June 2020, with the 21st highlighted. At the bottom of the calendar are date and time input fields. At the very bottom are 'Apply' and 'Cancel' buttons, and a timestamp '02/16/2001 5:24 PM Email'.

1. Click **Apply** to apply the date filter. Only items that were sent before 7 AM on January 21, 2015 will display in your item list.

**Note:** When you select the Between operator, two calendars will display in the drop-down date filter, allowing you to pick the start and end date / time for the time range.

You can click the **Advanced** option in the drop-down date filter to launch a pop-up to take advantage of additional operators such as "is in" that let you filter for items where the date is in this week, last week, last month, this month, etc. and create more complex date filter criteria using multiple conditions. Click **Apply** to apply the specified filter conditions to the field.

## Filter: Primary Date/Time



The dialog box for filtering Primary Date/Time fields. It contains four input fields arranged in a 2x2 grid. The top-left field is a dropdown menu with the value 'is' selected. The other three fields are text input fields: the top-right and bottom-left are for dates ('MM/DD/YYYY'), and the bottom-right is for times ('hh:mm'). Below the input fields are three buttons: '+ Add condition' (blue), 'Apply' (blue), and 'Cancel' (blue).

### 2.3.5 Using multilist filters

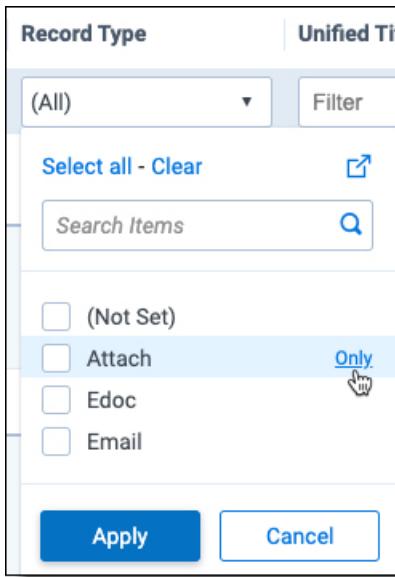
The multilist filter type is available for the following field types only:

- Multiple Choice
- Multiple Object
- Single Choice

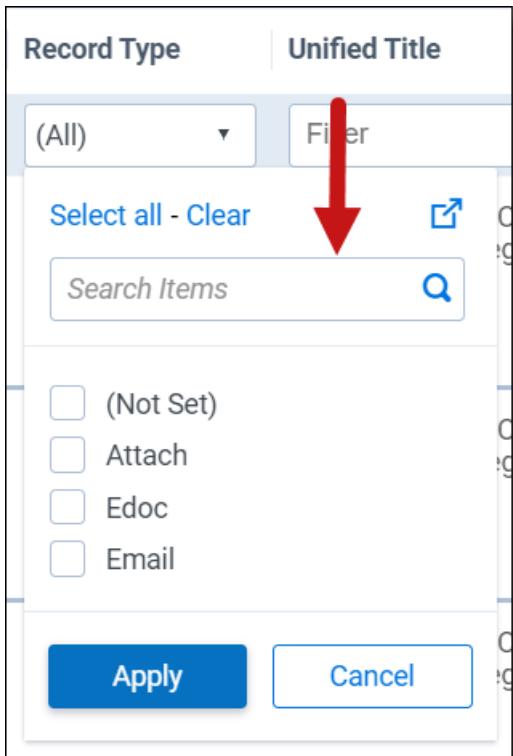
Using multilist filters, you can select multiple conditions from a drop-down menu. These filters are frequently associated with fields used for coding documents.

To apply a multilist filter, click the drop-down arrow to display the conditions list. Select the conditions that you want to filter on. You can click **Select all** to select all filters in the list, you can click **Clear** to remove all selections in the menu or you can select **(Not Set)** to only show items where the field has not been set (null). Click **Apply** to apply the selected filter conditions.

If there is a single choice that you would like to immediately apply as a filter to the document list, hover your cursor over that choice's row and then click **Only** on the right side of the row.

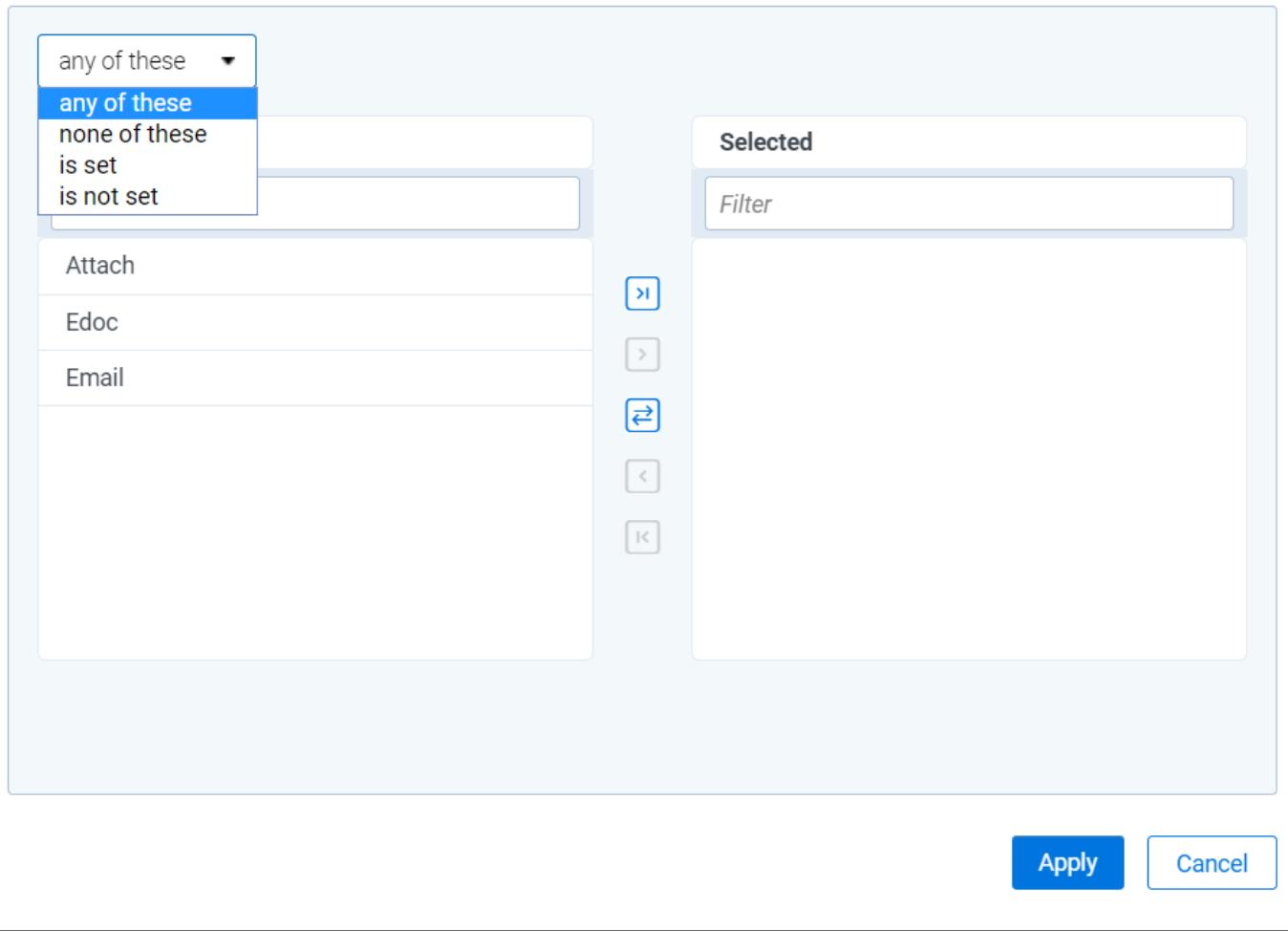


**Note:** You can find an specific option in a long list by entering all or part of the name of the option you are looking for in the Filter textbox under the Apply button. The list will filter automatically as you type.



Click the  icon in the upper-right corner of the drop-down menu to launch a pop-up where you can select items in the list and use additional operators such as filtering for items that do NOT contain certain field values. Click **Apply** to apply the specified filter conditions to the field.

## Filter: Record Type



### 2.3.6 Using textbox filters

The textbox filter type is available for the following field types only:

- Fixed-length Text
- Long Text
- Date
- Whole Number
- Decimal
- Currency
- Object

You can use textbox filters to search on specific terms, numbers, and dates. You can directly enter one or more terms in the filter textbox and connect multiple terms with any of the following operators:

- AND
- OR

- IS SET
- IS NOT SET
- BETWEEN
- = (equal)
- >= (greater than or equal to)
- <= (less than or equal to)

When entering terms and operators directly in a textbox filter, you must use the proper syntax. See [Textbox filter search examples below](#) for more information.

**Note:** The textbox filter treats each search term as if it were preceded and followed by a wildcard (\*) and returns all versions of the term. Don't add an asterisk (\*) to the beginning or ending of a search term. The filter won't return any results if you use this operator.

You can also use the advanced textbox filter feature to build more advanced filter queries on the selected text field. See [Using advanced textbox filtering on page 22](#).

## 2.3.7 Textbox filter search examples

You can perform text searches using Boolean operators by directly entering search strings in the filter textbox as follows or you can use the Advanced feature to build more advanced filter queries on the text field (see [Using advanced textbox filtering on page 22](#)).

### 2.3.7.1 Boolean and other search operators

The following table lists examples of valid search strings using Boolean and other operators.

Valid search strings	Returns items where...
cubs OR sox	([FIELD VALUE] like "*cubs*") OR ([FIELD VALUE] like "*sox*")
cubs AND sox	([FIELD VALUE] like "*cubs*") AND ([FIELD VALUE] like "*sox*")
cubs OR sox AND kcura	<b>([FIELD VALUE] like "*cubs*") OR (([FIELD VALUE] like "*sox*") AND ([FIELD VALUE] like "*kcura*"))</b>
percent sign (%)	Use this operator to check whether the field is set to a value. It behaves like the "Is like" operator in a query.
underscore (_)	Wildcard for a missing character. Don't use the underscore to check if a field is set to a value; it's slower and more resource-intensive than using the percent sign (%).
= with term	Returns an exact phrase.
cubs sox	Returns the exact phrase (that is, the word "cubs" followed by a space and the word "sox").
IS SET	Returns only items where the field has a value.
IS NOT SET	Returns only items where the field does not have a value (null).

The following table shows examples of invalid search strings.

Invalid search strings	Description
cubs AND	The AND operator requires a right search term.
cubs OR	The OR operator requires a right search term.

Invalid search strings	Description
AND cubs	The AND operator requires a left search term.
OR cubs	The OR operator requires a left search term.

### 2.3.7.2 Alphabetical filtering

The following table lists examples of valid search strings you can use to filter text alphabetically.

Alphabetical filtering	Returns items where...
>= cubs	[FIELD VALUE] >= 'cubs'
<= cubs	[FIELD VALUE] <= 'cubs'
= cubs	[FIELD VALUE] = 'cubs'
= cubs AND sox	[FIELD VALUE] = 'cubs AND sox'
cubs BETWEEN sox *	([FIELD VALUE] >= 'cubs') AND ([FIELD VALUE] <= 'sox')
kcura and cubs BETWEEN sox	([FIELD VALUE] >= 'kcura and cubs') AND ([FIELD VALUE] <= 'sox')

\* If you attempt to use more than one BETWEEN operator in a single filter string (for example, 12/13/2000 BETWEEN 1/0/2008 BETWEEN 5/4/2009), you'll receive an Incorrect Syntax error in the filter box. If you need to search for documents based on multiple BETWEEN operators, you can create a saved search with multiple conditions, each of which uses a date field with a between operator and a date range value. For more information, see the Saved search documentation on our website.

### 2.3.7.3 Dates and numbers

The following table lists examples of valid date and number searches, as well as the expected result set.

Valid search strings	Returns items where...
>= 7/24/2008	[FIELD VALUE] >= '7/24/2008'
<= 7/24/2008	[FIELD VALUE] <= '7/25/2008'
= 7/24/2008	([FIELD VALUE] >= '7/24/2008') AND ([FIELD VALUE] < '7/25/2008')
>= 07/27/2008 1:23 PM	[FIELD VALUE] >= '07/27/2008 1:23 PM'
<= 07/27/2008 1:23 PM	[FIELD VALUE] <= '07/27/2008 1:23 PM'
= 07/27/2008 1:23 PM	[FIELD VALUE] = '07/27/2008 1:23 PM'
7/24/2008 BETWEEN 8/24/2008	([FIELD VALUE] >= '7/24/2008') AND ([FIELD VALUE] < '8/25/2008')
7/24/2008 1:23 PM BETWEEN 8/24/2008 3:45 PM	([FIELD VALUE] >= '7/24/2008 1:23 PM') AND ([FIELD VALUE] <= '8/24/2008 3:45 PM')
7/24/2008 BETWEEN 8/24/2008	([FIELD VALUE] >= '7/24/2008') AND ([FIELD VALUE] < '8/25/2008')
07/27/2008	([FIELD VALUE] >= '07/27/2008') AND ([FIELD VALUE] < '7/28/2008')
>= 100	[FIELD VALUE] >= '100'
<= 100	[FIELD VALUE] <= '100'
= 100	[FIELD VALUE] = '100'

The following table includes examples of invalid data and number search strings.

Invalid search strings	Description
> 7/24/2008	The equal sign must be used with the greater than operator (as in >=).
< 7/24/2008	The equal sign must be used with the less than operator (as in <=).
>= 0/24/2008	The search string includes the value 0 for the month.
= 0/24/2008	The search string includes the value 0 for the month.
0/24/2008 BETWEEN 8/24/2008	The search string includes the value 0 for the month in the starting date.
7/24/2008 BETWEEN 0/24/2008	The search string includes the value 0 for the month in the ending date.

### 2.3.8 Using advanced textbox filtering

You can use the following operators with advanced filtering:

- Is
- Is not
- Is set
- Is not set
- Is less than
- Is greater than
- Is like
- Is not like
- Contains
- Does not contain

To use advanced textbox filtering:

1. Click inside the **Filter** textbox for the text field in the column header.  
A drop-down filter displays the **Advanced** option.
2. Click the **Advanced** option to launch the Filter popup screen.
3. Choose an operator (e.g., is greater than). See Fixed-length, long, or extracted text operators in the Searching

guide for a list of definitions of the available operators.

Filter: Email From

is

Enter text query

+ Add condition

Apply

Cancel

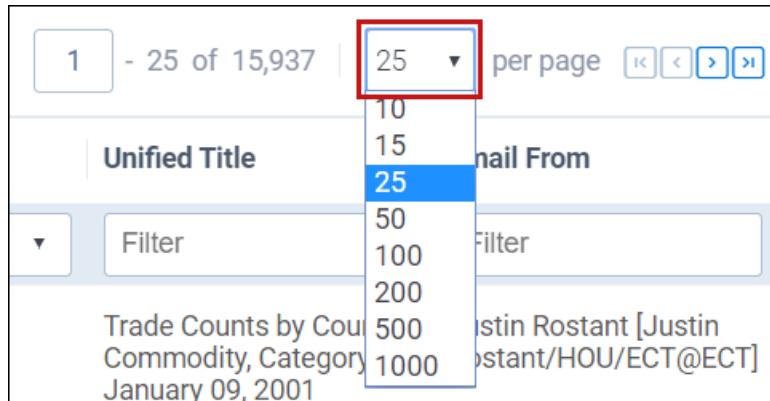
4. Enter the desired value (e.g., 100. The filter will only return items where the value of the field is greater than 100).
5. (Optional) Click **Add condition** to add a new filter condition (e.g., you may want to also return items where the text field contains the word privilege).

**Note:** Multiple conditions are automatically connected with an OR operator.

6. Click **Apply** to apply the filter condition.

## 2.4 Changing item sets per page

You can use the set selector menu to change the number of items that appear per page. The set selector menu appears at the top of the screen. The option you select remains the default setting during your session until you select another option.



## 2.5 Saving filters as a search

To save your filtered item set as a saved search:

1. Click  **Save search** next to the mass operations drop-down menu at the bottom of the item list to open the Saved Search window.
2. Select or enter the following required information:
  - **Name** - Enter a title for the search. The title appears in the saved searches browser.
  - **Owner** - Select **Public** to make the search available to all users or choose a specific user from the list. Click **Me** to select your name from the list, making the search private. (Users must have the appropriate privileges to view searches.) See Controlling the visibility of saved searches in the Searching guide.
  - **Search Folder** - Click the **Select**  button to launch a pop-up window where you can save the new search to a specific folder on the saved searches browser. Highlight the folder where you want to save the search, and then click **OK** to select it.
3. Add to or modify the search criteria as needed. See Creating or editing a saved search in the new UI framework in the Searching guide.
4. Click **Save**.

## 3 Keyword search

Keyword search (or SQL index search) is Relativity's default search engine. You can use a keyword search to query a full text index. The long text and fixed-length text fields included in this index vary by workspace.

**Note:** New workspaces created in RelativityOne have extracted text automatically stored in Data Grid. Workspaces restored into RelativityOne using the ARM application will automatically have the extracted text migrated to Data Grid. In order to search extracted text in workspaces, you must use dtSearch or Analytics searching; you cannot use Keyword Search.

You can use Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT) in keyword searches, as well as quotation marks for exact matches, asterisks (\*) for wildcards, and other features. However, if you perform a keyword search with multiple terms, documents where those terms exist in separate fields won't return.

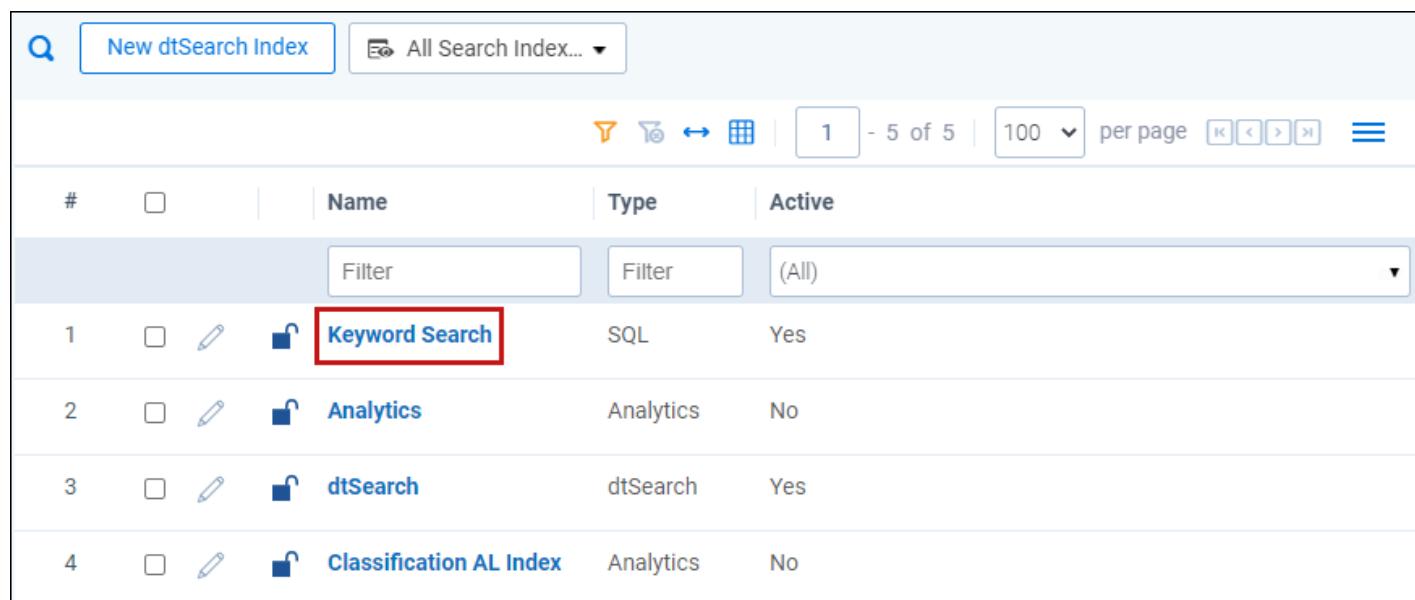
**Note:** If you want to draft queries outside of Relativity, use a plain text editor such as Microsoft Notepad to prevent adding characters or formatting that might return unexpected search results.

While the keyword search offers fewer options than other Relativity searches, it uses an index that's automatically populated, reducing maintenance and ensuring all required document fields are indexed.

**Note:** For information on configuring and managing word breakers, go [here](#).

### 3.1 Fields

A keyword search index is available in the Search Indexes tab by default. Click the **Keyword Search** link.



#	□	Name	Type	Active
1	□	<a href="#">Keyword Search</a>	SQL	Yes
2	□	<a href="#">Analytics</a>	Analytics	No
3	□	<a href="#">dtSearch</a>	dtSearch	Yes
4	□	<a href="#">Classification AL Index</a>	Analytics	No

The keyword search index details page contains the following fields:

- **Name** - the name of the keyword search index. The name is the display name for the index.
- **Order** - a number that represents the position of the index in the list. The lowest-numbered index will be at the top. The highest-numbered index is at the bottom. Items that share the same value are sorted in alphanumeric order. Index order can be any integer (positive or negative). No decimals are allowed.

- **Active** - determines whether the index should be activated or deactivated. **Yes** means that the index will be activated; **No** means that the index will be deactivated.

**Note:** If you apply item-level security to a search index, users can't run any public saved searches built on that index and will get an error. We recommend leaving the index unsecured and instead applying security to the Search indexes tab or to individual saved searches.

## 3.2 Example keyword search strings

The following table lists search string examples with their expected results.

Search string	Returns documents with...
wired	the word wired
wired magazine	the words wired and magazine
wired AND magazine	the words wired and magazine
wired OR magazine	the word wired or the word magazine
wired, magazine	the word wired or the word magazine
"wired magazine"	the exact phrase wired magazine
wired NOT magazine	the word wired and not the word magazine <p><b>Note:</b> Do not start key word searches with the NOT operator, or use it with the OR operator. For example, these searches are invalid:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• not wired</li> <li>• wired or not magazine</li> </ul> <p>See NOT Operator Evaluation in Keyword searches.</p>
wire*	any words beginning with wire, such as wired, wires, wireless <p><b>Note:</b> Key word searches do not support the use of wildcards at the beginning of a word. (Keyword searches are SQL index searches run on the Microsoft SQL Server, which does not support leading wildcards in full text searches.)</p>
computer AND (wired OR magazine)	the word computer and the word wired OR the word computer and the word magazine <p><b>Note:</b> When a search string does not include parentheses, the order of precedence for a keyword search evaluates AND then OR expressions. For example, the search string A AND B OR C is evaluated as (A AND B) OR C.</p>

**Note:** Search terms with accented letters are recognized and return keyword search results.

### 3.3 Using the NOT operator in keyword searches

When running a keyword search that is an SQL full text search, carefully format queries that use the NOT operator. For example, you may want to query for email messages that have Ryan as the author, but do not have Will as the recipient. The fields in the following record are included in the index used to demonstrate how this query is run:

Document	OCR	Recipient	Author
AS00001	From: Ryan To: Will	Will	Ryan

A keyword search using the string Ryan NOT Will returns the document AS00001 even though you would not expect it in the result set. The following table illustrates the SQL logic used to evaluate the query Ryan NOT Will.

SQL queries this field...	Returns these results...
OCR Field	Finds both Ryan and Will, so no document is returned.
Recipient Field	Does not find Ryan, so no document is returned.
Author Field	Finds Ryan but not Will, so the document AS00001 is returned.

When these fields are searched using the SQL logic, the Author field matches the query Ryan NOT Will, and unexpectedly returns the document.

**Note:** You can use the AND NOT operator in a dtSearch as an alternative approach to this type of keyword search.

### 3.4 Understanding noise words

Noise words in a keyword search include punctuation marks, single letters, single digits, and words such as "at", "a", "on" and "the".

#### 3.4.1 Keyword search noise words - without double quotes

Noise words used in Keyword searches are ignored if the search string is **not surrounded by double quotes**. In a search for the phrase *sun on my head*, both *on* and *my* are ignored. The result is that the words *sun* AND *head* are queried without respect to proximity. Thus, any documents that contain both the words *sun* and *head* will be returned.

The following table illustrates how Keyword search queries for phrases that contain noise words that are not surrounded by double quotes.

Searching string (without quotes)	Queries for this string
sun on my head	sun AND head
sun on head	sun AND head

#### 3.4.2 Keyword search noise words - with double quotes

If a Keyword search string containing noise words **is surrounded by double quotes**, then the noise words' positions in the string are taken into account when the query is executed. However, only the *positions* of any *intervening* noise words are taken into account, not the noise words themselves. Noise words at the beginning or tail end of a Keyword search string are ignored.

For example, the search strings "*sun on my head*" and "*sun my on head*" (where *on* and *my* are switched) return the same records. This is because Keyword search evaluates both search strings as a query for the phrase **sun ABC XYZ head**, where ABC and XYZ represent **any two words**, not just noise words. Similarly, a query for the search string "*sun on head*" returns documents that contain the phrase **sun ABC head**, where ABC represents any word.

The following table illustrates how Keyword search queries for phrases that contain noise words, and that are surrounded by double quotes.

Searching string (with quotes)	Queries for this string
"sun on my head"	sun [AnyWord] [AnyWord] head
"sun on head"	sun [AnyWord] head
"sun on my head and"	sun [AnyWord] [AnyWord] head
"and sun on head"	sun [AnyWord] head

### 3.4.3 Single digits as noise words

Single digits 0-9 are default noise words, so you cannot query on them with a keyword search. Relativity doesn't return the expected results if you attempt to query on a single digit. Use the dtSearch feature to query on a specific number or letter.

However, you can use a keyword search to query on whole numbers greater than 9. You can search on more than one digit, such as 09. While these digits may be used to represent a specific numeric value (such as 9), they are not considered single digits, and can be used in a keyword search.

### 3.4.4 Punctuation as noise words

Certain punctuation marks are treated as noise words by default, so you cannot query on them with a keyword search. They include:

- Period (.)
- Colon (:)
- Semicolon (;)
- Slash (\, /)

### 3.4.5 At sign (@) and dashes

The at sign (@) and dashes (-) are ignored from being indexed in a keyword search, when either is used at the beginning of a query. For example, if you search a domain name, the same number of documents return whether you include or exclude @.

### 3.4.6 Hyphens and dashes

When a search phrase includes a hyphen or dash, the query returns results that include terms containing other punctuation marks. For example, the following results return for a search on the term Pop-up:

- Pop.up
- Pop--up

### 3.4.7 Default noise word list

Relativity comes with the following default noise words:

Begins with...	Noise words
A	about, after, all, also, another, any, are, as, at
B	be, because, been, before, being, between, but, both, by
C	came, can, come, could

Begins with...	Noise words
D	did, do, does
E	each, else
F	for, from
G	get, got
H	has, had, he, have, her, here, him, himself, his, how
I	if, in, into, is, it, its
J	just
L	like
M	make, many, me, might, more, most, much, must, my
N	never, no, now
O	of, on, only, other, our, out
S	said, same, see, should, since, so, some, still, such
T	take, than, that, the, their, them, then, there, these, they, this, those, through, to, too
U	under, up, use
V	very
W	want, was, way, we, well, were, what, when, where, which, while, who, will, with, would
Y	you, your

## 3.5 Running a keyword search

### 3.5.1 Running a keyword search in the search panel

Use the following steps to run a keyword search in the Search panel.

1. Navigate to the Search panel in the Documents Tab.
2. Click **Add Condition**.
3. Select **(Index Search)** in the Add Condition drop-down menu. The **(Index Search)** window opens.
4. Select **Keyword Search** from the drop-down Index.
5. Enter terms for the search in the **Search Terms** box.
6. Optionally, select the **Sort By Rank** option to return results in order by relevance. The most relevant documents are listed at the top of the result set.
7. Click **Apply**.
8. (Optional) Add any additional conditions through the Add Condition drop-down menu.
9. Click **Run Search**. To stop a long running search, click **Cancel**.

### 3.5.2 Running a keyword search in the Search browser

Use the following steps to run a keyword search in the Search browser.



1. Click to access the search browser from the document list.
2. Click **New Search**.
3. Set required fields.
4. Click **Add Condition**.
5. Select **(Index Search)** in the Add Condition drop-down menu. The **(Index Search)** window opens.
6. Select **Keyword Search** from the Index drop-down menu.
7. Enter terms for the search in the **Search Terms** box.
8. Optionally, select the **Sort By Rank** option to return results in order by relevance. The most relevant documents are listed at the top of the result set.
9. Click **Apply**.
10. (Optional) Add any additional conditions through the Add Condition drop-down menu.
11. Click **Save** or **Save As**.
12. Click the name of the keyword search in the search browser.
13. Click **Run Search**. To stop a long running search, click **Cancel**.

## 4 Search panel

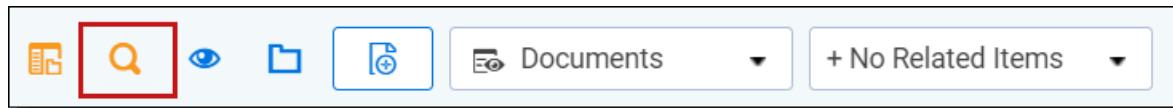
The search panel is available for the Document list and for many other tabs in Relativity.

Using the search panel, you can build complex searches using drag-and-drop to rearrange and visualize nested conditions. You can easily set conditions and drag and drop them into logic groups. The logic display at the top of the panel updates automatically to reflect your drag-and-drop changes. You can access your dtSearch and keyword search indexes and fields in the workspace when creating your search.

Search panel functionality is controlled by security permissions. To access search indexes (Keyword search, dtSearch, Analytics), from the Add Conditions drop-down menu, you must have View Search Index permissions. To view and select fields from the Add Conditions drop-down menu, you must have Edit Search permissions. If neither permission is present, the search panel buttons will not appear. See [Workspace security](#) for more information on setting security permissions.

### 4.1 Showing, hiding, and moving the search panel

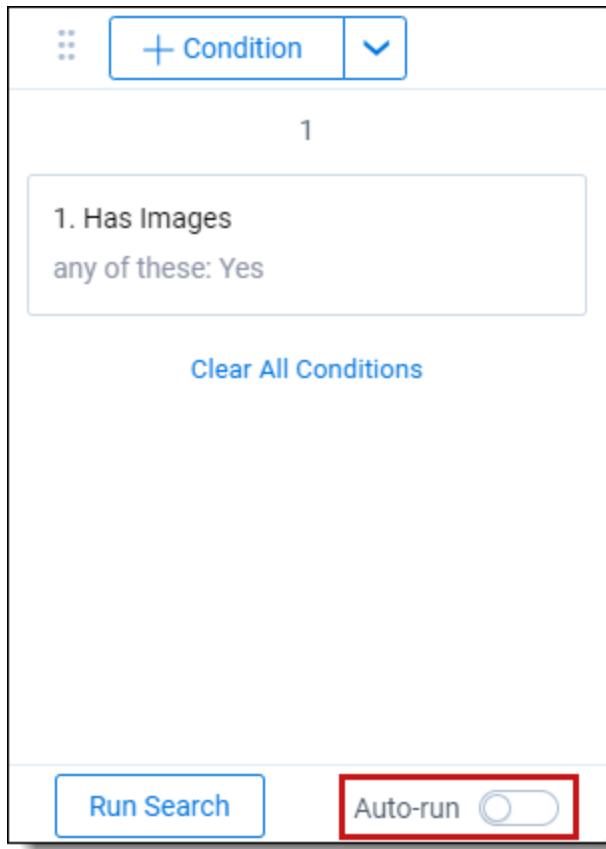
You can show and hide the search panel from the item list by clicking the  icon above the browser panel.



To move the search panel, click and drag on the top-left corner of the panel.

### 4.2 Using the auto-run search setting

A setting at the bottom of the searching panel allows you to automatically update your data when you select new conditions. With Auto-run search set to **On**, each condition that you select from the searching panel will cause the page to auto-refresh and display updated data based on the new condition. You can leave Auto-run Search set to **Off** if you prefer to manually apply any new conditions as you add them to your search.



## 4.3 Creating a search in the search panel

To create a search using the search panel:

1. Expand the search panel from the item list by clicking the  icon in the upper left corner of your screen.
2. Click **Add Condition** in the search panel.

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**Note:** If a related items condition has been set for the saved search, the related items condition also applies to any conditions that are added to the saved search via the search panel.

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3. Do one of the following:
  - Enter or select the field to which you want to apply the condition from the drop-down menu.
  - If you have previously linked fields to a field category, you can alternatively select the desired field category from the drop-down menu and then enter or select the field to which you want to apply the condition from the list. To learn more, visit [Field Categories](#).
4. Depending on the field, you will be prompted to specify the conditions to add.

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**Note:** For single object and multiple object fields, the name of the object(s) act(s) as hyperlinks in the filter condition card. You can quickly navigate to the named object instance by clicking on it. For example, if you have a search condition that names the "First pass review" batch set, you can navigate directly to that batch set from the filter condition card.

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5. (Optional) Add additional conditions.
6. (Optional) Apply logic groups to your conditions. See [Applying logic groups](#).
7. Click **Run Search** if auto-run search is toggled off). To cancel a long running search, click **Cancel**.

The search will be automatically saved and you can reference it later as a saved search.

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**Note:** To remove all conditions from the search panel click **Clear All Conditions**.

If you want to edit a condition, click on the search card.

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**Note:** When you search on a user-created date field using a relative date (ex. Last 7 Days), you may see different results between a saved search and a search from the search panel if you aren't in the same timezone as your Relativity instance.

## 4.4 Applying logic groups to search conditions

Logic groups act as visual parentheses for your search query. The criteria within logic groups are evaluated first before evaluating against other search conditions or logic groups. When creating logic groups, the logic display at the top of the search panel updates automatically to reflect your drag-and-drop changes. To apply logic groups to search conditions:

1. Click **Add Logic Group**.
- A green frame appears.
2. Click the handle on the top of the filter condition card you want to add to a logic group.



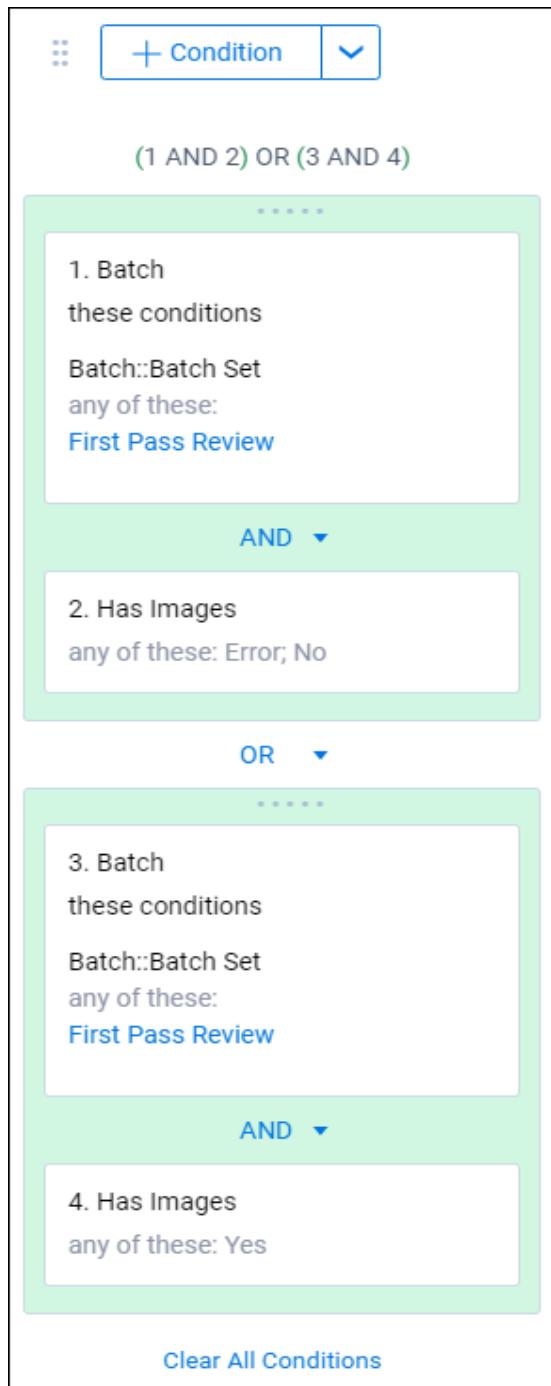
3. Drag the condition into the logic group frame.
4. Add other conditions to the logic group as needed.

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**Note:** You can also create a logic group automatically by dragging one condition onto another.

5. Click the **AND** or **OR** drop-down menus to set your operators inside your logic group.
6. (Optional) Add additional logic groups and repeat steps 3-5 for the logic groups you add.

7. Click **Run Search** if auto-run search is toggled off). To cancel a long running search, click **Cancel**.



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**Note:** To remove all conditions from the search panel, click **Clear All Conditions**.

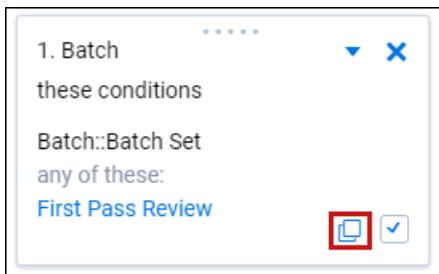
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## 4.5 Customizing the search panel

Within the search panel you can expand and collapse your search conditions, in addition to toggling the conditions on and off. By using these options you can better visualize data and make quick changes.

#### 4.5.0.1 Copying conditions

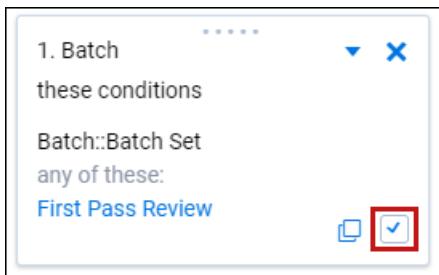
To copy a condition, click  in the bottom right corner of the search panel card.



A pop-up modal opens. In the modal, click **Apply** to copy the same search condition. Edit the operator and the search before clicking Apply for a variation of the original search card. Click **Add Condition** to add another condition to your new search card.

#### 4.5.0.2 Toggling conditions on and off

You can toggle conditions within the search panel to change the documents the search returns. To toggle conditions on and off click the checkbox in the lower-right corner of the condition box. If the box is checked the condition is on; if the box is unchecked the condition is off.

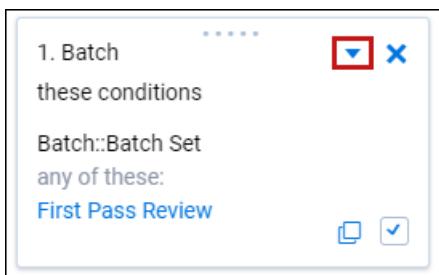


Click **Run Search** to update the toggled conditions (if auto-run search is toggled off).

**Note:** To collapse and expand filter condition cards in the panel click the arrow next to the name of the field applied in the condition.

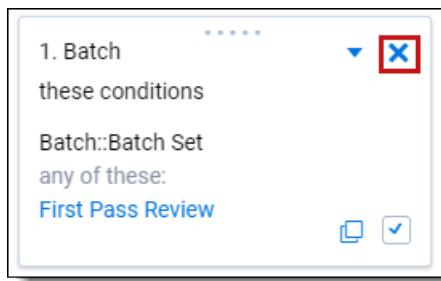
#### 4.5.0.3 Expanding/collapsing cards

If you have a very long search panel card, you can collapse the card. To collapse a card, click  in the top right corner of the search panel card.



#### 4.5.0.4 Removing conditions

To remove a condition, click **X** in the upper right corner of the condition box.



Click **Run Search** to update the toggled conditions (if auto-run search is toggled off).

# 5 Searching workflows

Relativity provides flexibility to help you identify documents through searches so that you can ready them for further review and analysis.

This topic highlights setting up multiple search indexes, applying various search techniques, and using filters properly when executing searches.

**Note:** For details on searching for dates within Relativity using a filter, a saved search, or a dtSearch, see the [Searching for dates in Relativity](#) knowledge base article on the Relativity Community.

## 5.1 Workflow details

Relativity offers both Basic Keyword Search and Specialized dtSearch.

The Basic Keyword Search Index populates automatically, is available out of the box, and supports basic Boolean operations. These operations include AND, OR, NOT, and the wildcard (\*) operator.

The Specialized dtSearch Index is custom built and must be set up with an index to query against. In addition to basic Boolean operations, it also supports the following functionality:

- Wildcard operator for a single digit (=)
- Stemming operations (~)
- Fuzzy search operation (%)
- Range Searching on Numeric fields (~~)
- Customize data set to be indexed via custom saved search
- Proximity Searching
- Customized Noise Word List
- Auto Recognition of email addresses, credit card numbers, and dates.

## 5.2 Best practices for advanced operators

The following includes best practices for the use of advanced operators and workflow options:

### 5.2.1 Proximity search

Proximity search uses operators to search certain terms in proximity to other terms in a document. Use the following recommendations when employing proximity searching:

- To use directional proximity searching use "pre /x" operators. To use non-directional proximity searching use "w /x" operators.
- To determine the beginning and end of a document, use reserved word with either ("xfirstword") or ("xlastword"). Use these operators to search for metadata like email addresses or footers within a document.
- To determine proximity. The distance between terms is important so you know whether you receive true hits or

false positives. The following image illustrates the proper syntax for proximity searches:

Searching for → <b>Blue Orange Yellow Red Green Brown</b>		Distance →	1	2	3	4	5
Blue w/1 Orange w/1 Yellow w/1 Red w/1 Green w/1 Brown							<b>INCORRECT</b>
((((Blue w/1 Orange) w/2 Yellow) w/3 Red) w/4 Green) w/5 Brown							<b>CORRECT</b>

The following image shows all correct and incorrect combinations of proximity searches that result in successful hits when using proximity operators:

✓ Blue	Red	✓ Blue	"Little Red Riding Hood"
✓ (Blue or Orange)	Red	✓ (Blue or Orange)	"Little Red Riding Hood"
✓ (Blue w/n Orange)	Red	✓ (Blue and Orange)	"Little Red Riding Hood"
✓ ((Blue or Orange) w/n Yellow)	Red	✓ (Blue w/n Orange)	W/n or PRE/n "Little Red Riding Hood"
✓ ((Blue or Orange) w/n Yellow)	(Red or Green)	✓ ((Blue w/n Orange)	Red) w/n Green)
✓ (Blue and Orange)	Red	✗ (Blue w/n Orange)	(Red w/n Green)
✓ (Blue and Orange)	(Red or Green)	✗ (Blue and Orange)	(Red and Green)
✓ Blue%%	Red%%	✗ (Blue w/n Orange)	(Red and Green)
✓ (Blue and Orange)	Red%		
✓ Blue~	Red~		
✓ (Blue and Orange)	Red~		

Sometimes additional factors affect the distance between terms. The following image demonstrates a search for a string of words in proximity to another word. The search in the following image takes the following into account:

- Noise words count as words when calculating proximity.
- Punctuation counts as whitespace when using default settings.
- Relativity treats line breaks and consecutive space characters as single spaces.
- dtSearch default noise words and connector words like AND, OR, BETWEEN, and NOT count as words when calculating proximity.

The **message**<sub>1</sub> **together** **with** **any**  
**attachment**<sub>4</sub> **may** **contain** **confidential**<sub>6</sub>  
**and/or** **privileged** **information**<sub>7</sub>.

In this case, we continue to calculate the distance of the string ("confidential and/or privileged information") from the word ("message") as shown above. However, when using connector words, system admins should create an index that removes noise words from the noise word list.

## Noise Words

a  
about  
after  
all  
also  
an  
~~and~~  
another  
any  
are

Relativity reserves the following noise words and characters, which continue to behave as operators, as well as being noise words: and, or, not, to, contains, xfirstword, xlastword, ", ( ), \*, ?, %, @, ~, #, &, :, =.

Once that index is available for query you can either place the search string in quotes or apply stemming to the connector words to override their function as a connector.

**(i) message pre/7 “confidential and/or privileged information”**

**OR**

**(ii) message pre/7 confidential and~or~ privileged information**

## 5.2.2 Auto-Recognition

Auto-Recognition identifies email addresses, dates, and credit card numbers in the data set you want to index. You can turn this feature on and off when you build your index. The search returns the results regardless of the data format. Auto-Recognition adds some time to your index build, but, depending on your case, the benefits can be significant.

Type	Syntax	Results	Benefits
Email	mail(*doe@kcura.co m)	jdoe@kcura.com john.doe@kcura.com	Treats email addresses as a single term regardless of alphabet settings for “@” and “.” characters. Can be used with wildcards.
Credit Card Numbers	<u>Creditcard</u> (1234678 13246578)	1234-5678-1234-5678 1234 5678 1234 5678 1234567812345678	Returns sets of numbers that satisfy the criteria for valid credit card numbers. Can be used with wildcards.
Date	date(1/15/2006)	January 15, 2006; 15 Jan 06; 2006/01/15; 1/15/06; 1-15-06; The fifteenth of January, two thousand six	Returns date regardless of format. Dates mentioned in body of documents and not in metadata.

## 5.2.3 Searching for times

If you want to search for times in the body of documents, perform a full-text search with your dtSearch index for a specific time. Keep in mind that some characters cause a word break, such as the colon and period. Searching for 12:15 p.m. results in searching for four words: 12, 15, p, and m.

## 5.2.4 Filters

In addition to the Search Indexes, you can also use filters to search on metadata fields and narrow down the review set of documents.



The following list includes metadata fields, their corresponding field types, and the filter type available in Relativity:

- **File Type** - Single-Choice, List Filter
- **Custodian** - Single-Choice, Pop-Up Filter
- **Date Sent** - Date, Textbox Filter
- **Email To** - Long Text, Textbox Filter
- **Email Subject** - Fixed Length Text, Custom Filter
- **Designation** - Single Choice, Multi-Choice List

The following table shows different types of filters you can set up with available fields in Relativity.

Type	Text Box	Single Choice List	Multi-Choice List	Pop-Up	Custom
Fixed Length Text	✓	✓			✓
Long Text	✓				
Date	✓				✓
Number (Whole, Decimal, Currency)	✓	✓			✓
Yes/No		✓			
Choice (Single, Multiple)		✓	✓	✓	
Object (Single, Multiple)	✓				✓

## 5.2.5 Troubleshooting workflow

To troubleshoot and test searches, use a white board approach to map out searches before you run them. As part of the process, try to take into account all possible variations, so you can see which documents Relativity returns and to gain a better understanding of the search. For instance, if you want to find email family groups with inconsistent coding, numerous possibilities for searches exist. The following illustration shows a mapping of nine email family groups, each with an email and two attachments.

Construct searches (1 and 2) and mark the corresponding documents, and their family members, with hits for each of the searches. At this point, when you look at the board, you can see that the four email family groups have one thing in common. The documents are responsive to both searches. So, to close it out, construct a third search that pulls back documents common to both searches.

## Conflict Check within Family Groups

●  DOC000001	Responsive	●  DOC000010	Privileged	● ● ●  DOC000019	Privileged
●  DOC000002	Responsive	●  DOC000011	Privileged	● ● ●  DOC000020	Responsive
●  DOC000003	Responsive	●  DOC000012	Privileged	● ● ●  DOC000021	Responsive
●  DOC000004	Not Responsive	● ● ●  DOC000013	Responsive	●  DOC000022	
●  DOC000005	Not Responsive	● ● ●  DOC000014	Not Responsive	●  DOC000023	
●  DOC000006	Not Responsive	● ● ●  DOC000015	Not Responsive	●  DOC000024	Not Responsive
●  DOC000007		● ● ●  DOC000016	Responsive	● ● ●  DOC000025	
●  DOC000008		● ● ●  DOC000017	Privileged	● ● ●  DOC000026	Responsive
●  DOC000009		● ● ●  DOC000018	Responsive	● ● ●  DOC000027	

1. Designation is Responsive + Include Family
2. Designation is Not Responsive OR Privileged OR Not Set + Include Family
3. 1 AND 2

# 6 Search conditions

You can use the search conditions option to build complex queries by selecting fields, operators, and values. While this feature has the same functionality as the search condition section of the saved search form, it's conveniently available from the Documents tab and Relativity Dynamic Object tabs. This option displays up to five rows, with each row representing a separate criterion. Depending on the type of field you select, different operators appear. You can use this option alone or in conjunction with keyword searches, dtSearches, Analytics, or Cluster visualization. When you use search options in conjunction with another search feature, documents must both meet the search criteria and also the conditions specified.

**Note:** To use the search conditions option, you must have add or edit permissions for **Search** and access to the **Saved Searches Browser** assigned to you through the Security page. See Workspace security in the Admin Guide.

## 6.1 Setting up search conditions

### 6.1.1 Setting up search conditions in the Search panel

To set up search conditions in the Search panel follow these steps:

1. Navigate to the Search Builder.
2. Click **Add Condition** and select the fields to which you want to apply conditions.  
A pop-up window opens for each condition field you select.
3. Set the required conditions in the relevant field pop-up window by selecting the desired field or by choosing a field category and then selecting the desired field.
4. Click **Apply**.
5. (Optional) Click **Add Logic Group** to add a logic group. Logic groups are evaluated first, and then connected to other filter conditions or logic groups using AND / OR operators.
6. (Optional) Drag and drop conditions together to create logic groups.
7. (Optional) Add the AND or OR operators to connect the criterion.
8. Click **Apply**.

If you need to edit the condition, click on the condition card. The pop-up reopens so you can make changes.

### 6.1.2 Setting up search conditions in the Search browser

To set up search conditions in the Search browser, follow these steps:



1. Click to navigate to the Search Browser.
2. Click **New Search**.
3. Click **Add Condition** and select the fields to which you want to apply conditions.  
A pop-up window opens for each condition field you select.
4. Set the required conditions in the relevant field pop-up window.
5. Click **Apply**.

6. (Optional) Click **Add Logic Group** to add a logic group and drag and drop your conditions into the frames. Logic groups are evaluated first and then connected to other filter conditions or logic groups using AND / OR operators.
7. (Optional) Add the **AND** or **OR** operators to connect the criterion.
8. Enter all required fields.
9. Click **Save** or **Save As**.

If you need to edit the condition, click on the condition card. The pop-up reopens so you can make changes.

### 6.1.3 Using the multiple object condition builder

You can set conditions for **multiple object fields** from a single pop-up window. The following example uses Batch as a multiple object field condition.

To use the multi-object condition builder, follow these steps:

1. Click **Add Condition** from the Search browser or Search panel.
2. Enter or select **Batch**.  
The Condition: Batch window opens.
3. Select the desired operator from the **Operator** drop-down list. For example, **these conditions**.
4. Click **Add Condition**.
5. Select the condition from the **Add Condition** drop-down list. For example, **Batch:: Batch Set**.
6. Click the available fields from the **Available** column and move them to the **Selected** column as desired.
7. Click **Apply**.
8. (Optional) Click **Add Logic Group** to add a logic group. Logic groups are evaluated first and then connected to other filter conditions or logic groups using AND / OR operators.
9. (Optional) Drag and drop conditions into logic groups as desired.
10. Click **Apply** on the Condition: Batch window.

Relativity applies your search conditions.

For more information about multiple object searching logic, see [Multiple object searching](#).

## 6.2 Canceling queries

You can cancel a long-running search or view by clicking the **Cancel** button. This link appears when you perform a keyword search, dtSearch, Analytics search, or use Pivot. It also appears when you filter or sort a document or Dynamic Object list. It also appears when you perform other actions on item lists containing documents or Dynamic Objects that initiate a query in the background.

When you click **Cancel Request**, Relativity stops the background query used to populate documents in an item list. If you edit a search and click this link, your changes save, but the item list doesn't load. For example, your changes save when you perform a mass edit on a list of documents in a search and then click **Cancel Request** when the query is running to redisplay the updated list.

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**Note:** Relativity creates an audit record in the History tab for canceled queries. The query description displays the running time of the query and indicates that it was canceled. You must have the appropriate permissions to view this tab.

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The following table explains different scenarios in which you might cancel a running query and whether the query actually cancels.

Scenario	Result
You start a query and click <b>Cancel Request</b> or <b>Cancel</b> .	The query is canceled.
You start a query and close the browser.	The query is canceled.
You start a query and an system admin resets the IIS on the server.	The query is not canceled.
You start a query and leave your browser idle for longer than the session timeout specified in Relativity web.config, regardless of whether you clicked <b>OK</b> or <b>Cancel</b> on the message from the webpage pop-up.	The query is not canceled.
You start a query and click <b>Cancel</b> on the message from the webpage pop-up within the session timeout specified in Relativity web.config.	The query is canceled.
You start a query and click <b>OK</b> on the message from webpage pop-up within the session timeout specified in Relativity web.config.	The query continues to run. Relativity returns you back to the waiting screen (see the first row of this table).
You start a query and paste a different URL into your browser, or you refresh the page.	The query is canceled.

## 6.3 Frequently asked searching questions

This section includes frequently asked questions from Relativity users.

### 6.3.1 Multiple terms in dtSearch queries

#### Why would I receive an error message saying my query is too complex?

Relativity can't return precise results when a query includes search conditions that are too complex due to the use of multiple search terms. To avoid this error message, simplify your search criteria. For example, search for 10 instead of 50 terms in your query. You can save and tag your search results from each simpler query. With this approach you can search on the required terms, while providing better results.

### 6.3.2 Proximity searches in dtSearch queries

#### Why are terms in my proximity search highlighted even when they don't match my defined W/N criteria?

Relativity highlights terms that meet the requirements of your proximity search as well as the individual search terms. This behavior doesn't affect the results of your proximity search, which returns the appropriate documents. For example, the results of a proximity search for instances of law within three words of order (that is "law W/3 order") includes highlighted terms of "law" and "order" when they aren't within three words of each other. To accommodate this behavior, focus only on the results that match the proximity search criteria, and disregard the other highlighted terms.

### 6.3.3 Using reserved characters in dtSearch queries

#### Can I use a reserved character such as ampersand (&) in my dtSearch queries?

The following characters have special meaning in dtSearch, and must be treated with care when they appear in your queries: ?, \*, %, ~, #, =, :, &, (). Use the dictionary to explore syntax options if necessary.

If you want to make any of these characters searchable, you must add them to the alphabet file and, in some cases, use Regular Expressions in your search. For more information, see the Searching Guide.

## 6.3.4 Multiple conditions

### Why do my searches run slowly when I use multiple conditions?

When you add multiple search conditions to a query, Relativity searches on these conditions relative to each other, which slows down the return of your results. For example, you experience slow performance when running a query on all email messages received "after June 1" and "before June 30" of the same year. You can improve performance by using as few conditions as possible, such as excluding the condition "before June 30". Run the query with only the condition "after June 1", and then sort or filter your results to display messages received between the desired dates.

## 6.3.5 Nesting searches

### Can I nest multiple searches in a saved search?

For performance reasons, we don't recommend nesting multiple searches in a saved search. You can select a search as a condition, but using multiple searches as conditions slows down the return of your results. See [Using saved searches as conditions \(combined searches\) on page 128](#). See the Searching guide for more information.

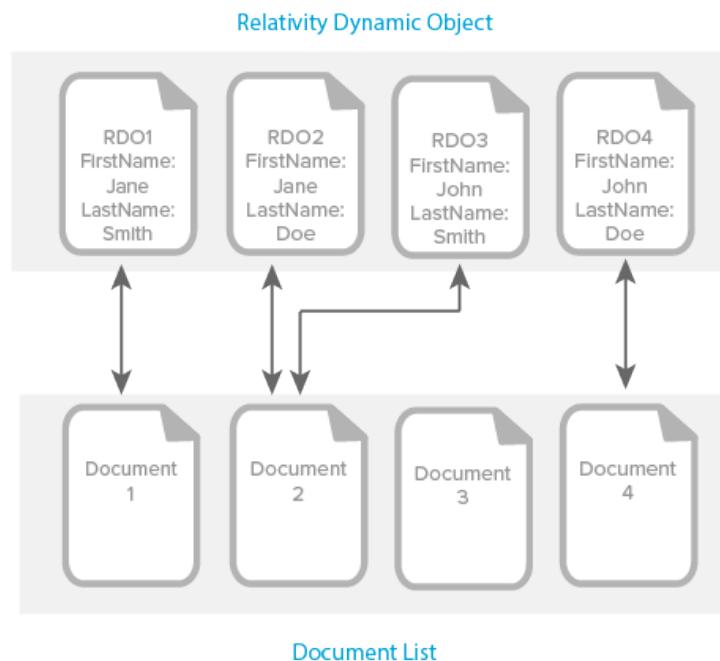
# 7 Multiple object searching

When searching using These Conditions or NOT These Conditions, keep in mind the following:

- **These Conditions** - returns a document if any of the RDOs that document is associated with matches the search criteria.
- **NOT These Conditions** - returns all documents that are not associated with at least one RDO that meets the criteria.
- If a document is not associated with the object you're searching, it won't be returned in a search for These Conditions. Therefore, Document 3 will never get returned in a search for These Conditions because it is not associated with any objects.

The image below shows documents associated with Relativity Dynamic Objects (RDOs).

- Document 1 is associated with RDO1.
- Document 2 is associated with RDO2 and RDO3.
- Document 3 is not associated with any RDOs.
- Document 4 is associated with RDO4.



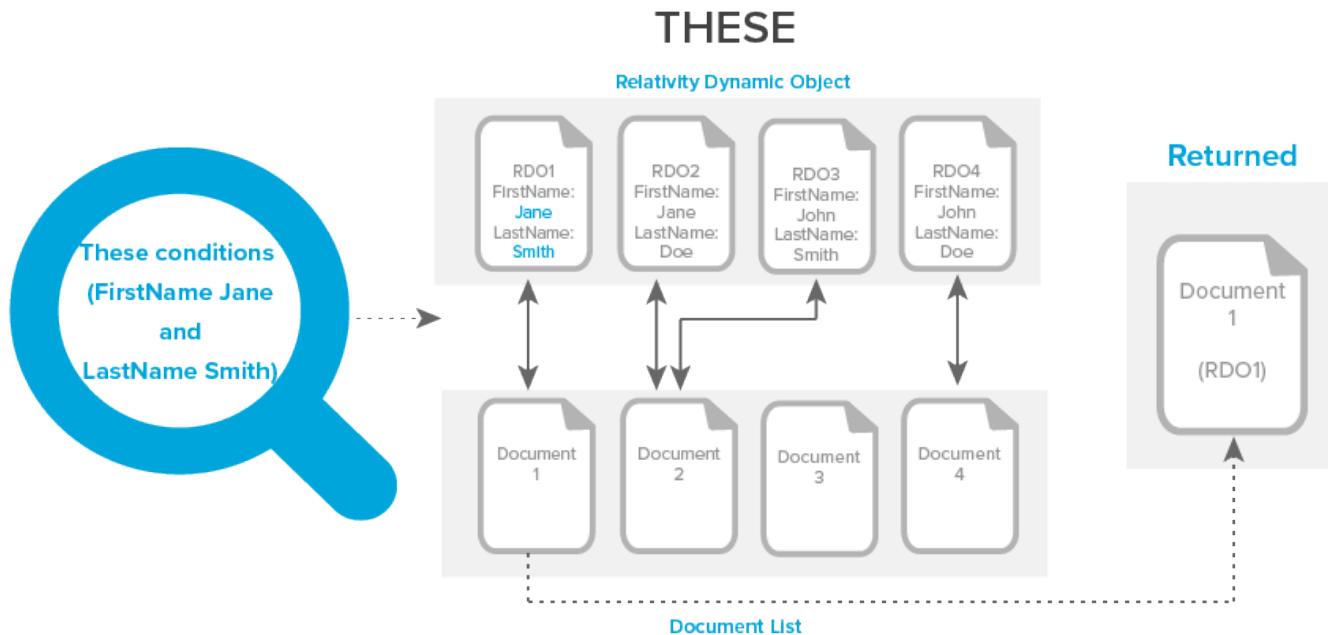
This page contains the following sections:

- [These Conditions below](#)
- [These Conditions and These Conditions on the next page](#)
- [NOT These Conditions on page 48](#)
- [These NOT on page 48](#)

## 7.1 These Conditions

The following example returns Document 1 because:

- Document 1 is associated with RDO1.
- RDO1 matches the search criteria (FirstName Jane, LastName Smith).

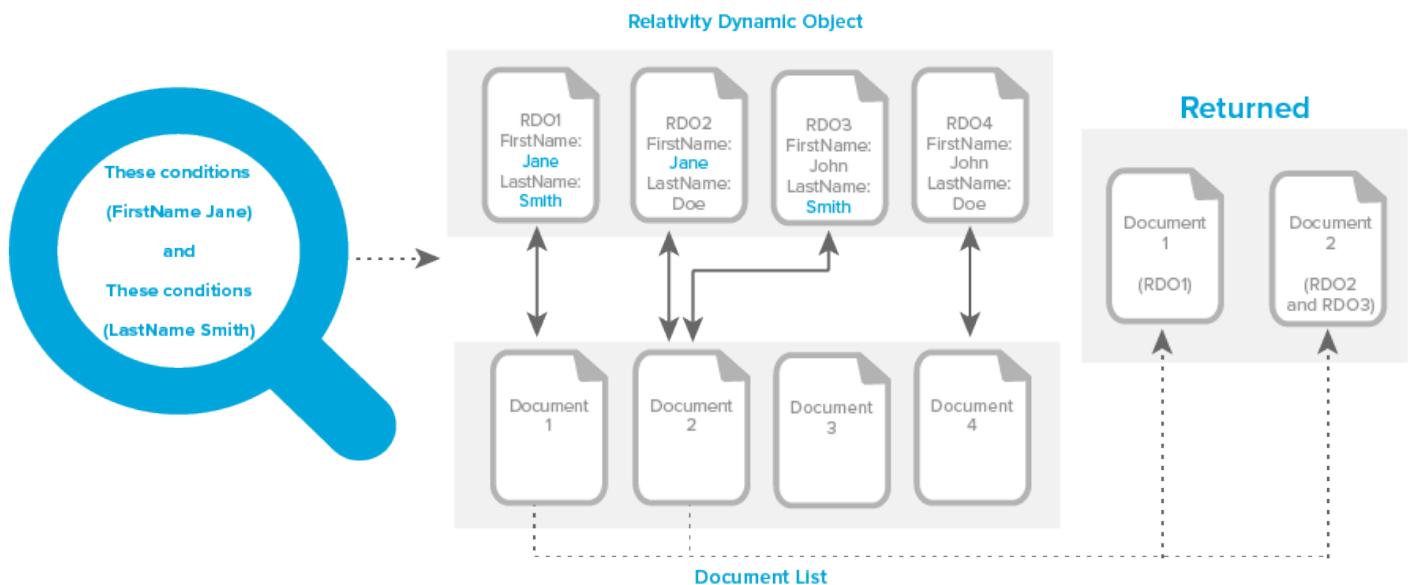


## 7.2 These Conditions and These Conditions

The following example returns Document 1 and Document 2 because:

- Document 1 is associated with RDO1.
- RDO1 matches the search criteria (FirstName Jane) and (LastName Smith).
- Document 2 is associated with RDO2 and RDO3.
- RDO2 matches the search criteria (FirstName Jane).
- RDO3 matches the search criteria (LastName Smith).

## THESE AND THESE

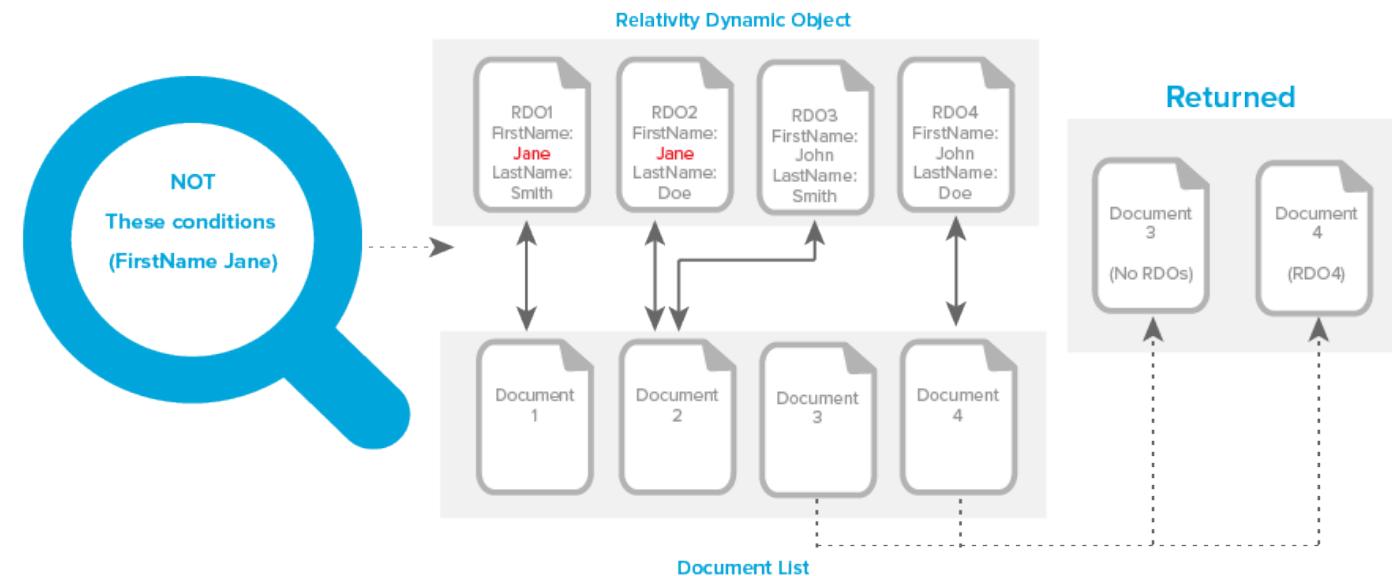


## 7.3 NOT These Conditions

The following example returns Document 3 and Document 4 because:

- Document 4 is associated with RDO4. RDO4 doesn't match the search criteria.
- Document 3 is not associated with any RDOs. Therefore, it doesn't match the search criteria.

## NOT THESE

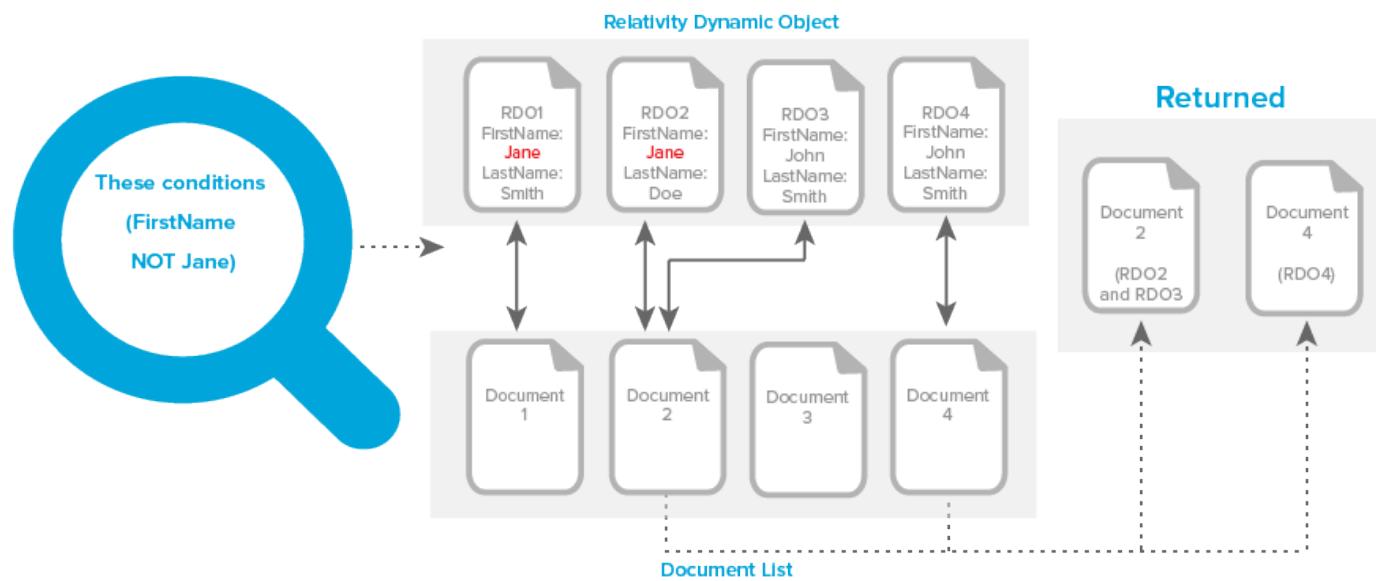


## 7.4 These NOT

The following example returns Document 2 and Document 4 because:

- Document 2 is associated with RDO2 and RDO3.
- Although RDO2 contains (FirstName Jane), RDO3 doesn't (FirstName John). Remember, if one RDO does not meet the criteria, the document is returned.
- Document 3 isn't returned because it isn't associated with any RDOs. Remember, you must associate a document with an object in order for it to return in a These Conditions search.

## THESE NOT



# 8 Searching with the Entity object and name normalization

This topic describes the types of searches you can conduct using the Entity object and Name Normalization results.

Note the following special considerations:

- The quality of your searches is affected by the quality of your name normalization results. Please use the [Name Normalization Quick Reference Guide](#) to verify your Name Normalization results.
- You can only create the following searches after running the name normalization operation.

## 8.1 Emails within a specific organization

To find emails between individuals within a specific organization, use the **Alias From** and **Alias Recipient** fields along with the associated **Alias From::Domain** and **Alias Recipient::Domain** fields. You must conduct this search with a double negative in order to find documents that only include your selected organization.

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### Notes:

- You can use variations of this search to identify specific cross organization communications. You can also use variations of this search to identify communications with outside counsel if you know the specific domain of outside counsel.
- There are scenarios where an alias doesn't include a domain (ex. Proper names). In these scenarios, the following search will not include documents where those aliases are communication. Reach out to Relativity Support for alternative workflows to circumvent this issue.

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Create a search with the following conditions:

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**Note:** Connect the search conditions as follows using Boolean operators: **1 AND 2 AND 3**

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### Condition 1

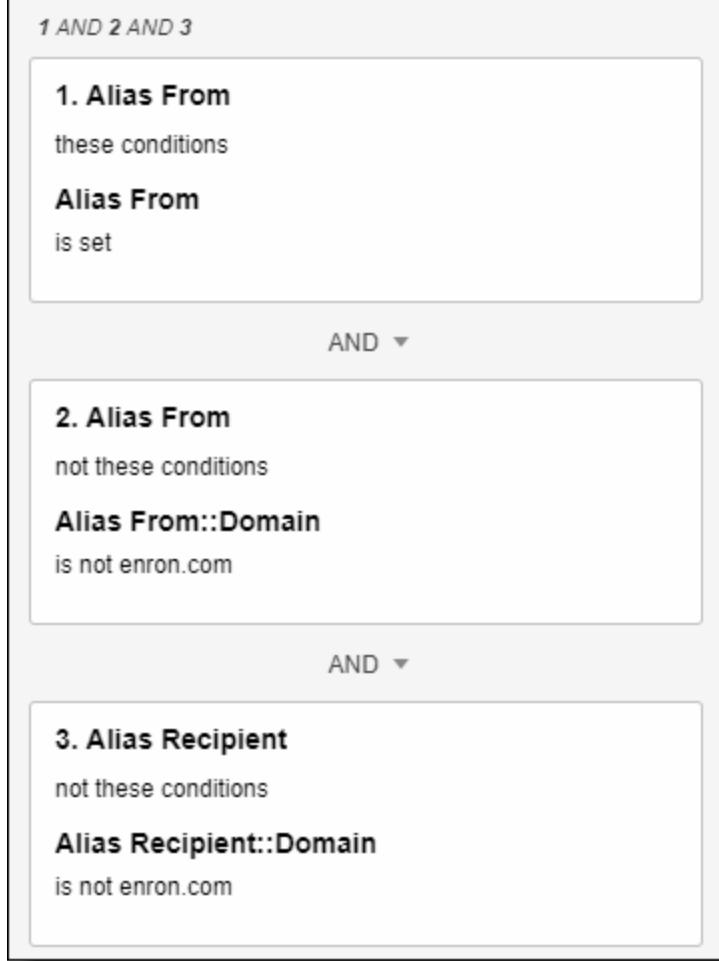
- **Field:** Alias From
- **Operator:** is set

### Condition 2

- **Field:** Alias From
- **Operator:** not these conditions
  - **Field:** Alias From::Domain
  - **Operator:** is not
  - **Text:** [Domain 1]

### Condition 3

- **Field:** Alias Recipient
- **Operator:** not these conditions
  - **Field:** Alias Recipient::Domain
  - **Operator:** is not
  - **Text:** [Domain 1]



Breaking it down:

- **Alias From::Domain==not this domain** means someone without this domain is the sender
- **Not these conditions [LINE ABOVE]** means no domain other than this domain is the sender

## 8.2 Communications between two specific individuals and no one else

To find emails between two individuals and no one else, use the **Entity From** and **Entity Recipient** fields. You must conduct this search with a double negative in order to find documents where only your selected entities appear.

### Notes:

- You can use variations of this search to identify communications where a specific entity is the only recipient, but the senders vary.
- You can also use variations of this search to exclude CC or BCC values.
- You can use the Entity Participant field to ensure no one else existed on the email thread.

Create a search with the following conditions:

**Note:** Connect the search conditions as follows using Boolean operators and Logic Groups: **1 AND ((2 AND 3) OR (4 AND 5))**

### Condition 1

- **Field:** Entity From
- **Operator:** is set

## Condition 2

- **Field:** Entity From
- **Operator:** not these conditions
  - **Field:** Entity From
  - **Operator:** none of these
  - **Text:** [Entity A]

**Note:** This is a double-negative condition that will **exclude** everyone but Entity A. In other words, this condition will only allow emails **sent by Entity A**. When conditions 2 and 3 are combined, we have a holistic search condition for emails sent by Entity A and received by Entity B.

## Condition 3

- **Field:** Entity Recipient
- **Operator:** not these conditions
  - **Field:** Entity Recipient
  - **Operator:** none of these
  - **Text:** [Entity B]

**Note:** This is a double-negative condition that will **exclude** everyone but Entity B. In other words, this condition will only allow emails **received by Entity B**. When conditions 2 and 3 are combined, we have a holistic search condition for emails sent by Entity A and received by Entity B.

## Condition 4

- **Field:** Entity From
- **Operator:** not these conditions
  - **Field:** Entity From
  - **Operator:** none of these
  - **Text:** [Entity B]

**Note:** This is a double-negative condition that will **exclude** everyone but Entity B. In other words, this condition will only allow emails **sent by Entity B**. When conditions 4 and 5 are combined, we have a holistic search condition for emails sent by Entity B and received by Entity A.

## Condition 5

- **Field:** Entity Recipient
- **Operator:** not these conditions
  - **Field:** Entity Recipient
  - **Operator:** none of these
  - **Text:** [Entity A]

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**Note:** This is a double-negative condition that will **exclude** everyone but Entity A. In other words, this condition will only allow emails **received by Entity A**. When conditions 4 and 5 are combined, we have a holistic search condition for emails sent by Entity B and received by Entity A.

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1 AND ((2 AND 3) OR (4 AND 5))

### 1. Entity From

these conditions

#### Entity From

is set

AND ▾

### 2. Entity From

not these conditions

#### Entity From

none of these: [Wayne, Bruce](#)

AND ▾

### 3. Entity Recipient

not these conditions

#### Entity Recipient

none of these: [Parker, Peter](#)

OR ▾

### 4. Entity From

not these conditions

#### Entity From

none of these: [Parker, Peter](#)

AND ▾

### 5. Entity Recipient

not these conditions

#### Entity Recipient

none of these: [Wayne, Bruce](#)

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**Note:** By combining the two logic groups above, we create a holistic set of search conditions that will return all emails **sent from entity A to entity B** as well as all emails **sent from entity B to entity A**.

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Breaking it down:

- **Entity From==not this person** means someone other than this person is the sender
- **Not these conditions [LINE ABOVE]** means nobody other than this person is the sender

## 8.3 Communications between any two individuals and no one else

To find emails between any two individuals and no one else, use the **Email Recipient Count** field created by Relativity Processing or the **Delimiter Count by Saved Search** script available on the Relativity Community site to count the number of recipients for each document.

Create the following search:

**Field:** Email Recipient Count

**Operator:** is

- **Text:** 1



Because an email always has a single sender, this search focuses on finding emails that have just one recipient.

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**Note:** You can also use this search to filter out email blasts by looking for documents where **Email Recipient Count** is greater than 20.

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## 8.4 Emails across entity metadata (such as departments)

You can use any entity metadata field for advanced searching on documents. As an example, to find emails sent from the Finance department to the Human Resource department, you can use the **Entity From::Department** and **Entity Recipient::Department** fields.

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**Notes:**

- You can use variations of this metadata search to identify conversations with attorneys (Job Title), between your Chicago and Hong Kong offices (Location), or between males and females (Gender), etc.
- You may need to edit the Entity field to set **Open to Associations** to **Yes** in order to search across it on the document object.
- Importing address book, Active Directory, or CRM information for each entity can give you more metadata to leverage when searching across documents.

Create a search with the following conditions:

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**Note:** Connect the search conditions as follows using a Boolean operator: **1 AND 2**

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**Condition 1**

This search indicates that a specific entity value is the sender of the document.

- **Field:** Entity From
- **Operator:** these conditions
  - **Field:** Entity From::Department
  - **Operator:** is
  - **Text:** [Department 1]

## Condition 2

- **Field:** Entity Recipient
- **Operator:** these conditions
  - **Field:** Entity Recipient::Department
  - **Operator:** is
  - **Text:** [Department 2]

1 AND 2

**1. Entity From**  
these conditions  
**Entity From::Department**  
is Finance

AND ▾

**2. Entity Recipient**  
these conditions  
**Entity Recipient::Department**  
is Human Resources

## 8.5 Emails someone sent to themselves

To find emails someone sent to themselves and nobody else, use the “Entity From” and “Entity Recipient” fields. You must conduct this search with a double negative in order to find documents that only include our selected entity.

**Note:** This search may be impacted by whether you decided to group professional and personal aliases under a single entity or separate entities.

Create a search with the following conditions:

**Note:** Connect the search conditions as follows using a Boolean operator: **1 AND 2 AND 3**

## Condition 1

- **Field:** Entity From
- **Operator:** these conditions
  - **Field:** Entity From
  - **Operator:** is set

## Condition 2

This search indicates that someone other than this person is the sender.

- **Field:** Entity From
- **Operator:** not these conditions
  - **Field:** Entity From
  - **Operator:** none of these
  - **Text:** [Entity 1]

## Search 3

- **Field:** Entity Recipient
- **Operator:** not these conditions
  - **Field:** Entity Recipient
  - **Operator:** none of these
  - **Text:** [Entity 1]

1 AND 2 AND 3

**1. Entity From**

these conditions

**Entity From**

is set

AND ▾

**2. Entity From**

not these conditions

**Entity From**

none of these: [Wayne, Bruce](#)

AND ▾

**3. Entity Recipient**

not these conditions

**Entity Recipient**

none of these: [Wayne, Bruce](#)

Breaking it down:

- **Entity From==not this person** means someone other than this person is the sender
- **Not these conditions [LINE ABOVE]** means nobody other than this person is the sender

## 8.6 Entities that communicated on privileged documents

To find a list of entities that communicated on privileged documents, use the **Entity Participant::Privilege Designation** field on the Entity object (Entities tab).

**Note:**

You must edit the Privilege Designation field to set **Open to Associations** to **Yes** in order to search across it on the document object.

You can use a variation of this search using the Participant field to return the entities that only sent or received privileged documents rather than participated in any segment of the document .

You can use variations of this search to return the entities that communicated on a document that have any specific attribute. For example, entities that communicated on Hot documents.

Create the following search:

- **Field:** Entity Participant
- **Operator:** these conditions
  - **Field:** Entity Participant::Privilege Designation
  - **Operator:** any of these
  - **Text:** [Designation Type(s)]

This search locates Entities that exist in the **Entity Participant** field of documents that have this specific value in the **Privilege Designation** field.

A search card with the number '1' in the top-left corner. The main content area contains the following text:  
**1. Entity Participant**  
these conditions  
**Entity Participant::Privilege Designation**  
any of these: Attorney Client Communication;  
Attorney Work Product

## 8.7 Emails where a specific person drops off of a communication

To find emails where a specific person dropped off an email chain, use the **Entity From**, **Entity Recipient**, and **Entity Participant** fields. This search finds all documents where the person appears in a lower email segment within the document (Entity Participant), but not the top email segment (Entity From and Entity Recipient).

**Note:** Adding multiple people to the search can cause documents to be missed. If you want to search for multiple people, create separate search cards for each person.

Create a search with the following conditions:

**Note:** Connect the search conditions as follows using a Boolean operator: **1 AND 2 AND 3**

### Condition 1

Entity Participant (these conditions), Entity Participant (any of these [Entity 1])

- **Field:** Entity Participant
- **Operator:** these conditions
  - **Field:** Entity Participant
  - **Operator:** any of these
  - **Text:** [Entity]

### Condition 2

Entity From (not these conditions), Entity From (any of these [Entity 1])

### Condition 3

Entity Recipient (not these conditions), Entity Recipient (any of these [Entity 1])

1 AND 2 AND 3

**1. Entity Participant**

these conditions

**Entity Participant**

any of these: [Parker, Peter](#)

AND ▾

**2. Entity From**

not these conditions

**Entity From**

any of these: [Parker, Peter](#)

AND ▾

**3. Entity Recipient**

not these conditions

**Entity Recipient**

any of these: [Parker, Peter](#)

# 9 dtSearch

Relativity's dtSearch engine provides advanced search functionality such as proximity, stemming, and fuzzy searches across any field type. It also supports the use of Boolean operators and custom noise word lists and the basic searching features available in keyword searches. After building your dtSearch index, the Dictionary search option becomes available.

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**Note:** Relativity partitions a single index into multiple smaller indexes (called sub-indexes), which multiple workers build simultaneously. This increases performance by spreading out the work over a configurable number of agents. When you perform a search, Relativity runs your query on the smaller indexes in parallel. The application then federates and returns your results. For more details, see the Ask The Expert Training content: [Searching: Best Practices for dtSearch Builds](#).

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## 9.1 Creating a dtSearch index

You can build custom dtSearch indexes for a subset of documents or for certain document fields in a workspace. You must have the appropriate permissions to complete this task. See [Workspace security](#) in the Admin Guide.

Before you begin, you need to create a saved search that includes the fields that you want to include in the index. You can then name the index based on the document search set used to create it.

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**Note:** Within a field, dtSearch truncates any string longer than 32 characters that does not contain a space character. It indexes only the first 32 characters of the string. For more information, see [Searching for words longer than 32 characters](#).

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To create a new dtSearch index:

1. Use the search feature to navigate to the **Search Indexes** tab.
2. Click **New Search Index**.  
The dtSearch Index Information form appears with required fields having an orange asterisks.
3. Complete the fields on the dtSearch index form. See more details, see [Fields](#).
4. Click **Save** to display the index details page. The index details page now displays three additional read-only fields and the dtSearch index console. See [Fields](#) and [dtSearch console](#).
5. Click **Build Index: Full**. A dialog box asks you to verify that you want to run a full build. You can also select **Activate this index upon completion**. Indexes must be active to search them.
6. Click **OK** to build your index.

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**Note:** Network problems can slow down your dtSearch builds. If a dtSearch manager or worker agent encounters a network-related error during the build process, it executes up to three retry attempts at 30-second intervals.

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7. If you did not select **Activate this index upon completion** in the dialog box, click **Activate Index** on the console. The index will not activate if there are errors. Activating an index makes it available in the Search menu.
8. (Optional) Click **Refresh Page** at any point in the build to see the index's current build status. If errors occur during the build, the **Retry Errors** button enables on the console under the Errors and Status heading. Click this button to try to resolve any errors.

Once the index builds, the console enables additional options. See [dtSearch console](#).

## 9.2 Accent-insensitive indexes

By default, Relativity builds an accent-insensitive index. In an accent-sensitive index, some characters translate to the base character, which causes those characters and any terms containing those characters to be treated the same in a Search Terms Report.

**Note:** dtSearch uses .ABC files, but only for characters in the range from 33 to 127. Relativity handles all other characters according to the definitions in the Unicode character tables.

**Example:** Relativity converts accented characters like á or ñ to the unaccented versions, a or n.

**Example:** If you search for the term fröhlich, searching that term as fröhlich or frohlich would both return the hit. However, highlighting in the Viewer may not display both variations.

## 9.3 Case-insensitive indexes

Relativity does not support case-sensitive dtSearch indexes for Unicode text. While dtSearch provides an option to modify the letters section of the alphabet file for case-sensitive indexing, this functionality only applies to the standard ASCII range, not Unicode text. See [Build a Case Sensitive dtSearch Index](#) in Community and [dtSearch alphabet file on page 78](#) for more information.

Due to how text is processed in dtSearch, case sensitivity will only work for characters in the standard ASCII range (decimal values 0–127). This includes unaccented English letters, digits, and common punctuation. The behavior is controlled by modifying the alphabet file, which applies only to characters in this ASCII range. Unicode characters, including extended or “double-wide” variants of standard ASCII characters, are not supported for case-sensitive indexing.

To avoid issues with extended encoding of standard characters, Relativity strongly recommends using fields with Unicode turned off when attempting to configure case sensitivity via the alphabet file. This ensures all characters are stored as ASCII and prevents unpredictable behavior. Attempting to search on an index with Unicode-enabled text and a modified alphabet file could result in false positives or negatives and should be used at your own risk.

## 9.4 Fields

The dtSearch index page includes the following fields:

### dtSearch Index Information

- **Name**—the dtSearch index name. This name appears within the **search with** menu in the Documents tab.
- **Order**—the integer value, positive or negative, representing the position of the index in the search indexes list. Indexes sort from lowest, top, to highest, bottom, order number. Those with the same order number sort alpha-numerically.
- **Searchable set**—the saved search of documents for indexing. Relativity indexes the documents returned by the search as well as the returned documents' fields. It may use a dtSearch or an Analytics index. Make sure the index is active.

**Note:** When creating a saved search for a dtSearch index, the best practice is to use long text fields. You will see a warning message, when creating a dtSearch index, if you select a saved search that does not contain at least one long text field.

- **Email notification recipients**—enter the email addresses of those who should receive notifications of whether the dtSearch index build succeeded or failed.

### Advanced Settings

- **Auto recognize date, email, and credit card numbers**—a yes/no field. See [Auto-recognition](#) for details.
- **Create accent sensitive**—a yes/no field. When set to Yes, dtSearch indexes are sensitive to accents and other language-specific characters.
- **Sub-index size**—determines the maximum size of each sub-index created when you generate a dtSearch index. The minimum value is 1000.
- **Skip malicious files**—a yes/no field. Select Yes to skip potentially malicious quarantined files and continue processing the index. The final index breakdown includes the number of skipped documents.
- **Index share**—populated by default by a system administrator.

## Noise Words

- Edit the list of words that Relativity ignores during indexing.

## Alphabet

- Edit the index's alphabet file. See [Making a character searchable](#).

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**Note:** If you search for long, uninterrupted strings that have no spaces or word breaks, such as when you have made a character searchable, dtSearch truncates the string after 32 characters and inserts a wildcard. For more information, see [Searching for words longer than 32 characters](#).

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## 9.5 dtSearch console

The dtSearch index console includes the following options:

- **Build Index: Full**—creates a full build of the index. During the build, the button toggles to **Cancel Build**. If you add an additional field to your index or change the auto-recognize or accent sensitive settings, you must perform a full build.

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**Note:** Canceling the build stops the indexing thread, leaving the index in an unstable state. Relativity deletes these indexes from the population table and gives them an inactive status. You cannot search on an index with an inactive status until you run a full build. Canceling also deletes the index files in the index share.

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- **Build Index: Incremental**—updates an index after adding or removing documents. During an incremental build the existing index remains available for searching, but changes to the index are not reflected in search results until the incremental build completes. Canceling an incremental build returns the index to its previous state.

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**Note:** The incremental build process copies each sub-index that requires modification, updates the copy, then replaces existing sub-indexes with the updated copies. When run, the Workspace Delete/Housekeeping agent removes duplicate sub-indexes. The system automatically compresses a sub-index during an incremental build only if the sub-index fragmentation level is equal to or greater than the sub-index fragmentation threshold value.

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- **Compress Index**—compresses the dtSearch index returning all sub-indexes with a fragmentation level greater than zero to a fragmentation level of zero. You can search on the original, uncompressed, dtSearch index while compression is in progress. Once compression completes, the system automatically replaces the old sub-indexes with the defragmented sub-indexes. When run, the Workspace Delete/Housekeeping agent removes duplicate sub-indexes.

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**Note:** The Compress Index button only runs compression on sub-indexes that have a fragmentation level greater than zero. Canceling compression returns the index to its original fragmented state before compression began.

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- **Deactivate Index**—deactivates the index and removes it from the **search with** menu in the Documents tab, but not from the database.
- **Swap Index**—swaps your index with a replacement index in order to use its resources while your index builds or is inactive or disabled for any reason. This enables you to keep searching while your primary index experiences downtime. You can only select indexes in the Replacement Index with an Active status. This index you swap to does not automatically run an incremental update. Selecting the index from the drop-down list and clicking **OK** completes the index swap. You cannot reverse the swap results in the current dialog box. You must close this swap and run it again to swap back or swap another time. This functionality is useful in limited cases, for example, if you are performing a full rebuild on a very large index. Since dtSearch incremental builds are online, you can search documents once indexed.

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**Note:** The Swap Index function updates anything in the Views table, which affects batches, saved searches, nested searches, and more.

- **Retry Errors**—enables only if errors occur, you can use this button to resolve errors.
- **Show Document Errors**—enables only if document errors occur. This button creates an exportable list of document-level errors.
- **Show Detailed Status**—shows you statistical data for the index, including:
  - **Doc Count**—the total number of documents in the index.
  - **Index Size**—the size of the index in bytes.
  - **Created Date**—the date you created the index.
  - **Updated Date**—the date you updated the index.
  - **Last Build Duration**—how long the last build took to complete in hours, minutes, and seconds.
- **Refresh Page**—shows the index's current build status.

## 9.6 dtSearch index page

After you create and build a dtSearch index, the dtSearch page has several sections where you can view details about your index.

### 9.6.1 Index Status

You can view the state of your dtSearch index from the Index Status section. The name of the Index Status section populates with the name of your dtSearch index. When you are building an index, this section changes to a progress bar where you can track your index's progress in real-time. When the index is no longer in progress, this section changes to a static field that displays the below fields.

- **Status**—the status of the index. For example, Active - Indexed or Inactive - Indexed.
- **Document Breakdown** —the number of indexed documents.

### 9.6.2 dtSearch Index Information

The dtSearch Index Information section provides general details about the settings applied to your dtSearch index. This section has the following information:

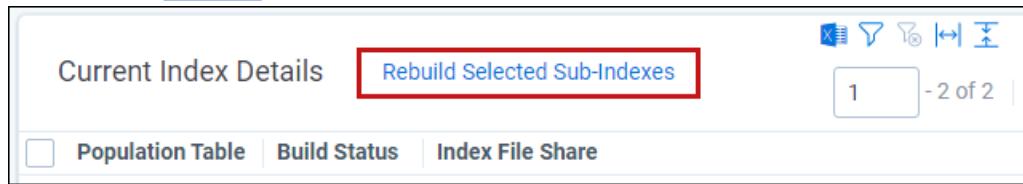
- **Name**—the name of your index.

- **Order**—the integer value, positive or negative, representing the position of the index in the search indexes list. Indexes sort from lowest, top, to highest, bottom, order number. Those with the same order number sort alpha-numerically.
- **Searchable set**—the set of documents to be indexed. You can choose from any saved search in the workspace.
- **Index share**—populated by default by a system administrator.
- **Auto-recognize date, email, and credit card numbers**—a yes/no field.
- **Email notification recipients**—the emails that receive an email notification when your index population fails or completes.

### 9.6.3 Advanced Settings

The Advanced Settings section provides sub-index details about your dtSearch index. This section has the following information:

- **Sub-index size**—determines the size of each sub-index created when you generate a dtSearch index. The minimum value is 1000.
- **Sub-index fragmentation threshold**—the fragmentation level at which the system automatically compresses a dtSearch sub-index during an incremental build.
- **Sub-indexes scheduled for compression**—the number of sub-indexes at or greater than the sub-index fragmentation threshold. If one or more sub-indexes is equal to or greater than the sub-index fragmentation level, the system automatically compresses those sub-indexes during the next incremental build.
- **Rebuild Selected Sub-Indexes**—manually rebuilds selected sub-indexes. Do not use this option unless directed by the [Support](#) team.



### 9.6.4 Temporary Index Details

The Temporary Index Details section only appears during an incremental build. This table displays sub-indexes that copy from your original index and are in the process of modification during the incremental build. Once the sub-indexes in this table update, they replace the original sub-indexes from which they were copied. This section has the following information:

- **Population Table**—the name of the table that a sub-index is populating.
- **Build Status**—the state that the sub-index is currently in.
- **Worker Agent**—the name of the agent that is handling the sub-index.
- **Worker Agent Status**—the current state of the worker agent.
- **Index File Share**—the location where you store your sub-index.
- **Document count**—the number of documents assigned to the sub-index.
- **Error(s)**—any errors encountered by the sub-index.

- **Fragmentation Level**—the fragmentation level of the sub-index. Any index equal to or greater than the sub-index fragmentation threshold appears in red.

## 9.6.5 Current Index Details

The Current Index Details section displays the sub-indexes that make up your dtSearch index. This section has the following information:

- **Population Table**—the name of the table that a sub-index is populating.
- **Build Status**—the current state of the sub-index.
- **Worker Agent**—the name of the agent that is handling the sub-index.
- **Worker Agent Status**—the current state of the worker agent.
- **Index File Share**—the location where you store your sub-index.
- **Document count**—the number of documents assigned to the sub-index.
- **Error(s)**—any errors encountered by the sub-index.
- **Fragmentation Level**—the fragmentation level of the sub-index. Any index equal to or greater than the sub-index fragmentation threshold appears in red.

## 9.6.6 View Audit

Using the View Audit button, you can see when a user modified dtSearch index settings. The View Audit layout has the following fields:

- Action
- Field
- Old Value
- New Value
- User Name
- Timestamp
- Details

## 9.7 Temporary storage

If you specify a temporary storage location, dtSearch builds the index in this directory and then copies the index over to the final index share when the build completes. Using a temporary storage location could speed up the build time and reduce network contention. See the Admin guide for more information on Servers.

## 9.8 Running a dtSearch

Use dtSearch to complete stemming, fuzzy, and proximity searches on the information included in your dtSearch index.

Considerations and best practices

Consider the following before running a dtSearch.

- Pressing Enter between search terms in the Search Terms text box acts as spaces between terms and not as the *AND* or *OR* operator. Terms will not be searched for independently. They will be searched for as one search

item.

- Use **AND** or **OR** operators to search for terms independently.
- For example, typing *apples*, pressing Enter, and typing *pears* searches for *apples pears* as one search item. However, typing *apples OR pears* searches for instances of the word *apples* or *pears* individually.
- dtSearch indexes are case insensitive by default.
  - All characters in a dtSearch index are normalized to lowercase. Relativity does not support case-sensitive dtSearch indexes. See [Case-insensitive indexes on page 62](#) for more information.
  - For example, if your exact phrase is an acronym like *ACT*, these will be included in the index: *act*, *AcT*, *aCt*, and similar.
- dtSearch combines text from multiple fields in the order they are added to the saved search. Make sure both lists of fields are ordered identically.
- The maximum number of search terms is 65,000 characters.
  - Words longer than 32 characters are truncated during indexing.
  - For more information, see [Searching for words longer than 32 characters on page 71](#).
- We recommend avoiding wildcards in your search terms.
  - Wildcards can slow searches.
  - Wildcards can return more documents than intended.
  - Leading wildcards should not be used. For example *\*ing*.
- We recommend limiting proximity operators.
  - Large numbers of proximity operators within a single query can cause slower performance. For example, *w/ or PRE/*.
  - Nesting proximity operators can also cause performance problems. For example, *dog w/5 (cat w/2 bird)*.
  - Queries can be difficult to read and understand.
- We recommend running multiple queries that return small numbers of documents.
  - We recommend writing specific search terms.
  - Avoid using one broad query.

## 9.8.1 Running a dtSearch in the search panel

To run a dtSearch in the Search panel from the Documents list in Relativity:

1. Navigate to the search panel.
2. Click **Add Condition**.
3. Select **(Index Search)** from the Add Condition drop-down list.  
The (Index Search) window opens.
4. Select the name of your dtSearch index from the Index drop-down list.
5. Enter terms for the search in the Search Terms box.

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**Notes:**

- You can enter search terms on multiple lines (i.e., hit Enter), but the hard return will not be treated as an AND / OR operator.
- dtSearch indexes are case insensitive by default. All characters in a dtSearch index are normalized to lowercase. For example, if your exact phrase search is an acronym like ACT, you must build a case-sensitive dtSearch index.
- Your total number of search terms cannot exceed 65,000 characters. Additionally, words longer than 32 characters are truncated during indexing. For more information, see [Searching for words longer than 32 characters on page 71](#).

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The following table shows search string examples and their expected results. For more information, see [Using dtSearch syntax options on page 79](#).

Search String	Returns Documents With...
apple pear	The exact phrase <b>apple pear</b>
"apple pear"	The exact phrase <b>apple pear</b>
apple AND pear	The word <b>apple</b> and the word <b>pear</b>
(apple and pear) AndAny (grape or banana)	Any document that contains <b>apple</b> and <b>pear</b> , with <b>grape</b> and <b>banana</b> also being counted as hits. <b>Grape</b> and <b>banana</b> aren't evaluated as conditions; they're simply added to the search results as optional terms to be highlighted if they appear in the document.
apple OR pear	Either <b>apple</b> or <b>pear</b>
apple W/5 pear	<b>Apple</b> appears within 5 words of <b>pear</b>
apple PRE/5 pear	<b>Apple</b> appears within 5 words before <b>pear</b> <b>Note:</b> Relativity does not use the POST operator. However, you can mimic this functionality by reversing the order of the terms, and using the PRE operator.
apple NOT W/5 pear	<b>Apple</b> occurs not within 5 words of <b>pear</b>
apple AND NOT pear	<b>Apple</b> appears but <b>pear</b> does not
apple W/5 xfirstword	<b>Apple</b> appears in the first 6 words of the document
apple w/5 xlast-word	<b>Apple</b> appears in the last 6 words of the document

You can access stemming or fuzziness for key terms by checking the Enable Stemming box or selecting a Fuzziness Level in the drop-down list.

(Index Search)

**Index:**  
dtSearch

**Search Terms:**

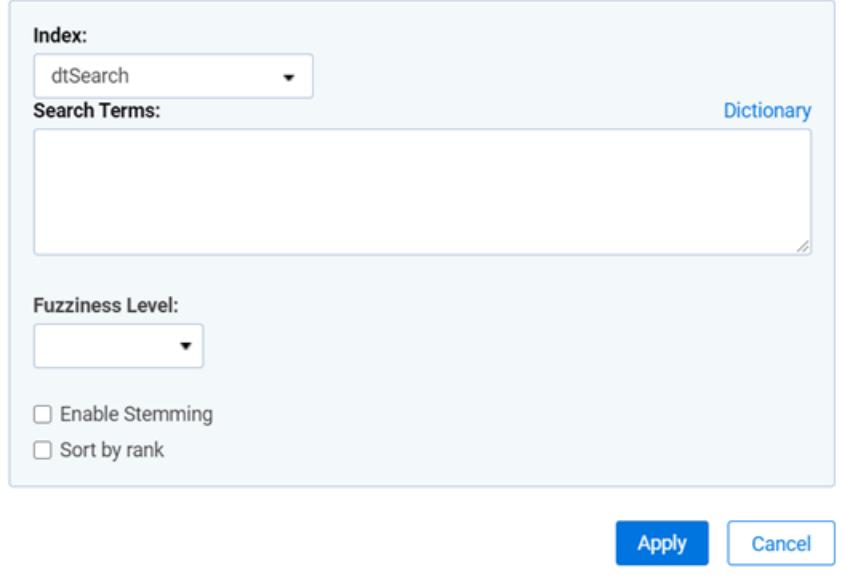
**Dictionary**

**Fuzziness Level:**

Enable Stemming

Sort by rank

**Apply** **Cancel**



6. (Optional) Add any additional search conditions.
7. Click **Apply**.  
The search terms populate in the Search builder.
8. Click **Run Search**. To stop a long running search, click **Cancel**.

**Note:** Click the **Sort by rank** checkbox to sort the results by order of relevance in relation to the search terms. The most relevant documents are listed at the top of the results set, with the least relevant documents, or the documents with the smallest number of keywords, is at the end of the list.

## 9.8.2 Running a dtSearch in the Search Browser

To run a dtSearch in the Search browser:

1. Click  to access the Search browser from the Documents List.
2. Click **New Search**.
3. Enter required fields in the Information card.
4. Click **Add Condition**.
5. Select **(Index Search)** from the Add Condition drop-down list.  
The (Index Search) window opens.
6. Select the name of your dtSearch index from the Index drop-down list.
7. Enter terms for the search in the Search Terms box.

**Note:** You can enter search terms on multiple lines (i.e., hit Enter), but the hard return will not be treated as an AND / OR operator.

**Note:** Your total number of search terms cannot exceed 65,000 characters.

The following table shows search string examples and their expected results. For more information, see [Using dtSearch syntax options on page 79](#).

Search String	Returns Documents With...
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apple OR pear	Either <b>apple</b> or <b>pear</b>
apple W/5 pear	<b>Apple</b> appears within 5 words of <b>pear</b>
apple PRE/5 pear	<b>Apple</b> appears within 5 words before <b>pear</b> <b>Note:</b> Relativity does not use the POST operator. However, you can mimic this functionality by reversing the order of the terms, and using the PRE operator.
apple NOT W/5 pear	<b>Apple</b> does not appear within 5 words of <b>pear</b>
apple AND NOT pear	<b>Apple</b> appears but <b>pear</b> does not
apple W/5 xfirstword	<b>Apple</b> appears in the first 6 words of the document
apple w/5 xlast-word	<b>Apple</b> appears in the last 6 words of the document

You can access stemming or fuzziness for key terms by checking the Enable Stemming box or selecting a Fuzziness Level in the drop-down list.

(Index Search)

**Index:**  [Dictionary](#)

**Search Terms:**

**Fuzziness Level:**

Enable Stemming  
 Sort by rank

[Apply](#) [Cancel](#)

8. (Optional) Add any additional search conditions.

9. Click **Apply**.

The search terms populate in the Search builder.

8. Click **Save** or **Save As**.

9. Select the name of the dtSearch in the Search Browser.

10. Click **Run Search**. To stop a long running search, click **Cancel**.

**Note:** Tap on the Sort by Rank check box beneath the search box to sort the results in order of the most relevance to your search terms. The most relevant documents are listed at the top of the results set, with the least relevant documents, or the documents with the smallest number of keywords, is at the end of the list.

### 9.8.3 Searching for words longer than 32 characters

When a word has more than 32 characters (none of which are whitespace, characters in the CJKRanges section, or symbols configured as spaces), dtSearch truncates the word and only indexes the first 32 characters. As a result, if you run a search on the first 32 characters, the search returns any words with 33 or more characters that contain the search term as the first 32 characters.

If you attempt to run a search with a string of 33 characters or more, dtSearch does not return any results because it does not truncate the query, and as we've seen, no word is longer than 32 characters. See below examples for reference.

Search	Length (in characters)	Returned results
supercalifragilisticexpialido	29	supercalifragilisticexpialido
supercalifragilisticexpialidoc	30	supercalifragilisticexpialidoc
supercalifragilisticexpialidoci	31	supercalifragilisticexpialidoci
supercalifragilisticexpialidocio	32	supercalifragilisticexpialidocio

Search	Length (in characters)	Returned results
		supercalifragilisticexpialidociou supercalifragilisticexpialidocious
supercalifragilisticexpialidociou	33	NO RESULTS
supercalifragilisticexpialidocious	34	NO RESULTS

**Notes:**

- If you include a wildcard (\*) after the 32nd character, you will get the exact same results as if you omitted the wildcard.
- You can use the following regular expression to search your dictionary for all 32-character words: ##. {32}

## 9.9 Running a Dictionary search

When you run a dtSearch, you can use **Dictionary Search** to query the index for a term and find the total occurrences and number of documents in which it occurs. The Dictionary Search dialog displays the results, including the following columns:

- **Keyword** - the word contained in the index. If you use fuzziness or stemming in your search, this column displays any variations of the term.
- **Total Words** - the number of times the word appears in the dtSearch index.
- **Total Documents** - the number of documents in the index that contain the word.

A dictionary search returns only the first 2,000 items in the result set. If your search returns more than that, a message displays to indicate that only 2,000 items were returned.

### 9.9.1 Running a Dictionary search in the search panel

To run a dictionary search in the search panel:

1. Navigate to the search panel.
2. Click **Add Condition**.
3. Select **(Index Search)** from the Add Condition dropdown.  
The (Index Search) pop-up opens.
4. Select the name of your dtSearch index from the Index dropdown.
5. Click **Dictionary**.  
The Dictionary Search pop-up opens.
6. Enter a search term in the textbox. You can enter variations of a search term as well as the wildcard (\*), stemming (~), or fuzzy searching (%) operators.
7. (Optional) Set one of the following search operators:
  - **Fuzziness Level** - Select a value from one to ten to set the degree of variation in the terms returned. A larger number returns terms with more variation. This option is independent of the fuzziness (%) character that you can enter in the textbox on the Dictionary Search dialog. See [Fuzzy searching on page 89](#).

- **Enable Stemming** - Select to return grammatical variations of a word. For example, a search on "apply" returns "applying", "applies" and "applied." This option is independent of the stemming (~) character that you can enter in the textbox on the Dictionary Search dialog. See [Stemming on page 92](#).

8. Click **Search** to display a list of keywords and the associated totals.

9. Perform any of the following tasks with your search results:

- **Copy to Clipboard** - Select the checkboxes for the terms that you want to copy, and click **Copy to Clipboard**. On the Documents tab, right-click in the **Search Terms** box, and click **Paste**. The terms will be added to the textbox separated by the OR operator.
- **Sort** - Click a column header to sort in descending or ascending order.
- **Reset Columns Sizes** - Displays columns with their default widths.
- **Export to Excel** - Click to download an Excel spreadsheet containing the keywords and totals from the dictionary search.
- **Show Filters/Clear All** - See [Filters on page 9](#).

## 9.9.2 Running a Dictionary search in the Search Browser

To run a dictionary search in the Search browser:



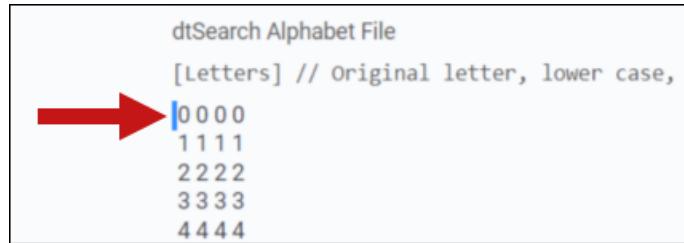
1. Click  to access the Search browser from the Document list.
2. Click **Create New Search**.
3. Enter required fields.
4. Click **Add Condition**.
5. Select **(Index Search)** from the Add Condition dropdown. The (Index Search) pop-up opens.
6. Select the name of your dtSearch index from the Index dropdown.
7. Click **Dictionary**. The Dictionary Search pop-up opens.
8. Enter a search term in the textbox. You can enter variations of a search term as well as the wildcard (\*), stemming (~), or fuzzy searching (%) operators.
9. (Optional) Set one of the following search operators:
  - **Fuzziness Level** - Select a value from one to ten to set the degree of variation in the terms returned. A larger number returns terms with more variation. This option is independent of the fuzziness (%) character that you can enter in the textbox on the Dictionary Search dialog. See [Fuzzy searching on page 89](#).
  - **Enable Stemming** - Select to return grammatical variations of a word. For example, a search on "apply" will return "applying", "applies" and "applied." This option is independent of the stemming (~) character that you can enter in the textbox on the Dictionary Search dialog. See [Stemming on page 92](#).
10. Click **Search** to display a list of keywords and the associated totals.
11. Perform any of the following tasks with your search results:
  - **Copy to Clipboard** - Select the checkboxes for the terms that you want to copy, and click **Copy to Clipboard**. On the Documents tab, right-click in the **Search Terms** box, and click **Paste**. The terms will be added to the textbox separated by the OR operator.
  - **Sort** - Click a column header to sort in descending or ascending order.

- **Reset Columns Sizes** - Displays columns with their default widths.
- **Export to Excel** - Click to download an Excel spreadsheet containing the keywords and totals from the dictionary search.
- **Show Filters/Clear All** - See [Filters on page 9](#).

## 9.10 dtSearch default alphabet file text

**Note:** Some of the characters in the alphabet file are not printable; screenshots were used instead of the actual text. You cannot copy or paste the **Spaces** or **Ignore** characters since they are not printable. Instead, use the dtSearchDefaultAlphabetFile instance setting in the Instance Setting system guide to update the dtSearch default alphabet file.

**Note:** Each sequence must start with a leading, or empty, space. Not having the leading space may produce errors.



```
dtSearch Alphabet File
[Letters] // Original letter, lower case,
0 0 0 0
1 1 1 1
2 2 2 2
3 3 3 3
4 4 4 4
```

### Alphabet file validation

When you save a dtSearch index, Relativity runs a validation check on the alphabet list. You will see a warning message if Relativity detects invalid spacing or syntax. You cannot save the index if there are errors with the alphabet list. The validation check includes:

- Header sections:
  - Header section appears first in Alphabet
  - Exact header section without any added whitespace
  - Required newline before section
- Letters:
  - Exact title, allowing any whitespace and comments preceding double slash //
  - Each letter on own line with preceding space
  - Each letter variant separate by single space
  - Allow any extra whitespace after letter
- Hyphens, Spaces, and Ignore
  - Exact title, allowing any whitespace
  - Single line of characters with preceding space
  - Optional newlines before next section
- Footer sections:
  - Exact title
  - Skip validating any text following title

- General:
  - Purple, Pink, Red, Green sections are each optional and can be in any order

### dtSearch Alphabet File

```
[Letters] // Original letter, lower case, upper case, unaccented
0 0 0
1 1 1
2 2 2
3 3 3
4 4 4
5 5 5
6 6 6
7 7 7
8 8 8
9 9 9
A a A A
B b B B
C c C C
D d D D
E e E E
F f F F
G g G G
H h H H
I i I I
J j J J
K k K K
L l L L
M m M M
N n N N
O o O O
P p P P
Q q Q Q
R r R R
S s S S
T t T T
U u U U
V v V V
W w W W
X x X X
Y y Y Y
Z z Z Z
```

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a a A a
b b B b
c c C c
d d D d
e e E e
f f F f
g g G g
h h H h
i i I i
j j J j
```

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kkKk  
lllI  
mmMm  
nnNn  
ooOo  
ppPp  
qqQq  
rrRr  
ssSs  
ttTt  
uuUu  
vvVv  
wwWw  
xxXx  
yyYy  
zzZz

## [Hyphens]

## [Spaces]

\09\0a\0c\0d !@#\$&'()^\*+,./;=>?[\\5c]^`{|}~

[Ignore]

[End]

CJKRanges = 0e00-0e4e 3040-30ff 4e00-9fff

**Note:** Previous guidance hid some characters that should not have been hidden. Those non-printable characters are critical to index function and should never be removed. The "\08" text represents the "backspace" text, and should also never be removed or split up (IE trying to index the backslash).

**Note:** This section only accepts ASCII characters (code points between 33 and 127) as input, we currently do not support ignoring extended Unicode values.

## 9.11 Making the dtSearch noise word and alphabet list searchable

Relativity ignores words that don't act as meaningful criteria when you create dtSearch and keyword queries. Ignored words are known as noise words. Search indexes automatically include the default list of noise words. However, you can edit this list in the dtSearch list to suit your needs. This recipe includes an overview of noise words and steps to create custom lists.

### 9.11.1 Default noise word list

Relativity references the default list of noise words each time you create a new index. System admins can't edit noise words in keyword searches. The default noise word list consists of punctuation marks, single letters and numbers, and the following words:

Begins with...	Noise words
A	a, about, after, all, also, an, and, another, any, are, as, at
B	be, because, been, before, being, between, both, but, by
C	came, can, come, could
D	did, do
E	each, even
F	for, from, further, furthermore
G	get, got
H	had, has, have, he, her, here, hi, him, himself, his, how, however
I	i, if, in, indeed, into, is, it, its
J	just
L	like
M	made, many, me, might, more, moreover, most, much, must, my
N	never, not, now
O	of, on, only, or, other, our, out, over
S	said, same, see, she, should, since, some, still, such
T	take, than, that, the, their, them, then, there, therefore, these, they, this, those, through, thus, to, too
U	under, up
V	very
W	was, way, we, well, were, what, when, where, which, while, who, will, with, would
Y	you, your

**Note:** Relativity ignores noise words. However, Relativity doesn't ignore their position in the search phrase set. So, if you execute the query apple w/6 pear, the search returns the phrase apple tree is far from the pear even though it contains the noise words is, from and the.

## 9.11.2 dtSearches and noise words

The default list of noise words is the same in a dtSearch as in a keyword search. The primary difference is that you can customize the dtSearch index list. For example, if the word never is important to your litigation, remove it from the noise words list, so that your search results always return that word.

To create a custom noise word list, perform the following:

1. Create a new dtSearch index, and then name it "dtSearch - updated noise words."
2. Select your extracted text search for the Searchable set.
3. Delete the word "never" from the Noise Words list.
4. Save the list, and then perform a full build on your new index.

## 9.11.3 Noise words in languages other than English

You can set up noise words to search documents in other languages. If the workspace primarily contains of documents in a different language, see for an overview of suggested noise words for use in nineteen additional languages.

## 9.11.4 dtSearch alphabet file

The following descriptions are for characters in the ASCII 33-127 range.

### 9.11.4.1 Letters

dtSearch defines letters as characters to index. This includes all alphabetic characters (a-z and A-Z) and all digits (0-9).

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**Note:** dtSearch is case insensitive.

### 9.11.4.2 Hyphens

dtSearch defines hyphens as characters that receive special processing in dtSearch. By default, dtSearch only classifies the - character as a hyphen.

### 9.11.4.3 Spaces

dtSearch defines a space character as a character that causes a word break. By default, dtSearch treats the following characters as spaces:

\09\0a\0c\0d !@#\$&'()\*+,./;:<=>?[\\5c]^`{|}~

Values listed as ## are Unicode code points. Their definitions are:

- \09 - horizontal tab
- \0a - line feed
- \0c - form feed
- \0d - carriage return
- \5c - backslash (\)

For more information, see . This article is found in the Relativity Community and you must log in to access it.

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**Note:** You must have valid Relativity Community credentials in order to download any Community file linked to the documentation site. You'll need to enter those credentials on the Community login screen if you're not already logged in. If you're already logged in to the Community at the time you click a link, the file is automatically downloaded in the bottom left corner of your screen. If you get an error message stating "URL No Longer Exists" after clicking a Community link, it may be due to a single sign-on error related to the SAML Assertion Validator, and you should contact your IT department.

### 9.11.4.4 Ignore

dtSearch defines an ignored character as a character that's ignored when processing text. By default, dtSearch ignores the following characters:

\08%

Values listed as ## are Unicode code points. Their definitions are:

\08 - backspace character

#### 9.11.4.5 End

dtSearch has defined ranges for CJK characters and these will make each Thai, Chinese, and Japanese character a separate word. See for more detail.

#### 9.11.4.6 Searching for a symbol or character

To search for a symbol or character in Relativity, see .

## 9.12 Using dtSearch syntax options

dtSearch includes special characters and other operators used to define search criteria. The following table lists the syntax options available for queries that run against a dtSearch index. Click the search functionality name for more details on the syntax use.

Search functionality	Special characters or operators
<a href="#">Auto-recognition of dates, emails, credit cards</a>	date(), mail(), creditcard()
<a href="#">Boolean operators</a>	AND, OR, NOT
<a href="#">Built-in search words</a>	xfirstword, xlastword
<a href="#">Connector words</a>	and, or, not, to, contains
<a href="#">Exact phrase - double quotes</a>	" "
<a href="#">Operator precedence</a>	()
<a href="#">Exact phrase - no double quotes</a>	
<a href="#">Fuzzy searching</a>	%
<a href="#">Noise words and the alphabet file</a>	Noise Words, Alphabet
<a href="#">Numerical patterns</a>	=
<a href="#">Phonic searching</a>	#
<a href="#">Regular expressions</a> (Redirects to another topic.)	"##"
<a href="#">Stemming</a>	~
<a href="#">Wildcards</a>	?, *
<a href="#">W/N operator</a>	W/N
<a href="#">Proximity with terms order</a>	PRE
<a href="#">Words and phrases</a>	

For the list of the special characters recognized as spaces that cause word breaks, see [Alphabet file](#).

## 9.12.1 Auto-recognition

Auto-recognition provides you with the ability to search for various date formats, email addresses, and credit card numbers. However, it can dramatically affect indexing and searching performance. You must activate auto-recognition before you can use it in your workspace. Contact your system administrator for more information.

### 9.12.1.1 Date recognition

Date recognition searches for strings that appear to be dates. It uses English-language months, including common abbreviations, and numerical formats. For example, dtSearch recognized the following date formats:

- January 15, 2006
- 2006/01/15
- 1/15/06
- 1-15-06
- The fifteenth of January, two thousand six

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**Note:** The short month format, *Jan*, *Feb*, and so forth, can be problematic, and is occasionally rejected by Relativity. The recommendation is to stick with the full name of the month to avoid any errors. For example *January*, *February*, and so forth.

Note the following date and date range search strings:

- To search for a date, enter a date expression between the parentheses in the string date(); for example, date(january 10 2006).
- To search for range of dates, enter a date range between the parentheses in the string date(); for example, date(january 10 2006 to january 20 2006).
- To search for a range of dates near the word *apple*, enter date(january 10 2006 to january 20 2006) w/10 *apple*.
- *dtSearch* does not support unbounded date ranges. To search for any date after or before a particular date, enter a bounded range with a maximal or minimal value for the bounds. The maximum value for a year is 2900, and the minimum value is 1000. For example, date(january 10 2006 to january 1 2900).

*dtSearch* recognizes numeric strings as dates, as long as it interprets as a valid date. This includes formats common in the US and UK, including:

- MM/DD/YY or MM-DD-YY
- MM/DD/YYYY or MM-DD-YYYY
- DD/MM/YY or DD-MM-YY
- DD/MM/YYYY or DD-MM-YYYY

In the case of ambiguous dates, such as 01/05/10, *dtSearch* defaults to MM/DD/YY. If the date contains words *dtSearch* converts the words to a numeric value to help interpret the date. For example, 30 must be a day and not a month, and 2015 must be a year, not a day or month.

### 9.12.1.2 Email address recognition

Email address recognition searches for text with the syntax of a valid email address, such as *sales@example.com*. With this feature, you can search for a specific email address regardless of the alphabet settings for "@" or punctuation in the email address.

You can also use the word listing functions in *dtSearch* to enumerate all email addresses in a document collection. You must include either the \* or ? wildcard expression to enumerate all email addresses in a document collection.

- *mail(sales@example.com)* returns the exact email address: *sales@example.com*.
- *mail(sa\*@example.com)* returns variations of the email address: *sal@example.com*; *sales.sa@example.com*.

### 9.12.1.3 Credit card number recognition

Credit card number recognition searches for any sequence of numbers that matches the syntax for a valid credit card number issued by a major company, such as Visa and MasterCard. *dtSearch* recognizes a credit card number regardless of the pattern of spaces or punctuation embedded in the number:

- 1234-5678-1234-5678
- 1234567812345678
- 1234 5678 1234 5678

Credit card issuers use numerical tests to exclude sequences of numbers that are not valid credit card numbers. Since these tests do not detect all invalid numbers, the feature for credit card number recognition may find additional invalid numbers.

To search for a credit card number, enter a credit card number between the parentheses in creditcard() as exemplified in creditcard(1234\*).

## 9.12.2 Boolean operators

The dtSearch engine supports Boolean operators, including AND, OR, and NOT. You can use these operators to connect multiple phrases or terms in a single search expression.

**Note:** When using Boolean operators in a proximity search, dtSearch includes noise words. Although not searchable, a proximity search still counts noise words.

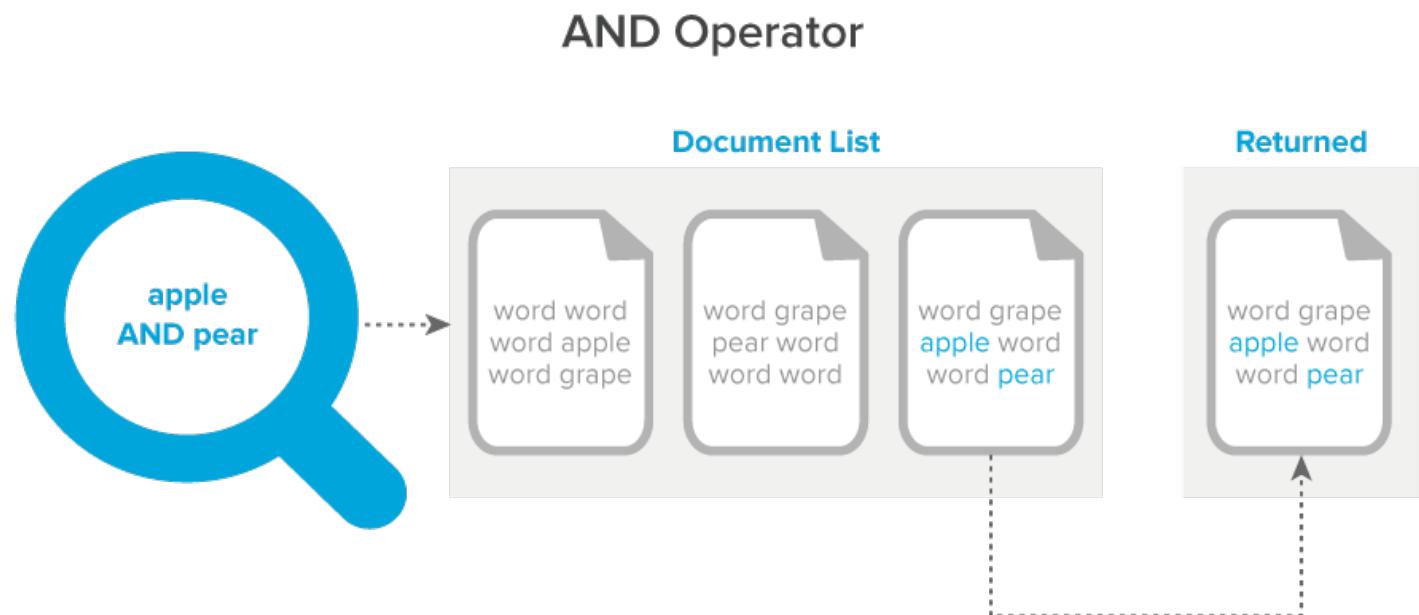
### 9.12.2.1 AND operator

**Note:** For details on parsing proximity and Boolean strings in search conditions, see [dtSearch - How are Proximity and Boolean \(AND/OR\) parsed in search conditions?](#) knowledge base article on the Relativity Community site.

When you use the AND operator to connect expressions, only documents that contain all the expressions in the search string return in the result set. The following search strings illustrate how to use this operator:

- apple pie AND poached pear retrieves any documents that contain both phrases.
- (apple or banana) AND (pear w/5 grape) retrieves any documents that contain apple or banana AND contain pear within five words of grape.

The following graphic depicts what documents return when you use the AND operator in a dtSearch string:



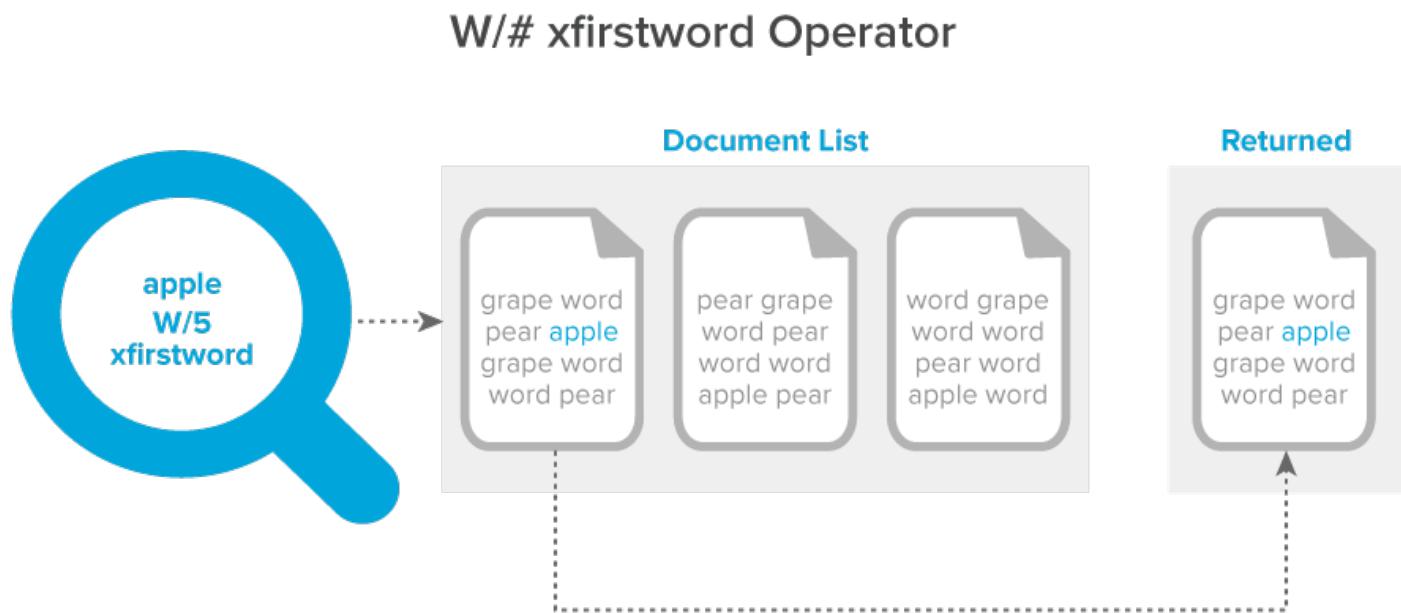
### 9.12.3 Built-in search words

dtSearch includes the following built-in search words:

You can use these terms to limit a search to the beginning or end of a file. For example, apple W/10 xlastword searches for apple within 11 words of the end of a document.

- **xfirstword**—marks the beginning of a file.

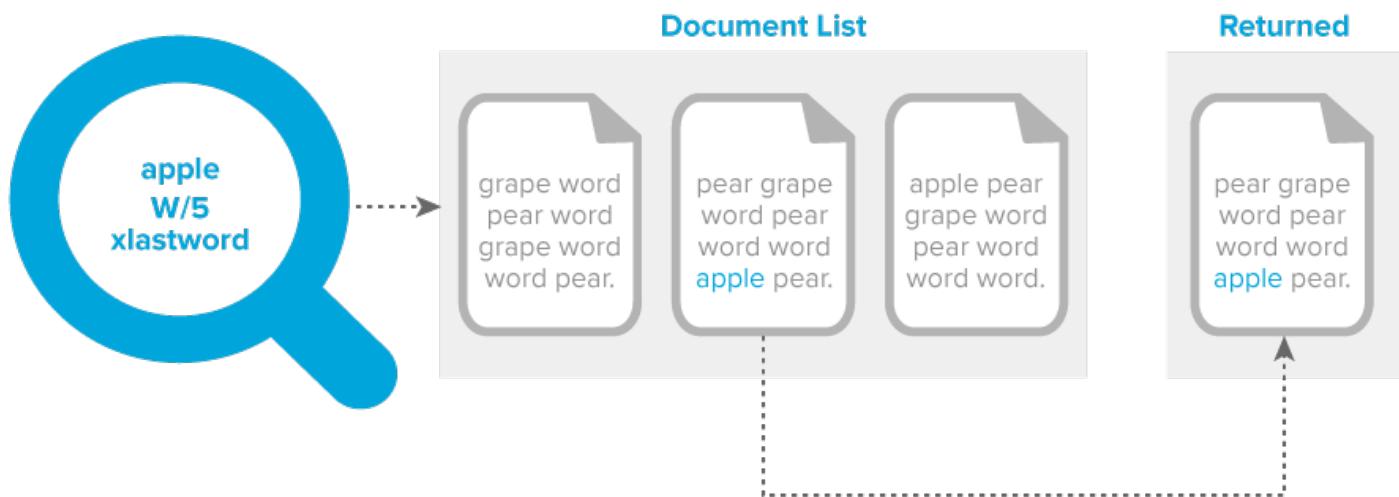
The following graphic depicts what documents return when you use the W/# xfirstword operator in a dtSearch string:



- **xlastword**—marks the end of a file.

The following graphic depicts what documents return when you use the W/# xlastword operator in a dtSearch string:

## W/# xlastword Operator



### 9.12.4 Connector words

The dtSearch connector words include:

- and
- or
- not
- to
- contains

To search for a phrase that contains one of the dtSearch connector words, quote a connector word or the phrase it is in, or put a tilde after the connector. The following search strings work in returning phrases that contain connector words:

- "clear and convincing evidence"
- not~ relevant
- "whether or not John wants to"

Note the following:

- Adding a ~ after a connector word prevents dtSearch from recognizing the word as a connector but does not otherwise affect the search. The ~ character after a word tells dtSearch to apply the stemming rules to it. Because the stemming rules included with dtSearch do not modify short words, the ~ does not change the outcome of a search for and, or, not, or to.
- The noise word list includes connector words such as *and* and *not* by default. All these words are noise words and you must remove these words from the list to make dtSearch index these files. See [Creating a dtSearch index](#) for details.

## 9.12.5 Exact phrase - double quotes

You must use double quotes when searching for exact phrases that contain dtSearch operator reserved words, such as the Boolean connectors AND, OR. For example:

**Note:** Connector words such as and and not are in the noise word list by default. All these words are noise words and you must remove these words from the list to make dtSearch index these files

**Search string:** *clear and present danger*

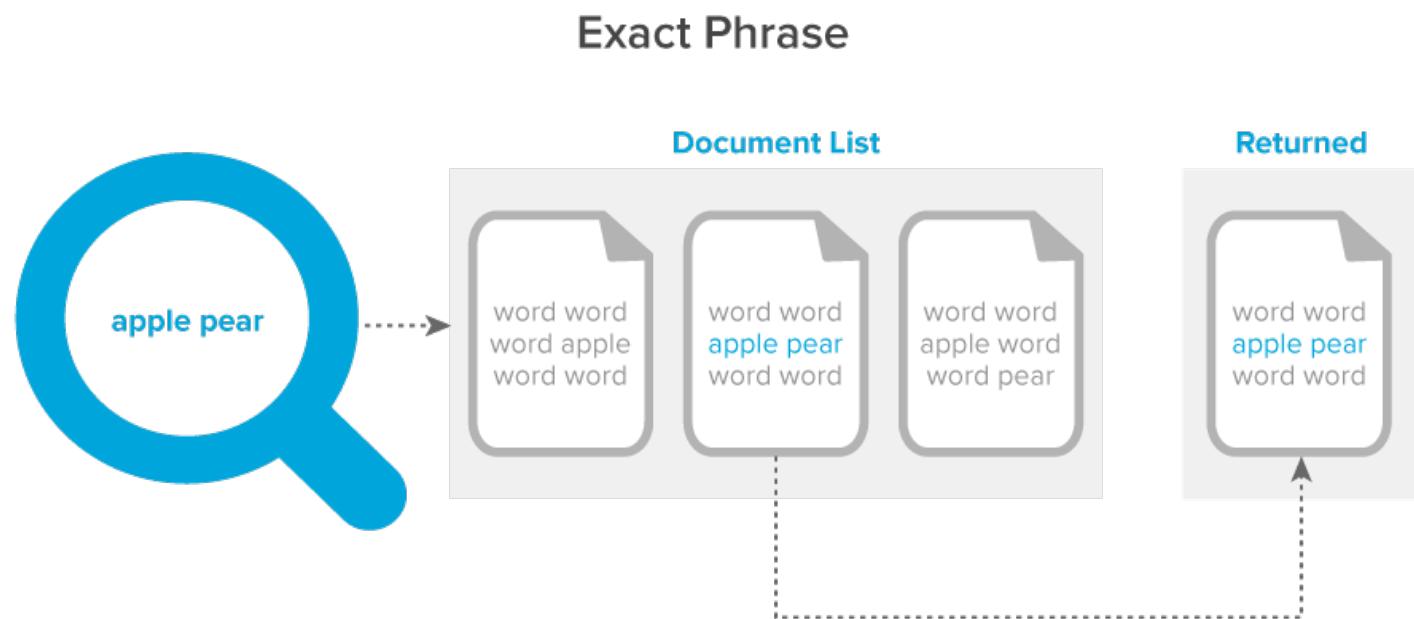
- Returns documents that contain both the word clear and the phrase present danger.
- If you need to return documents that contain the exact phrase clear and present danger, you must:
  1. Remove the word and from the dtSearch noise words list.
  2. Surround the search string with "double quotes" so that the word AND is not treated as a Boolean connector.

**Search string:** *"clear and present danger"*

- Returns the exact phrase clear and present danger.

**Note:** Do not confuse the parentheses function for order of preference with the double quotes function.

The following graphic depicts what documents return when you execute an exact phrase search:



## 9.12.5.1 AndAny operator

You can combine a search for required search terms with other optional terms. The words before the AndAny connector constitute required search terms, and the words after the AndAny connector are optional. A document only returns if it contains at least the required search terms. For example, (apple and pear) AndAny (grape or banana) would find any document that contains apple and pear, with grape and banana also counts as hits only if apple and pear are also present in the document.

The following example further explains the AndAny operator:

You have three documents, each containing the terms specified below:

- Document 1: Apple
- Document 2: Apple, Grape, Pear
- Document 3: Grape, Pear

Note the following behavior:

- When you search for the term *apple*, documents 1 and 2 return.
- When you search for the string *apple AND pear*, only document 2 returns.
- When you search for the string *apple AndAny pear*, documents 1 and 2 return.

The following graphic depicts what documents return when you use the *AndAny* operator in a *dtSearch* string:

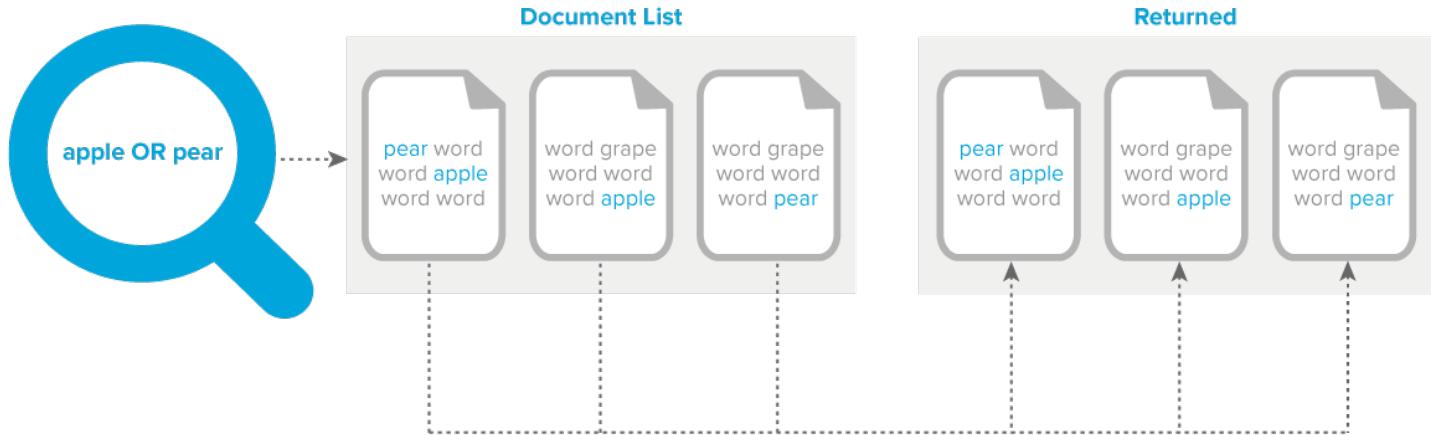


#### 9.12.5.2 OR operator

When you use the *OR* operator to connect expressions in a search string, documents that contain one or more of these expressions return in the result set. For example, the search string *apple pie or poached pear* returns documents that contain *apple pie*, *poached pear*, or both phrases.

The following graphic depicts what documents return when you use the *OR* operator in a *dtSearch* string:

## OR Operator



### 9.12.5.3 NOT operator

In a dtSearch, you can use the NOT operator at the beginning of a search expression to negate its meaning and exclude documents from a result set. For example, the search expression applesauce and NOT pear returns documents that contain the word applesauce, but not those documents that contain both the words applesauce and pear.

- **NOT operator as a standalone**—you can use the NOT operator by itself at the beginning of a search expression. For example, the search expression NOT pear returns all the documents that do not contain the word pear. The search expression NOT (apple w/5 pear) returns all the documents that do not contain the word apple within five words of pear. Other examples:
  - NOT (apple or pear) returns every document that does not have apple or pear in it.
  - NOT (apple and pear) returns documents where apple and pear do not appear together in the same document. It returns all other documents including documents with the word apple and documents with the word pear. It does not return documents that include both terms.
- **NOT operator as a connector**—when the NOT operator appears in the middle of a search expression, you must also use either AND or OR. For example, the search expression apple OR NOT pear returns all the documents that contain the word apple and those that do not contain the word pear.

**Note:** You can also use NOT in a proximity search as illustrated by the NOT W/N, NOT Within N words, operator.

- **AND NOT operator**—you can use the AND NOT operator to develop queries for documents that include the first expression but not the second expression. For example, you may want to query for email messages that have Ryan as the author, but do not have Will as the recipient. The following record illustrates these conditions:

Document	OCR	Recipient	Author
AS00001	From: Ryan To: Will	Will	Ryan

You can perform a dtSearch using the search string Ryan AND NOT Will and return results that do not include document AS00001.

The dtSearch engine combines into a single pool the text for all fields identified for inclusion in an index. A search string using the AND NOT operator queries the index that includes the combined text from all indexed

fields, rather than querying the content of individual fields. This behavior ensures consistent result sets when querying with the AND NOT operator.

**Note:** A keyword search is an SQL full text search, which queries individual fields. Keyword searches do not return the same results as dtSearch when using the NOT operator to query across multiple fields. See [NOT operator](#).

The following graphic depicts what documents return when you use the AND NOT operator in a dtSearch string:



#### 9.12.5.4 Operator precedence - no parentheses

The precedence, or order of evaluation, determines how a group of expressions evaluates in a query.

**Note:** By default, dtSearch evaluates OR expressions before AND expressions: A AND (B OR C). Unlike dtSearch, the order of precedence for a keyword search evaluates AND expressions before OR expressions: (A AND B) OR C. See [Keyword search](#).

Evaluation order for the search string: *apple AND pear OR grape*

- pear OR grape evaluates first
- AND apple evaluates second

Documents containing the following terms return:

- pear, grape, apple
- pear, apple
- grape, apple

#### 9.12.5.5 Operator precedence - with parentheses

Parentheses allow you to group expressions and control the order of query string execution where the query string contains both AND and OR operators. dtSearch requires both AND and OR operators for the parentheses to affect query results and ignores parentheses when the query string does not contain both operators.

For query strings containing both AND and OR operators, dtSearch evaluates OR first before AND. However, expressions contained within parentheses take precedence. If you want AND evaluated before OR, place the AND expression within parentheses.

Evaluation order for the search string: *grape OR (apple AND pear)*

- *apple AND pear* evaluated first as they reside within the parentheses
- *OR grape* evaluated second

dtSearch returns documents containing the following terms:

- apple, pear, grape
- apple, pear
- grape

#### **9.12.5.6 Workaround for expressions containing only AND or OR operators**

Use a proximity operator to separate query expressions. For example, insert a PRE proximity operator between each expression of the search string.

Evaluation of the search phrase: *(grape OR apple) PRE/1 (banana OR pear)*

dtSearch returns documents containing the following terms:

- grape banana
- grape pear
- apple banana
- apple pear

Evaluation of the search phrase: *(grape OR apple) (banana OR pear)*

dtSearch ignores the parentheses and analyzes the query as *grape OR apple banana OR pear* and returns documents with the following terms:

- grape
- apple banana
- pear
- grape, apple banana, pear

#### **9.12.6 Exact phrase - no double quotes**

Searching for words next to each other with no operator between them constitutes an exact phrase in dtSearch. For example, if you search for *apple pear*, dtSearch returns documents that contain the exact phrase *apple pear*. There is no rule that requires double quotes around a phrase of any number of words. You only need to use double quotes when searching for a word that is a dtSearch operator. For more details, see [Exact phrase - double quotes](#).

**Search string:** *pear orange*

- Returns the exact phrase: *pear orange*
- Does not return standalone word: *pear*
- Does not return standalone word: *orange*

**Search string:** *apple grape banana*

- Returns the exact phrase: *apple grape banana*
- Does not return partial phrase: *apple grape*
- Does not return standalone word: *grape banana*

## 9.12.7 Fuzzy searching

Using the dtSearch engine, you can perform fuzzy searches, which return documents containing spelling variations of a specified term. You may want to use fuzzy searching when querying documents that contain misspelled terms, typographical errors, or you have scanned with Optical Character Recognition (OCR).

The percent sign (%) is the character used for fuzzy searches. The number of % used indicates how many characters in the search term dtSearch engine ignores when it runs the query. The position of the % indicates the number of characters from the beginning of the term that must match exactly with words in the result set. The following search strings illustrate how to use this character:

- app%ly indicates that a matching word must begin with app and differ from apply by only one character.
- a%pply indicates that a matching word must begin with a and differ from apply by only two characters.

### 9.12.7.1 Using the fuzziness operator and fuzziness level option

In Relativity, you can use the fuzziness character (%) or the **Fuzziness Level** menu to perform fuzzy searches. The availability of these search options depends on the location where you are running a dtSearch:

- **Documents tab**—when you select a dtSearch in the **Search With** option, you can use the fuzziness character (%). See [Running a dtSearch](#).
- **Dictionary Search**—when you click the **Dictionary** link, you can use the fuzziness character (%) and the **Fuzziness Level** menu on the Dictionary Search dialog. See [Running a Dictionary search](#).

In the **Fuzziness Level** menu, you can select a value from 1 to 10, which applies to all terms in the text box. Larger numbers return terms with more variation. We recommend using values between 1-3 for moderate error tolerance. The following table describes the expected results for sample settings.

Fuzziness level	Description of search results
Blank	Only returns the entered term.
1	Returns slight variations of the entered term.
4	Returns multiple variations of the entered term.

- **Saved Search**—when you create a saved search, you can use the fuzziness operator (%) and the **Fuzziness Level** menu when you add a dtSearch index condition or by clicking the **and** and click the **Dictionary** link. The **Fuzziness Level** menu in a saved search uses the same settings as described above. See [Saved search](#).

**Note:** The **Fuzziness Level** menu is independent of the fuzziness (%) character that you can enter in the text box. A search for appl% without a *Fuzziness Level* setting may return documents containing apple or apply, since these terms have the stem appl and differ by one character.

Fuzzy searching uses term length and fuzziness level to decide how many % characters to add. This is not a straight level to character match. This means a level seven fuzziness search does not necessarily mean up to seven additional characters return.

## 9.12.8 Noise words and the alphabet file

The dtSearch engine references a default list of noise words and an alphabet file when it creates a new index. The dtSearch index excludes the noise words to improve query performance and prevent unnecessary index growth.

When you run a query, dtSearch ignores words such as AND, THE, and WILL. The alphabet file determines how queries handle characters and spaces.

**Note:** If your dtSearches do not return expected results, you may want to contact your system administrator to adjust the noise word list or alphabet file.

#### 9.12.8.1 Alphabet file

The dtSearch engine uses an alphabet file to define which characters to treat as text, cause word breaks, and ignore. System administrators can modify the default alphabet file when they create or edit a dtSearch index. See [Making a special character searchable](#).

The alphabet file determines which characters to treat as text, which cause spaces, which cause word breaks, and which to ignore. The categories of items in the alphabet file include:

- **Letters**—all searchable characters, which should include all alphabet characters, a-z and A-Z, and all digits, 0-9.
- **Hyphens**—characters removed during index creation. For example *First-Level* becomes two separate words in a dtSearch index.
- **Spaces**—characters that cause a word break. For example, the period indexes as a space character by default. Thus, dtSearch processes U.S.A. as three separate words: U, S, and A. Values listed as \## are Unicode characters. Their definitions are:
  - \09—horizontal tab
  - \0a—line feed
  - \0c—form feed
  - \0d—carriage return
  - \5c—backslash (\)

**Note:** Do not remove these Unicode characters from your alphabet file.

- **Ignore**—characters that dtSearch should disregard in processing text. For example, if you classify the period as ignore instead of space, then dtSearch would process U.S.A. as one word, USA.

**Note:** dtSearch does not recognize the underscore (\_) as a space by default. Check the [Spaces] section to ensure that any character you want to treat as a word separator is properly defined in dtSearch.

#### 9.12.8.2 Default noise word list

The following table shows the default noise words list. System administrators can modify this list when they create or edit a dtSearch index. Thus, if you search for a phrase that contains a term in the noise words list, you need to remove the term from the list and rebuild your index.

Begins with...	Noise words
A	a, about, after, all, also, an, and, another, any, are, as, at
B	be, because, been, before, being, between, both, but, by
C	came, can, come, could
D	did, do
E	each, even
F	for, from, further, furthermore

Begins with...	Noise words
G	get, got
H	had, has, have, he, her, here, hi, himself, his, how, however
I	i, if, in, indeed, into, is, it, its
J	just
L	like
M	made, many, me, might, more, moreover, most, much, must, my
N	never, not, now
O	of, on, only, or, other, our, out, over
S	said, same, see, she, should, since, some, still, such
T	take, than, that, the, their, them, then, there, therefore, these, they, this, those, through, thus, to, too
U	under, up
V	very
W	was, way, we, well, were, what, when, where, which, while, who, will, with, would
Y	you, your

The following graphic depicts what documents return when you include noise words in a dtSearch string:

### Noise Words in a Phrase



#### 9.12.8.3 Making a special character searchable

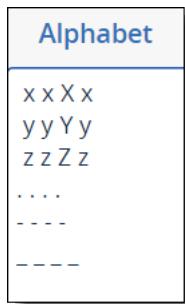
**Note:** You can make special characters searchable in a dtSearch index. However, you must escape some characters when using regular expressions. For more information, see the [Searching for symbols](#) recipe on the Relativity documentation site.

1. Navigate to the **dtSearch index**.
2. Click **Edit**, and then scroll down to the Alphabet section.

3. Delete the character from the current category, such as *hyphen* or *spaces*. Do not delete the category heading.
4. Enter the character you want to make searchable four times, separated by spaces under the section **[Letters] // Original letter, lower case, upper case, unaccented**.

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**Note:** You must also begin with a space.



5. Perform a full build on the dtSearch index. The search now adds the characters you included.

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**Note:** If you make any symbol a searchable character in your dtSearch index and then build an index on a long, uninterrupted search string, such as a file path, dtSearch truncates the string after the 32nd character. For more information, see [Searching for words longer than 32 characters](#).

### 9.12.9 Numerical patterns

To search for other numerical patterns such as social security numbers, you can use the = wildcard, which matches any single digit. For example, if you include hyphens as spaces, then the following search request would find U.S. social security numbers:

==== == ==

This searching pattern can return false hits. For example, no valid social security number begins with nine. However, this is the only way to get social security numbers with spaces instead of dashes.

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**Note:** dtSearch support notes that the ===== notation is higher performing than a regular expression for the same pattern, assuming you are comfortable with getting some false hits.

### 9.12.10 Phonic searching

Using the dtSearch engine, you can perform phonic searching, which returns documents containing words that sound like the word you are searching for and begins with the same letter. The pound sign (#) is the character used for phonic searches when added to the front of a word. For example, a phonic search for pear also finds pair and pare.

You can also use phonic searching in Dictionary searches.

### 9.12.11 Stemming

Using the dtSearch engine, you can perform stemming searches, which return documents containing grammatical variations of a root word. Stemming limits to English only. The tilde (~) is the character used for stemming searches when added at the end of the root word. For example, a search on apply~ returns documents containing the words apply, applying, applies, and applied. After you perform a stemming search, you can enter applied in the **Find Next** box, and then click the **Find Next** icon to locate hits or grammatical variations.

Because stemming only works with the root word, it generally does not return irregular variations of a verb. For example, a search on run~ would not return ran. The dtSearch engine only supports stemming for the English language.

### 9.12.11.1 Using the stemming operator and enable stemming checkbox

In Relativity, you can use the stemming character (~) or the **Enable Stemming** checkbox to perform stemming searches. The availability of these search options depends where you are running a dtSearch:

- **Documents tab**—when you select a dtSearch in the **Search With** option, you can use the stemming character (~). See [Running a dtSearch](#).
- **Dictionary Search**—when you click the **Dictionary** link, you can use the stemming character (~) and the **Enable Stemming** checkbox on the Dictionary Search dialog. See [Running a Dictionary search](#).
- **Saved Search**—when you create a saved search, you can use the stemming character (~) and the **Enable Stemming** checkbox in the Search Conditions section of the form. See [Saved search](#).

The **Enable Stemming** checkbox is independent of the stemming (~) character that you can enter in the **Search Terms** box or **Dictionary Search** text box. A search for apply~ with **Enable Stemming** checkbox unselected returns apply, applied, applies, or applying. A search for apply with **Enable Stemming** checkbox selected returns the same results.

### 9.12.11.2 Using fuzzy searching and stemming together

With fuzzy searching *and* stemming enabled, it checks for a fuzzy match twice, once on the original term, and once comparing the stemmed word with the stemmed word in the index. A match on either counts as a hit.

## 9.12.12 Wildcards

The dtSearch engine supports special characters that you can use as wildcards. It also supports the use of leading wildcards, or those added to the beginning of a word. The following characters represent wildcards in dtSearches:

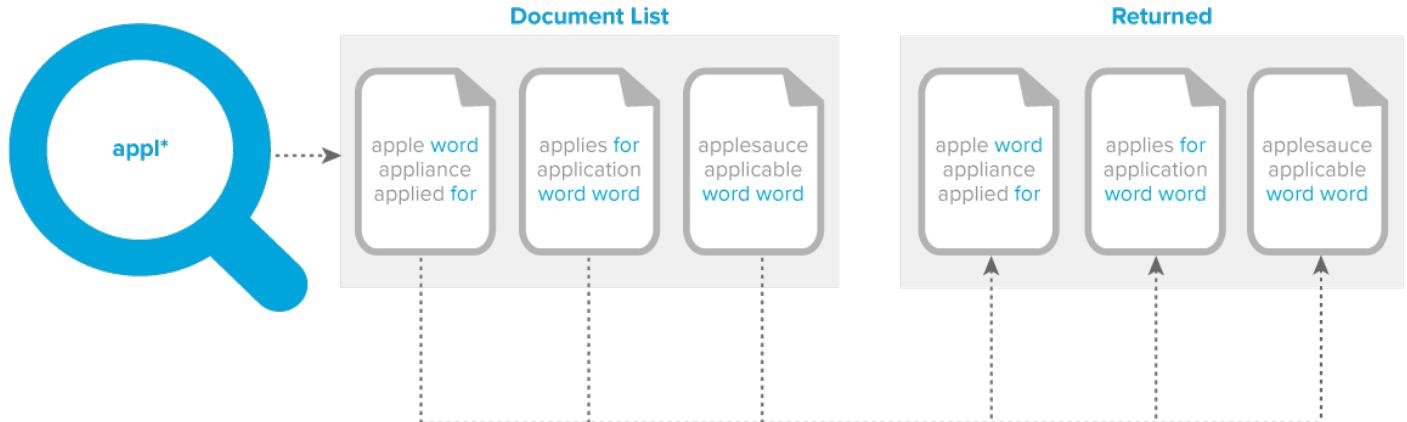
Special character	Function
?	Matches any single character.
*	Matches any number of characters.  <b>Note:</b> This character slows searches when used near the beginning or middle of a word.
~	Matches words containing grammatical variations of a root word. The tilde (~) is the stemming character available in dtSearches. See <a href="#">Stemming</a> .
=	Matches any numerical character (ex. === === for Social Security Numbers). See <a href="#">Numerical Patterns</a> .

As illustrated in the following table, you can add wildcards to the root of any word to return matching terms from a dtSearch.

Sample search string	Description of search results
appl*	Matches apple, application.
*cipl*	Matches principle, participle.
appl?	Matches apply and apple, but not apples.
ap*ed	Matches applied, approved.
apply~	Matches apply, applied, applies.
=th	Matches 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th.

The following graphic depicts what documents return when you use the \* wildcard in a dtSearch string:

## Wildcard \*



The following graphic depicts what documents return when you use the ? wildcard in a dtSearch string:



### 9.12.13 W/N operator

You can use the W/N, within N words, operator to return documents with two words or phrases occur within a certain proximity of each other. When using Boolean operators in a proximity search with the W/N operator, dtSearch includes noise words. The N value represents the number of intervening words. For example, the search expression `apple W/5 pear` returns documents that contain `apple` only when it occurs within five words of `pear`. The documents returned by the search must contain the terms within the required proximity, such as five words.

The W/N operator is symmetrical. The search expression `apple W/5 pear` returns the exact same document as `pear W/5 apple`.

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**Note:** dtSearch treats Single characters as full words when using this operator. For instance, if you search for `Harry W/2 Truman`, your search retrieves documents that include `Harry S Truman` or `Harry. S. Truman`.

**Note:** Relativity does not support the WI operator. Use the W/N syntax to search for documents having words or phrases within a certain proximity of each other.

The following graphic depicts what documents return when you use the W/# operator in a dtSearch string:



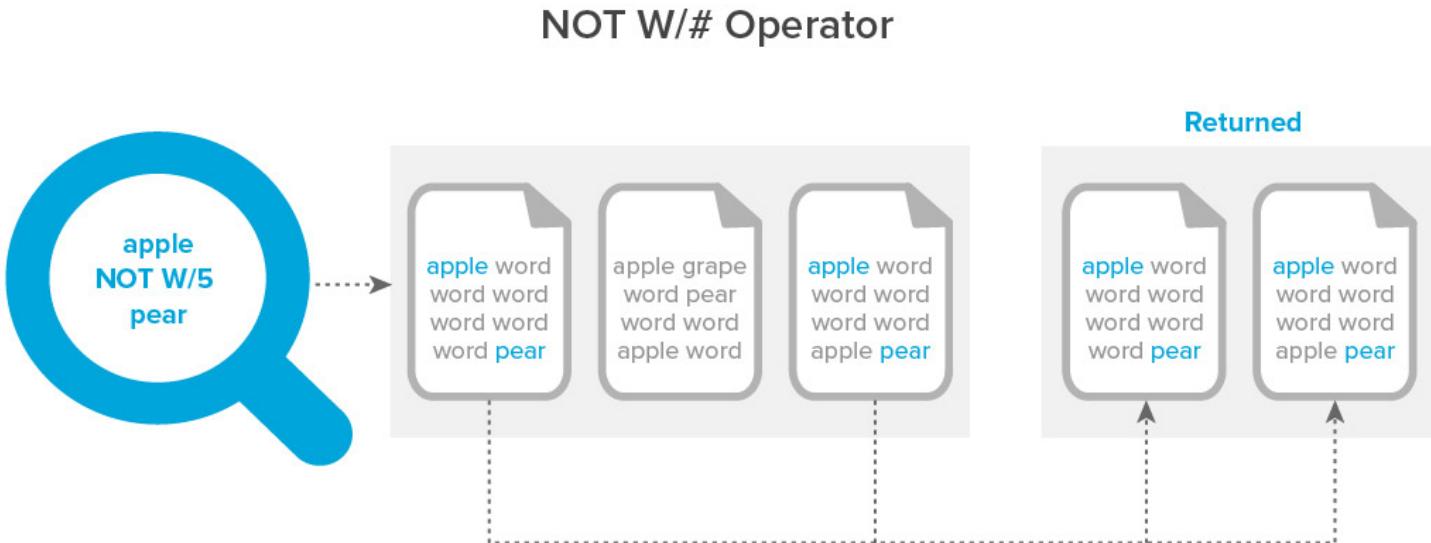
#### 9.12.13.1 NOT W/N

You can use the NOT W/N, not within N words, operator to exclude documents from a result set when two words or phrases are within a certain proximity of each other.

For example, the search expression apple NOT W/20 pear returns documents that contain apple when separated from pear by at least 20 words. It also returns documents that do not contain pear. Documents that contain *apple* separated from pear multiple times with varying proximity return as long as there is at least one concurrence where apple separates from pear by at least 20 words.

The NOT W/N is not symmetrical. The search expression apple NOT W/20 pear does not return the same documents as pear NOT W/20 apple.

The following graphic depicts what documents return when you use the NOT W/# operator in a dtSearch string:



### 9.12.13.2 Complex expressions

You can create complex expressions with the W/N operator by connecting words or phrases. At least one of these expressions must be a single word, phrase, or group of words and phrases connected by an OR operator as illustrated by the following:

- (apple AND banana) W/10 (pear OR grape)
- (apple AND banana) W/10 (orange tree)

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**Note:** You can break up complex expressions with OR connectors into separate searches. Search apple w/10 "orange tree" OR banana w/10 "orange tree" to return the same results as (apple OR banana) W/10 "orange tree".

Avoid creating complex expressions that produce ambiguous results as illustrated in the following examples:

- (apple AND banana) W/10 (pear AND grape)
- (apple w/10 banana) w/10 (pear and grape)

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**Note:** dtSearch displays a warning message when you enter an ambiguous search request.

You can also use the Boolean operators AND and OR to connect proximity expressions as illustrated in the following examples:

- (apple w/10 banana) AND (pear w/5 grape)
- (apple or banana) OR (pear w/5 grape)

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**Note:** When connecting proximity expressions using Boolean operators, you must use parentheses.

### 9.12.13.3 Proximity with terms order

You can use the PRE operator to search for a word that appears within a certain number of words before another word.

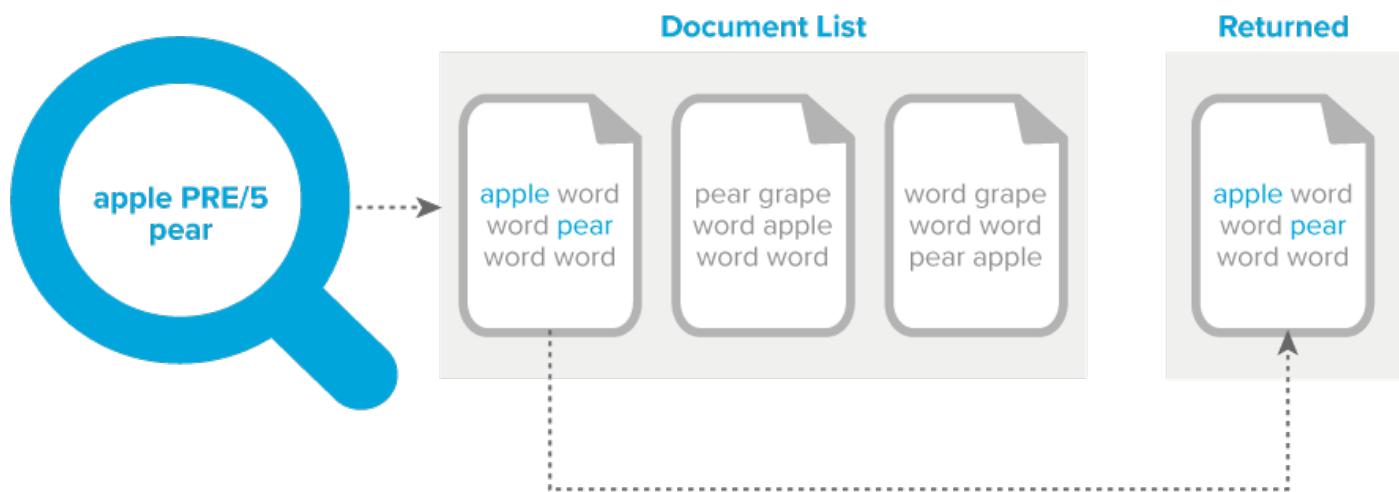
For example, the search string apple PRE/5 pear returns documents where apple appears within five words before pear.

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**Note:** Relativity does not use the POST operator. However, you can mimic this functionality by reversing the order of the terms, and using the PRE operator.

The following graphic depicts what documents return when you use the PRE/# operator in a dtSearch string:

## PRE/# Operator



### 9.12.14 Words and phrases

With a dtSearch, you can use double quotes to search for a phrase. For example, the phrase *fruit salad* in the search string **apple w/5 "fruit salad"**. The following list outlines how dtSearch queries on words or phrases with noise words or punctuation:

- **Phrases with Noise Words**—dtSearch skips any noise words in a phrase. For example, it skips *of* in the search string *Statue of Liberty* and retrieves any documents that contain *statue* an intervening word, *and* *liberty*.
- **Words with Punctuation**—punctuation treated as a space when inside a word. For example, dtSearch treats the search term *can't* as two words, *can* and *t*.
- **Numbers and Characters in Parenthesis**—you may see unexpected results when you use numbers or characters in parenthesis in a dtSearch. For example, the search term *1843 (c)(8)(ii)* returns as four words.

### 9.12.15 Other considerations

- dtSearch does not recognize an underscore (\_) by default. Verify you define a given character as causing a word break before using it as a space in a dtSearch.
- Relativity does not use the colon (:) or ampersand (&), even though considered a syntax term by the dtSearch index. If you want to use these symbols, the following applies:
  - To include either symbol in the dtSearch index, you must add it to the alphabet file.
  - To search for either symbol within file content, you must use a regular expression to define the character. Searching for special characters on their own produces incorrect results.
- dtSearch indexes are case insensitive by default. All characters in a dtSearch index normalize to lowercase. Relativity does not support case-sensitive dtSearch indexes. For example, if your exact phrase is an acronym like *ACT*, these will be included in the index: *act*, *AcT*, *aCt*, and similar. See [Case-insensitive indexes on page 62](#) for more information.

- For more information on making noise words and alphabet lists searchable, see [Making the dtSearch noise word and alphabet list searchable.](#)

# 10 Searching with regular expressions (regex)

A regular expression is a form of advanced searching that looks for specific patterns, as opposed to certain terms and phrases. With regular expressions, you can use pattern matching to search for particular strings of characters rather than constructing multiple, literal search queries.

Regular expressions uses metacharacters in conjunction with a search engine to retrieve specific patterns. Metacharacters are the building blocks of regular expressions. For example, “\d” in a regular expression is a metacharacter that represents a digit character. “d” stands for the literal character, “d.” You can use regular expressions to search for social security numbers, patent numbers, URLs, email addresses, Bates numbers, and other strings that follow a specific pattern.

There are several implementations of regular expressions. The differences in implementations usually include the way special characters are handled and how character classes are treated.

## 10.1 Use cases for regular expressions

Regular expressions can help you in cases where you need to find different numbers that contain the same pattern.

Take, for example, the serial numbers in the first cell below. Instead of writing three literal search strings to match each serial number, you can construct one regular expression to match the serial numbers’ pattern. This single regular expression returns any document that contains any of the three serial numbers. In the second cell, there is another serial number with a slightly different pattern. By making a few adjustments to your regular expression string, your search results return documents with the new pattern.

Text	Pattern/Regular Expression
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• XFRD-8324-ERWH-3231</li><li>• GHSR-3413-KBKV-8173</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pattern: 4 letters-4 digits-4 letters-4 digits</li><li>• Regular expression: [a-zA-Z]{4}-[0-9]{4}-[a-zA-Z]{4}-[0-9]{4}</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ABC.001.001.0001_0001</li><li>• xyz.123.123.1234_1234</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pattern: 3 letters.3 digits.3 digits.4 digits_4 digits</li><li>• Regular expression: [a-zA-Z]{3}\.[0-9]{3}\.[0-9]{3}\.[0-9]{4}_[0-9]{4}</li></ul>

**Note:** Think of each regular expression as a phrase when you construct your search string. If you switch the order of the string you will not receive the same results.

Unless you modify your dtSearch index to be case-sensitive, you cannot use capital letters when constructing a regular expression in dtSearch. Thus, if you are searching for varying strings that all begin with NLRT, such as:

- NLRT-0381
- NLRT-6334
- NLRT-9167
- The proper Relativity RegEx is: “##nlrt-\d{4}”.

## 10.2 Regular expression metacharacters

Metacharacters are the building blocks of regular expressions. Characters in regular expressions are understood to be either a metacharacter with a special meaning or a regular character with a literal meaning.

The following are some common regular expression metacharacters and examples of what they would match or not match in regular expression.

Metacharacter	Description	Examples
\d	Whole Number 0 - 9	$\d\d\d = 327$ $\d\d = 81$ $\d = 4$ <hr/> $\d\d\d \neq 24631$ $\d\d\d$ does not return 24631 because 24631 contains 5 digits. $\d\d\d$ only matches for a 3-digit string.
\w	Alphanumeric Character	$\w\w\w = \text{dog}$ $\w\w\w\w = \text{mule}$ $\w\w = \text{to}$ <hr/> $\w\w\w = 467$ $\w\w\w\w = 4673$ <hr/> $\w\w\w \neq \text{boat}$ $\w\w\w$ does not return boat because boat contains 4 characters.
\W	Symbols	$\W = \%$ $\W = \#$ $\W\W\W = @\#\%$ <hr/> $\W\W\W\W \neq \text{dog8}$ $\W\W\W\W$ does not return dog8 because d, o, g, and 8 are alphanumeric characters.
[a-z] [0-9]	Character set, at least one of which must be a match, but no more than one unless otherwise specified.  The order of the characters does not matter.	$\text{pand}[ora] = \text{panda}$ $\text{pand}[ora] = \text{pando}$ <hr/>

Metacharacter	Description	Examples
		<p>pand[ora] ≠ pandora</p> <p>pand[ora] does not bring back pandora because it is implied in pand[ora] that only 1 character in [ora] can return.</p> <p>Quantifiers that allow pand[ora] to match for pandora is discussed below.</p>
(abc) (123)	Character group, matches the characters abc or 123 in that exact order.	<p>pand(ora) = pandora</p> <p>pand(123) = pand123</p> <p>-----</p> <p>pand(oar) ≠ pandora</p> <p>pand(oar) does not match for pandora because it's looking for the exact phrase pandora.</p>
	Alternation—allows for alternate matches.   operates like the Boolean OR.	pand(abc 123) = pandabc OR pand123
?	Question mark matches when the character preceding ? occurs 0 or 1 time only, making the character match optional.	<p>colou?r = colour (u is found 1 time)</p> <p>colou?r = color (u is found 0 times)</p>
*	<p>Asterisk matches when the character preceding * matches 0 or more times.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The asterisk (*) in regular expression is different from * in dtSearch. Regular expression * is asking to find where the character, or grouping, preceding * is found ZERO or more times. dtSearch * is asking to find where the string of characters preceding * or following * is found 1 or more times.</p>	<p>tre*= tree (e is found 2 times)</p> <p>tre* = tre (e is found 1 time)</p> <p>tre* = tr (e is found 0 times)</p> <p>-----</p> <p>tre* ≠ trees</p> <p>tre* does not match the term trees because although "e" is found 2 times, it is followed by "s", which is not accounted for in the regular expression.</p>
+	Plus sign matches when the character preceding + matches 1 or more times. The + sign makes the character match mandatory.	<p>tre+ = tree (e is found 2 times)</p> <p>tre+ = tre (e is found 1 time)</p> <p>-----</p> <p>tre+ ≠ tr (e is found 0 times)</p> <p>tre+ does not match for tr because e is found zero times in tr.</p>
. (period)	The period matches any alphanumeric character or symbol.	<p>ton. = tone</p> <p>ton. = ton#</p>

Metacharacter	Description	Examples
		<p>ton. = ton4</p> <p>-----</p> <p>ton. ≠ tones</p> <p>ton. does not match for the term tones because . by itself will only match for a single character, here, in the 4th position of the term. In tones, s is the 5th character and is not accounted for in the regular expression.</p>
*	<p>Combine the metacharacters . and *, in that order .* to match for any character 0 or more times.</p> <p><b>Notes:</b> .* in regular expression is equivalent to dtSearch wildcard * operator.</p>	<p>tr.* = tr</p> <p>tr.* = tre</p> <p>tr.* = tree</p> <p>tr.* = trees</p> <p>tr.* = trough</p> <p>tr.* = treadmill</p>

### 10.2.1 Regular expression quantifiers

Regular expressions uses quantifiers to indicate the scope of a search string. You can use multiple quantifiers in your search string. The following table gives examples of the quantifiers you can use in your regular expression:

Quantifier	Description	Examples
{n}	Matches when the preceding character, or character group, occurs n times exactly.	<p>\d{3} = 836</p> <p>\d{3} = 139</p> <p>\d{3} = 532</p> <p>-----</p> <p>pand[ora]{2} = pandar</p> <p>pand[ora]{2} = pandoo</p> <p>pand(ora){2} = pandoraora</p> <p>-----</p> <p>pand[ora]{2} ≠ pandora</p> <p>pand[ora]{2} does not match for pandora because the quantifier {2} only permits for 2 letters from the character set [ora].</p>
{n,m}	Matches when the preceding character, or character group, occurs at least n times, and at most m times.	<p>\d{2,5} = 97430</p> <p>\d{2,5} = 9743</p> <p>\d{2,5} = 97</p>

Quantifier	Description	Examples
		$\backslash d\{2,5\} \neq 9$ 9 does not match because it is 1 digit, thus outside of the character range.

## 10.2.2 Escaping regular expression metacharacters

When using regular expressions to search for a character that is a reserved metacharacter, use the backslash \ to escape the character so it can be recognized. The following table gives an example on how to escape a reserved metacharacter when searching.

Search For	Regular Expression	Match Results
UK phone number	<code>\+[0-9]{11}</code>	+14528280001 +38119930978 ----- If the + sign is not escaped with a backslash, regular expressions treat + as a quantifier instead of the literal plus sign character.

## 10.3 Using regular expressions with dtSearch

You can use regular expressions with your dtSearch index to search for more complex items such as Bates numbers, zip codes, and phone numbers. You can also use regular expressions in conjunction with proximity, stemming, and fuzzy searching in dtSearch.

### 10.3.1 Regular expression search strings

To activate regular expressions in dtSearch, use double pounds signs (##) at the beginning of your search string. You can start your search from the search bar on the List page, or by adding a condition from the search panel. For details on how to run a dtSearch, see [Running a dtSearch](#).

## (Index Search)

**Index:**  
dtSearch index ▾

**Search Terms:**  
"##[a-z]{2}" "##[0-9-]{5}(-[0-9]{4})"

Sort by rank

**Apply** **Cancel**

Relativity breaks down the regular expression syntax as follows:

**Regular Expression**—"##RegularExpression". "##" signals to Relativity that the string following ##, and encapsulated by double quotes, should be interpreted as regular expression. Be sure to use straight double quotes (") and not curly quotes (‘’). Curly quotes may cause the regular expression to fail. You also want to avoid using capital letters in your regular expression because all characters in a dtSearch index are normalized to lowercase. You can use the Dictionary to help troubleshoot an individual regular expression. If your expression does not match in the Dictionary, it will not match in the index.

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**Note:** Starting in Relativity 10.0.119.1, regular expression searches run from the Document List will highlight search hits in the Native Viewer for any returned documents. This does not apply to the Extracted Text mode of the Viewer.

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**Note:** All regular expressions with dtSearch must begin with the ## call sign. If any table entries below do not include the call sign, be sure to add them to your search string before executing.

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### 10.3.2 Regular expression metacharacters

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- a metacharacter with a special meaning, or
- a regular character with its literal meaning

#### 10.3.2.1 View regular expression metacharacters examples

Metacharacter	Description	Example
\d	Whole number 0 - 9	\d\d\d = 327 \d\d = 81

Metacharacter	Description	Example
		\d = 4 \d\d\d ≠ 24631 \d\d\d does not return 24631 because 24631 contains 5 digits. \d\d\d only matches for a 3-digit string.
\w	Alphanumeric character	\w\w\w = dog \w\w\w\w = mule \w\w = to \w\w\w = 467 \w\w\w\w = 4673 \w\w\w ≠ boat \w\w\w does not return boat because boat contains 4 characters. \w ≠ ! \w does not return the exclamation point ! because it is a non-alphanumeric character.
\W	Symbols	\W = % \W = # \W\W\W = @#% \W\W\W\W ≠ dog8 \W\W\W\W does not return dog8 because d, o, g, and 8 are alphanumeric characters.
[a-z] [0-9]	Character set, at least one of which must be a match, but no more than one unless otherwise specified. The order of the characters does not matter.	pand[ora] = panda pand[ora] = pando pand[ora] ≠ pandora pand[ora] does not bring back pandora because it is implied in pand[ora] that only 1 character in [ora] can return.

**Note:** dtSearch does not accept white space characters, even with regular expressions.

### 10.3.3 Regular expression groups

With regular expression groups you can match for groups of characters within a string. The following table provides examples of how to use groups in your regular expression. Groups are most useful when you use them in conjunction with alternation and quantifiers.

Metacharacter	Description	Example
(abc) (123)	Character group, matches the characters abc or 123 in that exact order.	pand(ora) = pandora pand(123) = pand123 pand(oar) ≠ pandora pand(oar) does not match for pandora because it is looking for the exact phrase pandoar.

### 10.3.4 Escaping regular expression metacharacters

When using regular expression to search for a character that is a reserved metacharacter, use the backslash \ to escape the character so it can be recognized in its literal sense. The following table gives an example on how to escape a reserved metacharacter when searching.

Search for	Regular expression	Match results
International phone number (UK)	\+[0-9]{12}	+447700900954 +447700900312 If the + sign is not escaped with a backslash, regular expression treats + as a quantifier instead of the literal plus sign character.

#### 10.3.4.1 Regular expression caveats in dtSearch

There are a few caveats to consider when using regular expressions in dtSearch. Consider the following caveats before constructing your regular expression.

- The metacharacter \s never matches a whitespace character in Relativity, because whitespace characters do not exist in a dtSearch index. Instead, spaces are word breaks in dtSearch.
- Unless you modify your dtSearch index to be case-sensitive, you cannot use capital letters when constructing a regular expression in dtSearch. Thus, if you are searching for varying strings that all begin with NLRT, such as:
  - NLRT-0381
  - NLRT-6334
  - NLRT-9167
  - The proper Relativity RegEx is: "##nlrt-\d{4}".
- You cannot search characters which are ignored during indexing, such as punctuation. To index a punctuation character, confirm that it is listed as a letter in your dtSearch alphabet file, and that it is not listed as an ignored, hyphen, or space character.

### 10.3.5 Common dtSearch regular expression examples

The following table includes examples of dtSearch regular expressions you can use to search for patterns in dtSearch.

**Note:** You must make any hyphens or symbols represented in these examples searchable in your dtSearch index.

Type	Regular Expression	Match Results
Bates numbers	"##rel[0-9]{7}" "##rel\d{7}"	REL0000331 REL3728948
Zip codes	"##[a-z]{2}" "##[0-9]{5}" "##[a-z]{2}" "##\d{5}"	IL 60606 MD 21218 ca 94115
United States Phone numbers	"##[0-9]{3}-[0-9]{4}" "##\d{3}-\d{4}"	373-8837 463-9391

Type	Regular Expression	Match Results
	<b>Note:</b> You must make the hyphen (-) searchable in your index.	819-3814
United States Phone numbers with or without area codes	"##([0-9]{3}-)?[0-9]{3}-[0-9]{4}"  <b>Note:</b> You must make the hyphen (-) searchable in your index.	312-483-8372  463-9391
Serial numbers	"##[a-z]{4}-[0-9]{4}-[a-z]{4}-[0-9]{4}"  "##[a-z]{4}-\d{4}-[a-z]{4}-\d{4}"  <b>Note:</b> You must make the hyphen (-) searchable in your index.	XRFD-8324-ERWF-3231  GHSR-3413-KWEJ-8173  MPFS-1357-QEGT-9376
Dates	"##[0-9]{2}/[0-9]{2}/[0-9]{2,4}"	10/17/2015  3/6/98  4/25/2006  12/04/87  95/94/93
Email addresses	"##(\w\_.]+\@)(\w\_.+)\.(\w\_.){2,6}"  <b>Note:</b> You must make the at (@) and period (.) searchable in your index.	Joe.Smith426@example.com  743.MaryJane@example.com  Brian.23.Voltaire@example.net.uk

# 11 Saved search

A saved search is a saved set of criteria that returns the latest documents that meet that criteria. For example, if you want to reference documents that contain the terms "confidential" and "property" and are also marked as Relevant, you can create a saved search with that criteria. However, saved searches can be much more complex.

In Relativity, you can create saved searches by defining custom queries and unique views, as well as by selecting public or private security settings, specific folders to query, and nested sort orders. You can also execute a search on the fly, save it for later use, or perform a combination of these tasks.

Since saved searches are executed in real-time, you save the search definition but not the results. Relativity executes the search each time you click on it in the Saved Searches browser and when you return to it after performing other tasks in the workspace. This functionality ensures that only data meeting the search criteria is returned in the result set. (You can set the **Requires Manual Rerun** option to control this functionality.)

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**Note:** When you execute a saved search, Relativity first applies the conditions then related items (from the search criteria), then the filters (from the item list). The only exception is when you have nested relational searches, for example, Search A which relies on the results of Search B. In this scenario, Relativity applies the innermost search conditions (in this case, Search B), then the family Search B relies on; it then applies the outer search conditions (Search A), then the family Search A relies on. Finally, Relativity applies the filters from the item list.

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You can also use saved searches as the building blocks in other Relativity features. For example, you're required to select a saved search when you create batches, build a dtSearch or Analytics index, define an imaging set, and perform other tasks in Relativity.

## 11.1 Permissions

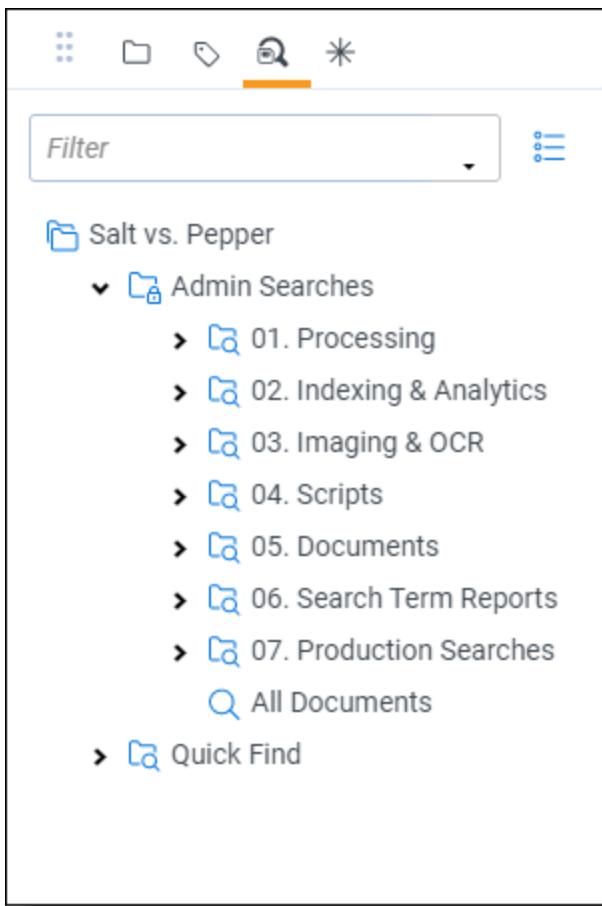
The following security permissions are required to view, edit, delete, and add saved searches and saved search folders:

Object Security	Other Settings
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Search</b> - View, Edit, Delete, Add</li><li>• <b>Search Container</b> - Edit, Add</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Browsers</b> - Advanced &amp; Saved Searches</li></ul>

For more information, see the guide on [Setting workspace permissions](#).

## 11.2 Navigating the saved searches browser

On the Documents tab, you can click  to view the Saved Searches browser. This browser provides you with features used to create, organize, edit, and perform other tasks with saved searches.



The Search Folder Tree displays the following options:

- **Create New Search** button - click this to display the Saved Search form. To display this form, you can also click any folder, including the root folder.
- **Public** or **Private** - the icons display next to the name of a saved search to indicate its visibility.
- **Search textbox** - enter the name of a search in this field to automatically filter the list as you type to the saved search(es) that you are looking for. See [Filtering the list of saved searches on the next page](#).
- **Display checkboxes button** - click this button to display checkboxes in the list to the left of folders and searches. You can then perform mass operations for items that you check. Click the icon again to toggle them off. See [Performing mass operations on saved searches on page 111](#).
- **Search Right-click Menu** - highlight a search in the folder tree to display a right-click menu with the following options:
  - **Edit** - displays the Saved Search form, where you can modify the current settings for the search.
  - **Copy** - adds a duplicate of the search to the tree.
  - **Secure** - available on public searches, this option displays a security page so that you can override the security inherited from the workspace, or parent folder. See the Admin guide for more information on Setting permissions on Relativity objects.
  - **Delete** - permanently removes the search from the database.

- **Email Link** - opens an email message containing a link to the saved search. The Subject line is pre-populated with the following text: "Review - <Workspace Name> - <Search Name>." When the recipient clicks on the link, the saved search is displayed with the current result set.

**Note:** Relativity displays a permissions denied message if the recipient clicks the link to display the search but does not have access rights to it.

- **Copy Link to Clipboard** - copies a URL path to the search to your clipboard.

**Note:** Relativity displays a permissions denied message if the recipient clicks the link to display the search but does not have access rights to it.

- **Folder Right-click Menu** - Highlight a folder to display a right-click menu for managing folders. See [Organizing saved searches in folders on page 113](#).

The action bar displays the following when a search is selected in the browser:

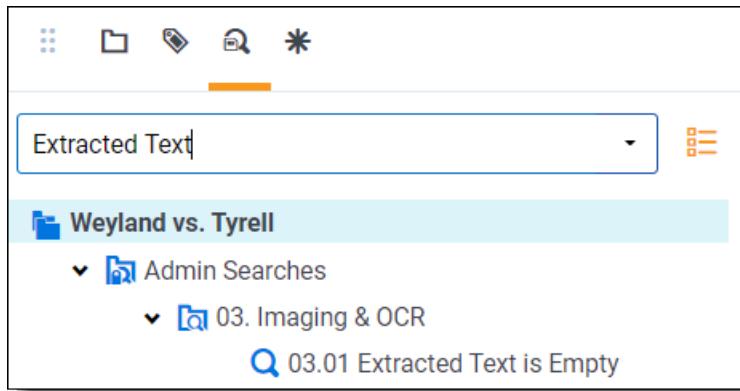
- **Show current path icon** (  ) - view the current search browser folder location for the displayed search.
- **Edit Search**  - When you click this icon on the action bar, the Search Builder dialog appears where you can update search criteria.
- **Save Search**  - When you click this icon on the action bar, a pop-up appears where you can select a new owner and modify the search name. See [Creating or editing a saved search on page 114](#).

### 11.2.1 Filtering the list of saved searches

To filter the list in the saved search browser:

1. Enter text matching the search or search folder you want to see in the Filter textbox at the top of the browser.

Matching searches and search folders display as you type in their respective folders.



2. Select the search you want to view.

You can also expand the Filter text box and filter on advanced searching fields, including:

- **Created By** - choose which user created the saved search.
- **Created On** - select from four different date ranges, including: Past Hour, Today, Past 7 days, and Past 30 days.
- **Last Modified By** - choose which user last modified the saved search.

- **Last Modified On** - select from four different date ranges, including: Past Hour, Today, Past 7 days, and Past 30 days.
- **Owner** - select a specific user or public.
- **Keywords** - enter keywords.
- **Notes** - enter notes.

Filter

Advanced Options

Clear All

Created By

Created On

Last Modified By

Last Modified On

Owner

Keywords

Notes

Apply

**Note:** To remove your filtering from the list, delete the text that's there or click the X to the right. The list of searches will automatically update.

To access Advanced Search Filtering:

1. Navigate to the **Views** tab.
2. Locate the Advanced Search Browser View.
3. Make sure at least one of the following fields is added to the view: Created By, Created On, Last Modified By, Last Modified On, Owner, Keywords, or Notes. We recommend you add them all at once.
4. Click **Save**.

## 11.2.2 Performing mass operations on saved searches

The following mass operations are currently available:

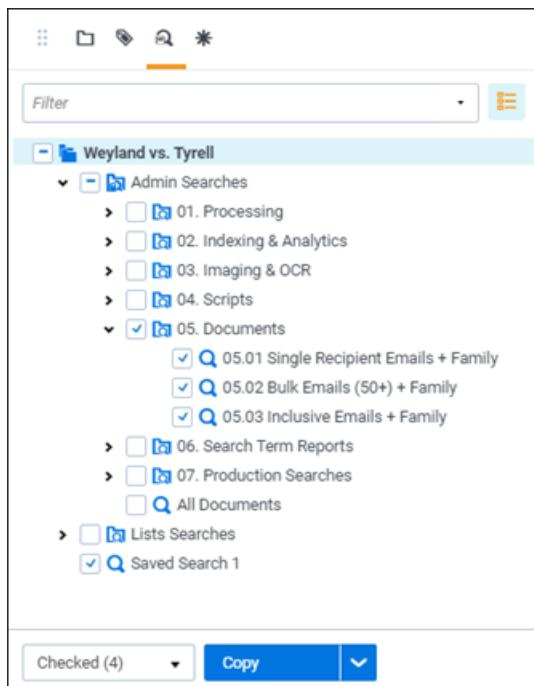
- Copy
- Delete
- Move
- Export to file

To perform mass operations on saved searches in the saved search browser:

1. Click the checkboxes  button to the right of the Filter textbox to turn checkboxes in the list of searches on.

**Note:** The Add or Delete permissions must be selected on the Search object for check boxes to display to the right of the Filter text box for the user. See [Permissions on page 108](#) for more information.

2. Select the checkbox for an individual search or select the checkbox for a search folder to select searches inside that folder.



**Note:** You must expand the search folders before you can check the checkbox for the folder to allow you to examine the searches you will perform a mass operation for.

The number of selected searches appears in the drop-down list to the left of the mass operations multi-select button below. Alternatively, you can select All from the drop-down list to select all searches.

3. Once you've selected the desired searches, choose the desired mass operation (copy, delete, move, or export to file) from the mass operations multi-select button.
4. A pop-up modal appears, where you edit and confirm the details of the mass operation you are performing.
5. Click **Ok** to complete the operation.

## 11.3 Controlling the visibility of saved searches

On the saved search form, you can control the visibility of a search by setting the **Owner** option. New searches are private by default, making them visible only to you and Relativity administrators. In addition to owner access, users must have permissions to the **Saved Searches Browser** and at least view permissions for **Search** on the security page. For more information on workspace permissions, see the Admin Guide.

You can change the visibility of a search by selecting one of these options in the **Owner** drop-down menu:

- **Public** - Makes the search available to all users with the appropriate permissions.

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**Note:** You can configure Relativity to make your saved searches public by default. When you create a search, the **Owner** box will display Public. In **My Settings**, select **Public** in the option **Default Saved Search Owner**.

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- **User Name** - Select a specific user from the drop-down menu. The search will be visible only to that user and Relativity administrators.
- **Me** - Click this button to reset the visibility on the search to private. Your name appears in the **Owner** box.

You define the criteria used for saved searches in the Conditions section of the Saved Search form. You can build complex queries using a combination of fields and operators that are set to required values. For information about the operators available for building these queries, as well as specific options for searching batches and developing combined searches, see [Defining criteria for saved searches on page 122](#).

## 11.4 Organizing saved searches in folders

You can organize saved searches by adding them to securable folders that you create and manage in the Saved Searches browser. To work with search folders, you must have the appropriate permissions for **Search Folder**, **Search**, and the **Saved Searches Browser** on the security page. For more information on workspace permissions, see the Admin Guide.

### 11.4.1 Adding sub-folders to the root

In the Search Folder Tree, right-click on the root folder to add sub-folders to the browser. Click **Create** to add a new folder, and name it something descriptive of its contents. To update the folder name, right-click on the folder, and click **Rename**.

### 11.4.2 Managing subfolders

Right-click on a folder under the root to display the following menu options:

- **Create** - Adds a subfolder to the highlighted folder.
- **Rename** - Makes the folder name editable. Enter new text for the name.
- **Secure** - Displays a security page so that you can override the security inherited from the workspace, or parent folder. For more information on setting permissions on objects, see the Admin Guide.
- **Delete** - Permanently removes all the searches and subfolders that folder contains from the database.
- **New Search** - Displays the Saved Search form. See [Creating or editing a saved search on the next page](#).

### 11.4.3 Adding existing searches to folders

To add existing searches to a folder, left click the search and then drag and drop it into the folder. Click **OK** on the confirmation message.

**Note:** When you move a search, it inherits the security from the parent folder. You may want to check the security on a folder before moving a search into it.

## 11.5 Creating or editing a saved search

### 11.5.1 Permissions

The following security permissions are required to view, edit, delete, and add saved searches and saved search folders:

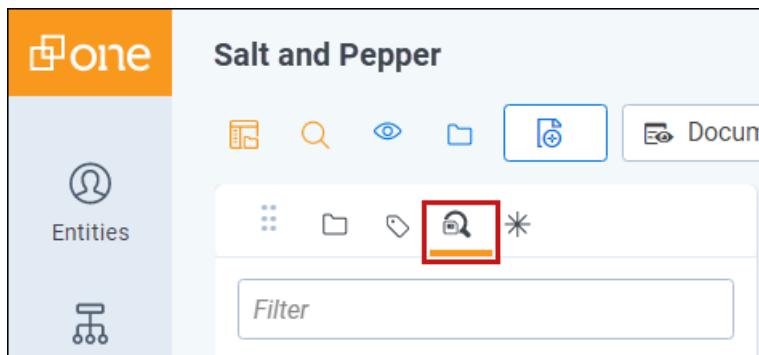
Object Security	Other Settings
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Search</b> - View, Edit, Delete, Add</li><li>• <b>Search Container</b> - Edit, Add</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Browsers</b> - Advanced &amp; Saved Searches</li></ul>

For more information, see the guide on [Setting workspace permissions](#).

### 11.5.2 Creating or editing a saved search

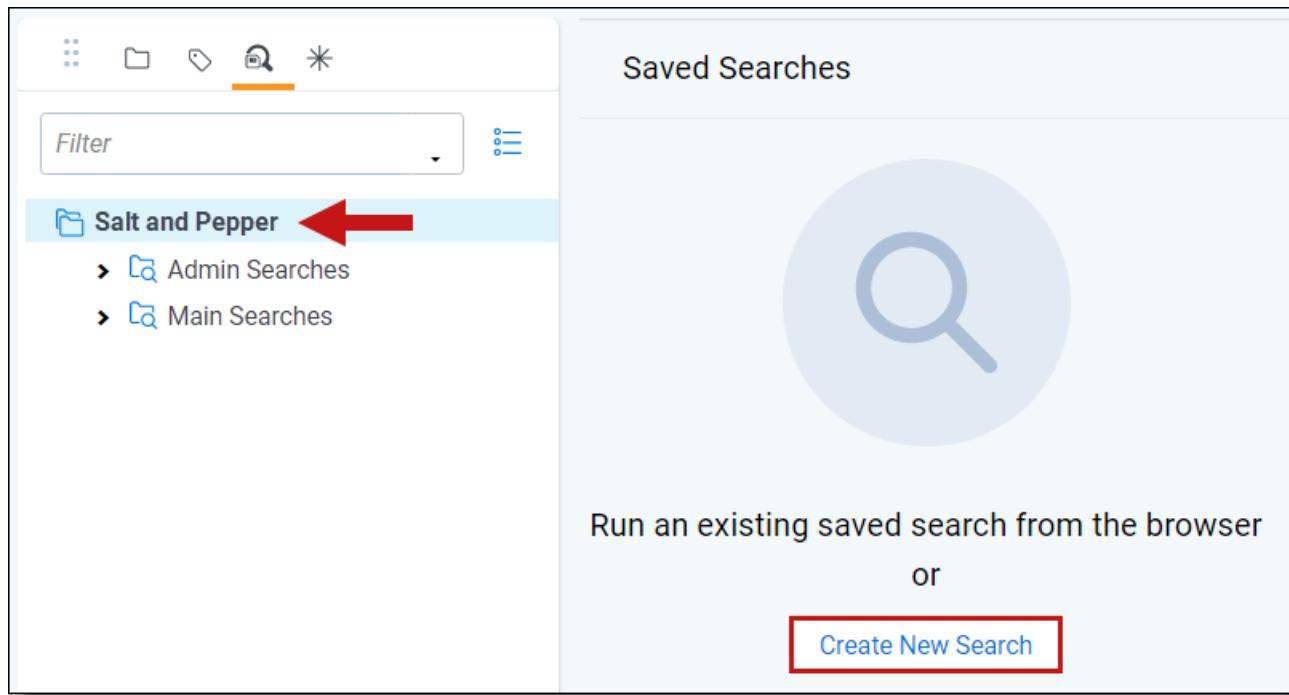
To create or edit a saved search from the Search browser, follow these steps:

1. Click the **Saved Searches** icon in the Search Panel.



2. Click **Create New Search**. To edit a search, right-click the search name, and click **Edit**.

**Note:** If you do not see the **Create New Search** button, you may have another saved search selected. Click the top-level folder in the Search Panel. In the image below, the top-level folder is named **Salt and Pepper**.



3. Complete the fields in the **Information** section. For an explanation of the individual field details, see [Information](#).
4. Click **Add Condition** to add a new condition to the search or click **Add Logic Group** to create a logic group to group conditions together to create the criteria for the search. In the image below, a condition is set where the custodian is Sally Beck. For more information on setting conditions, see [Conditions](#).

**Saved Search**

**Information** \* Advanced

Name \* Salt and Pepper Sample Saved Search

Owner \* Public

Dashboard Document List

Requires Manual Rerun

Scope  Entire Workspace  Selected Folders

Currently searching entire workspace.

Notes

**Conditions** Fields \* Sort

+ Condition

1. All Custodians  
these conditions  
All Custodians  
any of these: Beck, Sally

**Note:** The Default Search View controls which fields are returned, by default, on an advanced or saved search. You can always include additional fields from the advanced or saved search field selector. This view also controls the field sort order. The Default Search View is only meant to be used as a way to control the default fields that are brought back when running a saved search in Relativity. Since that is its purpose in Relativity there is no way to make any changes or additions to the Conditions portion of this view.

5. Click the **Fields** tab. Select the fields you want to display in the search results. Note that Edit, File Icon, and Control Number are default fields and are preselected. You can remove them if they are not needed. For more information on setting search results fields, see [Search fields](#).

Conditions    **Fields \***    Sort

**Unselected**

Filter

- Alert
- All Custodians (Long Text)
- All Custodians::Custodian Deduplication Order
- All Paths/Locations
- All Source Locations
- Artifact ID
- Attachment Document IDs
- Attachment List

**Selected**

Filter

- Edit
- File Icon
- Control Number
- All Custodians
- Document Title
- File Size

Save & Search    Search    Save    Cancel

6. Click the **Sort** tab to specify sorting for the search results. For more information on setting the sort order, see [Sort](#).

Conditions    Fields \*    **Sort**

Document Title    ASC

+ Add Sort Field

Save & Search    Search    Save    Cancel

7. Click the **Advanced** tab to add additional information such as search keywords and hints. For more information on advanced settings, see [Advanced](#).

8. Click **Save & Search**, **Search**, **Save**, or **Save As**.

**Note:** Selecting Save As opens a pop-up modal to update the name of the saved search.

### 11.5.3 Search fields

#### Information

The Information fields are:

- **Name**—enter a title for the saved search.
- **Owner**—select an owner from the drop-down list or click **Me** to make yourself the owner. The owner is the user that can view the saved search. If you select Me, only you can view the saved search. If you select Public, anyone with view permissions to the workspace can view the saved search.
- **Dashboard**—select an already created dashboard to link the saved search to it. For more information, see [Linking a dashboard to a saved search](#).
- **Requires Manual Rerun**—select this option if you want to require users to rerun a saved search when they return to it after navigating to other features in Relativity. Selecting this option only affects the search that the current user is running. It does not affect any parent or nested searches tied to the current search. If you have a

search that has **Requires Manual Rerun** checked and you include it as the criteria for another search, it will rerun.

- **Scope**—select one of these options to designate the document set for the search:
  - **Entire Workspace**—searches all documents within a workspace.
  - **Selected Folders**—select this option, and then click **Select Folders**. On the Select Folders pop-up, select the checkboxes for the folders that you want to search. Clear the **Include Subfolders** checkbox on the pop-up if you don't want to include subfolders. Click **Clear All** to remove all selections.

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**Note:** The Requires Manual Rerun option is for searches that might take a long time to run, and you don't need them to run automatically when you navigate back to the saved searches. This keeps you from having to manually cancel queries before you can navigate away from that search.

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- **Notes**—any notes you want to add to provide additional information about the search.

## Advanced

The Advanced fields are:

- **Relativity Applications**—any Relativity applications you want to associate with a saved search.
- **Keywords**—any keywords you want to provide additional information about the search.
- **Query Hint**—used to optimize views. Only use the query hint if instructed by the Relativity Customer Support team. Currently, you can use Hashjoin: (true/false) or Maxdop: (x) to populate the field. You must remove query hints before using a saved search in a Relativity script.

## Conditions

The Conditions fields define the criteria of the search. Click on a filter card to edit the condition or click the **x** in the top right corner to remove the condition. The equation box along the top gives you a high-level view of the conditional statement you are creating. There are the following controls on this tab:

- **Add Condition**—select the field you want to apply a condition to by entering the name of the field or selecting the field from the drop-down list.

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**Note:** If there are previously created field categories, you can select a field category from the drop-down list to conveniently filter the fields list. To learn more, visit [Field Categories](#).

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- **Index Search**—select this to select a [Keyword](#), [dtSearch](#), or Analytics index, and then enter search terms to apply as a search condition.
- **Saved Search**—select this to select an existing [Keyword](#), [dtSearch](#), or Analytics saved search to apply as a search condition.
- **<field name>**—select an object field name to create a conditional expression for that field to apply to the overall search criteria.
- **Add Logic Group**—adds logic groups you can add conditions to by dragging and dropping the conditions into the logic group frames. Use the AND or OR operator to join logic groups.
- **Includes drop-down**—select an option for returning documents related to hit documents. (Hit documents match the search criteria.) The related documents are included in the result set, but they do not need to match the search criteria. Select **No Related Items** if you do not wish to include any of these documents.
  - **Duplicates**—use this setting if you want the result set to include documents with the same MD5 Hash values as the hit documents. (The MD5 Hash value is used as a unique file identifier.)

- **Family**—use this setting if you want the result set to include documents with the same group identifiers as the hit documents.
- **<Custom Field>**—your organization may use custom related fields. Contact your system admin for additional information.

## Fields

The Fields (Required) fields represent the field columns that are displayed for your search results:

- **Available:** these fields are listed in left box.

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**Note:** If there are previously created field categories, you can select a field category from the drop-down list to conveniently filter the fields list. To learn more, visit [Field Categories](#).

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- **Selected:** these fields are listed in the right box, and they will be displayed for your search results. They are ordered based on their position in this box. You can drag and drop them to change their order.

## Sort

The Sort options define the default sort order used for the search results. Each row in a sort criterion contains the following options:

- **Sort Field:** select a field from the left drop-down box. The search sorts on the field you select.
- **Order:** select ascending or descending from the right drop-down box.

## 11.5.4 Using pop-up pickers

You may have the option to select values from a pop-up picker when you choose certain fields or operators in the Conditions section. For example, pop-ups are available when you select the following operators:

- Any of these
- None of these
- All of these (only for multiple object fields)
- Not all of these (only for multiple object fields)

See [Creating or editing a saved search](#). For information about setting batch conditions, see [Batch fields as search conditions](#).

### 11.5.4.1 Select items pop-up picker

Use the following general steps to select items in the picker:

1. Navigate to the Saved Search form or use the Search Conditions feature.
2. Select a **Field** option for a condition.
3. Select one or more items in the Available Items list. A checkmark indicates an item is selected.
4. Click **Apply**.

### 11.5.4.2 System user fields

System user fields include the System Created By and System Last Modified By fields, which you can use in search conditions.

1. Navigate to the Save Search form or use the Search Conditions feature.
2. Select a system user field in the **Field** option for a condition.

3. Select an operator, and perform one of the following tasks:
  - If you selected **any of these** or **none of these**, select from the **Available** fields and move to the **Selected** fields column, then click **Apply**.
  - Enter the username in the textbox.
4. Define any additional search criteria as needed.

#### 11.5.4.3 Folder name field

You can select Folder Name as a field in a search condition to create more flexible queries than using the Scope section of the Saved Search form. You can combine conditions containing the Folder Name and other fields with AND or OR operators refining your search criteria.

1. Navigate to the Save Search form or use the Search Conditions feature.
2. Select **Folder Name** in the **Field** option for a condition.
3. Select an operator, and perform one of the following tasks:
  - If you selected **any of these** or **none of these**, select the checkbox next to one or more item, then **Apply**.
  - If you selected another operation, enter the folder name in the text box.
4. Define any additional search criteria as needed.

### 11.5.5 Using the Search Bar

The Search Bar, a UI controlled feature, exists along the top of item lists that support index search. This replicates the functionality of the Index Search condition in the Search Panel (including Keyword Search and dtSearch). To run the index search, simply enter your search terms in the search bar and hit **Enter** on your keyboard or click **Search**. If you would like to list more than one search term on separate lines, click **Enter + Shift**.



When Index search conditions are disabled/enabled in the condition panel, the Search Bar reflects the condition panel state.

#### 11.5.5.1 Recent Searches

The Search Bar can also be used to generate highlights within a document in the Viewer.

To view Recent Searches within a document:

1. Navigate to **Documents**.
2. Select the desired index from the Keyword Search drop-down list.
3. Enter the desired search terms in the field to the right of the drop-list and click **Enter** on your keyboard. Keyword, proximity, fuzzy, and stemming searches can work depending on which type of search index you chose. The list displays documents that match your search criteria.

4. Click on the desired document to open it in the Viewer. Terms that match the entered criteria are highlighted as Recent Searches along with any Persistent Highlight Sets that are enabled.

The screenshot shows the Relativity Search Viewer interface. On the left, the 'Documents' pane is open, displaying the 'Persistent Highlight Sets' section. Under 'Primary', terms like 'harpoon~', 'moby w/5 whale', and 'pistol w/10 ball' are listed with their hit counts (48, 1, 1). Under 'Your recent searches', 'waves' is listed with a count of 1. The main content area shows a preview of the document 'MOBY-DICK; Or, THE WHALE.' by Herman Melville. The word 'waves' is highlighted in red, matching the search term in the Persistent Highlight Sets. The document text discusses the city of New York and its inhabitants.

5. Optionally, click on Show/Hide Persistent Highlight Pane to display the Recent Searches and Persistent Highlight Sets. Click on the lightbulb icon to turn the Recent Searches and/or Persistent Highlight Sets on or off.

**Note:** Recent Searches only apply when using the Search Bar or when running a saved search against a keyword index. Recent Searches do not apply when running a saved search against a dtSearch index.

## 11.5.6 Linking a Relativity Application to a saved search

To link a Relativity Application to a saved search:

1. Navigate to the Search Browser.
2. Create a new search or edit an existing search.
3. Click **Add** in the **Advanced** tab to display the Select Items —Relativity Applications modal. Available applications are in the left box and Selected applications are in the right box.
4. Choose one or more applications. Use the arrows to move the applications from the available to selected boxes.
5. Click **Set**.

You can clear your options by clicking the clear button.

Information	Other	
Relativity Applications: Test application 1 Test application 2 <span style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 2px;">...</span> <span style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 2px;">Clear</span>		

To unlink a Relativity Application from a saved search, click **Add** and use the arrows to remove the application(s). Please note that you cannot leave the selected applications box empty. A warning in red will appear along the bottom that reads: "Selection cannot be empty." Either leave at least one application linked or clear all using the clear button.

### 11.5.7 Linking a dashboard to a saved search

To link a dashboard to a saved search:

1. Navigate to the Search Browser.
2. Create a new search or edit an existing search.
3. Choose a dashboard from the drop-down list.
4. Click **Save & Search**, **Search**, **Save**, or **Save As**.

If you switch to a different dashboard while viewing the saved search, the link breaks. There are two ways to restore this link:

- Log out of your environment, then log back in.
- Edit the search and hit **Save and Search** again.

If you delete a dashboard, Relativity removes the link in the saved search.

If you delete a dashboard with dependencies, a message appears with a list of dependencies.

### 11.5.8 Rerunning out-of-date saved searches

You may need to rerun a saved search when you return to it after navigating to other features in Relativity. Instead of seeing your search results, you see a message indicating that your search is out of date.

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**Note:** To enable the **Run saved search** feature, select the **Requires Manual Rerun** option in the Information section of the Saved Search form.

Perform one of these tasks:

- Click **Run saved search** to reload your search results. You can also click on the saved search in the browser to rerun the search.
- Click **Edit Search** to display the Saved Search form where you modify the search settings.

If you edit an item returned in your saved search, you need to rerun it. You must rerun the search even when the edited item still meets the search criteria, and the number of documents returned doesn't change.

## 11.6 Defining criteria for saved searches

You define the criteria used for saved searches in the Conditions section of the saved search form. You can build complex queries using a combination of fields and operators that are set to required values. This section provides information about the operators available for building these queries, as well as specific options for searching batches and developing combined searches. For information about building queries, see [Creating or editing a saved search on page 114](#).

## 11.6.1 Operators

When defining search criteria in the Conditions section of a saved search form, you use operators to determine how a field is queried for the value that you selected or entered. The operators available for a search criterion depend upon the field type:

- [Fixed-length, long, or extracted text operators below](#)
- [Whole number, decimal, and currency operators on page 125](#)
- [User operators on page 125](#)
- [Date operators on page 126](#)
- [Yes or no operators on page 126](#)
- [Single and multiple choice field operators on page 126](#)

### 11.6.1.1 Fixed-length, long, or extracted text operators

The following operators are available for fixed-length, long, and extracted text field types.

Operator	Returns Documents Where...
Begins with	The field begins with the entered term.
Does not begin with	The field does not begin with the entered term.
Ends with	The field ends with the entered term.
Does not end with	The field does not end with the entered term.
Is like	<p>The field contains the entered term. Blank values are filtered out, and search values can be enclosed in double quotation marks. A partial match does not require a wildcard (*).</p> <p>Relativity returns an OR operator between terms when a condition uses the "Is like" operator, and the terms are separated by a carriage return into multiple lines, or they are separated by a comma within a single line. For example, Relativity interprets a query as "Field is like Term 1 or Field is like Term 2 or Field is like Term 3".</p> <p><b>Note:</b> For performance reasons, Relativity recommends using the "Contains" operator rather than building queries with single or multiple uses of the "Is like" operator. See <a href="#">FAQs for Contains and Is Like operators on the next page</a>.</p>
Is not like	<p>The field does not contain the entered term. Wildcards (*) are already applied at the beginning and end of a term with this operator. The comments about the "Is like" operator also apply to "Is not like".</p> <p>Relativity returns an OR operator between terms when a condition uses the "Is not like" operator, and the terms are separated by a carriage return into multiple lines, or they are separated by a comma within a single line. For example, Relativity interprets a query as "Field is not like Term 1 or Field is not like Term 2 or Field is not like Term 3".</p>
Is	<p>The field value equals any of the entered items. Multiple values can be separated by a comma or carriage return. Blank values are filtered out, and search values can be enclosed in double quotation marks.</p> <p>Relativity returns an OR operator between terms when a condition uses the "Is" operator, and the terms are separated by a carriage return into multiple lines, or they are separated by a comma within a single line. For example, Relativity interprets a query as "Field is Term 1 or Field is Term 2 or Field is Term 3".</p>
Is not	The field value does not equal the entered term.

Operator	Returns Documents Where...
	Relativity returns an OR operator between terms when a condition uses the "Is not" operator, and the terms are separated by a carriage return into multiple lines, or they are separated by a comma within a single line. For example, Relativity interprets a query as "Field is not Term 1 or Field is not Term 2 or Field is not Term 3".
Is set	The field is not empty.
Is not set	The field is empty.
Is less than	The field value is less than the entered term.
Is less than or equal to	The field value is less than or equal to the entered term. Relativity returns an OR operator between terms when a condition uses the "Is less than or equal to" operator, and the terms are separated by a carriage return into multiple lines, or they are separated by a comma within a single line. For example, Relativity interprets a query as "Field is less than or equal to Term 1 or Field is less than or equal to Term 2 or Field is less than or equal to Term 3".
Is greater than	The field value is greater than the entered term.
Is greater than or equal to	The field value is greater than or equal to the entered term. Relativity returns an OR operator between terms when a condition uses the "Is greater than or equal to" operator, and the terms are separated by a carriage return into multiple lines, or they are separated by a comma within a single line. For example, Relativity interprets a query as "Field is greater than or equal to Term 1 or Field is greater than or equal to Term 2 or Field is greater than or equal to Term 3".
Contains	The field includes the entered term. This operator is available for long text and fixed length text fields included in the full text index. Blank values are filtered out, and search values can be enclosed in double quotation marks. You can also use the AND/OR operators, and add wildcards (*) to the end of the search. Relativity returns an OR operator between terms when a condition uses the "Contains" operator, and the terms are separated by a comma. (You can also use the OR operator to separate search terms.) For example, Relativity interprets these queries as "Field contains Term 1 or Field contains Term 2 or Field contains Term 3", and "Field contains Term 1 or Term 2 or Term 3" respectively. Relativity returns an AND operator between terms when a condition uses the "Contains" operator, and the terms are separated by a carriage return into multiple lines, or if terms are separated by a space on a single line so "Field contains Term 1 Term 2 Term 3" is interpreted as "Field contains Term 1 AND Term 2 AND Term 3".  <b>Note:</b> The "Contains" operator works identically to keyword search, except that it searches that specific field.
Does not contain	The field does not contain the entered term. This operator is available for long text and fixed length text fields included in the full text index. Blank values are filtered out, and search values can be enclosed in double quotation marks.

## FAQs for Contains and Is Like operators

You can improve your searches by understanding the differences between the "Contains" and "Is like" operators.

- **Why do searches using the "Is like" operator tend to run slowly?**

The "Is like" operator can slow the performance of your system because it queries every document for the field specified in the condition. For performance reasons, we don't recommend building queries with single or multiple uses of the "Is like" operator. Instead, you can use the "Contains" operator, which improves performance by querying only the fields in the full-text index.

- **Are there any special requirements for using the "Contains" operator?**  
Yes, the full text-index must include the field that you want to search with the "Contains" operator.
- **How does query execution differ for searches with the "Contains" and "Is like" operators?**  
The "Contains" operator queries the SQL full text catalog, while the "Is like" operator queries the database table inside the catalog. The "Is like" operator prevents other queries from editing the table until it completes, which can negatively affect performance.
- **Why are different search results returned by queries using the "Contains" versus "Is like" operators?**  
The difference in result sets is caused by the way SQL interprets queries using these operators. An "Is like" statement appends a wildcard to the front of each query, which sometimes causes it to return more items than a query with the "Contains" operator. You must evaluate these additional items to determine if they're actually part of your expected result set or if they represent false hits for the items that you want to return.
- **Is there any way to enhance the performance of queries using the "Is like" operator?**  
Yes, you can make queries that use the "Is like" operator more efficient by creating a SQL index on the table column referenced by the query. The query can point to this index, and avoid accessing the table. For more information, contact your system admin.
- **How can I use the "Contains" operator to facilitate document reviews?**  
You can use the "Contains" operator to search fields in email headers for email addresses and other pertinent header information. To perform these searches, the Author, TO, CC, and BCC fields in email headers must be added to the full text index.

### Special considerations for Data Grid-enabled fields

You can use only these operators to search Data Grid-enabled text fields:

- is set
- is not set

**Note:** IS SET condition operator excludes the Data Grid records where the field is null or has an empty string value.

#### 11.6.1.2 Whole number, decimal, and currency operators

The following operators are available for whole number, decimal, and currency field types.

Operator	Returns Documents Where...
Is	The entered number is equal to the field value.
Is not	The entered number is not equal to the field value.
Is set	The field is not empty.
Is not set	The field is empty.
Is less than	The field value is less than the entered number.
Is greater than	The field value is greater than the entered number.

#### 11.6.1.3 User operators

The following operators are available for user field types.

Operator	Returns Documents Where...
Is logged in user	The logged in user is equal to the field value.
Any of these	Any of the selected users match the field value.
None of these	The selected users do not match the field value.

Operator	Returns Documents Where...
Is set	The field is not empty.
Is not set	The field is empty.

#### 11.6.1.4 Date operators

The following operators are available for date field types.

You can search on date and time but time is not displayed by default when you select a date on the calendar pop-up. For example, you can search on 10/16/2001 3:57 PM by typing in the time after your selected the date. You can also search for 2/3/10 between 4/3/10 and both 2/3/10 and 4/3/10 return in the results.

**Note:** When you search on a user-created date field using a relative date (ex. Last 7 Days), you may see different results between a saved search and a search from the search panel if you aren't in the same timezone as your Relativity instance.

Operator	Returns Documents Where...
Is	The entered date is equal to the field value.
Is not	The entered date is not equal to the field value.
Is set	The field is not empty.
Is not set	The field is empty.
Is before	The field value is before the entered date.
Is before or on	The field value is before or on the entered date.
Is after	The field value is after the entered date.
Is after or on	The field value is on or after the entered date.
Between	The field value is between the two entered dates.
Is in	The field value is within the selected range.

#### 11.6.1.5 Yes or no operators

The following operators are available for Yes/No field types.

Operator	Returns Documents Where...
Is	The selected value (Yes or No) is equal to the field value.
Is not	The selected value (Yes or No) is not equal to the field value.
Is set	The field is not empty.
Is not set	The field is empty.

#### 11.6.1.6 Single and multiple choice field operators

The following operators are available for single and multiple choice field types.

Operator	Returns Documents Where...
Any of these	Any of the selected choices are present in the field.
None of these	None of the selected choices is present in the field.

Operator	Returns Documents Where...
All of these	All of the selected choices are present in the field.
Not all of these	The selected choices are not present in the field.
Is set	The field is not empty.
Is not set	The field is empty.

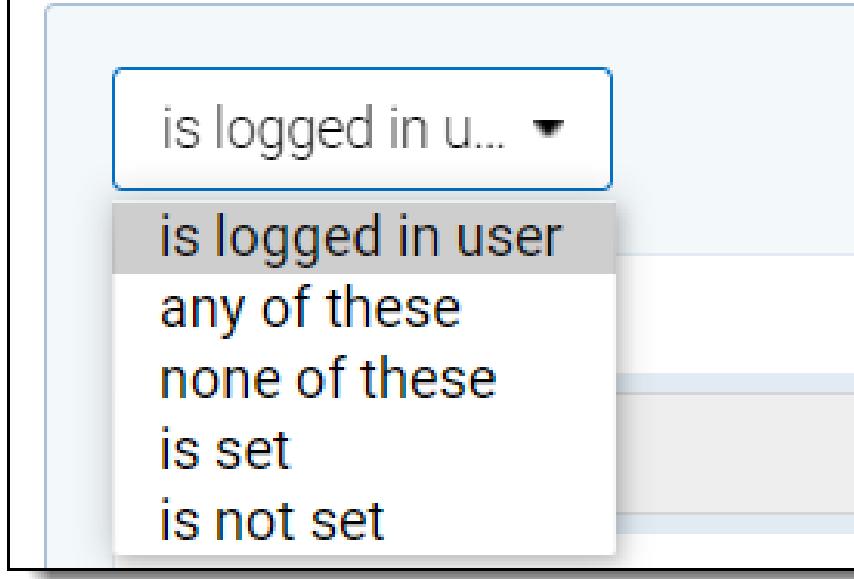
## 11.6.2 Batch fields as search conditions

Relativity includes several fields related to batching that you can use as conditions for searching across batch sets. To use batch fields as search conditions, follow these steps:

1. Create a new saved search. See [Creating or editing a saved search on page 114](#).
2. Select **Batch** in the Fields drop-down menu in the Conditions section of the saved search form.
3. Choose the operator you want to use.
4. Click **Add Condition** to display a modal.
5. Select one of the following batch related fields:
  - Batch
  - Batch::Batch Set
  - Batch::Assigned To
  - Batch::Status

You can use the Assigned To field to search for batches set to a specific user.

# Filter: Batch::Assigned To



See [Operators on page 123](#) for more information.

## 11.6.3 Using saved searches as conditions (combined searches)

You can combine searches by selecting previously created saved searches as Field conditions. To use a saved search as a search condition, follow these steps:

1. Create a new saved search. See [Creating or editing a saved search on page 114](#).
2. Select **(Saved Search)** from the top of this list in the **Field** drop-down menu in the Conditions section of the saved search form.
3. Select an option in the **Operator** drop-down menu.
4. Click **Add Condition** to display a modal.
5. Select a saved search and click **OK**.

### 11.6.3.1 Preventing circular references

Relativity prevents you from creating recursive searches when you combine multiple searches as conditions in a query. For example, you might create a combined search using Saved Searches 1, 2, and 3 as follows:

- Saved Search 2 uses Saved Search 1 as a Field condition.
- Saved Search 3 uses Saved Search 2 as a Field condition.

When you edit Saved Search 1, you can't select Saved Search 2 or Saved Search 3 as Field conditions. Relativity prevents you from creating a circular reference by not listing these searches in the **Value** pop-up window.

### 11.6.3.2 Including related items in combined searches

You can combine saved searches to check for conflicts within related item groups. For example, a review manager may use a combined search for quality control when preparing to produce responsive documents for a case.

Use the following steps to confirm that a search for responsive documents doesn't include any privileged documents.

1. Create a saved search called **Responsive Check** that uses the **Includes Family** option and sets a condition on a field, such as Designation to **Responsive**. This search specifies production criteria that return only responsive documents.
2. Create a second saved search called **Privilege Check** that uses the **Includes Family** option and sets a condition on a field, such as Privilege Description to **Privileged**, **Attorney Client**, and so on. This search is used for evaluation purposes.
3. Create a combined search called **Conflict Check** that uses the **Includes Family** option and sets conditions for the **Responsive Check** and **Privilege Check** searches. This quality control search determines if any privileged documents are included in the production-eligible saved search.

### 11.6.4 Lists as search conditions

If you've created saved lists using the Lists feature, you can add lists as criteria in a saved search.

Follow these steps to create a new saved search using a saved list of documents as the search criteria:

1. On the **Documents** tab, click  to open the Saved Searches browser.
2. Click **Create New Search**.
3. Type a name for the saved search in the **Name** field.
4. Add a condition with the following column settings:
  - **Field** - select **Lists**.
  - **Operator** - select **these conditions**.
  - **Value** - select the following value criteria:
    - **Field** - select **Lists**.
    - **Operator** - select **any of these**.
    - **Value** - select one or more saved lists to include in the search criteria.
5. In the **Fields** category, select the fields you want to include when viewing your saved search results. Select the **Lists** field to show the list(s) with which an object is associated.
6. Click **Save** to save the search. Or, click **Save & Search** to save and execute the search.

## 11.7 Saving searches on the Documents tab



On the Documents tab, you can click **Save Search**  at the bottom of the screen near the mass operations. This creates a new search using the criteria that you've already set on the search panel. You can save conditional searches, keyword searches, dtSearches, or Analytics searches. Relativity also retrieves any settings that you selected for a view, sort order, or other features that control how your results appear.



**Note:** To use **Save Search**, you must have add permissions for **Search**, and access to the **Saved Searches Browser**. For more information on workspace conditions, see the Admin guide.

To create a saved search on the Documents tab:

1. Navigate to the Documents tab.
2. (Optional) In the **Browser** menu, select the **Folders**, **Field Tree**, or **Clusters** option.  
The item list for the selected browser displays.
3. Filter on the documents in the list or select a keyword or other search option. To set search criteria, see the specific instructions for running keyword searches, dtSearches, Analytics, or filters. Your search results appear in the item list on the Documents tab.

**Note:** Any folder, tag, or cluster selected in the browser is included as a condition when the search is saved. The current columns, column filters, and sort order save along with any conditions set for your view (including your selection in the Related Documents drop-down menu).

4. Click

The search builder window appears.

5. Select or enter the following required information:

- **Name** - Enter a title for the search. The title appears in the saved searches browser.
- **Owner** - Select **Public** to make the search available to all users or choose a specific user from the list. Click **Me** to select your name from the list, making the search private. (Users must have the appropriate privileges to view searches.) See [Controlling the visibility of saved searches on page 113](#).
- **Search Folder** - Click the **Ellipsis** button to launch a pop-up window where you can save the new search to a specific folder on the saved searches browser. Highlight the folder where you want to save the search, and then click **OK** to select it.

6. Add to or modify the search criteria as needed. See [Creating or editing a saved search in the new UI framework](#).
7. Click **Save**.

After you save your search, it appears in the saved searches browser. You can modify the search using the same

options available for saved searches. See [Creating or editing a saved search in the new UI framework](#). Click to display the saved search browser. To update the search, follow the same steps as those used to edit a saved search. Right-click on the search in the saved searches browser, and then click **Edit**. The saved search form pre-populates with information used in your search.

## 11.8 Common Saved Searches application

This topic describes how to install and use the Common Saved Searches application, which contains a group of searches that can assist you in your basic usage of Relativity.

### 11.8.1 Installing the application

The installation process follows the same steps used to install other Relativity applications. For more information, see [Installing applications](#).

You must have system admin permissions to install an application. See [Workspace security](#).

To install the application:

1. Log into the Relativity Community and search in Files for the Common Saved Searches Solutions application rap file.

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**Note:** You must have valid Relativity Community credentials in order to download any Community file linked to the documentation site. You'll need to enter those credentials on the Community login screen if you're not already logged in. If you're already logged in to the Community at the time you click a link, the file is automatically downloaded in the bottom left corner of your screen. If you get an error message stating "URL No Longer Exists" after clicking a Community link, it may be due to a single sign-on error related to the SAML Assertion Validator, and you should contact your IT department.

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2. Click **Download**.

3. Add the application to the Application Library:

1. On the **Applications & Scripts** tab, click the **Application Library** tab.
2. Click **Upload Application**.
3. Click **Choose File**, navigate to and select the Common Saved Searches Application rap file, and then click **Open**.
4. Click **Save**.
5. Click **Install** in the Workspaces Installed section to install the application on workspaces.
6. Click  in the Workspaces field to display the Select Workspaces dialog.
7. Select a workspaces to install the application, and then click **Ok**.
8. (Optional) Click **Clear** to remove a workspace from the list.
9. Click **Save** to install the application to the selected workspaces.

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**Note:** There may be a need to map fields if you have a template already created with the same common fields. For more information, See [Mapping fields](#) section in the [Installing applications](#) documentation.

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## 11.8.2 Using the application

The table below lists the search name and the description of why this search is used and/or what it returns.

Search Name	Description
All Documents	A quick, easy way to return all documents in the workspace. This is useful for many reasons, including building Search Term Reports and is a method to quickly grab everything.
01.01 Processing Errors	Returns all documents in document table that have an error from processing. Use this to find items that might provide reviewers issues.
02.01 dtSearch	Returns all documents, but more importantly, returns only the extracted text field. Use to build a dtSearch index.
02.02 Structured Analytics Set	Used to check for documents with text and is used for any of the structured analytics sets.
02.03 Email Threading - Parent Emails	Search for emails, but only parent level items, not attachment emails. Previously used for email threading. Items used for threading.

Search Name	Description
02.04 Near Duplicate Analysis (No Parent Emails)	Returns all files that are identified for near duplication analysis, but are not parent emails.
02.05 Language ID or Repeated Content	Records with text to be used for Language ID or Repeated content similar to Structured set.
02.06 Analytics Not Included	Returns items not included in Analytics because of text size.
02.07 Analytics Index	Returns documents containing text and returns only extracted text for Analytics Indexes.
02.08 All docs Email Metadata fields	Returns all emails with all metadata fields returned.
03.01 Extracted Text is Empty	Includes documents not returned for use in Analytics Index for lack of text.
04.01 Parent Level Documents	Returns top-level documents that are not attachments, but can be emails or other.
04.02 Document Level Documents	Returns child-level documents.
04.03 Parent Level Dups + Family	Returns parent duplicates with family added. Duplicate not determined on family.
05.01 Single Recipient Emails + Family	Returns emails with one recipient and their attachments.
05.02 Bulk Emails (50+) + Family	Returns emails with 50 or more recipients and attachments.
06.01 Search Term Report	Search across all emails with text for STR.
06.01 Responsive and Family	Returns documents with Designation set to Responsive and family included.
06.02 Conflicts with Family	Returns items not coded the same as parent items.
06.03 Produce with Images Placeholders	Returns items marked with choice in Productions field, Nothing in Bates field, and Check on type of production as Images with Placeholders.
06.04 Produce Natives Only	Returns items marked with choice in Productions field, Nothing in Bates field, and Check on type of production as Native only.
06.05 Produce Natives with Placeholders	Returns items marked with choice in Productions field, Nothing in Bates field, and Check on type of production as Native with Placeholders.
By Filetype	Returns all documents with a filetype sorted by filetype.
By Folder	Returns all documents with a folder path and sorted by folder path.

## 11.9 Saved search history

On the History tab, you can view the audit records for saved searches, unsaved searches, and queries performed on views (such as filtering on a column).

Use the following guidelines to view search history records:

- **Saved Searches** - the Name column displays the name of the search, and the Object Type column displays "Search." Click the Query link to display a pop-up window with the SQL statement for the query.

**Query Text**

[Close](#)

```
/* <Comments>
<ArtifactID>1003684</ArtifactID>
<ArtifactTypeID>10</ArtifactTypeID>
<UserID>1181490</UserID>
<WorkspaceID>1181771</WorkspaceID>
<QueryType>IdList</QueryType>
<QuerySource>View or Search</QuerySource>
</Comments> */

SET NOCOUNT ON
SELECT TOP 1000
[Document].[ArtifactID]

FROM
[Document] (NOLOCK)
WHERE
[Document].[AccessControlListID_D] IN (1)
AND
(([Document].[ExtractedText] LIKE N'%exhibit%'))
ORDER BY
[Document].[ExtractedText] ,      [Document].[ArtifactID]

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-- records returned: 63
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```

- **Unsaved Searches or Views** - the Name column displays the name of the view in which the search was performed. The Object Type column displays View. Click the name link to display the details page for the view. You can also click the Query link to display a pop-up window with the SQL statement for the query.

# 12 Field Categories

Field categories allow you to quickly and accurately apply field conditions to the document list, a saved search, or a view. Once a field category has been created, it can be linked to as many fields as desired. The field category can then be selected when adding fields or conditions in the search panel, a view, or a saved search to conveniently access and apply the linked fields.

All Fields is a system default field category that displays every non-secured field in your workspace. It cannot be edited or secured from other users and it will always display at the bottom of the Field Categories drop-list. All Fields allows you to conveniently switch between viewing all of the fields and the fields included in a particular field category.

Field categories have object permissions so that they can be created and limited to a specific group or workflow within in Relativity. Securing a field category only determines whether it is visible in the drop-list of field categories that can be selected when adding conditions in the search panel.

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**Note:** Field categories that you create are carried over during workspace upgrades and when those cases are used as templates. The All Fields field category will also carry over after an upgrade, though it is currently a system default that cannot be configured by users.

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## 12.1 Creating a field category

To create a new field category, do the following:

1. Navigate to the **Field Categories** tab.

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**Note:** All Fields is a field category that is always present in Relativity but it does not display on the Field Categories tab since it cannot be edited.

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2. Click **New Field Category**.

3. Enter the desired information for the following fields:

- **Name** - the title of the field category
- **Order** - determines where the field category appears within the view drop-down list. Items that share the same value are sorted in alphanumeric order.
  - Order can be any integer (positive or negative). No decimals are allowed. You can use the **View Order** button to see how items are currently ordered.

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**Note:** Ordering by 10's, starting with 10, then 20, then 30, etc. is recommended because you can insert an item into any position later in the workspace, without the need to reorder all items.

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4. Click **Save** to create the new field category.

## 12.2 Viewing fields associated with a field category

Before linking and unlinking fields to a field category, it can be helpful to see what fields are associated with each field category. To do this, add the Fields field to the desired field category view and select that view on the Field Categories tab.

#	□	Name	Order	Fields
1	□	Review Fields	10	<a href="#">Batch</a> <a href="#">Batch:Assigned To</a> <a href="#">Batch:Batch Set</a> <a href="#">Batch:Status</a> <a href="#">Control Number</a> <a href="#">Has Images</a> <a href="#">Has Native</a>
2	□	Family fields	20	<a href="#">Group Identifier</a> <a href="#">MD5 Hash</a>
3	□	System Fields	50	<a href="#">Artifact ID</a> <a href="#">Control Number</a> <a href="#">System Created By</a> <a href="#">System Created On</a>

## 12.3 Link a field or fields to a field category

To link a field or fields to a field category, do the following:

1. Navigate to the **Field Categories** tab.
2. Click on the desired field category in the list.
3. Click **Link**.

Select Items - Fields

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#	□	Name	Field Type	Notes
1	□	Control Number	Fixed-Length Text	
2	□	Extracted Text	Long Text	
3	□	MD5 Hash	Fixed-Length Text	
4	□	Group Identifier	Fixed-Length Text	
5	□	Has Images	Single Choice	
6	□	Has Native	Yes/No	

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#	□	Name	Field Type	Notes
Filter	(All)	Filter	(All)	Filter

No data.

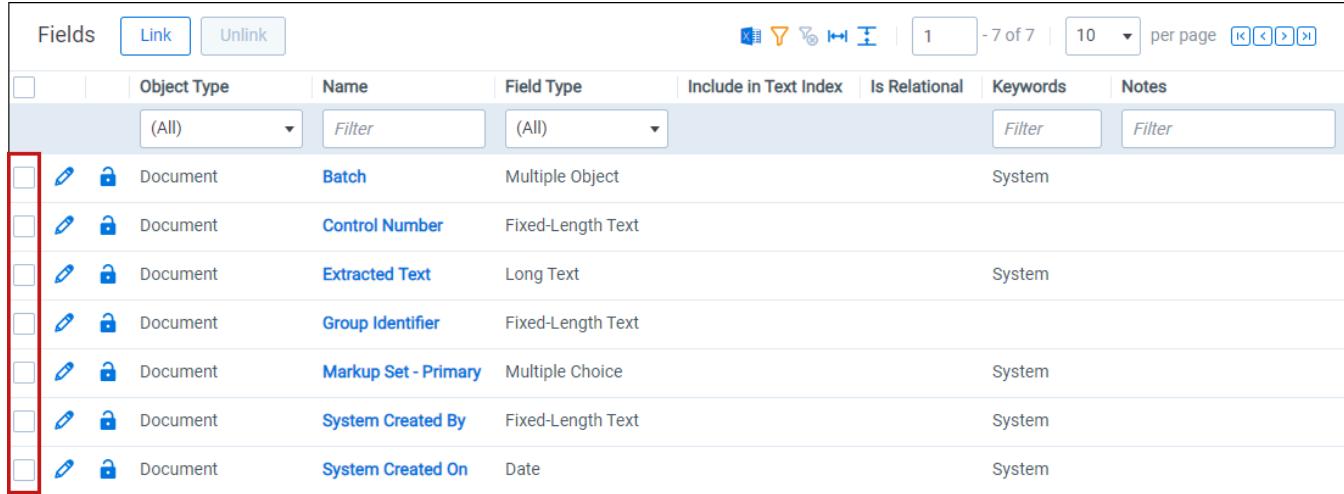
4. Filter the field list as needed and check any desired fields.
5. Once the desired fields have been selected, click **Move selected left to right** .
6. Click **Apply**.

The selected fields are linked to the field category and display in the Fields section.

## 12.4 Unlink a field or fields from a field category

To unlink a field or fields from a field category, do the following:

1. Navigate to the **Field Categories** tab.
2. Click on the desired field category in the list.
3. Click the checkbox on the left side of the row for any fields you wish to unlink.



	Object Type	Name	Field Type	Include in Text Index	Is Relational	Keywords	Notes
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document	Batch	Multiple Object				System
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document	Control Number	Fixed-Length Text				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document	Extracted Text	Long Text				System
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document	Group Identifier	Fixed-Length Text				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document	Markup Set - Primary	Multiple Choice				System
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document	System Created By	Fixed-Length Text				System
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document	System Created On	Date				System

4. Click **Unlink**.
5. Click **Unlink** again in the pop-up.

The selected fields are no longer linked to the field category.

## 13 Optimized indexing

Optimized indexing requires some knowledge of your data. The time it takes to scrub your data before indexing will be rewarded in time saved when creating an index and returning search results. Consider the following when creating an index:

- Consider removing file types that have no searchable content, such as system or program files.
- Use a separate index for searching database files and large Excel files.
  - Even if your database has only a small number of these files, creating an index without them improves searching speed, especially numeric range searching.
- Set up multiple dtSearch indexes, including one with a smaller document set based on one or more of the following criteria:
  - date ranges
  - custodians
  - text size (extracted or OCR text)
    - Small (< 2 MB)
    - Medium (> 2 MB and < 10 MB)
    - Large (> 10 MB and < 25 MB)
    - Very large (> 25 MB)
- Set a dtSearch index to recognize and/or ignore words, characters, and digits as necessary.
  - Noise Words (Ex: Include “sample” as a part of the noise word list for a dtSearch index containing Excel documents.)
  - Alphabet file list (Ex: Index the character “£.”)
  - Remove numbers from the alphabet file list if only searching for words – this reduces the size of the index and disables numeric range searching.
- Enable dtSearch indexes to automatically recognize dates, email addresses, and credit card numbers only when necessary. Enabling this setting increases build time.
- Consider using a pair of dtSearch indexes when adding new data. You can have one index updated in the background and then swap out the outdated index with the current one.

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