

[MS-ASTASK]: ActiveSync Tasks Class Protocol Specification

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1 Introduction

Mobile devices that communicate using the ActiveSync protocol need to exchange task list data. The Task **class** protocol specifies the ActiveSync protocol format for the interchange of task data.

1.1 Glossary

The following terms are defined in [\[MS-OXGLOS\]](#):

calendar
class
collection
Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)
header
instance
recurrence pattern
reminder
store
synchronization
Wireless Application Protocol (WAP) Binary XML (WBXML)
XML
XML namespace
XML schema
XML schema definition (XSD)

The following terms are specific to this document:

MAY, SHOULD, MUST, SHOULD NOT, MUST NOT: These terms (in all caps) are used as described in [\[RFC2119\]](#). All statements of optional behavior use either MAY, SHOULD, or SHOULD NOT.

1.2 References

1.2.1 Normative References

We conduct frequent surveys of the normative references to assure their continued availability. If you have any issue with finding a normative reference, please contact dochelp@microsoft.com. We will assist you in finding the relevant information. Please check the archive site, <http://msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/library/E4BD6494-06AD-4aed-9823-445E921C9624>, as an additional source.

[MS-ASAIRS] Microsoft Corporation, "[ActiveSync AirSyncBase Namespace Protocol Specification](#)", December 2008.

[MS-ASCMD] Microsoft Corporation, "[ActiveSync Command Reference Protocol Specification](#)", December 2008.

[MS-ASDTYPE] Microsoft Corporation, "[ActiveSync Data Types](#)", December 2008.

[MS-ASWBXML] Microsoft Corporation, "[ActiveSync WAP Binary XML \(WBXML\) Protocol Specification](#)", December 2008.

[RFC2119] Bradner, S., "Key words for use in RFCs to Indicate Requirement Levels", BCP 14, RFC 2119, March 1997, <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2119.txt>

[XML] World Wide Web Consortium, "Extensible Markup Language (XML) 1.0 (Fourth Edition)", W3C Recommendation, 16 August 2006, edited in place 29 September 2006, <http://www.w3.org/TR/2006/REC-xml-20060816/>

[XMLNS] Bray, T., Hollander, D., Layman, A., Eds., et al., "Namespaces in XML 1.0 (Third Edition)", December 2009, <http://www.w3.org/TR/REC-xml-names/>

[XMLSCHEMA1] Thompson, H., Beech, D., Maloney, M., and Mendelsohn, N., Eds., "XML Schema Part 1: Structures", W3C Recommendation, May 2001, <http://www.w3.org/TR/2001/REC-xmlschema-1-20010502/>

1.2.2 Informative References

[MS-OXGLOS] Microsoft Corporation, "[Exchange Server Protocols Master Glossary](#)", April 2008.

1.3 Overview

The Task class protocol specifies an **XML** representation of task list data as used in various ActiveSync commands.

1.4 Relationship to Other Protocols

The Task class protocol specifies the XML representation of task list data that is used by commands specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#).

All data types in this document conform to the data type definitions specified in [\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#). Common **XML schema** elements used by other classes are defined in [\[MS-ASAIRS\]](#).

1.5 Prerequisites/Preconditions

None.

1.6 Applicability Statement

This protocol specifies a set of elements for use in communicating task data using the commands specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#). This set of elements is applicable when communicating task data such as the task name, start and due dates, and recurrence options and exceptions between a mobile device and a server. These elements are not applicable when sending calendar, e-mail, note, contact, or document data between a mobile device and a server.

1.7 Versioning and Capability Negotiation

None.

1.8 Vendor-Extensible Fields

None.

1.9 Standards Assignments

None.

2 Messages

2.1 Transport

The Task class consists of a series of XML elements that are embedded inside of a **collection** transmitted according to the commands specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#). The XML block containing the class elements is transmitted in either the request body of a request, or in the response body of a response. The elements of the Task class are defined in the namespaces Task and AirSyncBase. All of the Task class elements are specified in this document; however, elements defined in the AirSyncBase namespace are specified in [\[MS-ASAIRS\]](#).

The parent element of the Task class elements depends upon the ActiveSync protocol command used to retrieve the class data. Commands for the Task class **XML schema** are specified in section [3.1.5](#) and section [3.2.5](#).

2.2 Message Syntax

The markup MUST be well-formed XML, as specified in [\[XML\]](#).

The XML markup that constitutes the request body or the response body is transmitted between the client and the server using **Wireless Application Protocol (WAP) Binary XML (WBXML)**, which is specified in [\[MS-ASWBXML\]](#).

The **XML schema definition** for the Task class in ActiveSync is defined in accordance with the rules specified in [\[XMLSCHEMA1\]](#) as follows.

```
<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<xs:schema xmlns:tns="Tasks:" attributeFormDefault="unqualified"
elementFormDefault="qualified"
targetNamespace="Tasks:" xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
xmlns:airsyncbase="AirSyncBase:">
  <xs:import namespace="AirSyncBase" location="AirSyncBase.xsd" />
  <xs:element name="Subject" type="xs:string" />
  <xs:element name="Importance" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
  <xs:element name="UtcStartDate" type="xs:dateTime" />
  <xs:element name="StartDate" type="xs:dateTime" />
  <xs:element name="UtcDueDate" type="xs:dateTime" />
  <xs:element name="DueDate" type="xs:dateTime" />
  <xs:element name="Categories">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element maxOccurs="unbounded" name="Category" type="xs:string" />
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:element>
  <xs:element name="Recurrence">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element name="Type" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
        <xs:element name="Start" type="xs:dateTime" />
        <xs:element name="Until" type="xs:dateTime" />
        <xs:element name="Occurrences" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
        <xs:element name="Interval" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
        <xs:element name="DayOfWeek" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
        <xs:element name="DayOfMonth" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
        <xs:element name="WeekOfMonth" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
      </xs:sequence>
    </xs:complexType>
  </xs:element>
</xs:schema>
```

```

<xs:element name="MonthOfYear" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
<xs:element name="Regenerate" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
<xs:element name="DeadOccur" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
<xs:element name="CalendarType" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
<xs:element name="IsLeapMonth" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
<xs:element minOccurs="0" name="FirstDayOfWeek">
  <xs:simpleType>
    <xs:restriction base="xs:unsignedByte">
      <xs:minInclusive value="0"/>
      <xs:maxInclusive value="6"/>
    </xs:restriction>
  </xs:simpleType>
</xs:element>
</xs:sequence>
</xs:complexType>
</xs:element>
<xs:element name="Complete" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
<xs:element name="DateCompleted" type="xs:dateTime" />
<xs:element name="Sensitivity" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
<xs:element name="ReminderTime" type="xs:dateTime" />
<xs:element name="ReminderSet" type="xs:unsignedByte" />
</xs:schema>

```

The portion of the AirSyncBase namespace used by the Task class is defined as follows. For the complete AirSyncBase XSD, see [\[MS-ASAIRS\]](#) section 2.2.

```

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<xs:schema xmlns:airsyncbase="AirSyncBase:" xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns="AirSyncBase:" targetNamespace="AirSyncBase:" elementFormDefault="qualified"
  attributeFormDefault="unqualified">
  <xs:element name="Body"/>
</xs:schema>

```

2.2.1 Namespaces

This specification defines and references various **XML namespaces** using the mechanisms specified in [\[XMLNS\]](#). Although this specification associates a specific XML namespace prefix for each XML namespace that is used, the choice of any particular XML namespace prefix is implementation-specific and is not significant for interoperability.

Prefix	Namespace URI	Reference
airsyncbase	AirSyncBase	[MS-ASAIRS]
None	Tasks	
airsync	AirSync	[MS-ASCMD] section 2.2.2.19
itemoperations	ItemOperations	[MS-ASCMD] section 2.2.2.8
search	Search	[MS-ASCMD] section 2.2.2.14
xs	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema	[XMLSCHEMA1]

2.2.2 Elements

The following table summarizes the set of common XML schema element definitions defined or used by this specification. XML schema element definitions that are specific to a particular operation are described with the operation.

Value	Description
airsyncbase:Body	The text for this task.
Subject	The subject of the task item.
Importance	The importance or priority of the task item.
UtcStartDate	The Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) start date of the task item.
StartDate	The local start date of the task item.
UtcDueDate	The UTC due date of the task item.
DueDate	The local due date of the task item.
Categories	A collection of user-selected labels assigned to the task.
Category	The category of the calendar item, such as Business, Holiday, Personal, or Waiting.
Recurrence	When and how often this task recurs.
Type	The recurrence type.
Start	The start time of a series of recurrence items.
Until	The end time of a series of recurrence items.
Occurrences	The number of occurrences before the series ends.
Interval	The interval between recurrences.
DayOfWeek	The day of the week for the recurrence.
DayOfMonth	The day of the month for the recurrence.
WeekOfMonth	The week of the month for the recurrence.
MonthOfYear	The month of the year for the recurrence.
Regenerate	Whether the task item regenerates after each task instance is complete.
DeadOccur	Whether the task is a recurring instance.
CalendarType	The calendar system used by this recurrence.
IsLeapMonth	Whether this recurrence takes place during a leap month.
FirstDayOfWeek	Specifies which day is considered the first day of the calendar week for this recurrence.
Complete	Whether the task has been completed.
DateCompleted	The date on which the item was completed.

Value	Description
Sensitivity	The sensitivity of the task item.
ReminderTime	The time and date at which the reminder for the task item will appear.
ReminderSet	Whether a reminder for the task item has been set to appear.

2.2.2.1 airsynbase:Body

The <airsynbase:Body> element is an optional **container** ([\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#) section 2.2) element that specifies the text for this task. It is defined as part of the AirSyncBase namespace.

The <airsynbase:Body> element is specified in [\[MS-ASAIRS\]](#) section 2.2.2.4.

2.2.2.2 Subject

The **Subject** element is an element that specifies the subject of the task item.

The **Subject** element is optional in a **Sync** command request.

The **Subject** element is required in a **Sync** command response.

2.2.2.3 Importance

The <Importance> element is an optional element that specifies the importance or priority of the task item.

The value of the <Importance> element MUST be one of the following:

Value	Description
0	Low
1	Normal (Default)
2	High

2.2.2.4 UtcStartDate

The <UtcStartDate> element is an optional element that specifies the UTC start date of the task item.

The value of this element is a **dateTime** type, as specified in [\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#) section 2.3.

2.2.2.5 StartDate

The <StartDate> element is an optional element that specifies the local start date of the task item.

The value of this element is a **dateTime** value, as specified in [\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#) section 2.3.

2.2.2.6 UtcDueDate

The <UtcDueDate> element is an optional element that specifies the UTC due date of the task item.

The value of this element is a **dateTime** value, as specified in [\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#) section 2.3.

2.2.2.7 DueDate

The <DueDate> element is an optional element that specifies the local due date of the task item.

The value of this element is a **dateTime** value, as specified in [\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#) section 2.3.

2.2.2.8 Categories

The <Categories> element is an optional **container** ([\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#) section 2.2) element that specifies a collection of user-managed labels assigned to this task.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <Categories> element per command.

The <Categories> element has the following child element:

- [Category](#) (section [2.2.2.8.1](#)): At least one instance of this element is required.

If a <Categories> element contains no <Category> elements in a request or response, then the categories for the specified task have all been removed.

2.2.2.8.1 Category

The <Category> element is an optional child element of the <Categories> element (section [2.2.2.8](#)) that specifies the category of the task item, such as Business, Holiday, Personal, or Waiting.

There SHOULD be no more than 300 <Category> child elements per <Categories> element.

2.2.2.9 Recurrence

The <Recurrence> element is an optional **container** ([\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#) section 2.2) element that specifies when and how often this task recurs.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <Recurrence> element per command.

The <Recurrence> element can have the following child elements:

- <Type> (section [2.2.2.9.1](#)): This element is required.
- <Start> (section [2.2.2.9.2](#)): This element is required.
- <Until> (section [2.2.2.9.3](#)): This element is optional.
- <Occurrences> (section [2.2.2.9.4](#)): This element is optional.
- <Interval> (section [2.2.2.9.5](#)): This element is optional.
- <DayOfWeek> (section [2.2.2.9.6](#)): This element is optional.
- <DayOfMonth> (section [2.2.2.9.7](#)): This element is optional.
- <WeekOfMonth> (section [2.2.2.9.8](#)): This element is optional.
- <MonthOfYear> (section [2.2.2.9.9](#)): This element is optional.
- <Regenerate> (section [2.2.2.9.10](#)): This element is optional.
- <DeadOccur> (section [2.2.2.9.11](#)): This element is optional.

- <CalendarType> (section [2.2.2.9.12](#)): This element is optional.
- <IsLeapMonth> (section [2.2.2.9.13](#)): This element is optional.
- <FirstDayOfWeek> (section [2.2.2.9.14](#)): This element is required in server responses for weekly recurrences.

2.2.2.9.1 Type

The <Type> element is a required child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies the type of this recurrence item.

A command request or response has a minimum of one <Type> element per <Recurrence> element.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <Type> element per <Recurrence> element.

If a client does not include this element in a <Sync> command request whenever a <Recurrence> element is present, then the server MUST respond with status error 6. Status errors for the <Sync> command are specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.19.2.1.1.

The value of the <Type> element MUST be one of the following.

Value	Description
0	Recurs daily.
1	Recurs weekly.
2	Recurs monthly.
3	Recurs monthly on the nth day.
5	Recurs yearly.
6	Recurs yearly on the nth day.

2.2.2.9.2 Start

The <Start> element is a required child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies the local start date for the recurrence.

A command request or response has a minimum of one <Start> element per <Recurrence> element.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <Start> element per <Recurrence> element.

If a client does not include this element in a **Sync** command request whenever a <Recurrence> element is present, then the server MUST respond with status error 6. Status errors for the **Sync** command are specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.19.2.1.1.

The value of this element is a **dateTime** type, as specified in [\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#) section 2.3.

2.2.2.9.3 Until

The <Until> element is an optional child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies the end time of a series of recurrence items.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <Until> element per <Recurrence> element.

The <Occurrences> element (section [2.2.2.9.4](#)) and the <Until> element are mutually exclusive. It is recommended that only one of these elements be included in a <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) in a **Sync** command request. If both elements are included, then the server MUST respect the value of the <Occurrences> element and ignore the <Until> element.

The value of this element is a **dateTime** type, as specified in [\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#) section 2.3.

2.2.2.9.4 Occurrences

The <Occurrences> element is an optional child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies the number of occurrences before the series ends.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <Occurrences> element per <Recurrence> element.

The <Occurrences> element and the <Until> element (section [2.2.2.9.3](#)) are mutually exclusive. It is recommended that only one of these elements be included in a <Recurrence> element in a **Sync** command request. If both elements are included, the server MUST respect the value of the <Occurrences> element and ignore the <Until> element.

2.2.2.9.5 Interval

The <Interval> element is an optional child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies the interval between recurrences.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <Interval> element per <Recurrence> element.

The value of the <Interval> element is an integer. The maximum value is 999.

2.2.2.9.6 DayOfWeek

The <DayOfWeek> element is an optional child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies the day of the week for the recurrence.

A command request or response has a minimum of one <DayOfWeek> element per <Recurrence> element if the value of the <Interval> element (section [2.2.2.9.5](#)) is 1.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <DayOfWeek> element per <Recurrence> element.

The value of the <DayOfWeek> element MUST be either one of the following values, or the sum of more than one of the following values (in which case this task recurs on more than one day).

Value	Description
1	Sunday

Value	Description
2	Monday
4	Tuesday
8	Wednesday
16	Thursday
32	Friday
64	Saturday
127	Specifies the last day of the month when the value of the <WeekOfMonth> element (section 2.2.2.9.8) is 5.

The <DayOfWeek> element MUST only be included in requests or responses when the <Type> element is set to a value of 0, 1, 3, or 6. When a request is issued with the <DayOfWeek> element in other instances, the server responds with a status 6 error (conversion error).

2.2.2.9.7 DayOfMonth

The <DayOfMonth> element is an optional child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies the day of the month for the recurrence.

A command request or response has a minimum of one <DayOfMonth> element per <Recurrence> element if the value of the <Type> element (section [2.2.2.9.1](#)) is either 2 or 5.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <DayOfMonth> element per <Recurrence> element.

The <DayOfMonth> element MUST only be included in requests or responses when the <Type> element is set to a value of 2 or 5. When a request is issued with the <DayOfMonth> element in other instances, the server responds with a status 6 error (conversion error).

2.2.2.9.8 WeekOfMonth

The <WeekOfMonth> element is an optional child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies the week of the month for the recurrence.

A command request or response has a minimum of one <WeekOfMonth> element per <Recurrence> element when the value of the <Type> element (section [2.2.2.9.1](#)) is either 3 or 6.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <WeekOfMonth> element per <Recurrence> element.

The value of the <WeekOfMonth> element MUST be between 1 and 5. The value of 5 always designates the last week of the month.

The <WeekOfMonth> element MUST only be included in requests or responses when the <Type> element is set to a value of 3 or 6. When a client request is issued with the <WeekOfMonth> element in other instances, the server responds with a status 6 error (conversion error).

2.2.2.9.9 MonthOfYear

The <MonthOfYear> element is an optional child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies the month of the year for the recurrence.

A command request or response has a minimum of one <MonthOfYear> element per <Recurrence> element if the value of the <Type> element (section [2.2.2.9.1](#)) is either 5 or 6.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <MonthOfYear> element per <Recurrence> element.

The value of the <MonthOfYear> element MUST be between 1 and 12.

2.2.2.9.10 Regenerate

The <Regenerate> element is an optional child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies whether this task item regenerates after it is completed.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <Regenerate> element per <Recurrence> element.

When the <Regenerate> element is set to a nonzero value (up to and including 255), a valid <Interval> element (section [2.2.2.9.5](#)) MUST be included within the <Recurrence> element. Valid patterns include Daily, Weekly, Monthly, and Yearly patterns.

If the <Regenerate> element is not included in a response, then the client MUST assume that the default is 0 (do not regenerate).

2.2.2.9.11 DeadOccur

The <DeadOccur> element is an optional child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies whether the task is an instance of a recurring master task.

A command request or response has a maximum of one <DeadOccur> element per <Recurrence> element.

Clients set this value to any non-zero value (up to 255) to mark a task as a recurring master task. Clients making command requests SHOULD set this value to a non-zero value (up to 255) when marking a task as complete.

The default value of the <DeadOccur> element is 0.

2.2.2.9.12 CalendarType

The <CalendarType> element [<1>](#) is a child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies the calendar system used by the recurrence.

A command request has a maximum of one <CalendarType> element per <Recurrence> element when the <Type> element is set to a value of 2, 3, 5, or 6. If it is included in other instances, the server responds with a status 6 error (conversion error).

A command response has a minimum of one <CalendarType> element per <Recurrence> element when the <Type> element is set to a value of 2, 3, 5, or 6; otherwise, this element is optional in command responses.

The value of the <CalendarType> element MUST be one of those listed in the following table. [<2>](#)

Value	Description
0	Default
1	Gregorian
2	Gregorian (United States)
3	Japanese Emperor Era
4	Taiwan
5	Korean Tangun Era
6	Hijri (Arabic Lunar)
7	Thai
8	Hebrew Lunar
9	Gregorian (Middle East French)
10	Gregorian (Arabic)
11	Gregorian (Transliterated English)
12	Gregorian (Transliterated French)
14	Japanese Lunar
15	Chinese Lunar
16	Saka Era
17	Chinese Lunar (Eto)
18	Korean Lunar (Eto)
19	Japanese Rokuyou Lunar
20	Korean Lunar
23	Um al-Qura

2.2.2.9.13 IsLeapMonth

The <IsLeapMonth> element [<3>](#) is an optional child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies whether the **recurrence patterns** should occur within the leap month of the current year.

A command request has a maximum of one <IsLeapMonth> element per <Recurrence> element.

A command response has a maximum of one <IsLeapMonth> element per <Recurrence> element.

This element only applies when the <CalendarType> element (section [2.2.2.9.12](#)) specifies a calendar system that incorporates an embolismic (leap) month. Examples include lunisolar calendar systems such as Hebrew Lunar and Chinese Lunar. This element has no effect when specified in conjunction with the Gregorian calendar.

The value of the <IsLeapMonth> element MUST be one of the following.

Value	Description
0	False
1	True

The default value of the <IsLeapMonth> element is 0.

2.2.2.9.14 FirstDayOfWeek

The <FirstDayOfWeek> [<4>](#) element is a child element of the <Recurrence> element (section [2.2.2.9](#)) that specifies which day is considered the first day of the calendar week for this recurrence.

A command request has a maximum of one <FirstDayOfWeek> element per <Recurrence> element.

A command response has a maximum of one <FirstDayOfWeek> element per <Recurrence> element. The server MUST return a <FirstDayOfWeek> element when the value of the <Type> element (section [2.2.2.9.1](#)) is 1.

This element disambiguates recurrences across localities that define a different starting day for the calendar week. If this element is not included in the client request, then the server SHOULD identify the first day of the week for this recurrence according to the preconfigured options of the user creating the calendar item.

The value of the <FirstDayOfWeek> element MUST be one of the values defined in the following table. If the client uses the **Sync** command to transmit a value not included in this table, then the server MUST return protocol status error 6. **Sync** command status values are specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.19.2.1.1.

Value	Description
0	Sunday
1	Monday
2	Tuesday
3	Wednesday
4	Thursday
5	Friday
6	Saturday

2.2.2.10 Complete

The <Complete> element is a required child element that specifies whether the task has been completed.

The value of the <Complete> element MUST be one of the following.

Value	Description
0	False (not completed)
1	True (completed)

2.2.2.11 DateCompleted

The <DateCompleted> element is an optional child element that specifies the date and time at which the task was completed.

The <DateCompleted> element **MUST** be included in the response if the <Complete> element is set to a value of 1.

The value of this element is a **dateTime** type, as specified in [\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#) section 2.3.

2.2.2.12 Sensitivity

The <Sensitivity> element is an optional child element that specifies the sensitivity level of the task.

The value of the <Sensitivity> element **MUST** be one of the following.

Value	Description
0	Normal
1	Personal
2	Private
3	Confidential

The default value of the <Sensitivity> element is 0 (normal).

2.2.2.13 ReminderTime

The <ReminderTime> element is an optional element that specifies the time and date at which the reminder for the task item will appear.

The value of this element is a **dateTime** type, as specified in [\[MS-ASDTYPE\]](#) section 2.3.

2.2.2.14 ReminderSet

The <ReminderSet> element is an optional element that specifies whether a reminder for a task item has been set to appear.

The value of the <ReminderSet> element **MUST** be one of the following.

Value	Description
0	False (no reminder is set) (Default)
1	True (a reminder is set)

3 Protocol Details

3.1 Client Details

3.1.1 Abstract Data Model

This section describes a conceptual model of possible data organization that an implementation maintains to participate in this protocol. The described organization is provided to facilitate the explanation of how the protocol behaves. This document does not mandate that implementations adhere to this model as long as their external behavior is consistent with that described in this document.

Task class: A structured XML text block that adheres to the XML schema defined in section [2.2](#). It is included by the server as part of a full XML response to the client commands specified in section [3.1.5](#).

Command request: A WBXML formatted message that adheres to the command schemas specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#).

3.1.2 Timers

None.

3.1.3 Initialization

None.

3.1.4 Higher-Layer Triggered Events

3.1.4.1 Synchronizing Task Data with a Server

A client initiates **synchronization** of Task class data with the server by sending a **Sync** command request.

3.1.4.2 Searching a Server for Task Data

A client searches a server for Task class data by sending a **Search** command request.

3.1.4.3 Requesting Details for One or More Specific Tasks

Task data for one or more individual task items is requested by the client using an **ItemOperations** command request, which is a wrapper for the <itemoperations:Fetch> element. An <ItemOperations> command can contain multiple <itemoperations:Fetch> elements.

3.1.5 Message Processing Events and Sequencing Rules

The following section describes how various elements of the Task class are used in the context of specific ActiveSync commands. Command details are specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#).

3.1.5.1 ItemOperations Command Request

A client uses the **ItemOperations** command to retrieve specific Task items from the server using the <itemoperations:Fetch> element. An **ItemOperations** request can contain multiple <itemoperations:Fetch> elements.

The elements returned by the **ItemOperations** command can be restricted by including top-level schema elements for the Task class as children of the <itemoperations:Schema> element ([\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.8.2.1.2.7.1). The following are the top-level elements for the Task class:

- [Attachments](#)
- [Body](#)

ItemOperations is specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.8.

3.1.5.2 Search Command Request

A client uses the **Search** command to retrieve Task class items that match the criteria specified by the client.

The Task class elements MUST NOT be included in a **Search** command request. If they are included, then the server MUST return a protocol error.

Search is specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.14.

3.1.5.3 Sync Command Request

A client uses the **Sync** command to synchronize its Task class items for a specified user with the tasks currently stored by the server.

Any of the elements for the Task class can be included in a **Sync** command request.

Task class elements MUST be transmitted as children of the <airsync:ApplicationData> element in either an <airsync:Add> element request ([\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.19.1.2.1.1.9.3.3) or an <airsync:Change> element request ([\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.19.1.2.1.1.9.1.2).

Sync is specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.19.

3.1.6 Timer Events

None.

3.1.7 Other Local Events

None.

3.2 Server Details

3.2.1 Abstract Data Model

This section describes a conceptual model of possible data organization that an implementation maintains to participate in this protocol. The described organization is provided to facilitate the explanation of how the protocol behaves. This document does not mandate that implementations adhere to this model as long as their external behavior is consistent with that described in this document.

Task class: A structured XML text block that adheres to the XML schema defined in section [2.2](#). It is included by the server as part of a full XML response to the client commands specified in section [3.2.5](#).

Command response: A WBXML formatted message that adheres to the command schemas specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#).

3.2.2 Timers

None.

3.2.3 Initialization

None.

3.2.4 Higher-Layer Triggered Events

3.2.4.1 Synchronizing Task Data with a Server

A client initiates synchronization of Task class data with the server by sending a **Sync** command request. The server responds with a **Sync** command response.

3.2.4.2 Searching a Server for Task Data

A client searches a server for Task class data by sending a **Search** command request. The server responds with a **Search** command response.

3.2.4.3 Requesting Details for One or More Specific Tasks

Task data for one or more individual task items is requested by the client using an **ItemOperations** command request, which is a wrapper for the <itemoperations:Fetch> element. An **ItemOperations** command can contain multiple <itemoperations:Fetch> elements. The server responds with an **ItemOperations** command response.

3.2.5 Message Processing Events and Sequencing Rules

The following section describes how various elements of the Task class are used in the context of specific ActiveSync commands. Command details are specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#).

3.2.5.1 ItemOperations Command Response

A client uses the **ItemOperations** command to retrieve specific Task items from the server using the <Fetch> element. An **ItemOperations** request can contain multiple <Fetch> elements.

Any of the elements for the Task class can be included in an **ItemOperations** command response. If an <itemoperations:Schema> element was included in the command request, then the elements returned MUST be restricted to the elements included in the command request's <Schema> element.

Task class elements MUST be returned as children of the <itemoperations:Properties> element ([\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.8.3.1.2.3.6).

ItemOperations is specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.8.

3.2.5.2 Search Command Response

A client uses the **Search** command to retrieve Task class items that match the criteria specified by the client.

Any of the elements for the task class can be included in a **Search** command response.

Task class elements are returned as children of the <Properties> element ([\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.14.2.1.2.1.2.4).

Search is specified in [\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.14.

3.2.5.3 Sync Command Response

A client uses the **Sync** command to synchronize its Task class items for a specified user with the tasks currently stored by the server.

Any of the elements for the Task class can be included in a **Sync** command response.

Task class elements are returned as children of the <airsync:ApplicationData> element in either an <airsync:Add> element response ([\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.19.2.1.3.1.4.4.2) or an <airsync:Change> element response ([\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.19.2.1.3.1.4.3.3).

3.2.5.3.1 Importance Element

If the <Importance> element (section [2.2.2.3](#)) is excluded from an <airsync:Change> element inside of a **Sync** request, the server MUST NOT delete the element from its **store**, but rather restore it to its default value.

3.2.5.3.2 ReminderSet Element

If the <ReminderSet> element (section [2.2.2.14](#)) is excluded from an <airsync:Change> element inside of a **Sync** request, the server MUST NOT delete the element from its store, but rather restore it to its default value.

3.2.6 Timer Events

None.

3.2.7 Other Local Events

None.

4 Protocol Examples

4.1 Synchronizing Tasks Between Client and Server

The following example synchronizes a task created on the client with the server.

Request:

```
POST /Microsoft-Server-ActiveSync?Cmd=Sync&User=deviceuser1&DeviceId=111&DeviceType=SmartPhone HTTP/1.1
Content-Type: application/vnd.ms-sync.wbxml
MS-ASProtocolVersion: 14.0
User-Agent: ASOM
Host: mailserver.contoso.com

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<Sync xmlns:tasks="Tasks:" xmlns:airsyncbase="AirSyncBase:" xmlns="AirSync:">
  <Collections>
    <Collection>
      <SyncKey>301865454</SyncKey>
      <CollectionId>11</CollectionId>
      <DeletesAsMoves>1</DeletesAsMoves>
      <GetChanges>1</GetChanges>
      <WindowSize>100</WindowSize>
      <Commands>
        <Add>
          <ClientId>4717a10e-492d-45af-9fe3-227f74385b13</ClientId>
          <ApplicationData>
            <airsyncbase:Body>
              <airsyncbase:Type>2</airsyncbase:Type>
              <airsyncbase:Data>&lt;strong&gt;Must&lt;/strong&gt; complete TPS reports using
the new cover sheet.</airsyncbase:Data>
            </airsyncbase:Body>
            <tasks:Subject>TPS Reports for August 2009</tasks:Subject>
            <tasks:Importance>2</tasks:Importance>
            <tasks:Categories>
              <tasks:Category>Business</tasks:Category>
              <tasks:Category>Reports</tasks:Category>
            </tasks:Categories>
            <tasks:Complete>0</tasks:Complete>
            <tasks:DueDate>2009-09-03T13:00:00.000Z</tasks:DueDate>
            <tasks:UtcDueDate>2009-09-03T20:00:00.000Z</tasks:UtcDueDate>
            <tasks:ReminderSet>1</tasks:ReminderSet>
            <tasks:ReminderTime>2009-09-02T09:00:00.000Z</tasks:ReminderTime>
            <tasks:Sensitivity>1</tasks:Sensitivity>
            <tasks:StartDate>2009-09-03T09:00:00.000Z</tasks:StartDate>
            <tasks:UtcStartDate>2009-09-03T16:00:00.000Z</tasks:UtcStartDate>
          </ApplicationData>
        </Add>
      </Commands>
    </Collection>
  </Collections>
</Sync>
```

Response:

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
```

Content-Type: application/vnd.ms-sync.wbxml
Date: Mon, 31 Aug 2009 18:42:05 GMT
Content-Length: 92

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<Sync xmlns="AirSync:">
  <Collections>
    <Collection>
      <SyncKey>1010751843</SyncKey>
      <CollectionId>11</CollectionId>
      <Status>1</Status>
      <Responses>
        <Add>
          <ClientId>4717a10e-492d-45af-9fe3-227f74385b13</ClientId>
          <ServerId>11:1</ServerId>
          <Status>1</Status>
        </Add>
      </Responses>
    </Collection>
  </Collections>
</Sync>
```

4.2 Synchronizing Tasks on the Client

The following request/response pair shows a client requesting synchronization of its Task data with a server without submitting any changes of its own, and the server responding with three changes: an Add, a Change, and a Delete. The elements of the Task class are included as children of the <airsync:Add>, <airsync:Change>, and <airsync>Delete> XML elements.

Request:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<Sync xmlns="AirSync:">
  <Collections>
    <Collection>
      <SyncKey>761975125</SyncKey>
      <CollectionId>19</CollectionId>
      <DeletesAsMoves>1</DeletesAsMoves>
      <GetChanges>1</GetChanges>
      <WindowSize>100</WindowSize>
      <GetChanges/>
    </Collection>
  </Collections>
</Sync>
```

Response:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<Sync xmlns="AirSync:" xmlns:airsyncbase="AirSyncBase:" xmlns:tasks="Tasks:">
  <Collections>
    <Collection>
      <SyncKey>457669362</SyncKey>
      <CollectionId>19</CollectionId>
      <Status>1</Status>
      <Commands>
```



```

<Change>
  <ServerId>19:1</ServerId>
  <ApplicationData>
    <airsynbase:Body>
      <airsynbase:Type>3</airsynbase:Type>
      <airsynbase:EstimatedDataSize>5731</airsynbase:EstimatedDataSize>
      <airsynbase:Truncated>1</airsynbase:Truncated>
    </airsynbase:Body>
    <tasks:Subject>Finish Q4 sales roll-up</tasks:Subject>
    <tasks:Importance>1</tasks:Importance>
    <tasks:UtcStartDate>2008-10-02T07:00:00.000Z</tasks:UtcStartDate>
    <tasks:StartDate>2008-10-02T00:00:00.000Z</tasks:StartDate>
    <tasks:UtcDueDate>2008-10-10T07:00:00.000Z</tasks:UtcDueDate>
    <tasks:DueDate>2008-10-10T00:00:00.000Z</tasks:DueDate>
    <tasks:Complete>0</tasks:Complete>
    <tasks:Sensitivity>0</tasks:Sensitivity>
    <tasks:ReminderTime>2008-10-10T19:30:00.000Z</tasks:ReminderTime>
    <tasks:ReminderSet>1</tasks:ReminderSet>
  </ApplicationData>
</Change>
<Add>
  <ServerId>19:3</ServerId>
  <ApplicationData>
    <airsynbase:Body>
      <airsynbase:Type>1</airsynbase:Type>
      <airsynbase:EstimatedDataSize>0</airsynbase:EstimatedDataSize>
      <airsynbase:Truncated>1</airsynbase:Truncated>
    </airsynbase:Body>
    <tasks:Subject>Email management team about next round of
quarterlies</tasks:Subject>
    <tasks:Importance>1</tasks:Importance>
    <tasks:UtcStartDate>2008-10-02T07:00:00.000Z</tasks:UtcStartDate>
    <tasks:StartDate>2008-10-02T00:00:00.000Z</tasks:StartDate>
    <tasks:UtcDueDate>2008-10-02T07:00:00.000Z</tasks:UtcDueDate>
    <tasks:DueDate>2008-10-02T00:00:00.000Z</tasks:DueDate>
    <tasks:Complete>0</tasks:Complete>
    <tasks:Sensitivity>0</tasks:Sensitivity>
    <tasks:ReminderSet>0</tasks:ReminderSet>
  </ApplicationData>
</Add>
<Delete>
  <ServerId>19:2</ServerId>
</Delete>
</Commands>
</Collection>
</Collections>
</Sync>

```

4.3 Fetching Task Data with the ItemOperations Command

The following example demonstrates how the client uses the **ItemOperations** command ([\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.8) to retrieve information for a particular task. This example assumes that the server has assigned a CollectionID of 11 to the Tasks collection.

Request:

POST /Microsoft-Server-ActiveSync?Cmd=ItemOperations&User=deviceuser&DeviceId=Device1&DeviceType=SmartPhone HTTP/1.1
Content-Type: application/vnd.ms-sync.wbxml
MS-ASProtocolVersion: 14.0
User-Agent: ASOM
Host: mail.contoso.com
Content-Length: 62

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<ItemOperations xmlns:airsync="AirSync:"
xmlns:airsyncbase="AirSyncBase:" xmlns="ItemOperations:">
  <Fetch>
    <Store>Mailbox</Store>
    <airsync:CollectionId>11</airsync:CollectionId>
    <airsync:ServerId>11:1</airsync:ServerId>
    <Options>
      <airsyncbase:BodyPreference>
        <airsyncbase:Type>1</airsyncbase:Type>
        <airsyncbase:TruncationSize>256</airsyncbase:TruncationSize>
        <airsyncbase:AllOrNone>0</airsyncbase:AllOrNone>
      </airsyncbase:BodyPreference>
    </Options>
  </Fetch>
</ItemOperations>
```

Response:

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-Type: application/vnd.ms-sync.wbxml
Date: Tue, 10 Nov 2009 23:32:11 GMT
Content-Length: 261

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<ItemOperations xmlns:airsync="AirSync:" xmlns:tasks="Tasks:"
xmlns:airsyncbase="AirSyncBase:" xmlns="ItemOperations:">
  <Status>1</Status>
  <Response>
    <Fetch>
      <Status>1</Status>
      <airsync:CollectionId>11</airsync:CollectionId>
      <airsync:ServerId>11:1</airsync:ServerId>
      <airsync:Class>Tasks</airsync:Class>
      <Properties>
        <airsyncbase:Body>
          <airsyncbase:Type>1</airsyncbase:Type>
          <airsyncbase:EstimatedDataSize>0</airsyncbase:EstimatedDataSize>
        </airsyncbase:Body>
        <tasks:Subject>Complete This Week's Test Run </tasks:Subject>
        <tasks:Importance>2</tasks:Importance>
        <tasks:UtcStartDate>2009-11-18T08:00:00.000Z</tasks:UtcStartDate>
        <tasks:StartDate>2009-11-18T00:00:00.000Z</tasks:StartDate>
        <tasks:UtcDueDate>2009-11-27T08:00:00.000Z</tasks:UtcDueDate>
        <tasks:DueDate>2009-11-27T00:00:00.000Z</tasks:DueDate>
        <tasks:Complete>0</tasks:Complete>
        <tasks:Sensitivity>2</tasks:Sensitivity>
        <tasks:ReminderTime>2009-11-27T16:00:00.000Z</tasks:ReminderTime>
```

```
        <tasks:ReminderSet>1</tasks:ReminderSet>
      </Properties>
    </Fetch>
  </Response>
</ItemOperations>
```

4.4 Searching for Tasks

The following example demonstrates how the client uses the **Search** command ([\[MS-ASCMD\]](#) section 2.2.2.14) to find all tasks containing the word "Test." This example assumes that the server has assigned a CollectionId of 11 to the Tasks collection.

Request:

```
POST /Microsoft-Server-ActiveSync?Cmd=Search&User=deviceuser&DeviceId=Device1&DeviceType=SmartPhone HTTP/1.1
Content-Type: application/vnd.ms-sync.wbxml
MS-ASProtocolVersion: 14.0
User-Agent: ASOM
Host: mail.contoso.com
Content-Length: 62

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<Search xmlns="Search:" xmlns:airsync="AirSync:"
>
<Store>
  <Name>Mailbox</Name>
  <Query>
    <And>
      <airsync:Class>Tasks</airsync:Class>
      <airsync:CollectionId>11</airsync:CollectionId>
      <FreeText>Test</FreeText>
    </And>
  </Query>
  <Options>
    <RebuildResults />
    <Range>0-4</Range>
  </Options>
</Store>
</Search>
```

Response:

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-Type: application/vnd.ms-sync.wbxml
Date: Wed, 11 Nov 2009 00:10:14 GMT
Content-Length: 378

<Search xmlns:A0="AirSync:" xmlns:tasks="POOMTASKS:" xmlns:airsyncbase="AirSyncBase:"
xmlns="Search:">
  <Status>1 Success</Status>
  <Response>
    <Store>
      <Status>1 Success</Status>
```

```

<Result>
  <A0:Class>Tasks</A0:Class>

<LongId>RgAAAAD19NP3UFJNRpgIYBWT6lSUBwDqXN00YiDySoYnYligrbIlAAAAAAqAADqXN00YiDySoYnYligrbIlA
AAAAGHBAAAT</LongId>
  <A0:CollectionId>11</A0:CollectionId>
  <Properties>
    <airsynbase:Body>
      <airsynbase:Type>1</airsynbase:Type>
      <airsynbase:EstimatedDataSize>0</airsynbase:EstimatedDataSize>
      <airsynbase:Truncated>1</airsynbase:Truncated>
    </airsynbase:Body>
    <tasks:Subject>Complete This Week's Test Run </tasks:Subject>
    <tasks:Importance>2</tasks:Importance>
    <tasks:UtcStartDate>2009-11-18T08:00:00.000Z</tasks:UtcStartDate>
    <tasks:StartDate>2009-11-18T00:00:00.000Z</tasks:StartDate>
    <tasks:UtcDueDate>2009-11-27T08:00:00.000Z</tasks:UtcDueDate>
    <tasks:DueDate>2009-11-27T00:00:00.000Z</tasks:DueDate>
    <tasks:Complete>0</tasks:Complete>
    <tasks:Sensitivity>2</tasks:Sensitivity>
    <tasks:ReminderTime>2009-11-27T16:00:00.000Z</tasks:ReminderTime>
    <tasks:ReminderSet>1</tasks:ReminderSet>
  </Properties>
</Result>
<Range>0-0</Range>
<Total>1</Total>
</Store>
</Response>
</Search>

```

5 Security

5.1 Security Considerations for Implementers

None.

5.2 Index of Security Parameters

None

6 Appendix A: Product Behavior

The information in this specification is applicable to the following Microsoft products:

- Microsoft® Exchange Server 2007 Service Pack 1 (SP1)
- Microsoft® Exchange Server 2010
- Microsoft® Exchange Server 2010 Service Pack 1 (SP1)

Exceptions, if any, are noted below. If a service pack number appears with the product version, behavior changed in that service pack. The new behavior also applies to subsequent service packs of the product unless otherwise specified. If a product edition appears with the product version, behavior is different in that product edition.

Unless otherwise specified, any statement of optional behavior in this specification prescribed using the terms SHOULD or SHOULD NOT implies product behavior in accordance with the SHOULD or SHOULD NOT prescription. Unless otherwise specified, the term MAY implies that product does not follow the prescription.

[<1> Section 2.2.2.9.12:](#) The <CalendarType> element is not supported when the value of the MS-ASProtocolVersion **header** is set to 12.1.

[<2> Section 2.2.2.9.12:](#) The following values are not supported regardless of the value of the MS-ASProtocolVersion header:

- Saka Era
- Chinese Lunar (Eto)
- Korean Lunar (Eto)
- Japanese Rokuyou Lunar
- Um al-Qura

[<3> Section 2.2.2.9.13:](#) The <IsLeapMonth> element is not supported when the value of the MS-ASProtocolVersion header is set to 12.1.

[<4> Section 2.2.2.9.14:](#) The <FirstDayOfWeek> element is not supported when the MS-ASProtocolVersion header is set to 12.1 or 14.0.

7 Change Tracking

This section identifies changes that were made to the [MS-ASTASK] protocol document between the August 2010 and November 2010 releases. Changes are classified as New, Major, Minor, Editorial, or No change.

The revision class **New** means that a new document is being released.

The revision class **Major** means that the technical content in the document was significantly revised. Major changes affect protocol interoperability or implementation. Examples of major changes are:

- A document revision that incorporates changes to interoperability requirements or functionality.
- An extensive rewrite, addition, or deletion of major portions of content.
- Changes made for template compliance.
- Removal of a document from the documentation set.

The revision class **Minor** means that the meaning of the technical content was clarified. Minor changes do not affect protocol interoperability or implementation. Examples of minor changes are updates to clarify ambiguity at the sentence, paragraph, or table level.

The revision class **Editorial** means that the language and formatting in the technical content was changed. Editorial changes apply to grammatical, formatting, and style issues.

The revision class **No change** means that no new technical or language changes were introduced. The technical content of the document is identical to the last released version, but minor editorial and formatting changes, as well as updates to the header and footer information, and to the revision summary, may have been made.

Major and minor changes can be described further using the following change types:

- New content added.
- Content updated.
- Content removed.
- New product behavior note added.
- Product behavior note updated.
- Product behavior note removed.
- New protocol syntax added.
- Protocol syntax updated.
- Protocol syntax removed.
- New content added due to protocol revision.
- Content updated due to protocol revision.
- Content removed due to protocol revision.
- New protocol syntax added due to protocol revision.

- Protocol syntax updated due to protocol revision.
- Protocol syntax removed due to protocol revision.
- New content added for template compliance.
- Content updated for template compliance.
- Content removed for template compliance.
- Obsolete document removed.

Editorial changes are always classified with the change type "Editorially updated."

Some important terms used in revision type descriptions are defined as follows:

- **Protocol syntax** refers to data elements (such as packets, structures, enumerations, and methods) as well as interfaces.
- **Protocol revision** refers to changes made to a protocol that affect the bits that are sent over the wire.

The changes made to this document are listed in the following table. For more information, please contact protocol@microsoft.com.

Section	Tracking number (if applicable) and description	Major change (Y or N)	Change Type
3.2.5.1 ItemOperations Command Response	57456 Added namespace prefixes to elements. Changed description of Fetch from "command" to "element."	N	Content updated.
6 Appendix A: Product Behavior	58901 Changed Exchange 2007 SP3 to Exchange 2007 SP1.	N	Content updated.

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