## A REALVOLVE HOW-TO | By Mark Stepp

# **OnBoard Day 26 - Starting A Workflow**

We've been setting up workflows for the past few days and I'm sure you will continue to do so until all your processes are in place. The one thing I have not discussed is **STARTING** a workflow to get the activities into your calendar.

Currently there are 4 places that you can start a workflow: The Dashboard or the Radar tab of a Contact, Property or Transaction.



### Typical Examples:

- After entering a new lead into the database you could go to the Radar tab of the contact and start a "New Lead" workflow.
- After adding a new Property, click on the radar tab and start a "**New Listing**" workflow.
- Once a transaction is created, click on the radar tab and start the "Buyer side Closing" workflow.

#### What is the workflow wizard?

When you click on the "**Start a Workflow**", the workflow wizard takes you through a series of screens which help you fill in the required information to begin the workflow. Depending on the requirements of each workflow the information shown in the wizard will be different. (<u>SEE VIDEO</u>)

#### Workflow Wizard Steps:

- 1. Click on **Start a Workflow**
- 2. Select a Workflow to Start (example: **New Listing Agreement**)
- 3. Select a Contact, Property or Transaction (example: **123 S Main, Bolivar, Mo 65613**)

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|                                 |                 |
|                                 |                 |
| 品 New Listing Agreement         |                 |
| 🚔 123 S Main, Bolivar, Mo 65613 | ×               |

4. Deselect any unwanted workflow activities individually or by group (if any) - the example below has one activity that is in the "Professional Photos" group. If you know you don't want professional photos taken then uncheck the group and any activities in that group will be unchecked. You can assign up to 20 groups per workflow. Once you have all your groups selected then press [Next]

| You car<br>at the to | n customize the activitie<br>op that corresponds to | es that appea<br>the group. T | ar in this workflow. To skip an entire set of activities, disable the checkt<br>o skip an individual activity, disable its individual checkbox at the botto |
|----------------------|---|-------------------------------|---|
| Groups               | U.  |                               |   |
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| Keep?                | Group   | Туре                          | Activity  |
| 1                    | General   | To do                         | Put the Listing Information Into MLS  |
| 4                    | General   | To do                         | Enter Property Information into the Database  |
|                      | Professional Photos                                 | Email                         | Schedule Photographer   |
| •                    | General   | To do                         | Email SELLER AGENT  |
|                      | General   | To do                         | Put the sign in the yard  |
|                      |   |                               |   |
|                      |   |                               | Cancel Next   |

 If Activities in the workflow use any of the 4 "assign to" place holders (Listing Agent, Buyers Agent, Assistant, Record Owner), an additional popup screen to select the "Assign To" fields which use those placeholders will display... (sample below)

| Add a new note abou       | rt Abraham Lincoln                                |   | A START A WORKFLO                    |
|---------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|
|                           |   |   |                                      |
| Assign tasks for '1-No    | w Contacts' for 'ABRAH                            | AM LINCOLN'   |                                      |
|                           |   |   |                                      |
| Each arthing must be acc  | NUME AN ADDRESS OF BANKING                        | staff Plassa salact the                                 | a correct user for the role listed h |
| Each activity must be ass | ligned to someone on your                         | staff. Please select the                                | e correct user for the role listed b |
| Each activity must be ass | ligned to someone on your<br>Role                 | stoff. Please select the<br>Choose a name               | e correct user for the role listed b |
| Each activity must be ass | ligned to someone on your<br>Role<br>Record Owner | Stoff. Please select the<br>Choose a name<br>Mark Stepp | e correct user for the role listed b |
| Each activity must be ass | ligned to someone on your<br>Role<br>Record Owner | Staff. Please select the<br>Choose a name<br>Mark Stepp | e correct user for the role listed b |

- 6. Enter milestone dates to calculate individual activity dates.
- 7. \* Changes to milestone dates will recalculate activity dates (Click in to the date field to adjust)
- 8. \* Changes to individual activity dates are allowed as needed (Click in to the date field to adjust)
- 9. \* Changes to individual "Assigned to" as needed (Click the drop down arrow to select a User)

| This workflow depends on following<br>dates. Please verify dates and<br>change as necessary. |                | These activities will be added to your calender. Some dates are derived fro<br>the list of dates at left. However, you can set a custom date for any activity.<br>Just click on the date to change. |         |                       |             |  |
|--|----------------|---|---------|-----------------------|-------------|--|
| MileStone  | Date           | Date  | Action  | Title                 | Assigned to |  |
| Listing date   | 🛗 Apr 01, 2015 | 🛗 Apr 01, 2015  | ] To Do | Put the Listing<br>I  | Mark Ste 🔻  |  |
| Expiring date  | 🛗 Jun 30, 2015 | 🛗 Apr 01, 2015  | ] To Do | Enter Property<br>In  | Mark Ste 💌  |  |
|  |                | 🛗 Apr 02, 2015  | To Do   | email SELLER<br>AGENT | Mark Ste 💌  |  |
|  |                | 🛗 Apr 02, 2015  | To Do   | Put the sign in t     | Mark Ste 💌  |  |

10. If property or transaction then allow user to select party members

| This workflow depends on the following<br>parties. Please verify the participants or<br>change as necessary. |            |   | Each of the activities below affects one or more parties. To remove, change, or add parties to an activity, click on the appropriate button. |              |   |   |
|--|------------|---|--|--------------|---|---|
| Party  | Who        |   | Title  | Who          |   |   |
| Seller   | Don Smith  | × | Put the Listing Information<br>Into MLS  | Don Smith x  | 0 | * |
| Seller Agent   | Jack Agent | × | Enter Property Information into the Database   | Don Smith x  | 0 |   |
|  |            |   | email SELLER AGENT   | Jack Agent 🗙 | 0 |   |
|  |            |   | Put the sign in the yard   | Don Smith 🗙  | 0 |   |
|  |            |   | Put the lockhoy on the door  | Don Smith    | A | • |

- 11. If a party member is already assigned in the People tab of a Property or Transaction, the selected contact will show in the Who column. Otherwise select a contact by typing in the name and choosing from the dropdown list.
- 12. Once all known party members have been selected then press **DONE** to complete the workflow wizard process which places the activities in the calendar.
- 13. You can now go to the calendar tab to view all activities that was added through the workflow.



If you have any questions, please contact us at: <a href="mailto:support@realvolve.com">support@realvolve.com</a>

#### Questions?

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