

# Re: Consolidated Master Project using MS Project 2000

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I'm interested in your comment that 'using the concept of master and subprojects is not recommended for lots of reasons'; this approach is exactly what I'd like to do as it makes good sense from a team management perspective. Can you point me in the direction of further information on this subject and its pitfalls?

Thanks,  
Kelly.

"Rob Schneider" wrote:

> Oh. You are apparently using Server. As Jan said, didn't know that  
> Project Server existed with Project 2000. Even with a contemporary  
> version of Project Professional and Project Server, I believe it is  
> covered in the documentation that using the concept of master and  
> subprojects is not recommended for lots of reasons. This has been  
> covered in previous postings on this newsgroup, and you should look in  
> the documentation about it.

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> Search this NG in Google for this:

> [http://groups.google.com/groups?hl=en&lr=lang\\_en&ie=UTF-8&c2coff=1&q=master+subproject+server&btnG=Search](http://groups.google.com/groups?hl=en&lr=lang_en&ie=UTF-8&c2coff=1&q=master+subproject+server&btnG=Search)

> Hope this is useful to you. Let us know.

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> rms

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> Paulo Calvário wrote:

>> Hi,

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>> My experience was not so good ...

>> I made a master project, which included several projects. All the projects, master and "subprojects" were in server, that means, were published. The problem was that the tasks were duplicated and the resources saw the tasks in the "main" program and in the subproject.

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>> An example:  
>> Imagine a project P that have a task T assigned to a resource R.  
>> This project was published and the resource could see the task.  
>> After this, I biult and published a Master project MP, which included Project P and several other projects. After that, the resource received the task T duplicated!  
>> Now I work with master projects but I do not publish them. They are "local" projects only for my PC. Although this, I have problems in links between the projects.  
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>> Paulo  
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>> "Rob Schneider" wrote:  
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>>>It works fine. It's covered pretty well in Project's Help file, as well  
>>> as in the books on Project that are easily available (Que, Microsoft  
>>>Press, etc.) It works especially well when you share resources, i.e. all  
>>>sub-project files use the same resource file. This enables you to use  
>>>the same resources in multiple files and this will show correctly in  
>>>summary analyses.  
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>>>Do you have a particular area of concern?  
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>>>rms  
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>>>Wade Ward wrote:  
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>>>>I am about to set up a MS Project 2000 "Master" file to integrate several individual product files. I have never used this feature with MS Project and wanted to know what your experiences – good and bad – are while using this feature. Additionally, is there a reference book covering this topic in depth you'd recommend.  
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>>>>Thanks,  
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