

# External contacts in sharepoint profiles

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Hi all,

Is it possible to import external contacts into sharepoint profiles, thereby making them searchable in People Search? I am currently planning an intranet solution for a customer based on MOSS 2007. In addition to the regular AD users, they want to have external contacts shown when doing a people search.

Our first approach was to create the external contacts as Contacts in AD, and the change the LDAP filter to include both users and contacts when importing profiles, but apparently this is not possible. It generates an error that "The user account name can not be resolved within the Directory Server".

My next thought was to create a custom DB with all external contacts, and add this DB as a import connection to the profile import job. I have searched the web but I have yet to find any usefull information on this.

Any ideas on how to solve this?

Thanks,

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