

Alert Reminder Boost 3.0

User Guide

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1. Introduction

SharePoint Alert Reminder Boost is a powerful alert and reminder tool that sends out detailed, fullycustomizable email and SMS messages. Alerts are event-triggered and emails and SMS messages are sent out whenever an item is created, modified or deleted. Reminders are time-triggered and reminders can be sent automatically based on customizable intervals.

This user guide is used to instruct and guide the users to configure and use Alert Reminder Boost.

For the latest copy of this and other guides, please visit:

http://www.boostsolutions.com/download-documentation.html

2. Installation

2.1 Product Files

After you download and unzip the Alert Reminder Boost file from <u>www.boostsolutions.com</u>, you will find the following files:

Path	Descriptions		
Setup.exe	A program that installs and deploys the WSP solution packages to the SharePoint farm.		
EULA.rtf	The product End-User-License-Agreement.		
Alert Reminder Boost_V3_User Guide.pdf	User guide for Alert Reminder Boost in PDF format.		
Condition User Guide.pdf	User guide for Condition component in PDF format.		
Migration Tool.exe	A tool that helps you to migrate your Alert Reminder Boost settings from Version 2.0 to Version 3.0.		
Library\2.0\Setup.exe	The product installer for .Net Framework 2.0.		
Library\2.0\Setup.exe.config	A file containing the configuration information for the installer.		
Library\4.0\Setup.exe	The product installer for .Net Framework 4.0.		
Library\4.0\Setup.exe.config	A file containing the configuration information for the installer.		
Solutions\Foundtion\ BoostSolutions.FoundationSetup12.1.wsp	A SharePoint solution package containing Foundation files and resources for SharePoint 2007 or WSS 3.0.		
Solutions\Foundtion\ BoostSolutions.FoundationSetup14.1.wsp	A SharePoint solution package containing Foundation files and resources for SharePoint 2010 or SharePoint Foundation 2010.		
Solutions\Foundtion\ BoostSolutions.FoundationSetup15.1.wsp	A SharePoint solution package containing Foundation files and resources for SharePoint 2013 or SharePoint Foundation 2013.		
Solutions\AlertReminder\ BoostSolutions.AlertReminderSetup14.3.wsp	A SharePoint solution package containing Alert Reminder Boost files and resources for SharePoint 2010 or SharePoint Foundation 2010.		
Solutions\AlertReminder\ BoostSolutions.AlertReminderSetup15.3.wsp	A SharePoint solution package containing Alert Reminder Boost files and resources for SharePoint 2013 or SharePoint Foundation 2013.		

2.2 Software Requirements

Before you install Alert Reminder Boost, ensure your system meets the following requirements:

SharePoint 2013

Operating System	Microsoft Windows Server 2012 Standard or Datacenter X64 Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2 SP1
Server	Microsoft SharePoint Foundation 2013 or Microsoft SharePoint Server 2013 Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5
Browser	Microsoft Internet Explorer 8 or above Mozilla Firefox Google Chrome

SharePoint 2010

Operating System	Microsoft Windows Server 2008 x64 Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2
Server	Microsoft SharePoint Foundation 2010 or Microsoft SharePoint Server 2010 Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5
Browser	Microsoft Internet Explorer 7 or above Mozilla Firefox Google Chrome

2.3 Installation

Follow these steps to install Alert Reminder Boost on your SharePoint servers.

Note During installation, the **SharePoint Timer** service will be restarted automatically.

Installation Preconditions

Before you start installing Alert Reminder Boost, please make sure these services are started on your SharePoint servers: **SharePoint Administration** and **SharePoint Timer**.

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	Secure Socket Tunneling Protocol Service	Provides s		Manual	Local Service	
	Security Accounts Manager	The startu	Started	Automatic	Local System	
	🔍 Server	Supports fil	Started	Automatic	Local System	
	SharePoint 2010 Administration	Performs a	Started	Automatic	Local System	
	🤹 SharePoint 2010 Timer	Sends notif	Started	Automatic	LOSTING\	
	SharePoint 2010 Tracing	Manages tr	Started	Automatic	Local Service	
	SharePoint 2010 User Code Host	Executes u		Disabled	LOSTING\	
	SharePoint 2010 VSS Writer	SharePoint		Manual	Local System	
	SharePoint Foundation Search V4	Provides fu	Started	Automatic	LOSTING\	
	SharePoint Server Search 14	Provides e	Started	Manual	LOSTING\	
	Shell Hardware Detection	Provides n	Started	Automatic	Local System	
	🧟 Smart Card	Manages a		Manual	Local Service	
	Smart Card Removal Policy	Allows the		Manual	Local System	
	SNMP Trap	Receives tr		Manual	Local Service	•
	Extended Standard					

Alert Reminder Boost must be run on one front-end Web server in the SharePoint farm where Microsoft SharePoint Foundation Web Application services are running. Check Central Administration \rightarrow System Settings for a list of servers running this service.

Required Permissions

To perform this procedure, you must have the following specific permissions and rights:

- Member of the local server's Administrators group.
- Member of the Farm Administrators group.

To install Alert Reminder Boost on SharePoint server

- a. Download the Alert Reminder Boost zip file (*.zip) from the BoostSolutions website and extract the file.
- b. Open the created folder and run the **Setup.exe** file.

Note If you cannot run the setup file, please right click the **Setup.exe** file and choose Run as administrator.

- c. A system check is performed to verify if your machine meets all the requirements for installing the product. After the system check is finished, click **Next**.
- d. Review and accept the End-User License Agreement and click Next.
- e. In the **Web Application Deployment Targets**, select the web applications you are going to install and click **Next**.

Note If you select **Automatically activate features**, the product features will be activated in the target site collection during the installation process. If you want to manually activate the product feature later, uncheck this box.

f. Upon completion of the installation, details are displayed showing which web applications you product has been installed to. Click **Close**.

2.4 Upgrade

Download the latest version of Alert Reminder Boost and run the **Setup.exe** file.

In the Program Maintenance window, select Upgrade and click Next.

Note During product upgrade, the SharePoint Timer service will be restarted automatically.

If you upgrade the product from Version 2.0 to Version 3.0, in the **System Check** Window, you will get a warning: *An older version of Alert Reminder is detected. Please run the migration tool to migrate your data settings to the new version after the setup is finished.*

To Migrate Alert Reminder Boost Settings from Version 2.0 to Version 3.0

- a. Open the product folder and run the Alert Reminder Boost Settings Migration Tool.exe file.
- b. A Welcome window will open, click **Next** to continue.
- c. A system check is performed to verify if your machine meets all the requirements for using this tool. After the system check is finished, click **Next** to proceed with the migration tool.
- d. In the **Migration Targets** window, select the web applications you are going to migrate settings for and click **Next**.
- e. Wait until all the operations are successfully completed, then click Next.
- f. In the **Migration Successfully Completed** window, details are displayed showing which lists with Alert Reminder Boost Settings have been migrated successfully. Click **Close**.

After the Migration, your Alert Reminder Items settings will be saved as XML files in the Backup folder as a backup. And you can find the Backup folder in the folder that contains the Migration tool.



2.5 Uninstallation

If you want to uninstall Alert Reminder Boost, double-click the **Setup.exe** file.

In the **Repair or Remove** window, select **Remove** and click **Next**. The application will be removed.

2.6 Command_Line Installation

The following instructions are for installing the solution files for Alert Reminder Boost using the SharePoint STSADM command line tool.

Open the STSADM command line tool on the SharePoint server.

SharePoint 2013

C:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web Server Extensions\15\BIN \stsadm.exe

SharePoint 2010

C:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web Server Extensions\14\BIN\stsadm.exe

Required permissions

To use STSADM, you must be a member of the local Administrators group on the server.

To install Alert Reminder Boost to SharePoint servers.

- a. Extract the files from the product zip pack to a folder on one SharePoint server.
- b. Open a command prompt and make sure your path is set with the SharePoint bin directory.

• SharePoint 2010

C:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web Server Extensions\14\BIN

• SharePoint 2013

C:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web Server Extensions\15\BIN

c. Add the solution files to SharePoint in the STSADM command line tool.

stsadm -o addsolution -filename BoostSolutions.AlertReminderSetup14.3.wsp stsadm -o addsolution -filename BoostSolutions.FoundationSetup14.1.wsp

d. Deploy the added solution with the following command:

stsadm -o deploysolution -name BoostSolutions.AlertReminderSetup14.3.wsp -

allowgacdeployment -url [virtual server url] -immediate

stsadm -o deploysolution -name BoostSolutions.FoundationSetup14.1.wsp -allowgacdeployment -url [virtual server url] -immediate

e. Wait for the deployment to complete. Check the final status of the deployment with this command:

stsadm -o displaysolution -name BoostSolutions.AlertReminderSetup14.3.wsp stsadm -o displaysolution -name BoostSolutions.FoundationSetup14.1.wsp

The result should contain a <Deployed> parameter for which the value is TRUE.

f. In the STSADM tool, activate the features.

stsadm -o activatefeature -name SharePointBoost.AlertReminder –url [site collection url] –force stsadm -o activatefeature -name SharePointBoost.AlertReminder.TimerJob –url [virtual server url] – force

To remove Alert Reminder Boost from SharePoint servers.

a. Removal is initiated with the following command:

stsadm -o retractsolution -name BoostSolutions.AlertReminderSetup14.3.wsp -immediate -url [virtual server url]

b. Wait for the removal to finish. To check the final status of the removal you can use the following command:

stsadm -o displaysolution -name BoostSolutions.AlertReminderSetup14.3.wsp

The result should contain the <Deployed> parameter for which the value is FALSE and the <LastOperationResult> parameter with the Retraction Succeeded value.

c. Remove the solution from the SharePoint solutions storage:

stsadm -o deletesolution -name BoostSolutions.AlertReminderSetup14.3.wsp

To remove BoostSolutions Foundation from SharePoint servers.

BoostSolutions Foundation is mainly designed to provide a centralized interface to manage licenses for all BoostSolutions software from within SharePoint Central Administration. If you are still using BoostSolutions product on your SharePoint server, please do not remove Foundation from the servers. a. Removal is initiated with the following command:

stsadm -o retractsolution -name BoostSolutions.FoundationSetup14.1.wsp –immediate –url [virtual server url]

b. Wait for the removal to finish. To check the final status of the removal you can use the following command:

stsadm -o displaysolution -name BoostSolutions.FoundationSetup14.1.wsp

The result should contain the <Deployed> parameter for which the value is FALSE and the <LastOperationResult> parameter with the RetractionSucceeded value.

c. Remove the solution from the SharePoint solutions storage:

stsadm -o deletesolution -name BoostSolutions.FoundationSetup14.1.wsp

2.7 Feature Activation

Activate features in site collection

By default, the application's features are automatically activated once the product is installed. You can also activate the product feature manually.

- a. On the Site Actions menu Site Actions
 Click Site Settings.
- b. Under Site Collection Administration click Site collection features.
- c. Find the application feature and click **Activate**. After a feature is activated, the Status column lists the feature as **Active**.

Deactivate

Active

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BoostSolutions Alert Reminder Boost 3.0.821.1

Automatically send event-triggered or time-based notification emails to users according to custom conditions (Powered by BoostSolutions).

Activate Alert Reminder Timer Job in Central Administration

- a. Using the Quick Launch click **Application Management**.
- b. On the Application Management page, under Manage Applications, click **Manage Web applications**.
- c. Select a web application you want to configure and click Manage Features on the ribbon.

d. Find Alert Reminder Timer feature and click **Activate**. After a feature is activated, the Status column lists the feature as **Active**.

	Alert Reminder Timer Job 3.0.821.1		
3	Automatically send notification e-mails based on a	Deactivate	Active
	schedule (Powered by BoostSolutions).		

3. Getting Started with Alert Reminder Boost

After you install Alert Reminder Boost on the SharePoint Server, you will find Alert Reminder Boost on the Ribbon.



Or go to the list settings and find the entry **Alert Reminder Boost** under the **Permissions and Management** section.

```
Permissions and Management
Delete this list
Save list as template
Permissions for this list
Workflow Settings
<u>Alert Reminder Boost (Powered by BoostSolutions)</u>
```

Note To configure Alert Reminder Boost settings, you must have at least **Design** Permission level.

Using either method, enter the Alert Reminder Boost Settings page. On this page, you can manage Alert and Reminder items. There are two tabs, one for Alert and one for Reminder. You can view the following information for Alert or Reminder on this page: Title, Delivery Method, Status, Modified, and Modified By.

	Alert Remin	der		🔅 Settings 🔻
Title	Delivery Method	Status	Modified	Modified By
Alert	E-Mail	Active	8/7/2013 3:48:12 PM	System Account
🕈 Add new	alert item			
BoostSoluti	ions Alert Reminder Boost v3	.0.807.0		

To the right of the Alert and Reminder tabs, there is a settings drop-down menu which contains the following settings:

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SMPT Server Settings: Specify the SMTP Server for sending e-mails.

SMS Server Settings: Specify the SMS Server for sending SMS messages.

Import: Import Alert and Reminder settings from an XML file.

Export: Export Alert and Reminder settings to an XML file.

4. Configuring an Alert Item

To configure an alert item, click Add new alert item to open the New Alert Item page. You will need to set-up the following basic settings:

Alert Title Enter a title for this alert item.	Alert		
Alert Status Specify the status of this alert item. If the status is disabled, the alert e-mail will not be sent.	Enabled	ODisabled	
Delivery Method Specify which method you want to use to deliver a message.	● E-Mail	⊖ SMS Message	

Alert Title: Enter a name for the alert item. This field is required.

Alert Status: The Alert Status options controls whether the alert is enabled or disabled. New alert items are enabled by default.

Delivery Method: Select the method you want to use to deliver a message, E-mail or SMS Message.

The New Alert Item page also contains the following 4 tabs for configuring the new alert item: **Event**, **Message**, **External Path and Note**.

4.1 Event

There are 3 sections in the **Event** Tab: Change Type, When to Send Alerts and Which Items Generate Notifications.

Change Type

In this section, you can specify events that generate an alert. There are four options for you to choose from: On all changes, When new items are added, When existing items are modified and When items are deleted.

Change Type			
Specify the type of changes that you want to be alerted to	Alert me:		
speary are type or changes that you want to be alerted to.	🔽 On all changes		
	🕼 When new items are added		
	When existing items are modified		
	📝 When items are deleted		

On all changes: An alert will be generated when any changes are made to an item in the list.

When new items are added: An alert will be generated when an item is created in the list.

When existing items are modified: An alert will be generated when an item in the list is modified.

When items are delete: An alert will be generated when an item in the list is deleted.

When to Send Alerts

In this section you can specify how often alert e-mails are sent. There are three options for you to choose from: Send notification immediately, Send a daily summary and Send a weekly summary.



Send notification immediately: Send a notification as soon as items are changed.

Send a daily summary: Send a notification every day at a specified time.

Send a weekly summary: Send a notification every week at a specified day and time.

If you choose to send a daily or weekly summary, you can set a **Maximum number of items per** summary.

Note For SMS Messages, you can only select Send notification immediately.

Which Items Generate Notifications

In this section you can select which items will generate an alert. There are three options for you to choose from: All items, Item from List View and Items with conditions.

All Items: All items in the current list.

All Items in a List View Items with conditions

Item from List View: Items in a specified list view.

All Items Items in a List View Items with conditions
 Due Today

Items with conditions: Items that meet certain conditions. In the Condition Type menu, select either Basic or Advanced from the drop down list.

Basic Mode:

All Items Items in a List View Items with condition	IS
	Condition Type: Basic 💌
And	
[Due Date] is less than [Today] 🗙	

Advanced Mode:

All Items in a List View in Items with conditions

	Condition Type: Advanced 💌
AddDays([Today],2)==[Due Date]	
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Note For more information about conditions, please refer to the **Condition User Guide**.

4.2 Message

In the Message tab, you can configure the Alert notification email or SMS message.

Note: The configuration settings for Emails and SMS Messages are different.

E-Mail Header

The E-Mail Header allows you to specify the Alert notifications: sender, recipient, CC and Bcc fields, persons you wish to exclude from receiving this notification and subject.

Note: For SMS Messages, only the **To...** and **Exclusion...** fields are available for configuration.

E-Mail Header

From	
То	
CC	
BCC	
Exclusion	
Subject	

From	Specify the email Sender. For more information please refer to: <u>Specify the Sender</u> .
To, CC and BCC	Specify the Recipient, CC and BCC fields. For more information please refer to: <u>Specify the Recipient, CC and BCC Fields</u> .
Exclusion	Specify the persons you want to exclude from receiving this Alert email. For more information please refer to: <u>Specify the Persons you want to Exclude.</u>
Subject	Set the Subject for the Alert Notification email. For more information please refer to: <u>Set the Email Subject</u> .

Specify the Sender

Click the **From...** button to configure the email sender. A dialog box will appear. In the dialog box, you can specify the **Display Name**, **E-Mail Address** and **Reply to E-Mail Address**. You can select the **Send Test E-mail** to send an email to test if the alert email can be sent successfully.

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From	×
Display Name:	Administrator
E-Mail Address:	System@BoostSolutions.com
Reply to E-Mail Address:	System@BoostSolutions.com
🔽 Send Test E-Mail	
	OK Cancel
<i>Note:</i> If you have configu Sender in the E-Mail heac get the following email he	red the Sender in the SMTP Settings, you do not need to configu ler. If the Sender you enter is different from the SMTP Settings, u eader:
Carol is the Sender	in the SMTP Settings.
Alert : (Modified)	

Carol < Carol@boostsolutions.com> on behalf of
Brandon <Brandon@boostsolutions.com>

Brandon is the Sender in the E-Mail Header

Specify the Recipient, CC and BCC Fields

The settings for the Recipient, CC and BCC fields are the same. We will use the To... field as an example.

First click **To...** and a dialog box will appear.

In the Select Users section, you can enter users and groups names as recipients.

Select Users	Users/Groups
Enter user names and group names; separate them with semicolons (;).	Sam Yang; Brandon Fang; BR\marketing team;
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In the Select Person/Group Column section, you can select a column that contains a Person/Group as the recipient from the current list. Or, you can enable the Get users from external list columns, and select the column that contains the Person/Group in the external list.

Select Person/Group Column	Person or Group Columns Current list columns (containing Lookup columns)			
Select user column.	Created By		, conditinity	A III
	Predecessors.Cn Predecessors.Ma External list columns Get users from e	eated By dified By	c	Ŧ
	Site (click to edit)	List Announcements	Columns Created By	Delete

In the **Specify E-Mail Address** section, you can input email addresses directly or insert columns that contain email addresses.

Specify E-Mail Addresses	E-mail addresses or columns containing e-mail addresses
Specify e-mail addresses or columns containing e-mail addresses, separating multiple addresses with a comma (,) or semicolon (;).	Sandy@boostsolutions.com
	[Insert column]

Specify the Persons you want to Exclude

First click **Exclusion...** and a dialog box will appear. In the dialog box you can enter user and group names directly in the **Select Users** section or you can input the email addresses you want to exclude directly in the **E-Mail Address Section**.

Exclusion		×
Select Users Enter user names and group names; separate multiple names or group names with semicolons (;).	Users/Groups PERFORMANCE\Administrator ; & Image:	
E-Mail Address Specify e-mail addresses; separate multiple addresses with a comma (,) or semicolon (;).	E-mail address	
	OK Cancel	

Set the Email Subject

First click **Subject...** and a **Subject** dialog box will appear. In the dialog box you can enter a subject according to your needs or company policy. You can also insert a column from the current list into the subject line as well.

Include the alert name in the e-mail subject line: Select this option to add the alert name to the subject line.

Include the notification type in the e-mail subject line: Select this option to add the notification type (**Add, Modify or Delete**) to the subject line.

Subject	×
[Title] has been changed at [Today].	
[Insert column]	//

E-Mail Body

The E-Mail Body section allows you to set up the email itself.

E-Mail Body			
Format	HTML	🔘 Plain Text	
Send item attach	iments as attachi	ments in notification e-mail	
🔽 Include item info	rmation in notific	ation e-mail	
🔲 Include mobi	le hyperlink		
Customize displayed fields and order			
Include custom o	content in notifica	tion e-mail	

Format: You can select either HTML or Plain Text.

Send Item attachments as attachments in notification e-mail: If the modified list item contains an attachment, you can select this option to attach it to the notification email.

Include item information in notification e-mail: Enable this option to include item information in the notification email. You can select **Include mobile hyperlink** to display the mobile hyperlink in the notification email. Select **Customize displayed fields and order** to customize which columns will be displayed in the notification email, as well as the columns order.

Include item information in notification e-mail

- Include mobile hyperlink
- Customize displayed fields and order

Priority Status % Complete Start Date Due Date E-Mail	*	Add >	Title Assigned To Description Predecessors	*	Move Up Move Down
	*			$\overline{\mathbf{v}}$	

Include custom content in the notification e-mail: Select this option to enter customized content in the notification email. This content will appear under the list navigation in the notification email.

☑ Include custom content in the notification e-mail

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You task has been changed. The following is the detail of your task.	
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Note: For SMS Messages you need to enter the message content. You are also allowed to insert list columns into the message content.

4.3 External Path

The External Path tab allows you to set different external paths to your web application. You can choose to use the default host path, select from one of the custom alternative access mappings or enter a new site collection's URL.

Even	t N	lessage View	External Path	Note	
External Pat	h ()	Using default ho Select alternate http://192.168. Enter a new site	st path access mappings 6.232:7777 💌 collection's URL		

4.4 Note

The note tab allows you to send an email notification to select users informing them of new Alert items. Note is optional and is only for email messages.

	Event	Message	External Path	Note	
You Vou Not	You can send an email notification to select users informing them of new Alert emails. Send a note informing users every time you click OK in the New/Edit Alert Item Page. Send a note that will appear at the top of a Alert email. Nate				
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Ar	An Alert Item in your Tasks list is created or modified.				
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Send a note informing users every time you click OK in the New/Edit Alert Item Page: Select this option to send notification emails to users every time you create a new alert item or modify an alert item.

Send a note that will appear at the top of an Alert email: Select this option to combine a Note and Alert email into one email. The note will appear at the top of the Alert email.

Note: Type the note and insert list columns into the note message. Bold, italic, colored fonts and other text formatting are supported.

5. Configuring a Reminder Item

To configure a Reminder, click Add new reminder item to open the New Reminder Item page. You will need to set-up the following basic settings:

Reminder Title Enter a title for this reminder item.	Reminder		
Reminder Status Specify the status of this reminder item. If the status is disabled, the reminder e-mail will not be sent.	Enabled	ODisabled	
Delivery Method Specify which method you want to use to deliver a message.	● E-Mail	⊖ SMS Message	

Reminder Title: Enter a name for the reminder. This field is required.

Reminder Status: The Reminder Status options controls whether the reminder is enabled or disabled. New Reminders are enabled by default.

Delivery Method: Select the method you want to use to deliver a message, E-mail or SMS Message.

The New Reminder Item page also contains the following 4 tabs for configuring the new Reminder: **Schedule**, **Message**, **External Path and Note**.

5.1 Schedule

In the Schedule tab, you can specify when and how often you want to be reminded. There are two section in the Schedule tab: **Recurrence** and **Which Items Generate Notifications**.

Recurrence

In this section, you can specify how often and when you want to be reminded. There are three options for you to configure: **Pattern**, **Date Range** and **Time Range**.



Pattern

There are six time option patterns to choose from: Minutely, Hourly, Daily, Weekly, Monthly, and Yearly.

Minutely	 Minutely Hourly Daily Weekly Monthly Yearly 	Pattern Every 5 minutes
Hourly	 Minutely Hourly Daily Weekly Monthly Yearly 	Pattern Starting every hour between 1 minutes past the hour and no later than 59 minutes past the hour
Daily	 Minutely Hourly Daily Weekly Monthly Yearly 	Pattern ● Every 1 day(s) ● Every workday ■ Sun ♥ Mon ♥ Tue ♥ Wed ♥ Thu ♥ Fri ■ Sat

Weekly	 Minutely Hourly Daily Weekly Monthly Yearly
Monthly	 Minutely Pattern Hourly Day 1 of every 1 month(s) Daily Weekly The first day of every 1 month(s) Monthly Yearly
Yearly	 Minutely Hourly Daily Weekly Monthly Yearly

Date Range and Time Range

In the Date Range section you can choose from three options: No end date, End after X occurrence(s) or End by a specific date in the Date Range section.

In the Time Range section you can specify the time range to send notification e-mails to select users.

Date Range	
Start Date	💿 No end date
7/29/2013	End after: 3 occurrence(s)
	End by:
Time Range	
Starting every day between	
9 AM 🗨 00 💌	
and no later than	
6 PM 💌 00 💌	

Which Items Generate Notifications

The configurations for this section are the same as Alert item.

Please refer to section Which Items Generate Notifications for more information.

5.2 Message

The configurations for this section are the same as Alert item.

Please refer to section <u>4.2 Message</u> for more information.

5.3 External Path

The configurations for this section are the same as Alert item.

Please refer to section <u>4.3 External Path</u> for more information.

5.4 Note

The configurations for this section are the same as Alert item.

Please refer to section <u>4.4 Note</u> for more information.

The procedure for creating an Alert and Reminder are similar. This section will highlight, step by step, how to: Create an Alert Item, View an Alert Item, Edit an Alert Item, Duplicate an Alert Item, Delete an Alert Item and Deactivate or Activate an Alert Item. You can follow these steps when creating and configuring a Reminder.

6.1 Create an Alert Item

b.

a. On the Alert Reminder Settings page, select the Alert tab, and then click Add new alert item.

Alert	Reminder		🔅 Settings 🔻	
There are currently	no alert items. To add a ne	ew alert item, click	"Add new alert item" below.	
Add new alert item BoostSolutions Alert Reminder Boost v3.0.806.0 In the New Alert Item page enter a title for your Alert item, select if you want to enable this Alert item, and select a Delivery Method.				
Alert Title Enter a title for this alert item.		Alert		
Alert Status Specify the status of this alert the alert e-mail will not be sent	item. If the status is disable	_{d,}	ODisabled	
Delivery Method Specify which method you wan	it to use to deliver a message	● E-Mail	⊖ SMS Message	

c. In the Event tab, you need to specify the Alert triggers, when to send Alerts and which items in the list will generate an Alert.

					1
Event	Message	External Pa	ath	Note	
Change Type Specify the type of changes that you want to be alerted to.		Alert Or V W W W	me: n all change hen new ite hen existing hen items a	ems are added g items are modified are deleted	
When to Send Alerts Specify how frequently you want to be alerted.		 S S S Time Thu Max 50 	Gend notificat Gend a daily s Gend a week! e: ursday V	tion immediately summary y summary 12:00 AM V er of items per summary	
Which Items Gene Specify which items in configure conditions s alerts.	erate Notifications a this list will generate so that only certain it	e alerts. You can ems can generate	⊖ A All Ta	ll Items 💿 It asks	tems in a List View () Items with conditions

d. Select the Message tab to set up email details.

	Event	Message View	External Path	Note			
E-I	1ail Header						
	From	Administrator <system@b< td=""><th>oostsolutions.com> ;S</th><td>ystem@boo</td><td>stsolutions.com</td></system@b<>	oostsolutions.com> ;S	ystem@boo	stsolutions.com		
	То	[Created By]					
	CC						
	BCC						
E	Exclusion	SPBMDISA\administrator					
	Subject	[Title] will due at [Today].					
E-I	1ail Body						
Fo	rmat	● HTML ○ Pla	in Text				
✓	Send item attachments as attachments in notification e-mail						

✓ Include item information in notification e-mail

Include mobile hyperlink

Customize displayed fields and order

Include custom content in notification e-mail

e. In the External Path tab, you can choose a path you want to use.

Event	Message View	External Path	Note
External Path	 Using default host path Select alternate access mappings 		
	http://192.168.6.232:7777 ▼ Enter a new site collection's URL		

- f. The Note tab is optional. In this tab you can send an email notification to select users informing them of new Alert items.
- g. Click **OK** to save the Alert item.

6.2 View an Alert Item

To View an Alert item, click on the Alert tab and then click on an Alert item. Alternatively you can hover over an Alert item to reveal a drop down menu and then click **View Alert Item**. Once you click on the Alert Item you will enter the View Alert Item page. On this page, you can view all the settings for the Alert item, including basic settings, event settings, condition, message, external path and note.

From the View Alert Item page you can create a new Alert item, enter the edit the Alert item and delete the Alert item.



😅 New alert item | 📑 Edit this alert item | 🗙 Delete this alert item | Back

∃ Basic	
Title	Alert
Delivery Method	E-Mail
Status	Active
Last Modified	8/7/2013 5:45:11 PM
Modified By	System Account
поаттеа ву	System Account

± Message

External Path

± Note

6.3 Edit an Alert Item

To edit an alert item in the Alert Reminder Boost Settings page, click the **Edit Alert Item** from the drop down menu to enter the Edit Alert Item page. Make your changes and then click **OK** to save the changes.



6.4 Duplicate an Alert Item

Sometimes the most convenient way to create a new Alert item is to duplicate an Alert item, especially if you want to keep similar settings. To duplicate an existing Alert item, hover over an Alert item you want to duplicate to reveal a drop down menu and select **Duplicate Alert Item**. A copy of the Alert item will be created and added to the Alert items list. The title of the new alert will be suffixed with **-copy**. You can change the new duplicated Alert item by editing it.

View Alert It Edit Alert Ite Duplicate Aler Delete Aler Deactivate A	Fitle Alert • em ent Item Tem			
Alert		Reminder		🔅 Settings
Title	Delivery Meth	hod Status	Modified	Modified By
Alert	E-Mail	Active	8/7/2013 5:45:11 PM	System Account
Alert-copy	E-Mail	Inactive	8/7/2013 5:52:56 PM	System Account

Note: The newly created duplicate Alert item will be deactivated by default.

6.5 Delete an Alert Item

To delete an Alert item in the Alert Reminder Boost Setting page, hover over an Alert item you want to delete to reveal a drop down menu and click **Delete Alert Item**. A message box will appear asking if you are sure to delete this alert item. Click **OK** to confirm the deletion.



6.6 Deactivate or Activate an Alert Item

To deactivate an Alert item so that an alert will not run or send alert emails, hover over an Alert item you want to deactivate to reveal a drop down menu and select **Deactivate Alert Item**. The status of the Alert item will change to **Inactive**.



To activate an Alert item, hover over an Alert item you want to activate to reveal a drop down menu and select **Activate Alert Item**. The status of the Alert item will change to **Active**.



7.1 SMTP Server Settings

The SMTP Server Settings allows you to customize the SMTP settings for Alert Reminder Boost.

- O Use SharePoint Outgoing E-Mail Settings
- Customize Outgoing E-Mail Settings

- SMTP domain name or IP address: Enter the name or IP address of your email server.
- **Port**: Enter the port number.
- From display name: Enter the email display name (optional).
- From address: Enter an email address.
- Reply-to address: Enter an email address (optional).
- Authentication: Enter the user's credentials to connect to your server.
- Send Test Email: Send a test email to test if emails can be sent successfully.

Note: There is no need to customize these settings if the SMTP server settings are already configured in SharePoint Central Administration.

7.2 SMS Server Settings

The SMS Server Settings allows you to customize the Test Message Service Settings.

- O Use web application Text Message (SMS) Service settings
- Use customized Text Message (SMS) Service settings

The URL of Text Message (SMS) Service:
https://z
Username:
Boostsolutions
Password:
•••••
Mobile Phone Number:
13641171889
Test Service The account is valid.

You can use the default web application Test Message (SMS) Service settings if the SMS Service settings are already configured in the SharePoint web application. Or you can use customized Text Message (SMS) Service settings.

- The URL of Text Message (SMS) Service: Specify the URL of the Text Message (SMS) Service to be used when sending notifications.
- User Name and Password: Enter the User Name and Password to connect to the SMS Server.
- **Mobile Phone Number**: Enter the Phone Number of the mobile that will receive a test message.
- **Test Service**: Click this button to test if the service is available.

7.3 Export and Import Alert Reminder Items

You can export and import Alert Reminder items as an xml file, as a template or use it on other lists.

7.3.1 Export

To export Alert Reminder items:

a. In the Alert Reminder Settings page, click **Export** in the **Settings** drop-down menu.



b. An **Export Settings to XML** dialog box will appear, click **Save** to save the XML file to your local computer.

Export		⊐ ×
Export Settings Export Alert Reminder settings to an XML file.	<pre><?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-16"?> <setting xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema- instance"></setting></pre>	< >
	Save Cancel	

7.3.2 Import

To import Alert Reminder items:

a. In the Alert Reminder Settings page, click **Import** in the **Settings** drop-down menu.



b. An **Import** Settings dialog box will appear, click **Browse** to choose a XML file that contains Alert Reminder items or you can paste the code directly.

Import		□ ×
Import Import Settings Select and upload an XML file containing Alert Reminder Settings or paste the settings code directly in the editor area.	Browse Upload xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-16"? <setting xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-
instance"> <id>>2d2b9bf0-d964-4dcb-830b-146171abef7e<!--/d--> <id>>2d2b9bf0-d964-4dcb-830b-146171abef7e<!--/d--> <alerts> <alert> <id>>6bd65039-e6c7-41b8-8f00-656daeb7ffab <name>Track completed tasks</name> <enabled>true</enabled></id></alert></alerts></id></id></setting>	
	<pre><communicationtype>EMAIL</communicationtype> <filtercondition></filtercondition></pre>	>

c. Click **OK** to import the settings.

8. Use Case

8.1 Set up an Alert on a Tasks List

Suppose you are a project manager, you have created a Tasks list for your team to view their assignments. Every time an item in the Tasks list is created, modified or deleted, you want to send an alert message to the person which the task is assigned to.

Poject Name	Assigned To	Status	Due Date	Created By
Taks1	Nick Simth	Not Started	8/16/2013	Jenny Fowler
Task2	Lucy Green	In Progress	9/13/2013	Jenny Fowler
Task3	Susan Yu	In Progress	9/11/2013	Jenny Fowler

To set up an Alert item for this tasks list, follow these steps:

- a. Click on the Alert Reminder Boost button under the List tab on the ribbon.
- b. In the Alert Reminder Settings page, click the **Alert** tab and then click **Add new alert item**.
- c. Fill in the basic settings for this Alert item:

Alert Title: Enter a title for this alert item.

Alert Status: Specify the status of this alert item.

Delivery Method: Specify the method you want to use.

d. In the Event tab, you need to make the following configurations:

Change Type: Select On all changes.

Change Type

Specify the type of changes that you want to be alerted to.

Alert me:

On all changes

- When new items are added
- When existing items are modified

When items are deleted

When to Send Alerts: Select Send notification immediately.

When to Send Alerts	Send notification immediately
Specify how frequently you want to be alerted.	 Send a daily summary Send a weekly summary
	Time: Sunday V 12:00 AM V
	Maximum number of items per summary

Which Items Generate Notifications: Select All Items

Which Items Generate Notifications
Specify which items in this list will generate alerts. You can configure conditions so that only certain items can generate
alerts.

● All Items ○ Items in a List View ○ Items with conditions

e. In the **Message** tab, specify the sender, recipient, CC and Bcc fields and the subject for the Alert e-mail.

From	Jenny <jenny@boostsolution.com>; jenny@boostsolution.com</jenny@boostsolution.com>
To	[Assigned To]
CC	
BCC	
Exclusion	
Subject	Your task has been changed at [Today].
E-Mail Body	
Format	HTML OPlain Text
🔽 Send item	attachments as attachments in the notification e-mail
Include iter	m information in the notification e-mail
Include	mobile hyperlink
Custom	ize displayed fields and order
Include cus	stom content in the notification e-mail

- f. Then save the settings.
- g. Now modify an item in the Tasks list to check if the user in the assigned to column can receive the Alert email.
- h. The following is the notification email your team member received. The changes are highlighted and the notification type is displayed in the subject line.

E-Mail Header

rom:	Jenny <jenny@boostsolution.com> Sent: Thu 8/8/2013 3:02 P</jenny@boostsolution.com>	M
o:	Nick	
ic:		
ubject:	Project_Task: Your task has been changed at 8/8/2013 (Modified)	
BoostSolutio	ons >Tasks	3
View Task1	Edit Task1 View Tasks	•
Title:	Task1	
Predecesso	ors:	
Priority:	(2) Normal	
Status:	Not Started	
% Complete		
Assigned To	p: <u>Nick Simth</u>	
Description	c	
Start Date:	8/8/2013	
Due Date:	8/14/2013 <mark>8/15/2013</mark>	
Poject Nam	e: Taks1	
Last modifie	ed at 8/8/2013 3-02 DM by Jenny Fowler	
Last mound	su at 0/0/2013 5.02 Pm by <u>Senny Powier</u>	
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8.2 Sending Reminders with an SMS Message

You are the marketing team manager and your team members always forget due dates for important events and tasks, such as turning in sales report, website traffic statistics, etc. Your marketing team members are also often away from the office visiting clients, so they may not check their e-mail box frequently. You want to set up a reminder to send an SMS Message to your team members two days before a due date.

The following is the Tasks list for your marketing team:

Title	Status	Due Date	Priority
Sales Report 🚆 NEW	Not Started	8/11/2013	(2) Normal
Website traffic statistics 🗮 MEW	In Progress	8/12/2013	(2) Normal
Qualterly Sales Target 🚆 NEW	In Progress	8/11/2013	(2) Normal

To set up a Reminder for this list, please follow these steps:

- a. Click on the Alert Reminder Boost button under the List tab on the ribbon.
- b. In the Alert Reminder Settings page, click the **Reminder** tab and then click **Add new alert item**.

c. Fill in the basic settings for this Reminder item:

Reminder Title: Enter a title for this reminder.

Reminder Status: Specify the status of this reminder.

Delivery Method: Select SMS Message.

Reminder Title Enter a title for this reminder item.	Marketing_Reminder		
Reminder Status Specify the status of this reminder item. If the status is disabled, the reminder e-mail will not be sent.	Enabled	ODisabled	
Delivery Method Specify which method you want to use to deliver a message.	⊖E-Mail	● SMS Message	

d. In the Schedule tab, you need to make the following configurations:

Recurrence: You will send a SMS Message to your team members between 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM every workday with no end date.

⊖ By minute	Pattern
⊖ Hourly	O Every 1 day(s)
 Daily Weekly Monthly Yearly 	Every workday Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat
Oreany	Date Range
	Start Date No end date 8/9/2013 C End after: 10 occurrence(s) End by:
	Time Range Starting every day between 9 AM 00 V and no later than 10 AM 00 V

Which Items Generate Notifications: From the drop down menu select Advanced and enter the following function: *AddDays([Today],2)* = =[*Due Date*] (two days before the Due Date).

	Condition Type:	Advan	ced 🗸
AddDays([Today],2)==[Due Date]			
			
		<i>x</i> ≈ <i>f</i> _x	×÷

e. In the **Message** tab, specify the recipient and the content of the SMS Message.

	Schedule	Message	External Path	
Re	cipients			
	To SPB	MD20100\marketir	ng team	
Co	ontent			
	Your task wi	ll due in two	days.	

- f. Save your settings.
- g. Now create an item in the Tasks list with a Due Date in two days. Your team members will receive the following SMS Message:

Edit Messages		Z
+86 189-0286-7637 The item "Website traffic statistics" "Tasks" was la	10:46 in list	>
+86 189-0286-7943 st modified at 8/12/2013 10:09:25 A System Account. (You	10:46 M by	>
+86 189-0286-8094 r task will due in two days.)	10:46	>

9. Troubleshooting & Support

Troubleshooting FAQ:

http://www.boostsolutions.com/general-faq.html#Show=ChildTitle9

Contact Info:

Product & Licensing Inquires: sales@boostsolutions.com

Technical Support (Basic): support@boostsolutions.com

Request a New Product or Feature: feature request@boostsolutions.com

Live chat:

http://www.boostsolutions.com/support/chat/livezilla.php?intgroup=U3VwcG9ydA==&reset=true

Appendix 1: License Management

You can use Alert Reminder Boost without entering any license code for a period of 30 days from when you first use it.

To use the product without limitation after expiration, you will need to purchase a license and register the product.

Finding License Information

- 1. Navigate to the **BoostSolutions Software Management** section in Central Administration. Then, click **License Management Center** link.
- 2. Click Download License Information, choose a license type and download the information (Server Code, Farm ID or Site Collection ID).



In order for BoostSolutions to create a license for you, you MUST send us your SharePoint environment identifier (Note: different license types need different information). A server license needs a server code; a Farm license needs a farm ID; and a site collection license needs a site collection ID.

3. Send the above information to us (sales@boostsolutions.com) to generate a license code.

License Registration

- 1. When you receive a product license code, enter the **License Management Center** page.
- 2. Click **Register** on the license page and a **Register or Update license** window will open.

ease upload a license code file oi	r enter the license code to actival	e the product.
• Upload a license code file	9	Browse
		¥
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3. Upload the license file or enter the license code and click **Register**. You will get confirmation that your license has been validated.

Registered Successfully		
Registered Successfully		
▶ The license was verified successfully.		
Thank you for choosing BoostSolutions.		
If you encounter any problems or would like to suggest a product requirement, please contact support@boostsolutions.com		
Close		

For more details on license management, see the **BoostSolutions Foundation**.