DYNAMICS 365 TEN BEST PRACTICES

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- Dynamics 365 Cloud Customer Relationship Management Silver 2014 - present
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10 BEST PRACTICES FOR DYNAMICS 365

- 1. Set a Profile Picture
- 2. Update your Personal Settings
- 3. Use Relevance Search
- 4. Timeline Search for activities in records
- 5. Create Custom Personal Views
- 6. Create Custom Charts and Dashboards
- 7. Update data using Excel
- 8. Build Word Templates and send as PDFs
- 9. View Activities on a calendar
- 10. Collaborate with Teams

Personal Settings

Best Practice #1 – Set your profile picture



Personal Settings/View your user Information/Click on Circle in upper left corner and upload an image

Best Practice #2 – Update Personal Settings

- Default Pane and Tab
- Records per page set to 250
- Advanced Find Detailes
- Default Search Experience Relevance Search
- Time Zone
- Currency
- Personal email Templates
- Email signatures
- Track email
- Create Contacts/Leads for unknown tracked emails
- Turn off error notifications

Search Options

Best Practice #3 – Use Relevance Search



Better search results than Categorized Search across all entities – wildcards not needed!
Filter across different entities, time periods and users
Admins should optimize Search – remove entities not used –ie Fax and add in custom entities https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/power-platform/admin/configure-relevance-search-organization

Best Practice #4 – Timeline Search

Search activities and notes withing a record for keywords Find old emails and other activities and notes Filter by user and time period

Create Custom Views and Dashboards

Best Practice #5 – Create Custom Views



https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/dynamics365/customerengagement/on-premises/basics/save-advanced-find-search

Best Practice #6 - Create Custom Charts and Dashboards

https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/dynamics365/customerengagement/on-premises/basics/start-your-day-dashboard-chart#:~:text=for%20the%20calculations.-

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Update Data and use Word Templates

Best Practice #7 – Update data in Excel



Best Practice #8 – Build Word Templates and email as pdfs in one step

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View Activities on a Calendar and Collaborate with Teams



Best Practice #9 – View activities on a calendar

https://community.dynamics.com/365/b/omarzaarour-transform365/posts/using-the-calendar-control-view-in-the-unified-interface

Best Practice #10 – Collaborate with Teams

https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/dynamics365/teams-integration/teams-collaboration-enhanced-experience