

MindManager and ManagePro

MindManager is a product of MindJet that lets you create rich and detailed hierarchal maps that branch horizontally from a core concept (or parent goal). The displays are called MindMaps, and are used to diagram projects and processes, as well as mobile creative thinking and brain-storming.

ManagePro integrates with the Business and Enterprise editions of MindManager 4.0, 2002 and X5. It translates its outline of goals and sub-goals into a MindManager horizontal tree-map. Starting with whatever goal is highlighted at the time, ManagePro communicates with MindManager to display all descending sub-goals to the highlighted goal as branches in a mind map.

In order to take advantage of this functionality the user must have the following:

1. A licensed copy of MindManager 4.0 or 2002 (Business or Enterprise edition) or X5 installed on their desktop.
2. Performance Solutions Technology's add-in program must have been installed into the MindManager program.

MindManager 2002:

For users of 4.0 or 2002, the free drop-in program (MM_Mpro.exe) is provided by PST and can be downloaded at www.ManagePro.com/MMtoMPro.exe.

When installed this program leaves a 2nd program by the name of MP2MM.exe in the folder where ManagePro is installed. This program functions as part of the bridge between the two programs. When successfully installed you will see it represented as an Export - Import option in MindManager.

MindManager X5

For users of X5, PST provides a free interface that is installed by running the program setup.exe which is included in the MMSManagePro.zip file. This file can be downloaded at <http://www.managepro.com/download/MMSManagePro.zip> and has been updated as of 8/5/2005/

Export Goal to Mind Manager

ManagePro exports a highlighted goal and its children or sub-goals with up to 9 selected fields using the File/Utilities/ Export to MindManager option. If the user had MindManager operating at the same time as the export, the map will automatically display as a MindMap. Once a ManagePro goal hierarchy is exported for display in a MindMap, it cannot be imported back into ManagePro as the same goal hierarchy, due to ManagePro's extensive attachments of related to-dos, progress notes, etc., that would be lost in the process and pose a potential database corruption problem. The File/ Utilities/Import from MindManager can also be used to import a goal sequence that has been exported from ManagePro as a CSV (comma separated value) file.

Import Goal from Mind Manager

The user can also import MindMaps from MindManager.

With 4.0 and 2002, first open a map in MindManager, then use the MindManager File/Export/Export to ManagePro option when viewing a map you wish to export to ManagePro. This creates a CSV file that ManagePro can pick up and import into a goal planner using the File/Utilities/Import Goal from Mind Manager option.

When using X5, first open a map in MindManager, then choose the Actions/Export Task to ManagePro option. This creates an xml file that can be imported into ManagePro using the File/Utilities/Import goal from MindManager option.

Which Fields get exported and imported?

ManagePro contains more than 50 possible fields to track additional data relevant to each goal or task. Nine of these have been chosen as most relevant to MindManager. In the export-import process this data is transferred back and forth between the following "mapped" fields. e.g. the contents of the ManagePro subject field (goal title), upon export-import, is transferred to the MindMap task name field.

The exact mapping between the two programs is the following:

MindManager field name	ManagePro field name
Task name	Goal Title
Start Date	Start Date
Due date	Due Date
% Completed	% Completed
Priority	Priority
Resources	Who
Categories	Type
Notes	Requirements
Background Color	Status