

Working with target groups

Smart Guide

This Smart Guide shows you how to create target groups that you can then use to personalise your mailings or the individual articles in your mailings.

Preparation: Various types of conditions can be set up for target groups [1]. In this example, you learn how to create a target group with a condition on a column value. Check that the columns required for the target group are present in the recipient data table. Note the column values.

Create target groups

There are two types of target groups: Local target groups that are only available for a specific mailing list and global target groups that are available for all mailing lists.

Target groups can be used for an entire mailing or individual articles in a mailing.

- A) To create a global target group, click the Ø (Global settings).
 B) To create a local target group, open the respective mailing list.
- 2. Then click the \mathbf{V} Target groups agent.
- 3. Click 🗅 (Create new target group).
- 4. Enter a name for the target group and click *OK* to confirm.
- 5. Click 🎀 (Add condition).
- 6. In the dialog box, select *Condition on column value* and the column.
- 7. Click Next.
- 8. Select *Relational operator* and specify the *Comparison value* [2].
- 9. Click Finish and 🗎 (Save).
- 10. Open the *Check* workflow step to view the recipients in the new target group [3].

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Mailing for specific target group

- 1. Create, check and approve a new mailing in the usual way.
- 2. Open the **Recipients** workflow step.
- 3. Select Recipients who belong to each of these target groups.
- 4. Click + (Add target group), select the target group and click Add + Close to confirm.
- 5. Click 🖨 (Save). [4]
- 6. Send the mailing in the usual way. The mailing will only be sent to the recipients who belong to the target group.

[1] POSSIBLE TARGET GROUPS

Conditions for target groups can be created for the following:

- > Condition on column value
- > Condition on recipient reaction
- > Condition on mailings sent
- > Dispatch interruption
- Existing target group
- > Free condition expression

[2] COMPARISON VALUE

The comparison value must match the column value in the recipient data table exactly (pay attention to the use of small and capital letters). In the case of Yes/No columns, only the comparison value needs to be selected.

[3] TEST PROFILES

The *Test profiles* agent can be used to set up virtual recipients for testing whether an assignment to a target group is correct.

[4] RECIPIENT PREVIEW

The number of recipients is recalculated automatically. The recipients assigned to the target group are displayed in the preview pane.

Article for specific target group

When working with a template, the Add element option can be used to assign a target group to articles [5]. A target group can also be included using the command function.

Add personalisation by element

- 1. Open the required mailing and the element to which the target group is to be assigned.
- 2. Click + (Add element) and select the Target group element.
- 3. Click Add + Close.
- 4. Click ∇ (Target group) and select Recipients who belong to each of these target groups.
- 5. Click + (Add target group) to select the target group and click Add + Close to confirm.
- 6. Click OK [6].
- 7. Click \square (*Save*). The article is only visible for the selected target group.
- 8. Check, approve and send the mailing in the usual way.

Personalisation by command

- 1. Open the required mailing.
- 2. Highlight the HTML tags or text to which the target group should be applied.
- 3. Click Commands and select Condition (if/else).
- 4. Confirm the *First condition (if)* selection and click *Next*.
- 5. Select the *Condition on column value* option and the column.
- 6. Click Next.
- 7. Select *Relational operator* and specify the *Comparison value* [2].
- 8. Click *Finish* and 🖨 *(Save)*. The highlighted part of the mailing is only visible for the selected target group.
- 9. Check, approve and send the mailing in the usual way.

[5] ADD ELEMENTS

Inxmail newsletter templates contain the Target group element. This can be added for standard articles and graphical articles, section bars, image maps and skyscrapers. File attachments can also be provided with a target group. If you are using an individual template that does not contain the Target group element, please contact your Inxmail contact partner.

[6] DISPLAY: TARGET GROUPS

There is an icon that enables you to see all created target groups at a glance when using target groups in templates. If an element includes a target group, the icon is shown on the top level of the Template Editor.

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Article (two-column) Introduction	
Section bar	
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