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NPSP: Reciprocal Relationships & Gender Configurati
Starting with v2.0 of Relationships, you can determine the reciprocal Relationship created based on the gender (or other criteria) of your Contacts.

Navigate to the Relationships Settings Tab



You can either use the Nonprofit Settings app if configured (not shown), or go to the '+' sign at the far right-hand side of your tab row, and select Relationships Setting from the available tabs.

Reciprocal Relationships

Configuration & Settings

Settings that control the behavior of the Relationship package. Changes made will change how the Relationship records behave.

General Settings | **Reciprocal Relationships** | Relationship Links

These settings allow you to configure reciprocal relationships, or the "matching" relationship between two Contacts. For example, if a father is related to his son, the son should likewise be related back to the father. You can specify the Type value for the Name, and then what the reciprocal gender will be. You can also define a male reciprocal, a female reciprocal, and a neutral reciprocal to be used if gender is unable to be determined. Gender definitions are based on salutation if possible, or a custom gender field you can define on the General Settings page to use if you wish to have it available for use. You can do so by going to: SetupCustomFieldsCustomFields > Custom Fields > Add New Custom Field > Add New Custom Field.

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Relationship Type	Male	Female	Neutral
Parent	Son	Daughter	Child
Aunt	Nephew	Niece	Sister's Child
Uncle	Nephew	Niece	Sister's Child
Grandmother	Grandson	Granddaughter	Grandchild
Granddaughter	Grandfather	Grandmother	Grandchild
Child	Father	Mother	Parent
Cousin	Cousin	Cousin	Cousin
Father	Son	Daughter	Child
Employee	Employee	Employee	Employee
Grandparent	Grandson	Granddaughter	Grandchild
Grandson	Grandfather	Grandmother	Grandchild
Granddaughter	Grandfather	Grandmother	Grandchild
Grandchild	Grandfather	Grandmother	Grandparent
Mother	Son	Daughter	Child
Wife	Husband	Wife	Spouse
Employer	Employee	Employee	Employee
Daughter	Father	Mother	Parent
Son	Father	Mother	Parent
Husband	Husband	Wife	Spouse
Partner	Partner	Partner	Partner

[Add New Reciprocal Relationship Type](#)

Navigate to the 'Reciprocal Relationships' subtab (1).

Reciprocal Relationships are used whenever the Type selected on a Relationship matches an available Relationship Type (2). If the Contact gender can be determined based on the user-defined gender field or the salutation (see the 'General Settings' article), the value matching the gender will be used for the reciprocal Relationship (3) (*Note: The values used for each gender can be modified or added to. See the Advanced Configuration article for help in modifying gender values.*)

Using the screenshot above, if Mr. Smith is related to Susie Smith because Susie is Mr Smith's Daughter. Then Mr. Smith would receive a reciprocal Relationship indicating that he is Susie's father. (4)

Any Relationships where the Type matches, but a gender cannot be determined, the 'Neutral' value will be used (5). If there is no 'Type' match, the reciprocal will use the same Type value as the original.

You can edit existing Reciprocal Relationships by clicking on the 'edit' link, or delete Relationships by clicking on the 'del' link (6). Editing or deleting reciprocal values will have no effect on any existing Relationships.

New Reciprocal Relationship options can be added by clicking on the 'Add New Reciprocal Relationship Type' link at the bottom of the table (7).

Adding a Reciprocal Relationship Setting

Settings that control the behavior of the Relationships package. Changing these will change how the Relationships records behave.

General Settings | **Reciprocal Relationships** | Auto Relationships | Relationships Errors

These settings allow you to configure reciprocal relationships, or the "matching" relationship between two Contacts. For example, if a father is related to his son, the son should likewise be related back to the father. You can specify and then what the reciprocal value should be based on the gender of the connecting Contact. You can define a male reciprocal, a female reciprocal and a neutral reciprocal to be used if gender is unable to be determined. Gender is available if possible, or a custom gender field you can define on the 'General Settings' tab. (NOTE: You may need to add the Type to your Relationships object to make it available for use. You can do so by going to: Setup/Custom Relationships/Type, and then 'New' under the 'Picklist Values' list.)

Relationship Reciprocal Settings

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Action	Relationship Type	Male	Female	Neutral
	Aunt	Nephew	Niece	Sibling's Child
	Parent	Son	Daughter	Child
	Uncle	Nephew	Niece	Sibling's Child
	Grandmother	Grandson	Granddaughter	Grandchild
	Child	Father	Mother	Parent
	Granddaughter	Grandfather	Grandmother	Grandparent
	Father	Son	Daughter	Child
	Cousin	Cousin	Cousin	Cousin
	Employee	Employer	Employer	Employer
	Grandparent	Grandson	Granddaughter	Grandchild
	Grandson	Grandfather	Grandmother	Grandparent
	Grandfather	Grandson	Granddaughter	Grandchild
	Grandchild	Grandfather	Grandmother	Grandparent
	Wife	Husband	Wife	Spouse
	Mother	Son	Daughter	Child
	Daughter	Father	Mother	Parent
	Employer	Employee	Employee	Employee
	Spouse	Spouse	Spouse	Spouse
	Husband	Wife	Wife	Spouse
	Partner	Partner	Partner	Partner

Relationship Type

Male Reciprocal

Female Reciprocal

Neutral Reciprocal

Save Cancel

Adding (or editing) a new Reciprocal Relationship setting can be done by:

- (1) Enter the Relationship Type value that should trigger this reciprocal
- (2) Enter the reciprocal Type to be used if a 'Male' gender is determined
- (3) Enter the reciprocal Type to be used if a 'Female' gender is determined
- (4) Enter the reciprocal Type to be used if a gender value cannot be determined for the Type
- (5) Click 'Save' when complete



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