

Add or remove watchers

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Purpose

Add or remove watchers post-function allows users to added or removed from current issue's watchers list. This post-function uses **fields**, user **groups** or **project roles** user selection tools.

Configuration Parameters

This is the configuration screen of this post-function:

Watchers management operation to do:

- add users from a **field** as watcher
- add users from a **project role** as watcher
- add users from a **group** as watcher

- remove users from a **field** as watcher
- remove users from a **project role** as watcher
- remove users from a **group** as watcher

- remove all current watchers

User in field: Assignee - (User) - [00003] ?

- If a **Group Picker** or a **Multi Group Picker** field is selected, the operation will affect all users in selected groups.
 - If a **Text** field is selected, it should contain a **single** or **comma separated list of user names, group names or project role names**. User's full name or email aren't valid user identifiers.

User in project role: Administrators

User in group: Select a group

Adding or Removing watchers in other issues:

Watchers can also be added or removed in related issues using **"Write field on linked issues or subtasks"** or **"Write field on issues returned by JQL query"** for writing into virtual fields **"Watchers"** and **"New watchers"**. Use prefixes **'+'** and **'-'** for adding and removing watchers using field **"Watchers"**.

Conditional execution: 1

Optional boolean expression that should be satisfied in order to actually execute the post-function.
 (Syntax Specification)

Leave the field empty for executing the post-function unconditionally. [Collection of Examples](#) [Line 1 / Col 1]

[Logical connectives:](#) and, or and not. Alternatively you can also use &, | and !.

[Comparison operators:](#) =, !=, >, >=, < and <=. Operators in, not in, any in, none in, ~ and !~ can be used with *strings, multi-valued fields and lists*.

[Logical literals:](#) true and false. Literal null is used with = and != to check whether a field is initialized, e.g. {00012} != null checks whether *Due Date* is initialized.

String Field Code Injector: Summary - [Text] - %{00000}

Numeric/Date Field Code Injector: Original estimate (minutes) - [Number] - {00068}

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Adding and Removing Watchers to and from Other Issues

Virtual fields **"Watchers"** and **"New Watchers"** allows to add new users as watchers or remove current watchers from any issue.

Post-functions [Write field on linked issues or sub-tasks](#) and [Update issue fields](#) can be used for setting fields **"Watchers"** and **"New Watchers"** in order to add / remove watchers from **linked issues, sub-tasks, sibling subtasks** and **JQL** or **Issue List expression** selected issues.

Adding New Watchers to Other Issues

The simplest way to do it is to write into virtual field **"New Watchers"** the content of **User, User Picker** or **Multi-User Picker** field, or of a **Text Field** containing the **name of a user** or a **comma separated list of user names**.

Removing Selected Watchers from Other Issues

Typically we do it 2 steps:

1. Compose a text using [Copy parsed text to a field](#) post-function with the following format: - **user_name_1, user_name_2, user_name_3** and write it into an ephemeral string field, e.g., **"Ephemeral string 1"**.
2. Then use post-functions [Write field on linked issues or sub-tasks](#) and [Update issue fields](#) for writing the content of the ephemeral field into virtual field **"Watchers"**.

Usage Examples

Related Features

Page: [Add watchers based on issue type](#)

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