

Fetch a CRM Entity Activity

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Context

Use the Fetch a CRM Entity Activity to fetch multiple Dynamics CRM entities in XML format in a workflow. For system performance considerations, use this activity to fetch a large number of entities.

Use Cases

- Real world uses cases that help customers understand functionality. Sometimes a screenshot of the activity in a workflow (with meaningful element names) is best.

Wizard Tips

1. In the left pane of the Request section, click **fetchXML**.
2. In the right pane of the Request section, In the Value text box, enter an XML-based expression for the entities you want to retrieve. You can manually enter an expression and select it from a workflow field, or base the value on a workflow expression.

Wizard Example

- Retrieve all leads.

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""+""+""+""+""
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- Retrieve all accounts in which the *lastname* does not equal Smith.

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""+""  
+""+""  
+""  
+""+""  
+""+""+""+""
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