Conceal WTC and Its Content from Searches

THE INFORMATION IN THIS ARTICLE APPLIES TO:

- EFT v7.4.x - v8.0.4

EFT v8.0 and later store Advanced Properties in a JSON file. When you upgrade from EFT v7.4.x to EFT v8, the non-default settings that you have defined in the registry will be added to the Advanced Properties file during upgrade. (Default settings become part of the EFT configuration files.) For a more on how to use advanced properties, and a spreadsheet of the advanced properties, please refer to the "Advanced Properties" topic in the help for your version of EFT.

DISCUSSION

The WTC/Workspaces pages and content is visible to Web searches. A file named robots.txt on the server tells web crawling robots whether to ignore the site. You can create a registry key to prevent WTC/Workspaces pages and content from appearing in search results. In EFT, the robots.txt file is located (by default) in **C:\Program Files (x86)\Globalscape\EFT Server Enterprise\web\public\EFTClient**.

To enable or disable searches

In EFT v8 - v8.0.4:

Add the name:value pair to the AdvancedProperties.JSON file in EFT's \ProgramData\ directory as described in the "Advanced Properties" topic in the online help for your version of EFT.

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{
"ServeRobotsFile": 0
}
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In versions prior to v8.0:

Create the following registry key:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Wow6432Node\GlobalSCAPE Inc.\EFT Server 7.4\

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Add a DWORD and name it ServeRobotsFile

Set the DWORD to 0 (disabled, the default) or 1 (enabled)

Restart the EFT server service.

The EFT.log file indicates that the key was read in at startup. The first log is initial startup, 0, the second one is after changing it to 1 and then restarting the service:

09-27-17 15:08:26,526 [2992] INFO AdvancedProperties <> - HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\GlobalSCAPE Inc.\EFT Server 7.4\ServeRobotsFile=0

09-27-17 15:57:26,913 [1096] INFO AdvancedProperties <> - HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\GlobalSCAPE Inc.\EFT Server 7.4\ServeRobotsFile=1

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