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ACT! Software Training

Summary

Provides a solid foundation in the principles of using ACT! and focusing on the core features and functionality for end users.

Entrance Requirements

The learner must be computer literate.

Target Learners

End Users.

Delivery method

Instructor-led, group-paced,

Benefits

This course provides a broad information base for users so that they have greater awareness and confidence working with ACT.

Course Outline

Introducing ACT!

- The essential ACT! Screen elements, the welcome screen, best practice for navigating ACT! Using the toolbars, menus, icon bar & tabs.

Contact Record Basics

- Structure of ACT! Contact records, data entry rules, using notes & history tabs, avoiding duplicated records, controlling access to contact records, creating, editing & deleting records. Saving ACT! Contacts as v Cards.

Finding ACT! Contacts & Data

- Using the look-up menu, look-up options, keyword searches, previous look-up & creating basic a contact query. Customizing contact list views, tagging contacts, searching for secondary contacts & checking contact activity.

Document Attachments

- Attaching documents to ACT! Attaching document short-cuts, opening, editing & removing files, using the document preview pane.

ACT! Reports

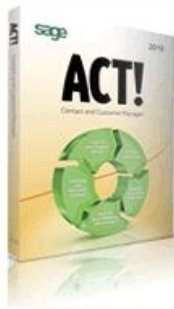
- Introducing ACT! reports & working with standard ACT! reports.

Opportunity Management

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- Creating ACT! Opportunities, editing, closing & filtering opportunities, creating sales reports & working with opportunity dashboards.

Activity & Calendar Management

- Scheduling activities, viewing activities in the task list & ACT! Calendars, customizing calendar views, using the availability tab including invitations and resources management, scheduling activities with multiple contacts, sending activity notifications in iCalendar format & integrating ACT! activities with Outlook.

Using ACT! With e-mails

- Using ACT! to send and receive e-mails, attaching e-mails to contacts, creating new contact records from an incoming e-mail, creating an activity from an e-mail and basic e-mail merges.

Writing Documents & Mail Merges

- Using ACT! to write letters to contacts, creating document templates, sending mail merges & using the ACT! Menu in Microsoft Word.

Groups & Companies

- Creating and populating a Group or Company, switching between group & company views, creating collective notes, histories, activities & opportunities.

For Marketing Users

- **Profiling ACT! Contacts** - Capturing extra information in ACT! to optimize marketing, ACT! Field options & field rules, adding and amending ACT! Fields.
- **Data lists** - Recommended list formats, preparing your lists before importing into ACT! & how to import data lists & contacts into ACT!
- **Building Contact Lists** - Running advanced look-ups and complex ACT! Queries. Benefits of targeting specific contact groups vs. generic mailing lists, creating ACT! Groups & sub-groups, adding & removing contacts from groups, using dynamics groups & applying membership rules.
- **Managing Mailing Lists** - Checking for duplicates & de-duplicating data. Data cleansing checks & best practice.
- **Email Marketing with ACT!** - Creating email templates, editing and formatting email Templates, best practice for adding images & PDF files to ACT! Email templates. Deciding your email subject title, timing your message, testing & sending your email merge. Managing opt-out requests & email bounce-backs.
- **Introducing ACT! E-Marketing (Swift page)** - Advanced email marketing functionality including HTML email templates & e-marketing reporting.
- **Mail Merging from ACT!** - Create & edit document templates, editing and formatting templates for ACT! Mail merges, converting standard MS Word documents to ACT! Mail merge templates. Mail merge best practice including testing, batching and dealing with long documents, using the ACT! mail merge wizard & attaching a record history to all matching ACT! contacts. Making templates printer friendly, printing labels & envelopes.

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- **Marketing Reporting** - Tracking the marketing referral source on each new sales opportunity, using ACT! reports to measure marketing results.
- **Staying in touch** - Assigning new sales opportunities to ACT! users, scheduling follow up activities to stay on top of leads and enquiries, creating custom marketing activities to track leads & group scheduling.

For Sales Users

- **Customizing the ACT! Opportunity Module** - Creating multiple sales processes, building ACT! product lists, creating & editing sales document templates, customizing the ACT! opportunity layout & adding new opportunity fields.
- **Working with Sales Opportunities** - Tracking activities & histories with opportunities & contacts, attaching documents to sales opportunities.
- **Sales Opportunity Management & Reporting** - Working with Opportunity Lists, running standard ACT! sales reports, adapting sales reports, using the ACT! sales graph & pipeline chart & working with ACT! sales dashboards & editing dashboard components & applying filters.

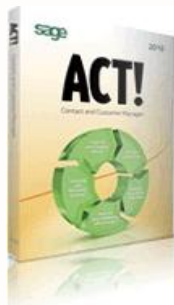
For All ACT! Users

- **Working with Multiple Contacts** - Creating notes and histories for multiple contacts, attaching files to multiple contacts & applying global changes to a selection of contacts.
- **Advanced Activity Scheduling** - scheduling for one & more ACT! users, granting calendar access, customizing different types of activity, creating and amending an activity series, defining priority levels, booking resources, scheduling global events and integrating ACT! and Outlook calendars.
- **Web Links Tab** - launching, editing & adding links, using links to gather more contact information & interact with customers from ACT!
- **ACT! Reports** - running and filtering ACT! reports, using Company & Group reports, saving ACT! reports, setting favorites & output options.
- **Company & Group Records** - managing company & group records, creating division & sub-group records, using static and dynamic membership rules, applying changes to contact members.

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SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR TRAINING

Summary

Provides the skills and best practice tuition enabling administrators to manage, maintain and customize their ACT! Database

Typically delivered to:

ACT! Database administrators who have undertaken end-user training or are experienced ACT! Users

Creating an ACT! Database

- How to create a new ACT! database, setting up new ACT! users, deleting & re-assigning ACT! users, understanding ACT! security roles, currency preferences, managing ACT! teams & defining preferences.

Protecting ACT! Data

- Finding & removing duplicate records, backing up an ACT! database, restoring ACT! data, locking /unlocking a database, clearing old contact data & best practice for database performance and data integrity.

Importing / Exporting Data

- Using the ACT! Import wizard, importing data from other applications, creating a data import map, exporting ACT! data to other applications and exporting a contact list.

Database Customization

- ACT! Field options including tick boxes, image fields & drop-down lists. Defining fields & customizing ACT! Layouts. Customizing ACT! menus and toolbars.

Admin Dashboards

- Configuring ACT! administration dashboards.

ACT! Network Configuration

- Understanding how ACT! Works on a network, integrating ACT! with other applications including Microsoft Outlook & Microsoft Word & locating program files and folders.

Sharing ACT! Data with remote users

- Introducing ACT! Database synchronization, synchronization options and performing database sync.

ACT! Report Templates

- ACT! report customization & an overview of advanced reporting capability using VB scripting.

Duration of Training : 3 Days
Installation of ACT ! : 1 Day
Total Project : 4 Days

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