Importing Manual Tests using Test Case Importer

You can use the Xray's Test Case Importer (a Jira Importer Plugin extension) to import Manual Tests from a CSV source file.

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Before importing

The CSV source file must follow some simple rules.

You can name the fields as you wish since they are going to be mapped during the importation process, but there are three mandatory fields:

- 1. Test Case Identifier this is the field used to identify which lines belongs to which test case. In the example below, it is the TCID column.
- 2. Summary this field is mandatory since Jira doesn't allow you to create an issue without a summary. In the example below, it is the Test Summary column.
- 3. Step this field is mapped as the Step field of a Manual Test Step. In the example below, it is the Step column.

Here is an example of test cases structure:

4	Α	В	C	D	Е	F	G	Н	1
1 TO	CID	Test Summary	Test Priority	Component	Component	Step	Data	Result	
2	1	Test 1 for user story WEB-1	high	User Interface	Business Layer	Go to login page			
3	1					Enter username	peter		
ļ.	1					Enter password	pwrd123		
	1					Click login button		User successfully logged in	
	2	Test 2 for user story WEB-1	very high	User Interface	Business Layer	Go to login page			
,	2					Enter username	peter		
3	2					Enter wrong password	abc123		
)	2					Click login button		User logged in fails with message	
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This is how the CSV file looks like once the test cases above are exported:

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TCID; Test Summary; Test Priority; Component; Component; Step; Data; Result

1;Test 1 for user story WEB-1;high;User Interface; Business Layer; Go to login page;;

1;;;;;Enter username; peter;

1;;;;;Enter password;pwrd123;

1;;;;;Click login button;;User successfully logged in

2;Test 2 for user story WEB-1;very high; User Interface; Business Layer; Go to login page;;

2;;;;;Enter username; peter;

2;;;;;Enter wrong password;abc123;

2;;;;;Click login button;;User logged in fails with message
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CSV column separator

If you choose the "," (comma) as the CSV column separator, then you must use quotation marks around any field that contains commas.



Fields with line breaks

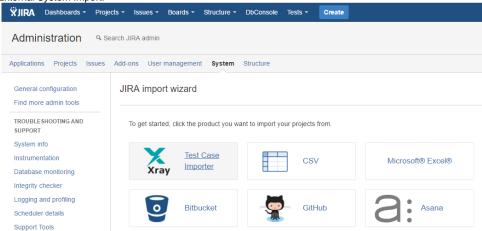
If you need to use new lines within a field, for example, in the issue description, then you need to quote the field.

Importing Test Cases

For demonstration purposes, the CSV example file from the previous section is used.

To complete the importation process, follow the steps below.

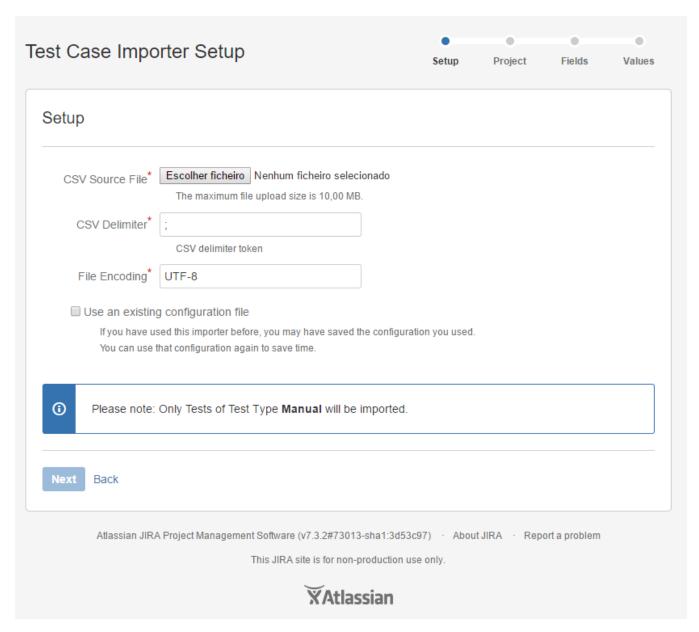
- 1. Log in with an administrator account.
- 2. Go to System > Import and Export > External System Import.



3. Select the Xray Test Case Importer.

Setup Page

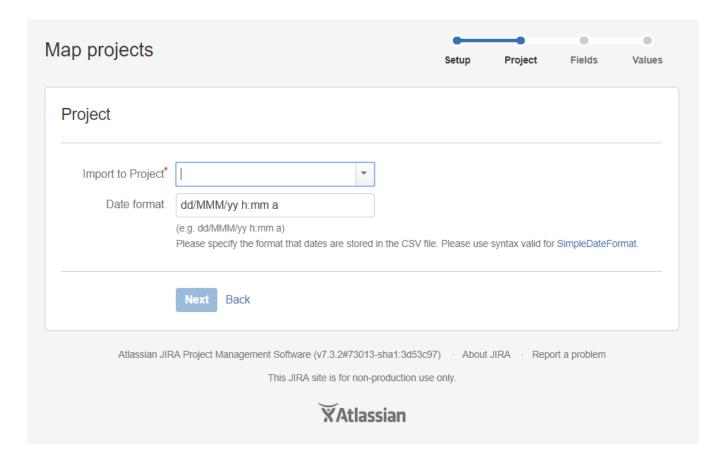
Provide the basic settings for the importation process.



- The CSV Delimiter field is the column delimiter used in your CSV source file.
- The File Encoding field is the encoding used in your CSV source file.
 Optionally, you can use the settings from a previous importation.

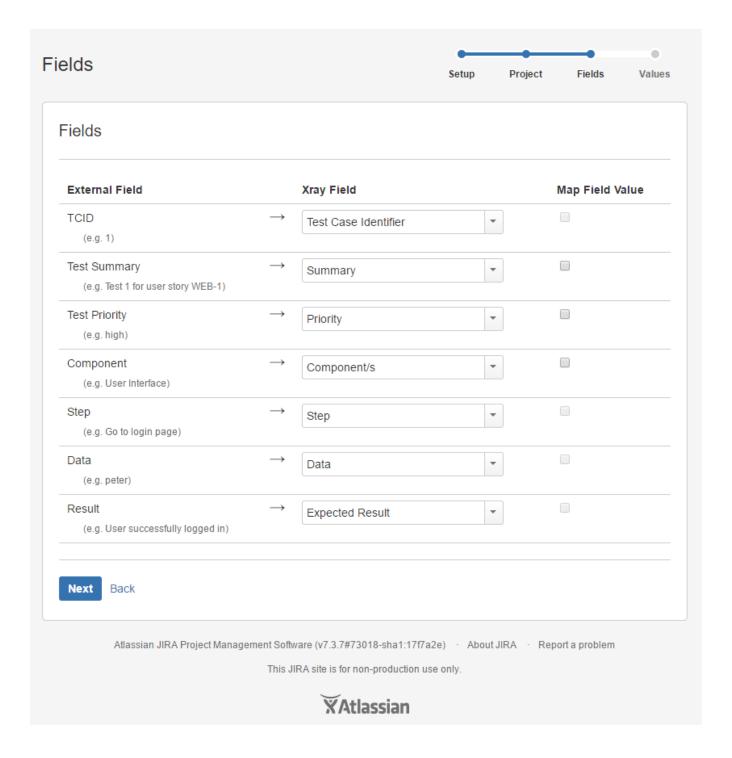
Project Page

Select the Xray project where you want your Manual Test cases to be imported.



Field Mapping Page

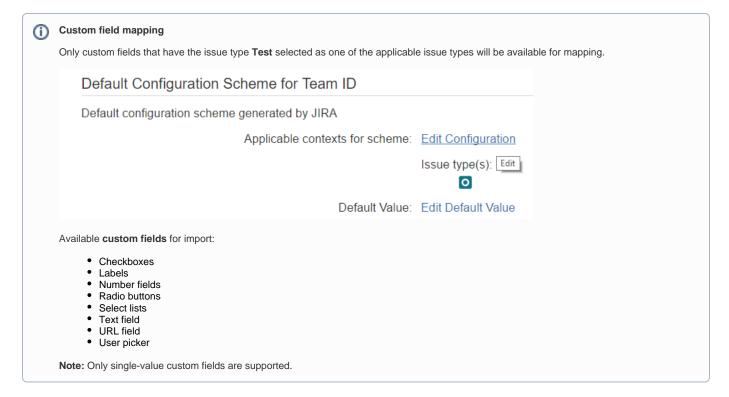
Map the fields from your CSV to Jira and Xray fields



It is mandatory to map at least three fields:

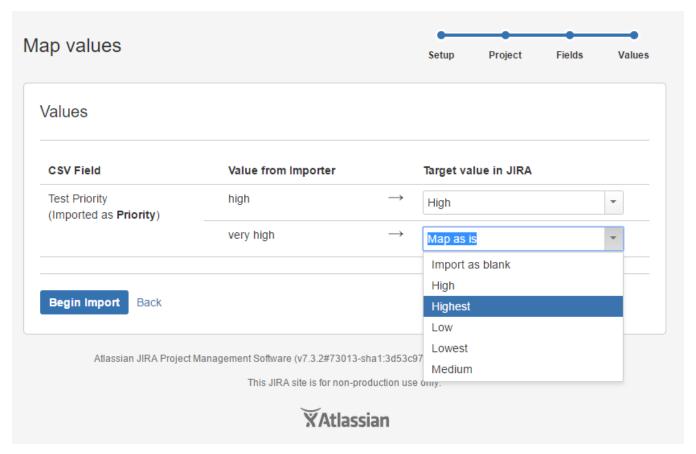
- 1. Test Case Identifier (located under Manual Test Step fields). In this example, this field is mapped to the TCID column from the CSV file.
- 2. Summary (Located under Jira fields) In this example, this field is mapped to the Test Summary column from the CSV file.
- 3. Step (located under Manual Test Step fields) In this example this field is mapped to the Step column from the CSV file.

The fields that are not mapped will not be imported to the test case.

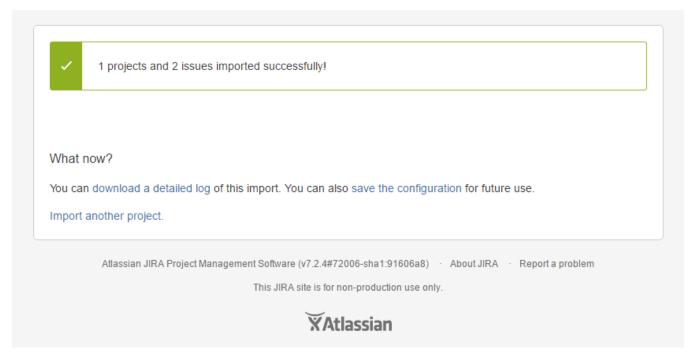


Value Mapping Page

Map the CSV column values. In the example above, the Map Field Value checkbox is selected for Priority, so those values are going to be mapped.



Now just click Begin Import and Xray Test Case Importer will import the manual test cases to the selected project.



The importation process is complete. A configuration file can be saved to import other manual test cases in the future.

Special fields

Attachments

It is possible to attach files to Test and to Test Steps.





The attachment may be referred by name (in this case the file:// protocol is assumed), by "file://" or "http(s)://". Multiple files may be specified within one CSV column; for this, the attachments must be delimited by space.

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TCID, Test Summary, Test Priority, Component, Component, Step, Data, Result, myNumberField, IssueType, Attach Steps, Attach

1, Test 1 for user story WEB-1, high, User Interface, Business Layer, Go to login and enter your credentials,,, 123, Test, image.png file:///txt_folder/test.txt,

1,,,, Enter username, peter,,,,,

1,,,, Click login button, User successfully logged in,,,,

2, Test 2 for user story WEB-1, very high, Business Layer, Go to login page,,, 456, Test, https://address/error.log, image.png file://txt_folder/test.txt

2,,,,, Enter username, peter,,,,,

2,,,, Enter wrong password, wrngpass,,,, http://address/image.jpg,

2,,,,, Click login button,, User logged in fails with message,,,,
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Note: For file protocol, only files in the "<JIRA_DATA_HOME>/import/attachments" folder will be imported.

Test Repository folder

If you want to add the Tests to some folder within the Test Repository, you can specify a column having the Test Repository Path.

Folders and their respective sub-folders must be delimited by "/", as shown in the following example:

Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	H
TCID	Test Summary	Component	Step	Data	Result	Test Repository Path	
1	Test sum of two numbers	UI	press 1		1	components	
1			press key	+	+		
1			press 2		2		
1			press key	=	3		
2	Simple Test Case	Core	press ON		calculator turned on	components/compA	
3	Another, yet simple Test 0	Core	press OFF		calculator turned off		

During the mapping step, you need to map the CSV column containing the path to the "Test Repository Path" Xray's custom field.



Please note

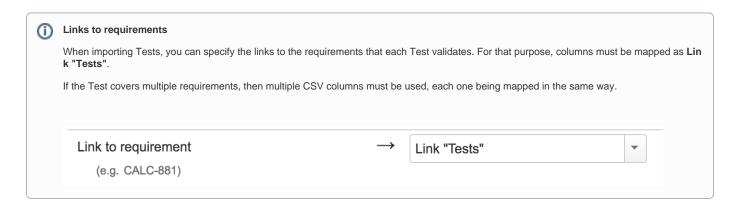
The "Test Repository Path" is case insensitive and each folder is trimmed (spaces are removed from the start/end of it).

This means that "components/compA", "components /compA", and " components/COMPA" are all the same and will be mapped to the same folder within the Test Repository.

If the folder is not found, then the Test is created, but it is not associated with any folder; it will appear in the "Orphans" meta-folder.

Links

You can import a link to other issues for newly-created Tests by choosing the "Link ..." mapping.



Date Time fields

Dates and Date Time field formats must comply with the Java SimpleDateFormat. On the project mapping page, the format used on the CSV file should be given in order for the import process to complete without errors or warnings.



Comments

Comments can be added to Test issues using the "DateTime; User; CommentBody" syntax, where DateTime and User are optional.

More that one comment can be added for each issue, by adding more than one column on the CSV file.

DateTime uses the Date Time format specified on the project mapping page, and User must be a valid username.



Example valid comment entries

- 01/01/2012 10:10; Admin; This comment works
- 01/01/2012 10:10; This comment also works
- "This comment is only the text body"

Useful tips for importing Tests

Importing data in any system is a non-linear process; you may need to run it multiple times until you get the expected result because it is easy to forget to map a field or use a delimiter, etc.

- Add a unique label to all your tests, so you can clearly identify the tests imported at a given time. This will make analysis simpler and performing bulk operations (e.g., change fields, remove fields) will also be easier.
- Use a custom field for storing the external ID of the tests in their original system. Thus, whenever tests are imported, you can easily compare
 them with the original tests in the original system;