# Redmine - Feature #39500

# Change the default notification option for users to "Only for things I watch or I am assigned to"

2023-11-01 11:12 - Go MAEDA

Status:ClosedStart date:Priority:NormalDue date:

Assignee: Go MAEDA % Done: 0%

Category: Accounts / authentication Estimated time: 0.00 hour

Target version: 6.0.0

Resolution:

# Description

Currently, the default notification option for a new user is "Only for things I watch or I'm involved in" (internal\_name: only my events). This sends notifications when any of the following conditions are met.

- The issue/object is watched by the user
- The issue is **created** by the user
- The issue is assigned to the user

I think the default option should now be "Only for things I watch or I am assigned to" (internal name: only\_assigned) which sends notifications when any of the following conditions are met.

- The issue/object is watched by the user
- The issue is assigned to the user

This is because Redmine 5.1.0 has an auto watch for newly created issues (#38238) and the option is enabled by default for newly created users, and the behavior of the combination of auto watch and only\_my\_events is somewhat confusing.

Consider the following scenario:

- 1. Admin creates a new user. The user has all auto watches enabled by default, and the email notification option is set to only\_my\_events
- 2. The user creates an issue. Since all auto watches are enabled for the user, they are added as a watcher
- 3. The user receives notifications about the issue
- 4. The user decides they do not want to receive notifications anymore and unwatches the issue
- 5. But the user still receives notifications because the notification option is only\_my\_events, and they are the author of the issue

If the default notification option is changed from only\_my\_events to only\_assigned, this confusion will be eliminated. Here is a scenario in this case:

- 1. Admin creates a new user. The user has all auto watches enabled by default, and the email notification option is set to only\_assigned
- 2. The user creates an issue. Since all auto watches are enabled for the user, they are added as a watcher
- 3. The user receives notifications about the issue
- 4. The user decides they do not want to receive notifications anymore and unwatches the issue
- 5. The user does not receive notifications anymore because the notification option is only\_assigned, and they are no longer a watcher

As illustrated above, in Redmine 5.1, the behavior is more understandable if the notification option defaults to only assigned.

## Related issues:

Has duplicate Redmine - Feature #38343: Change the default notification optio... Closed

# **Associated revisions**

# Revision 22503 - 2023-12-08 09:17 - Go MAEDA

Code cleanup: unnecessary use of instance variables in UserTest (#39500).

#### Revision 22504 - 2023-12-08 09:29 - Go MAEDA

Change the default notification option from `only\_my\_events` to `only\_assigned` (#39500).

Patch by Go MAEDA.

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#### Revision 22511 - 2023-12-11 10:14 - Go MAEDA

Revert r22504 that missing a necessary file (#39500).

#### Revision 22512 - 2023-12-11 10:20 - Go MAEDA

Change the default notification option from `only\_my\_events` to `only\_assigned` (#39500).

Patch by Go MAEDA.

#### History

#### #1 - 2023-11-01 16:09 - Go MAEDA

- File 0001-Refactor-unnecessary-use-of-instance-variables-in-Us.patch added
- File 0002-Change-the-default-notification-option-from-only\_my\_.patch added

The attached patches update the default notification setting from only my events to only assigned and adjust related tests accordingly.

#### #2 - 2023-11-12 10:37 - Go MAEDA

- Target version set to Candidate for next major release

#### #3 - 2023-11-13 15:45 - Go MAEDA

- File 0002-Change-the-default-notification-option-from-only\_my\_.patch added

Improved patch to keep the behavior when `default\_notification\_option` is not stored in the database in existing installations.

If `default\_notification\_option` is not stored in the database, `Setting.default\_notification\_option` returns `only\_my\_events` in Redmine 5.1 and earlier. The value should not be changed in existing installations even after upgrading Redmine. See #34863#note-16.

#### #4 - 2023-11-14 03:37 - Go MAEDA

- File deleted (0002-Change-the-default-notification-option-from-only\_my\_.patch)

#### #5 - 2023-11-14 03:37 - Go MAEDA

- File deleted (0002-Change-the-default-notification-option-from-only\_my\_.patch)

## #6 - 2023-11-14 03:39 - Go MAEDA

- File 0002-Change-the-default-notification-option-from-only\_my\_.patch added

Updated 0002-Change-the-default-notification-option-from-only\_my\_.patch to use Setting.find\_or\_create\_by! in db/migrate/20231113131245\_ensure\_default\_notification\_option\_is\_stored\_in\_db.rb.

## #7 - 2023-11-27 14:01 - Go MAEDA

- Target version changed from Candidate for next major release to 6.0.0

Setting the target version to 6.0.0.

#### #8 - 2023-12-08 09:29 - Go MAEDA

- Status changed from New to Closed
- Assignee set to Go MAEDA

Committed the patch in r22504.

### #9 - 2024-01-04 11:14 - Go MAEDA

- Has duplicate Feature #38343: Change the default notification option to "Only for things I watch or I am assigned to" added

## **Files**

0001-Refactor-unnecessary-use-of-instance-variables-in-Us.patch	1.03 KB	2023-11-01	Go MAEDA
0002-Change-the-default-notification-option-from-only_mypatch	3.63 KB	2023-11-14	Go MAEDA

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