

QuartzDesk JVM Agent
Installation and Upgrade Guide
for Oracle WebLogic AS
11g (10.3.x) and 12c (12.x)

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1. Purpose

This document describes the installation and upgrade process for the QuartzDesk JVM Agent 3.x on Oracle WebLogic Application Server 11g (10.3.x) and 12c (12.1.x).

QuartzDesk JVM Agent is a Java Virtual Machine (JVM) plugin that must be installed in all JVMs powering applications with embedded Quartz schedulers managed by QuartzDesk. The QuartzDesk JVM Agent enables the following QuartzDesk features:

- Adding and editing of triggers
- Job and trigger execution history
- Execution notification rules
- Job chaining
- Job and trigger health indicators
- · Viewing of misfired triggers
- Viewing of planned job execution
- Job and trigger execution statistics

Please note that the installation of the QuartzDesk JVM Agent is required only by the QuartzDesk Standard and Enterprise editions. The QuartzDesk Lite edition does not contain any of the above features and therefore it does not require the installation of the QuartzDesk JVM Agent.



If the QuartzDesk GUI detects the QuartzDesk JVM Agent is not installed / enabled in a remote JVM it connects to, it displays a warning message and the above listed features are disabled in the QuartzDesk GUI.

If you experience any problems installing or upgrading the QuartzDesk JVM Agent, please let us know at support@quartzdesk.com.



2. Definitions

The following table lists all acronyms and shortcuts used throughout this document.

Acronym / Shortcut	Definition
AS	Application Server.
EAR	Enterprise Application Archive. A file with .ear extension.
JAR	Java Application Archive. A file with .jar extension.
JVM	Java Virtual Machine.
WLAC	WebLogic Administrative Console.
WLAS	WebLogic Application Server.
WAR	Web Application Archive. A file with .war
	extension.

The following table lists all locations and properties used throughout this document.

Location / Property	Example	Description
AGENT_WORK_DIR	/var/quartzdesk-agent.work	QuartzDesk JVM Agent work directory.
DB_HOST	localhost	QuartzDesk JVM Agent database server host.
DB_PORT	5432	QuartzDesk JVM Agent database server port.
DB_NAME	quartzdesk_agent	QuartzDesk JVM Agent database name.
DB_SCHEMA	quartzdesk_agent	QuartzDesk JVM Agent database schema.
DB_USER	quartzdesk_agent	QuartzDesk JVM Agent database user.
DB_PASSWORD	quartzdesk_agent	QuartzDesk JVM Agent database user password.
JAVA_HOME	/usr/local/java	Java home directory.
MW_HOME	/opt/oracle/middleware	Oracle Middleware installation directory.
WL_DOMAIN	domain1	
WL_DOMAIN_HOME	/opt/oracle/user_projects/domain1	WebLogic Application Server domain directory.
WL_SERVER	MyServer	WebLogic Application Server name.



3. Requirements

3.1 Software Requirements

3.1.1 **Operating System**

Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 10. Linux (any distribution) with kernel 2.6.x and above. Solaris 11.x and above.

3.1.2 Java

Sun/Oracle Java (JDK) 7, 8, 9, 10. IBM Java (JDK) 7, 8, 9. OpenJDK 7, 8, 9, 10.

3.1.3 Application Server

Oracle WebLogic Application Server 11g (10.3.x). Oracle WebLogic Application Server 12cR1 (12.1.x). Oracle WebLogic Application Server 12cR2 (12.2.x).

3.1.4 Database

Database	Minimum Version
DB2	10.1
H2	1.3.174
Microsoft SQL Server	2008 R2 SP1
MySQL	5.6.4
Oracle	10.2 (10g R2)
PostgreSQL	9.1

3.1.5 Database JDBC Driver

Database	JDBC Driver
DB2	IBM DB2 JDBC 4.0 driver available at http://www-
	01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21363866.
H2	Database engine including the JDBC driver is available at
	http://www.h2database.com.
Microsoft SQL Server	Microsoft JDBC driver 4.0 for SQL Server available at
	http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/sqlserver/aa937724.aspx.
	We strongly advise against using the alternative JTDS JDBC driver,
	because it currently does not support the datetime2 data type. As a
	result, all datetime values written by the QuartzDesk application
	would end up rounded up, or down. For datetime data type rounding
	details, please refer to http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-
	us/library/ms187819.aspx.



MySQL	Connector/J JDBC driver available at http://dev.mysql.com/downloads/connector/j/ .
Oracle	Oracle JDBC driver available at http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/features/jdbc/index-091264.html . For a comprehensive overview of JDBC driver versions vs. supported database versions, please refer to http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/enterprise-edition/jdbc-faq-090281.html#01_02 .
PostgreSQL	JDBC4 PostgreSQL driver available at http://jdbc.postgresql.org/ .

3.1.6 QuartzDesk JVM Agent Library

To install the QuartzDesk JVM Agent, you need to obtain the QuartzDesk JVM Agent JAR. The latest version can be downloaded at www.quartzdesk.com (click Downloads \rightarrow Latest Release \rightarrow View files \rightarrow quartzdesk-agent-x.y.z.jar).

3.1.7 QuartzDesk Public API Library

QuartzDesk JVM Agent requires all applications with embedded Quartz schedulers deployed on the given JVM to have the QuartzDesk Public API Library on their classpath. The latest version can be downloaded at $\underline{\text{www.quartzdesk.com}}$ (click Downloads \rightarrow Latest Release \rightarrow View files \rightarrow quartzdesk-api-x.y.z.jar).

The QuartzDesk Public API library is also available in the Maven Central repository – see http://search.maven.org/#search|ga|1|quartzdesk-api.

3.2 Hardware Requirements

QuartzDesk JVM Agent runs on any physical or virtualized hardware that supports the above software requirements.



4. Installation

4.1 Database

Create a new database user named quartzdesk_agent (DB_USER) with an arbitrary password (DB PASSWORD).

Create a new QuartzDesk JVM Agent database named quartzdesk_agent¹ (DB_NAME) owned by the DB USER.

If the database supports database schemas, create a new schema named <code>quartzdesk_agent(DB_SCHEMA)</code>. The schema must be owned by the <code>DB_USER</code>. Make the created <code>DB_SCHEMA</code> the default schema of the <code>DB_USER</code> and/or add the schema to the <code>DB_USER</code>'s schema search path.

Please contact your DBA, or refer to the database engine documentation for instructions on how to complete the above database-specific tasks.



Please note that you do not have to create any other database objects (tables, keys, indices etc.) in the QuartzDesk JVM Agent database. These objects will be automatically created by the QuartzDesk JVM Agent during its first run.

4.2 JDBC Driver

Download and install the JDBC driver for the created database. For a list of supported JDBC drivers please refer to chapter 3.1.5.

QuartzDesk JVM Agent requires the JDBC driver files on the WLAS CLASSPATH. To add the JDBC driver files to the WLAS CLASSPATH, please follow these steps:

4.2.1 Windows

Edit MW_HOME/wlserver/common/bin/commEnv.cmd and add the following lines at the end of the file:

```
rem
rem JDBC driver used by the QuartzDesk JVM Agent.
rem
set WEBLOGIC_CLASSPATH=<JDBC_DRIVER_HOME>\<jdbc-driver-jar>;%WEBLOGIC_CLASSPATH%
```

Where <JDBC_DRIVER_HOME> is the installation directory of the JDBC driver and <jdbc-driver-jar> is the JDBC driver JAR file. If the JDBC driver requires multiple JAR files, add these JAR files to the WEBLOGIC CLASSPATH as well.

Make sure the JDBC driver JAR files are readable by the user the WLAS process is started under.

¹ DB2 restricts the database name length to the maximum of 8 characters. Please adjust the database name accordingly (e.g. qdagent).



4.2.2 Unix/Linux

Edit MW_HOME/wlserver/common/bin/commEnv.sh and add the following lines at the end of the file:

```
#
# JDBC driver used by the QuartzDesk JVM Agent.
#
WEBLOGIC_CLASSPATH= "<JDBC_DRIVER_HOME>/<jdbc-driver-jar>:${WEBLOGIC_CLASSPATH}"
export WEBLOGIC_CLASSPATH
```

Where <JDBC_DRIVER_HOME> is the installation directory of the JDBC driver and <jdbc-driver-jar> is the JDBC driver JAR file. If the JDBC driver requires multiple JAR files, add these JAR files to the WEBLOGIC_CLASSPATH as well.

Make sure the JDBC driver JAR files are readable by the user the WLAS process is started under.

4.3 JVM Agent Work Directory

Create the QuartzDesk JVM Agent work directory (AGENT_WORK_DIR) anywhere on the local file system. The directory must be readable and writeable by the user the WLAS process runs under.

Copy your QuartzDesk license key file (license.key) to AGENT_WORK_DIR.



You can obtain a free 30-day trial license key at www.quartzdesk.com (open the Try / Purchase menu).

Copy the QuartzDesk JVM Agent JAR file (quartzdesk-agent-x.y.z.jar) to AGENT_WORK_DIR.

Open the QuartzDesk JVM Agent JAR file and copy all files from the <code>extras/work</code> directory into AGENT_WORK_DIR.



If you cannot open the JAR file directly, rename it to *.zip and then open it. Do not forget to rename the file back to *.jar once you have extracted the required files.

In the following figure you can see an example of a QuartzDesk JVM Agent work directory correctly set up on a Microsoft Windows machine.



4.4 JVM Agent Configuration

Open the QuartzDesk JVM Agent configuration file AGENT_WORK_DIR/quartzdesk-agent.properties.

Based on the type and version of the database created in step 4.1, change the value of the db.profile configuration property according to the following table.

Database	Database Version	db.profile Value
DB2	>= 10.0	db2
H2	>= 1.3.170	h2
Microsoft SQL Server	>= 2008	mssql
MySQL	>= 5.6	mysql
MySQL (Inno)	>= 5.6	mysql_inno
Oracle	== 8i	oracle8
Oracle	>= 9i	oracle9
PostgreSQL	== 8.1	postgres81
PostgreSQL	>= 8.2	postgres82

Uncomment the Agent JDBC pool configuration section based on the QuartzDesk JVM Agent database type. Make sure the JDBC pool configuration sections for other database types are commented out (prefixed with '#'). The default sample quartzdesk-agent.properties file assumes the use of a PostgreSQL database.

Adjust values of the JDBC pool configuration parameters to match your database configuration. You will typically need to change the default host value (localhost) in the jdbc.url parameter to point to DB_HOST. Please refer to the JDBC driver manual for a description of the JDBC URL format and related details.

Set the value of the jdbc.pool.maxTotal JDBC pool configuration parameter to be 10-20% higher than the maximum number of concurrently executing Quartz jobs on the JVM the QuartzDesk JVM Agent will be installed on.

To adjust QuartzDesk JVM Agent logging parameters, edit the AGENT WORK DIR/logback.xml configuration file. The default sample logback.xml



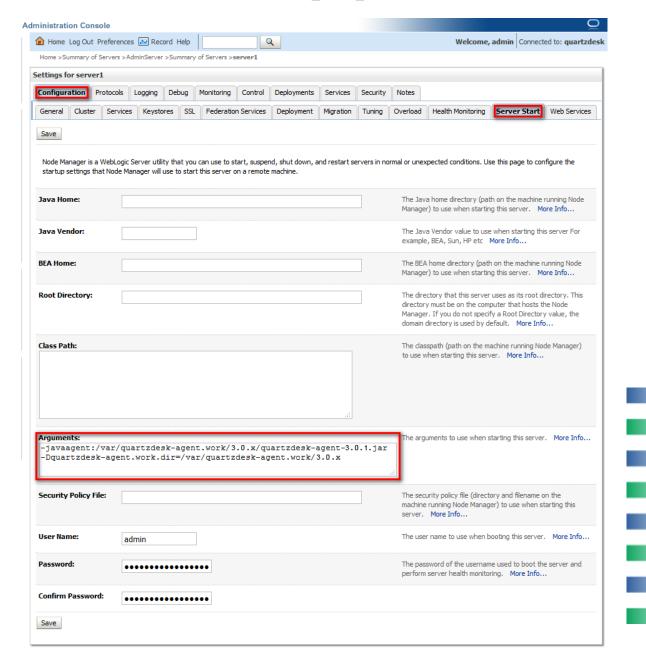
configuration file creates the QuartzDesk JVM Agent log under the AGENT_WORK_DIR/logs directory that is automatically created when the QuartzDesk JVM Agent starts. Please refer to the Logback Manual for Logback configuration details.

4.5 Install JVM Agent

To manage Quartz schedulers embedded in applications deployed in WLAS, you must first enable remote JMX access to WLAS. For details refer to the **How to Enable Remote JMX Access to Quartz Schedulers** document available at www.quartzdesk.com/documentation/how-tos. Once the remote JMX access has been enabled, continue with the steps below.

In WLAC edit server start configuration (WL_DOMAIN \rightarrow Environment \rightarrow Servers \rightarrow WL_SERVER \rightarrow Configuration \rightarrow Server Start) and in the Arguments field add two new JVM arguments:

- -javaagent:AGENT_WORK_DIR/quartzdesk-agent-x.y.z.jar
- -Dquartzdesk-agent.work.dir=AGENT_WORK_DIR





Click the Save button.

Restart the updated server (WL SERVER).

4.6 Install Public API Library

The QuartzDesk Public API Library (quartzdesk-api-<version>.jar) works an an interface between the Quartz library (typically distributed as quartz-<version>.jar or quartz-all-<version>.jar) used by an application and the QuartzDesk JVM Agent. The QuartzDesk Public API Library must be loaded by the same Java classloader that loads the Quartz library.

In WLAS, there are two typical cases how the Quartz library is deployed.

- (1) Quartz library is embedded in the application, typically in its WEB-INF/lib folder. In this case, the QuartzDesk Public API Library must be copied to this folder.
 - Please note that the QuartzDesk Public API Library is available in the <u>Maven Central</u> repository and if you add it as a runtime dependency to the application's POM, it can be automatically copied to the application's WEB-INF/lib folder by Maven.
- (2) Quartz library is placed in the WLAS shared lib folder located at WL_DOMAIN_HOME/lib, and as such it is shared by all applications deployed on the WLAS instance. In this case, the QuartzDesk Public API Library must be copied to the WL DOMAIN HOME/lib folder.

No application code changes are required to install the QuartzDesk Public API Library.

4.7 Stop WebLogic AS

Stop WLAS by executing the following command:

Windows

WL_DOMAIN_HOME\bin\stopManagedWebLogic.bat WS_NAME
Unix/Linux
WL_DOMAIN_HOME/bin/stopManagedWebLogic.sh WS_NAME

Wait for the action to complete.

4.8 Start WebLogic AS

Start WLAS by executing the following command:

Windows

WL DOMAIN HOME\bin\startManagedWebLogic.bat WS NAME

Unix / Linux

WL_DOMAIN_HOME/bin/startManagedWebLogic.sh WS_NAME

Wait for the action to complete.

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Check the WLAS logs under WL DOMAIN HOME/servers/WL SERVER/logs for errors.

Check the QuartzDesk JVM Agent logs (in AGENT_WORK_DIR/logs directory) for errors and verify the version number of the QuartzDesk JVM Agent.

```
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```

Verify that all applications deployed on WLAS work as expected.



5. Upgrading

5.1 Stop WebLogic AS

Stop WLAS by following the steps outlined in 4.7.

5.2 Backup

Backup your QuartzDesk JVM Agent database. We recommend performing a **full database backup**.

Backup the contents of the QuartzDesk JVM Agent work directory.

Store the backups in a safe place so that you can restore the original QuartzDesk JVM Agent version if the need arises.

5.3 Upgrade JVM Agent

Delete the old QuartzDesk JVM Agent JAR file in AGENT_WORK_DIR. Copy the new quartzdesk-agent-x.y.z.jar to AGENT_WORK_DIR.

Rename the AGENT_WORK_DIR/quartzdesk-agent.properties configuration file to quartzdesk-agent.properties.old.

Open the QuartzDesk JVM Agent archive (quartzdesk-agent-x.y.z.jar) and copy the extras/work/quartzdesk-agent.properties configuration file to AGENT WORK DIR.



If you cannot open the JAR file directly, rename it to *.zip and then open it. Do not forget to rename the file back to *.jar once you have extracted the required files.

Adjust the values of the configuration properties in the new configuration file AGENT_WORK_DIR/quartzdesk-agent.properties to match your system setup. You can use the old configuration file as a reference.

Please refer to 4.4 for a description of the configuration parameters that you need to adjust.

5.4 Upgrade Public API Library

The steps necessary to upgrade this library depend on the way it has been deployed. Please refer to 4.6 for details.

5.5 Start WebLogic AS

Start WLAS by following the steps outlined in 4.8.



6. QuartzDesk 2.x to 3.x Migration Notes

6.1 Minimum Required Java Version

QuartzDesk JVM Agent v3.x requires Java 7 or higher. Java 6 is no longer supported.

6.2 Changed Names of Configuration Properties

The following two <code>quartzdesk-agent.properties</code> configuration properties have been renamed in <code>QuartzDesk JVM Agent 3.x.</code> Make sure your <code>quartzdesk-agent.properties</code> file uses the new property names.

Original Configuration Property Name (2.x)	New Configuration Property Name (3.x)	
jdbc.pool.maxActive	jdbc.pool.maxTotal	
jdbc.pool.maxWait	jdbc.pool.maxWaitMillis	

6.3 Upgrade Steps

To upgrade QuartzDesk JVM Agent 2.x to 3.x, apply upgrade steps outlined in 5. When completing steps outlined in 5.3, make sure to use the new configuration property names.



7. Cluster Deployment Notes

When configuring the QuartzDesk JVM Agent in a WebLogic cluster you need to follow the configuration steps described in preceding chapters. In addition to these, there are several extra configuration steps that must be performed in cluster deployments.

7.1 Shared Work Directory

We recommend that you put the QuartzDesk JVM Agent work directory, described in chapter 4.3, on a shared drive and make this work directory available to all WebLogic cluster members.

7.2 Logging Configuration

If you set up your cluster to use a shared QuartzDesk JVM Agent work directory, as described in the previous chapter, you will need to edit the QuartzDesk JVM Agent logging configuration file AGENT_WORK_DIR/logback.xml and decide where QuartzDesk JVM Agent instances running on individual cluster members should log. There are two options:

- 1) Logging into the same (shared) log files.
- 2) Logging into separate log files.

QuartzDesk JVM Agent uses two log files – quartzdesk.log and quartzdesk-trace.log that are stored in AGENT WORK DIR/logs directory. The following chapters discuss these two options.

7.2.1 Using Shared Log Files

In order to make individual QuartzDesk JVM Agent instances log into the same log files, you must enable the prudent mode on both file appenders used in the AGENT WORK DIR/logback.xml configuration file:



```
<appender name="FILE"</pre>
class="ext.ch.qos.logback.core.rolling.RollingFileAppender">
  <file>${logs.dir}/quartzdesk-agent.log</file>
  <append>true</append>
  cprudent>true
</appender>
<appender name="TRACE FILE"</pre>
class="ext.ch.gos.logback.core.rolling.RollingFileAppender">
  <file>${logs.dir}/quartzdesk-agent-trace.log</file>
  <append>true</append>
  cprudent>true
  <1--
    We must use the TimeBasedRollingPolicy because the
   FixedWindowRollingPolicy is not supported in prudent mode!
  <rollingPolicy
class="ext.ch.qos.logback.core.rolling.TimeBasedRollingPolicy">
   <!-- daily rollover -->
    <fileNamePattern>${logs.dir}/quartzdesk-agent-trace.log.%d{yyyy-MM-
dd}</fileNamePattern>
    <!-- keep 10 days' worth of history -->
    <maxHistory>10</maxHistory>
  </rollingPolicy>
   The SizeBasedTriggeringPolicy removed because it is used only in
   conjunction with the FixedWindowRollingPolicy.
  <encoder>
   <charset>UTF-8</charset>
    <pattern>[%date] %.-1level [%thread] [%mdc] [%logger:%line] --
%msg%n</pattern>
  </encoder>
</appender>
```

For details on the Logback prudent mode, please refer to http://logback.gos.ch/manual/appenders.html#FileAppender.



Because prudent mode relies on exclusive file locks to manage concurrent access to the log files and these locks can have negative impact on the QuartzDesk JVM Agent's performance, we generally discourage using the prudent mode and shared log files.

7.2.2 Using Separate Log Files

In order to make individual QuartzDesk JVM Agent instances log into separate log files, you can use a JVM system property set on all cluster member JVMs. The value of this property must be unique for all cluster members. The property can then be referred to from the AGENT_WORK_DIR/logback.xml logging configuration file.

The following examples assume the use of the cluster.member.instanceId JVM system property, but any JVM system property name can be used.



There are two common approaches as to where the separate log files produced by individual QuartzDesk JVM Agent instances are stored:

1) Log files created under a common log root directory.

```
<appender name="FILE"
class="ext.ch.qos.logback.core.rolling.RollingFileAppender">
  <file>${logs.dir}/quartzdesk-agent-${cluster.member.instanceId}.log</file>
  <append>true</append>
  <rollingPolicy
class="ext.ch.qos.logback.core.rolling.TimeBasedRollingPolicy">
   <!-- daily rollover -->
    <fileNamePattern>${logs.dir}/quartzdesk-agent-
${cluster.member.instanceId}.log.%d{yyyy-MM-dd}</fileNamePattern>
    <!-- keep 10 days' worth of history -->
    <maxHistory>10</maxHistory>
  </rollingPolicy>
  . . .
</appender>
<appender name="TRACE FILE"</pre>
class="ext.ch.qos.logback.core.rolling.RollingFileAppender">
 <file>${logs.dir}/quartzdesk-agent-${cluster.member.instanceId}-
trace.log</file>
  <append>true</append>
  <rollingPolicy
class="ext.ch.qos.logback.core.rolling.FixedWindowRollingPolicy">
   <fileNamePattern>${logs.dir}/quartzdesk-agent-
${cluster.member.instanceId}-trace.log.%i</fileNamePattern>
    <minIndex>1</minIndex>
    <maxIndex>5</maxIndex>
  </rollingPolicy>
</appender>
```

2) Log files created in separate (cluster member specific) log root directories.



7.3 Installation and Upgrade Roll-Out

As described in chapter 4.1, the QuartzDesk JVM Agent automatically creates all required database objects in the configured database upon its first start. Similarly, upon every QuartzDesk JVM Agent upgrade the agent automatically applies required changes to the configured database.

If you have configured multiple QuartzDesk JVM Agents to use the same database, collisions are likely to occur if multiple agents are started concurrently and all attempt to realize the database initialization/upgrade procedure described above. To avoid these collisions, please start a single JVM with the configured QuartzDesk JVM Agent and let the agent apply the database changes. Once the database changes have been successfully applied, it is possible to start the other agents (JVMs).

You can check for the following line in the QuartzDesk JVM Agent log to see if the database has been successfully initialized/upgraded. This log line indicates that the agent has been successfully started at which point all database schema changes have been applied.

```
...

[2017-08-04 13:34:56,215] I [main] [com.quartzdesk.agent.Agent:275] -

Successfully initialized QuartzDesk JVM Agent:

com.quartzdesk.agent.Agent@97e1896 [QuartzDesk JVM Agent v3.0.1], enabled:

true
...
```