

Duplicate Process

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In the Workflow Designer, it is possible for one to duplicate existing process under the same package using the option available in the process's properties.

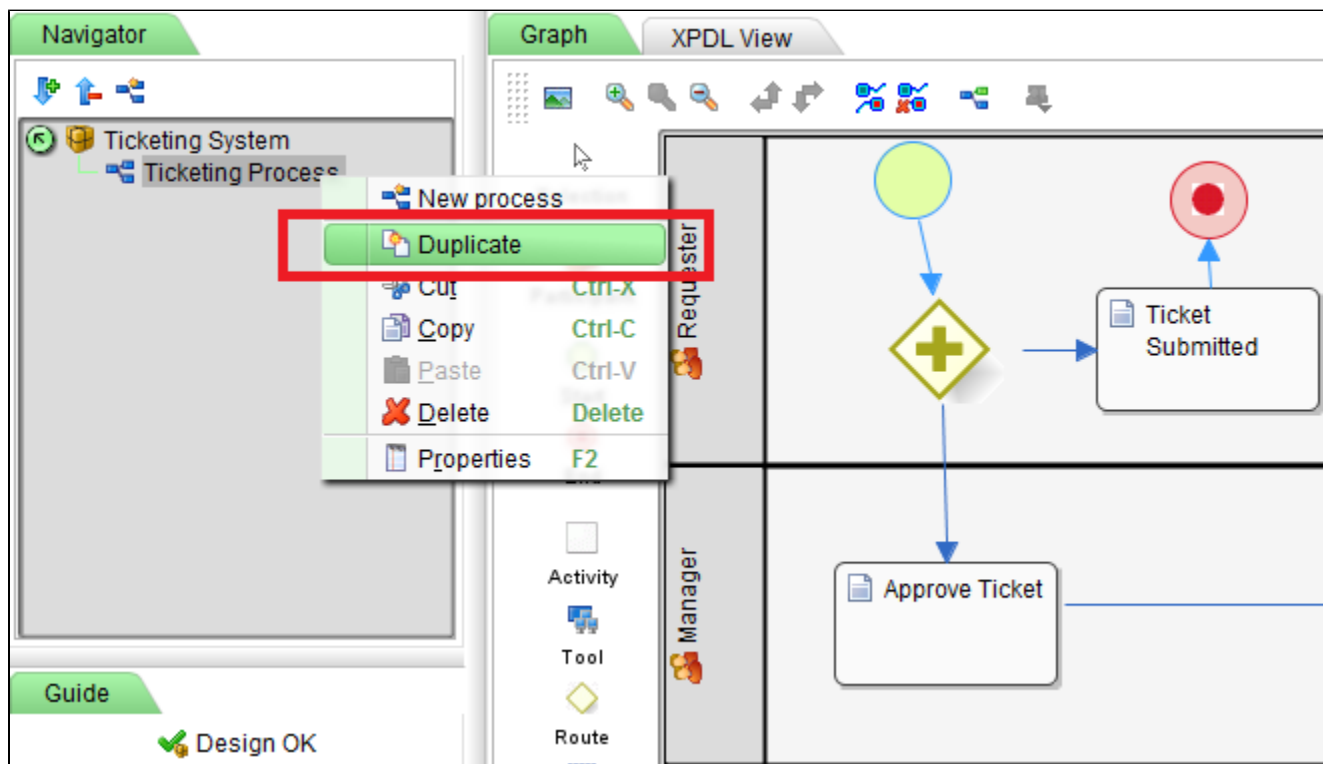


Figure 1: Duplicate Process

Since the design is made up using XML, we may inspect on what is going on behind the scene.

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1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="no"?>
2  <xpdl:Package xmlns:xpdl="http://www.wfmc.org/2002/XPDL1.0" xmlns="http://www.wfmc.org/2002/XPDL1.0" xmlns:x
3  <xpdl:PackageHeader>
4      <xpdl:XPDLVersion>1.0</xpdl:XPDLVersion>
5      <xpdl:Vendor/>
6      <xpdl:Created/>
7  </xpdl:PackageHeader>
8  <xpdl:Script Type="text/javascript"/>
9  <xpdl:Participants>
10     <xpdl:Participant Id="requester" Name="Requester">
11         <xpdl:ParticipantType Type="ROLE"/>
12     </xpdl:Participant>
13     <xpdl:Participant Id="manager" Name="Manager">
14         <xpdl:ParticipantType Type="ROLE"/>
15     </xpdl:Participant>
16     <xpdl:Participant Id="technician" Name="Technician">
17         <xpdl:ParticipantType Type="ROLE"/>
18     </xpdl:Participant>
19 </xpdl:Participants>
20 <xpdl:WorkflowProcesses>
21     <xpdl:WorkflowProcess Id="ticketingProcess" Name="Ticketing Process">
186    <xpdl:WorkflowProcess Id="process1" Name="Copy of Ticketing Process">
352 </xpdl:WorkflowProcesses>
353 <xpdl:ExtendedAttributes>
354     <xpdl:ExtendedAttribute Name="EDITING_TOOL" Value="Workflow Designer 3.1.4 - build 1236"/>
355     <xpdl:ExtendedAttribute Name="EDITING_TOOL_VERSION" Value="2.0-2 (4?) -C-20080226-2126"/>
356     <xpdl:ExtendedAttribute Name="JaWE_CONFIGURATION" Value="default"/>
357 </xpdl:ExtendedAttributes>
358 </xpdl:Package>
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Figure 2: Duplicated Process as 'process1'

Removal of participants

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9  <xpdl:Participants>
10     <xpdl:Participant Id="requester" Name="Requester">
11         <xpdl:ParticipantType Type="ROLE"/>
12     </xpdl:Participant>
13     <xpdl:Participant Id="manager" Name="Manager">
14         <xpdl:ParticipantType Type="ROLE"/>
15     </xpdl:Participant>
16     <xpdl:Participant Id="technician" Name="Technician">
17         <xpdl:ParticipantType Type="ROLE"/>
18     </xpdl:Participant>
19 </xpdl:Participants>
20
21 <xpdl:WorkflowProcesses>
22     <xpdl:WorkflowProcess Id="ticketingProcess" Name="Ticketing Process">
23         <xpdl:ProcessHeader DurationUnit="h"/>
24         <xpdl>DataField Id="status" IsArray="FALSE">
25             <xpdl:DataType>
26                 <xpdl:BasicType Type="STRING"/>
27             </xpdl:DataType>
28         </xpdl>DataField>
29         <xpdl:DataFields>
30             <xpdl:Activities>
31                 <xpdl:Activity Id="approveTicket" Name="Approve Ticket">
32                     <xpdl:Implementation>
33                         <xpdl:No/>
34                     </xpdl:Implementation>
35                     <xpdl:Performer>manager</xpdl:Performer>
36                     <xpdl:ExtendedAttributes>
37                         <xpdl:ExtendedAttribute Name="JaWE_GRAPH_PARTICIPANT_ID" Value="manager"/>
38                         <xpdl:ExtendedAttribute Name="JaWE_GRAPH_OFFSET" Value="85,48"/>
39                         <xpdl:ExtendedAttribute Name="VariableToProcess_UPDATE" Value="status"/>
40                     </xpdl:ExtendedAttributes>
41                 </xpdl:Activity>
42                 <xpdl:Activity Id="ackRejection" Name="Acknowledge Rejection">
43                     <xpdl:Implementation>
44                         <xpdl:No/>
45                     </xpdl:Implementation>
46                     <xpdl:Performer>requester</xpdl:Performer>
47                     <xpdl:ExtendedAttributes>
48                         <xpdl:ExtendedAttribute Name="JaWE_GRAPH_PARTICIPANT_ID" Value="requester"/>
49                         <xpdl:ExtendedAttribute Name="JaWE_GRAPH_OFFSET" Value="576,12"/>
50                         <xpdl:ExtendedAttribute Name="VariableToProcess_UPDATE" Value="status"/>
51                     </xpdl:ExtendedAttributes>
52                 </xpdl:Activity>
53                 <xpdl:Activity Id="ackCompletion" Name="Acknowledge Completion">
54                     <xpdl:Implementation>
55                         <xpdl:No/>
56                     </xpdl:Implementation>
57                     <xpdl:Performer>requester</xpdl:Performer>
58                     <xpdl:ExtendedAttributes>
59
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201     <xpdl:WorkflowProcess Id="process1" Name="Copy of Ticketing Process">
202         <xpdl:ProcessHeader DurationUnit="h"/>
203         <xpdl>DataField Id="status" IsArray="FALSE">
204             <xpdl:DataType>
205                 <xpdl:BasicType Type="STRING"/>
206             </xpdl:DataType>
207         </xpdl>DataField>
208         <xpdl:DataFields>
209             <xpdl:Activities>
210                 <xpdl:Activity Id="approveTicket" Name="Approve Ticket">
211                     <xpdl:Implementation>
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228                         <xpdl:ExtendedAttribute Name="JaWE_GRAPH_OFFSET" Value="576,12"/>
229                         <xpdl:ExtendedAttribute Name="VariableToProcess_UPDATE" Value="status"/>
230                     </xpdl:ExtendedAttributes>
231                 </xpdl:Activity>
232                 <xpdl:Activity Id="ackCompletion" Name="Acknowledge Completion">
233                     <xpdl:Implementation>
234                         <xpdl:No/>
235                     </xpdl:Implementation>
236                     <xpdl:Performer>requester</xpdl:Performer>
237                     <xpdl:ExtendedAttributes>

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Figure 3: Both processes share the same set of participants

Take note that both processes would still use the same set of participants. Modifying the name or removal of participant at any of the processes may affect all other processes that use the particular participant.

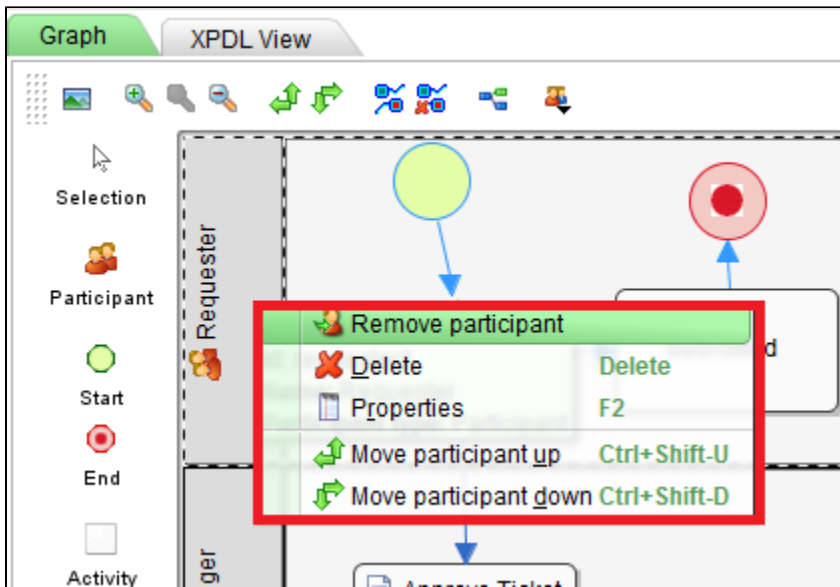


Figure 4: Delete and Remove participant

Remove participant will only remove the swimlane from the particular process. The participant would still exist in the design package.

However, **Delete** will completely erase such participant from the entire design package. If there's any process that uses the deleted participant, you may see the following in the screenshot.

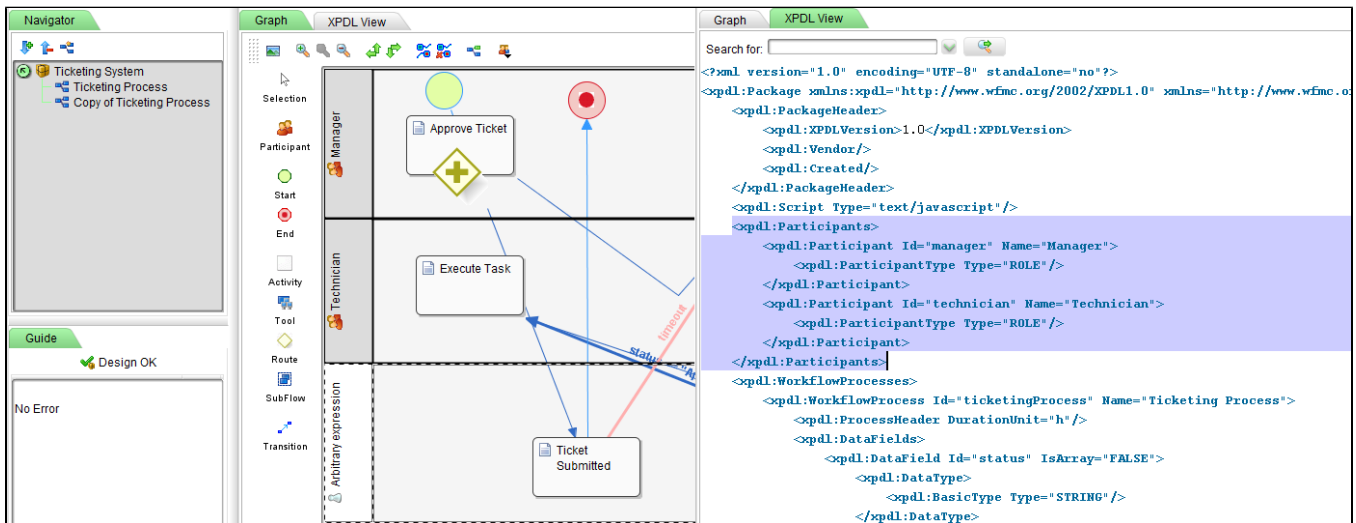


Figure 5: Deleted participant causing problem to existing processes

Separation of participants

Depending on your design requirement, sometimes, you may not want to share the participants across the same processes so that you would have the liberty to rename your participants individually without affect any other processes, you will need to either:-

1. Create new participant and move existing activities from the old participant to the new one one by one.
2. Create new participant, locate the activities that use the old participant in the XPD view and do a search and replace in your favourite text editor.