

The Data Migration tab

The Data Migration tab takes care of the necessary settings to cleanup, move and complete the data directories, after processing all (un)install instructions.

Directories (only visible for upgrades of type Full Client):



IMPORTANT

Your upgrade will be **much** more successful, if you let MarvelClient for Notes deploy and configure your MCUUpgrade.ini - that is because almost ALL our customers have clients that do not correspond to corporate standard.
Any client with different directories will either fail to upgrade or experience loss of data or functionality for the end user.
Together with MarvelClient Essentials/Basic/Upgrade, you do not have to worry about "what is out there" but can simply rely on MarvelClient to take care of it.

(Old and) New Data Directory:

Specifies the old and new directories for your upgrade. Supports any Windows environment variables.

(Old and) New Program Directory:

Specifies the old and new directories for your upgrade. Supports any Windows environment variables.

(Old and) New Shared Data Directory:

Specifies the old and new directories for your upgrade. Supports any Windows environment variables.



Good to know

The directories on the Data Migration tab are automatically updated to best practice settings whenever you choose a different full client package on [the Distribution tab](#)!



IMPORTANT

We **strongly** recommend to use the best practice settings = the manufacturer defaults for your future directories.
In other words: Do **not** keep Lotus or IBM directories, but switch to HCL directories. MarvelClient Upgrade takes care of all relevant data and configuration migration for you, automatically!

Existing Data:

[notes.ini files in Multiuser Data Directories:](#)

If during an upgrade, the old and new data directories differ AND reside under the Windows User root folder (usually C:\Users\), ALL data directories are automatically migrated.

For example, any previous C:\Users\...\Appdata\Local\IBM\Notes folders are migrated to C:\Users\...\Appdata\Local\HCL\Notes.

If during such a migration, MarvelClient Upgrade processes a notes.ini file, this is where you can choose whether MCUUpgrade should change (default), rename or delete the previous notes.ini files.

"Change" means that MCUUpgrade automatically adjusts any notes.ini entries pointing to old directories (Directory=, NotesProgram=, SharedDataDirectory=, FileDlgDirectory=, Keyfilename= any any other matching entries).

"Change" also means that notes.ini files are not just moved and changed, but actually first moved to MCUUpgrade.ini:UpgradeDirectory\backup and then merged with the root notes.ini after processing all (un)install instructions!

This ensures that the resulting migrated notes.ini files are the best and right mix of the latest root notes.ini file and a user's previous custom settings. Also see notes.ini Exclude entries and Old Notes Data Exclude(s) below.

[notes.ini Exclude entries:](#)

Specifies all notes.ini entries that are excluded during the data directory migration process. The default entries are:

Directory
SharedDataDirectory
NotesProgram
Cache
KitType
InstallMode
InstallType
AUTO_SAVE_USER*
DYNINFOCR_*
NewMailSeqNum*
UseBasicNotes
ENABLE_EARLY_AUTHENTICATION
MC_LastActionUpdate
MC_LastBackupDate
TemplateSetup

Multiuser Shared Data Directory:

During a full client upgrade, we **strongly** recommend to delete your pre-existing shared data directory and RECREATE it with your desired settings. This prevents carrying along historic baggage or wrong settings. See "New Data" below on how to merge your custom content into your upgrade.

Old Notes Data Exclude(s):

If, during a full client upgrade, data directories are migrated, the list of files in this field are left behind during and deleted after the migration process:

*.ntf
*.log
as_*.nsf
*.dsk
cache.ndk
*.tmp

New Data:

Finally, the New Data section on the Data Migration tab allows you to easily merge custom content into your upgraded client.

For example, you may want to switch out or add templates, add settings to e.g., plugin_customization.ini, or similar.