# **Amazon Mechanical Turk**

# **Requester UI Guide**



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# Welcome

This is the *Amazon Mechanical Turk Requester User Interface Guide*. This guide provides a conceptual overview of Amazon Mechanical Turk and describes how to access Amazon Mechanical Turk functionality using a graphical user interface.

*Amazon Mechanical Turk* is a web service that provides an on-demand, scalable, human workforce to complete jobs that humans can do better than computers, for example, recognizing objects in photos. For more information about this product go to Amazon Mechanical Turk.

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# **Introduction to Mechanical Turk**

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The Amazon Mechanical Turk Requester User Interface (RUI) provides access to Mechanical Turk functionality using a graphical user interface. After reading this introduction to the Amazon Mechanical Turk RUI, you should have a good idea what the Mechanical Turk RUI offers and how it can fit in with your business.

### **Overview of Mechanical Turk**

Amazon Mechanical Turk is a web service that provides an on-demand, scalable, human workforce to complete jobs that humans can do better than computers, for example, recognizing objects in photos. Mechanical Turk provides a marketplace for work and gives you access to Workers around the world and around the clock. Mechanical Turk enables you to complete a variety of tasks, including data categorization, moderation, verification, and tagging. For more information about this product go to Amazon Mechanical Turk.

#### **Advantages**

The major advantages of Mechanical Turk are:

- On demand workforce—Workers are available whenever you need them
- Scalable workforce—You can use one or thousands of Workers to complete your assignments
- Qualified workforce— You can qualify Workers to work on your assignments to get the best results
- **Pay only for satisfactory work** You do not pay Workers or Mechanical Turk fees until you accept their assignments;

### **Mechanical Turk Concepts**

This section describes the concepts and terminology you need to understand to use Amazon Mechanical Turk effectively.

### Requesters

A Requester creates tasks on Mechanical Turk for Workers to work on. As a Requester, you use the Requester User Interface (RUI) to create tasks, check the status of your tasks, and accept or reject work performed on tasks. Workers see your account name (specified by your Amazon.com account) when they view and accept your tasks.

### Human Intelligence Tasks (HITs)

A Human Intelligence Task (HIT) is a single, self-contained task a Requester creates on Mechanical Turk, for example, "Identify the color of the car in the photo."

### Assignment

You can assign many Workers to work on the same HIT, which is useful way of getting consensus on a subject by many workers giving the same answer. A Worker can only accept a HIT once and can only submit one assignment per HIT. This guarantees that multiple Workers must complete a HIT that has multiple assignments.

If a Worker fails to complete an assignment before the time frame specified (i.e., the Worker abandons the HIT), or if the Worker chooses not to complete it after accepting it (i.e., the Worker returns the HIT), the assignment becomes available for other Workers to work on.

### Workers

A Worker is a person who completes assignments. Workers use the Mechanical Turk website (http://mturk.amazon.com/) to find assignments to work on, submit responses, and manage their account. A Requester sees the Worker's account ID for every assignment submitted.

### **Approval and Payment**

Workers submit responses for assignments. If you approve their work, Mechanical Turk transfers the HIT reward from your Mechanical Turk account to their Amazon Payments accounts. Workers don't get paid if you reject their work.

When you post a batch of HITs, you agree to approve or reject work by a specified deadline. If that deadline passes, Mechanical Turk automatically approves the assignments and pays the Workers who submitted work.

Amazon Mechanical Turk automatically processes payment of the reward to the Worker once you approve the assignment. Amazon Mechanical Turk transfers the reward from your Amazon.com account to the Worker's Amazon.com account. Before you can post your batch of HITs, you must have enough money in your account to pay for all of the work. You can deposit or withdraw funds from your Mechanical Turk account at any time using the Requester website (http://requester.mturk.amazon.com/).

# **Qualification Type**

Mechanical Turk provides System Qualification Types that automatically keep track of a Worker's account statistics and attributes. For example, one System Qualification Type is the Worker's approval rating for all approved and rejected assignments. You can use System Qualification types to control who can and cannot work on your HITs. For example, you can require that Workers have a 95% or greater approval rating to work on your HITs.

You can also create your own Qualification Types and assign them to Workers. You can stipulate that only Workers assigned your Qualification Type can work on your HITs. Each Qualification Type you create includes a name, description, and a score, which is an integer from 0 to 100. You use the score to differentiate Workers that have the same Qualification Type.

# Getting Started with the Requester UI

To get started using the Requester User Interface (RUI), you must create an Amazon Mechanical Turk account, or sign in if you already have an account.

#### To create an Amazon Mechanical Turk account, or sign in

• Go to the Amazon Mechanical Turk Requester website and do one of the following.

То	Do this
Create a Mechanical Turk account	Click <b>Create an Account</b> and follow the on-screen instructions.
Sign in using your Mechanical Turk account	Click <b>Sign In: Requester</b> and follow the on-screen instructions.

# **Using the Requester User Interface**

Once you have signed in using your Mechanical Turk account, you are ready to use the Requester User Interface (RUI). The RUI makes it easy to create a HIT template, publish HITs, manage batch results, and manage Workers. The following graphic and process show the basic work flow.



Step	Relevant Topic
Step 1 - Define the properties and design the layout of the Human Intelligence Task (HIT) template.	Creating Your Batch of HITs (p. 7)

Step	Relevant Topic
Step 2 - Publish your batch of HITs.	Publishing Your Batch of HITs (p. 16)
Step 3 - Approve or reject the work done on your HITs. You can download the results, review them offline, and republish rejected HITs.	Managing Batches (p. 19)
Step 4 - View a Worker's approval rating, award bonuses, assign qualifications, or block Workers from working on your HITs.	Managing Workers (p. 26)

# **Creating Your Batch of HITs**

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This section shows you how to create a batch of HITs.

# The Design Tab

You need to create a HIT template to create a batch of HITs. You can create a HIT template by customizing an existing template. The **Design** tab lists available templates in two tables. The **Your HIT Templates** table lists templates you created. The **Sample HIT Templates** table lists templates supplied by Mechanical Turk.

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### **Designing Your HIT Template**

A HIT template is an HTML page that presents HITs to Workers. There are two kinds HIT templates:

• Templates that do not contain variables.

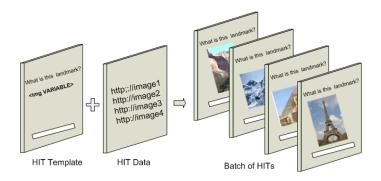
In this case, all Workers see the same HTML page. You might use this to create a survey.

• Templates that contain variables, so that every HIT has the same format, but each HIT varies.

For example, you might ask Workers to provide key words for photos and each HIT would have a different photo.

If your HIT template contains variables, you must provide a data file that contains the values for the variables. The column headings in the data file must match the variable names in the HIT template. One row of data in the data file creates one HIT. The values can be text, or the URLs of images or videos.

The HIT template and the values in the data file are merged to create a batch of HITs.



# **Creating a HIT Template**

The Human Intelligence Task (HIT) template contains the HTML of your HIT page as well as metadata about the HIT, called HIT properties, such as the expiration date of the HIT. In the process of creating your HIT template, you can choose to start with one of the templates provided or you can start from nothing using your favorite HTML editor. When creating a HIT template, if you can, it's best to start with one of the provided templates and customize it.

The following are the overall steps you need to take when creating a HIT template.

- Define the HIT template properties.
- Design the HTML HIT template layout.
- Preview the HIT template.

The following procedure describes in detail how to create a HIT template using the **Image Tagging** template.

#### To create a HIT template

1. On the Design page in the **Sample HIT Templates** table, click the **Start with this template** button for the **Image Tagging** template.

	Sample HIT Templates	
HIT Template Name	HIT Title	
Basic Open-ended Question	Answer a Simple Question See an example	Start with this template
Blank Template	Default Title See an example	Start with this template
Categorization	Pick the best category See an example	Start with this template
Categorization using Masters	Pick the best category See an example	Start with this template
Data Collection	Find the Website Address for Restaurants See an example	Start with this template
Data Correction	Provide the correct spelling of search terms See an example	Start with this template
Data Extraction	Get Product Name from Image See an example	Start with this template
Image Filtering	Flag offensive content images (WARNING: This HIT may contain offensive content. Worker discretion is advised.) See an example	Start with this template
Image Tagging	Tag an image See an example	Start with this template

The following image shows the **Image Tagging** HIT template. The tabs **Enter Properties**, **Design Layout**, and **Preview and Finish**, guide you through the process of preparing a HIT Template.

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Time allotted	per assignment 3 Max	Minutes •		task. Be generous so that w	orkers are not rushed.	
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2. Fill in the property fields according to the specifics of your HIT. The following table describes the property entry fields.

Field	Description
Template Name	Enter a template name. The template name is not displayed to Workers. If you use a supplied template, the field is automatically filled in.
Title	Enter the name of the HIT. Make sure to be specific, such as "Tag landmark images" instead of "Tag photos." The title is displayed to Workers.
Description	Describe the HIT. The search mechanism searches using this description so use words you think will help Workers find your HITs.
Keywords	Enter a comma-separated list of words that Workers can use to find your HIT. Include your Requester name.
Time Allowed Per Assignment	Specify how long the Worker can hold on to individual assignments within your batch to work on them. Once this time has passed, the HITs are withdrawn from the Worker so others can work on them.
HIT Expires in	Specify how long Workers can accept HITs in the batch. Workers can't accept HITs in the batch once this time expires. Workers can finish working on assignments they previously accepted even though the batch is no longer available for others to work on.
Mechanical Turk Masters	Use the drop-down menu to specify the Mechanical Turk Masters Qualification Type the Worker must have to qualify for working on the batch.
Additional Qualifications	Use the drop-down menu to specify Qualification Types the Worker must have to qualify for working on the batch. You can use System Qualification Types provided by Mechanical Turk or custom Qualification Types you create. Hit Approval Rate and Number of HITs Approved are selected by default.
HIT Approval Rate qualification	Use the drop-down menu to specify the approval rate percentage the Worker must have to qualify for working on the batch.
	Note that a Worker's approval rate is statistically meaningless for small numbers of assignments, since a single rejection can reduce the approval rate by many percentage points. So to ensure that a new Worker's approval rate is unaffected by these statistically meaningless changes, if a Worker has submitted less than 100 assignments, the Worker's approval rate in the system is 100%.
	To prevent Workers who have less than 100 approved assignments from working on your HIT, set the <b>Number of HITs Approved</b> qualification to a value greater than 100.
Number of HITs Approved qualification	Use the drop-down menu to specify the total number of approved HITs the Worker must have to qualify for working on the batch.
Add another criteria	Click this button to specify additional qualifications.
Required qualification for preview	Select this check box to require that a Worker have the specified qualifications to preview these HITs.
Reward per assignment	Specify how much you'll pay the Worker if you approve an assignment.

Field	Description
Number of assignments per HIT	Specify the number of unique Workers you want to work on each HIT. One assignment per HIT means that only one Worker works on a HIT. You might want multiple Workers to work on a HIT to see if there is agreement, which can increase your trust in the results.
	A Worker can only accept a HIT once and can only submit one assignment per HIT. This guarantees that multiple Workers must complete a HIT that has multiple assignments.
Results are automatically approved in	Specify when the Mechanical Turk will automatically approve HITs you haven't reviewed. This limit ensures that Workers get paid in timely manner.

3. Click the **Design Layout** button.

The **Design Layout** tab appears.

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<ul> <li>Each tag must be</li> <li>No tag can be long</li> </ul>	er than 25 characters	of the Image, or some relevant context.
Tag 1:	Tag 2:	Tag 3:
<	III III	Save Preview and Finish

4. Use the controls in the formatting toolbar to edit the text on the page.

The icons are similar to those used in most word processors. You can move your mouse over an icon to view the icon's description.

5. Click the **Edit HTML Source** button to add HIT template variables to the HTML source for the template. The HIT template variables are replaced by data from a HIT data file. You use a dollar sign (\$) and curly brackets to create a variable. The following table shows how to represent the variables.

Variable	Format			
text	Dollar sign (\$) and curly brackets, for example, \${imageNumber}			
image	<pre>HTML image tag, <img/>, where the alt attribute defines the name of the variable, for example:</pre>			

Variable	Format
video	HTML object tag, <object>where the <i>name</i> attribute defines the name of the variable, for example:</object>
	<pre><object height="344" width="425"><param name="movie" value="\${video_url}"/><param name="allowFullScreen" value="true"/><embed allowfullscreen="true" height="344" src="\${video_url}" type="application/x-shockwave-flash" width="425"/></object></pre>

6. Add the following HTML code containing the \${continent} variable to your template.

```
This landmark is in ${continent}.
```

7. Create your HIT data file.

The HIT data file is a comma-separated-value file with the extension, .csv that contains the data values used for HIT template variables. Many spreadsheet applications, including Microsoft Excel, can save files in the .csv file format.

The data values in the HIT data file must be separated by commas, with each new line in the file representing a new HIT. The number of data values in one row should exactly match the number of values needed in each HIT. The first row in the .csv HIT data file contains the column headings for the data value columns. The order in which you use the variables in the HIT template does not need to match the order of columns in the .csv file.

The names of the template variables must match the column headings for the values in your HIT data file. For example, since we used the f(continent) variable, our HIT data file must have a column with the **continent** heading.

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Guidelines:	3	Europe	http://www.myServer.com/images/image2.gif
Guidelines:	4	Africa	http://www.myServer.com/images/image3.gif
• Name the landmark, for example, the G	8	North America	http://www.myServer.com/images/image4.gif
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Your HIT data file cannot have line breaks between data cells and "\r" is not supported as a line break character. Apple Macintosh computers insert this character when they convert a Microsoft Excel table into a .csv file.

If your HITs contain images or videos, you must include links to them in the HIT data file, and the images and videos must be publicly accessible. The user interface does not provide a tool for uploading images or videos. Consider using one of the publicly-available tools to upload your images into Amazon S3.

8. Create two input fields in your template, named Landmark and Country, where Workers can enter the answers for a HIT.

You must include the HTML *name* attribute in the input field definition. Make your *name* attributes descriptive because they become the column headings in the **Results** table.

The following example shows an HTML table that has two input fields, Landmark and Country, which both have a size of 25.

```
Field 1:
<input type="text" name="Landmark" id="Field1" size="25" />
Field 2:
<input type="text" name="State" id="Field2" size="25" />
```

The RUI returns results in a table and that table is stored in a comma-separated-value file with the extension, .csv. The number of input and answer fields in one HIT determines the number of columns in the **Results** table. One row in the **Results** table represents a complete set of answers for one HIT.

	А	В	С	D
1	Input.continent	Input.image_url	Answer.Landmark	Answer.Country
2	North America	http://www.myServer.com/images/image1.gif	Grant Canyon	US
3	North America	http://www.myServer.com/images/image2.gif	Eifel Tower	France
4	Africa	http://www.myServer.com/images/image3.gif	Cape Town	South Africa
5	North America	http://www.myServer.com/images/image4.gif	Yellowstone	US
6				

9. Delete any code from the template that you don't need and then click the **Save** button to save the HTML of your HIT template.

Mechanical Turk deletes the HIT templates if you don't use them for 120 consecutive days. If you need to access your template for a longer period of time, we recommend that you copy the HTML and save it on your own system.

10 Click the Preview and Finish button.

The HIT Preview page appears.

HIT Preview				
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11. Click the **Finish** button.

You have set the HIT properties for all of the HITs in your batch and designed the HTML HIT page that Workers working on your HITs will see. Now you need to publish the batch to make it available to Workers. For information about publishing a batch, see Publishing Your Batch of HITs (p. 16).

# **Publishing Your Batch of HITs**

Publishing your HITs on the Mechanical Turk web page gives Workers the opportunity to work on them. If your HIT template contains variables, you must upload the .csv HIT data file that supplies the values for the variables in each HIT before you can publish your batch of HITs.

# **Publishing Batches**

Use the following procedure to publish your batch of HITs.

#### To publish a batch of HITs

1. Click the Publish tab.

The Select HIT Template page appears.



 Click the Select button beside the HIT template you want to publish. If your HIT template contains variables, the Upload Input Data page is displayed. If your HIT template does not contain variables, the HIT Preview page displays as in step 4.

Upload Input Data 🔹 🕕 Select HIT Template 😢 Upload Input Data ③ Preview 🚳 Confirm and Publish							
To specify the data that will replace the variables in your HIT template, choose a Comma Separated Values (CSV) file that contains the input data. If you want to include images in your HIT, you will need to provide the URL. ( <u>learn more</u> )							
Image Tagging							
Locate a New File							
Browse_ Upload Download a sample of the input file for this HIT template or learn more about acceptable file formats							
Or Choose an Existing File							
Your Existing Files							
File Name         Input Lines         Creation Date							

- 3. Click the **Browse** button to locate the .csv data file that you want to upload and then click the **Upload** button.
- 4. Click the **Next** button to preview how your HITs will appear to Workers. The **HIT Preview** page appears.

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Template Name: Imag	ge Tagging	This name is not displayed to workers.
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- 5. Carefully review your HITs so that you catch mistakes before publishing.
- 6. To see the next HIT, click the **Next HIT** button.

You can preview up to 200 HITs in your data file. To use a different, previously-loaded .csv file, click the **Select a Different Input File** button.

7. Click the **Next** button when you finish previewing your HITs. The **Batch Summary** page appears.

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lease review the information about the HIT ba	atch, then click "Pub	lish HITs".			
Image Tagging					
		Batch Summary			
Batch Name: Image Tagging' @ 22 Jun 20:37		Descriptio	n:		
Batch Properties					
Title:	Tag an image				
Description:	Please view and ta	ag the image containe	d in this HIT		
Batch expires in:	7 Days				
Results are automatically approved after:	3 Days				
Master Qualification:	Photo Moderation Masters				
Workers must meet the following Qualifications to work on these HITs:	HIT approval rate	(%) score greater tha	n or equal to 95		
HITS					
Number of HITs in this batch:	5				
Number of assignments per HIT:	x 1				
Total number of assignments in this batch:	5				
Cost					
Reward per Assignment:	\$0.030				
	x 5	(total number of assignme	ents in this batch)		
Estimated Total Reward:	\$0.150				
Estimated Fees to Mechanical Turk:	+ \$0.025	(fees paid to Mechanical	Turk) (fee details)		
Estimated Total Cost:	\$0.175	(this is the amount that wi	II be deducted from your Av	vailable Balance when you click "Publish HITs")	
Your Available Balance:	\$53,194.021	(before clicking "Publish	HITs")		
Your Projected Balance:	\$53,193.846	(after clicking "Publish H	Ts")		
				Back Publish HITs	

This page shows the total amount of money you will pay Workers and Mechanical Turk, if you approve all of the assignments. The following table explains the sections of the Batch Summary page.

Section	Description
Batch Properties	Contains the values you set on the <b>Design</b> tab for the batch properties, including the number of days the batch can exist before expiring, and the number of days you have to approve assignments before the assignments are automatically approved.
HITs	Calculates the number of assignments per batch.
Cost	Calculates the cost of the batch assuming you approve all assignments. The total cost is the number of assignments multiplied by the price per assignment plus the Mechanical Turk fee. You must have enough money in your account to cover the total cost before you can publish the HIT. If you don't, you'll be asked to add money to your account.

8. Click the **Publish HITs** button to publish the batch of HITs.

# **Managing Batches**

#### Topics

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- Configuring the Review Results Page (p. 20)
- Approving and Rejecting Assignments (p. 22)
- Deleting a Batch (p. 25)

On the **Manage** tab, you can manage your batch results, the Workers who work on your batches, and your Qualification Types. On the **Batches** page on the **Manage** tab you can view:

- The progress of your batch
- The batch details
- The batch results

# **Displaying Batch Progress, Details, and Results**

The following procedure describes how to display information related to your batches.

#### To display the batch progress, details, and results

1. Click **Batches** on the **Manage** tab. The Requester User Interface (RUI) displays headings for batches in different states.



2. Click the arrow next to the batch state you want to view. The RUI displays the batches in that state.

	@ 03 Oct 12:49		Results	Cancel this batch
reated:	October 03, 2010	Assignments Completed:	0/1,000	
ime Elapsed:	about 5 hours	Estimated Completion Time:	Not vet av	ماطداند
1 C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C	about 5 hours	Esumateu completion rime:	NUL YEL AV	allable
verage Time per Issignment:	Not yet available	Effective Hourly Rate:	Not Yet Av	railable
latch Progress:	0% submitted	100% published		
and the second s	and the same			
'Find a store' @ 2	27 Sep 07:54		Results	Cancel this batch
reated	September 27, 2010	Assignments Completed:	2/7	
ime Elapsed:	6 days	Estimated Completion Time:	Not yet av	ailable
werage Time per ssignment:	4 Seconds	Effective Hourly Rate:	\$18.00	
Batch Progress:	29% submitted	100% published		

The progress bar shows two quantities:

- % submitted—Percentage of completed HITs
- % published—Percentage of published HITs in your batch Most batches publish quickly, but extremely large batches can take several minutes to publish.
- 3. Click the name of the batch you want to view.

The **Batch Details** page appears.

		Cancel this batch
Status: In Progress Assignments Completed: Creation Time:	29% submitted 100% published 2 / 7 September 27, 2010 7:55 AM PDT Estimated Completion Time:	4 Seconds Average Hourly Rate: \$18.00 Not yet available
Settings		Results Results
Find a store Given the restaurant information, find the URL for their offic website Keywords: data collection, restaurants, listings		Assignments pending review: 0 Assignments approved: 0 Assignments rejected: 2
Qualification Requirement	: HIT approval rate (%) greater than or equal to 82	Cost Summary Estimated Total Reward: \$0.10
Number of Assignments p Reward per Assignment: Input File:	er HIT: 5 \$0.02	Estimated Test: \$0.025 Estimated Test: \$0.025 Estimated Total Cost: \$0.125 These costs are only an estimate until all of the assignments have been rubmitted and reviewed.
HIT expires on: Oct Assignment duration: 1 H Auto Approval Delay: 7 D		

This page contains all of the batch properties you entered when creating this batch.

4. Click the **Results** button to see the submissions for the assignments in the batch. The **Review Results** page appears.

	Approve Reject										
	Approve Reject	Worker ID	Your Approval Rate	Input.Image Url	Accept Time	Submit Time	Approval Time	Rejection Time	Requester Feedback	Work Time In Seconds	Answe
	9AC7LXOVCMEHA82VZ53XR0KU6A01T	A280588032U14V	100% (4/4)	http://s3.amazonaws.com /mturk/samples /mage_cat	26	Thu Aug 26 18:56:34 GMT 2010				2	Yes
,	AOSITSXTOFEALQKZG136MHAPE4QQQ	A280588032U14V	100% (4/4)	http://s3.amazonaws.com /mturk/samples /mage_cat	26	Thu Aug 26 18:56:30 GMT 2010				э	Yes
	17CGTHZOT37MPN/ALDADPMODE554X	A280588032014v	100% (4/4)	http://s3.amazonaws.com /mturk/samples /mage_cat	26	Thu Aug 26 18:56:22 GMT 2010				3	No
-	HIT ID A	Worker ID	Your Approval Rate	Input.Image Url	Accept Time	Submit Time	Approval Time	Rejection Time	Requester Feedback	Work Time In Seconds	Answe

This page shows detailed information about the HIT results, such as the Worker who completed the HIT, the Worker's approval rating, and the Worker's submission for your HITs.

### **Configuring the Review Results Page**

You can customize the look and contents of the Review Results page.

#### To configure the Review Results page

1. Click the **Customize View** button on the **Batches** page. The **Configure Data Results** page appears.

Configure Data Results Select the fields you'll need to approve the results. All fields will be included when you export results.						
Available fields: Show these fields in this order:						
Assignment ID	HIT ID					
HIT Type ID	Worker ID					
Assignment Status	Your Approval Rate					
Accept Time	Answer					
Submit Time						
Approval Time						
Rejection Time						
Requester Feedback						
Work Time In Seconds						
Input.Question						
To select fields, drag and drop the field from one list to the other (or doubleclick the item).						
Apply Settings						

2. Do one or more of the following.

То	Do This
Add fields listed in the results	Drag field names from the <b>Available fields</b> list into the <b>Show these fields in this order</b> list.
Remove fields listed in the results	Drag field names from the <b>Show these fields in this order</b> list into the <b>Available fields</b> list.
Change the order of the fields in the results	Drag the fields up or down the <b>Show these</b> fields in this order list.

3. Click Apply Settings.

### **Filtering Results**

You can display a subset of the results by filtering out results based on the amount of time it took to do the assignment, and on the state of the result: submitted, approved, or rejected. By default, the Requester User Interface (RUI) displays only submitted work.

#### To filter the results

- 1. Click the Manage tab and then click Batches.
- 2. Click **Results** on the batch you want to filter.
- 3. Click the **Filter Results** button on the **Review Results** page. The **Filter Results** page appears.

Customize View Filter Results	Upload CSV Approve All Download CSV
Filter Results	
Review only the assignments that meet the followi	ing criteria:
Status Filter only show assignments that are Tip: Unselect the status filter if you want to view all o	
Apply Filters	

- 4. To show assignments of a specified status, select the **Status Filter** check box, and select the state that you want to view from the drop-down list.
- 5. Click the Apply Filters button.

# **Approving and Rejecting Assignments**

#### Topics

- Reviewing Assignments (p. 22)
- Reviewing Assignments Offline (p. 23)

A Requester approves or rejects assignments that Workers submit. When you approve an assignment the Worker gets paid; when you reject an assignment the Worker does not get paid.

You can approve results individually or all at once. Also, you can sort the results based on the Worker ID so you can review the results from a specific Worker all at once.

#### **Reviewing Assignments**

It's convenient to use the Requester User Interface (RUI) to review small batches of results.

#### To approve or reject work

1. On the Review Results page, do one of the following.

То	Do This
Approve individual results	Click the check box in the row(s) of results you want to approve, and click <b>Approve</b> .
Reject individual results	Click the check box in the row(s) of results you want to reject, and click <b>Reject</b> .
Approve all results in the batch	Click <b>Approve All</b> , or click the check box in the column heading of check boxes and click <b>Approve</b> .
Reject all results in the batch	Click the check box in the column heading of check boxes and click <b>Reject</b> .

C	ustomize View Filter Results						0	Upload CSV	Approve Al	Downl	oad CSV
1	Approve Reject										
	HIT ID A	Worker ID	Your Approval Rate	Input.Image Url	Accept Time	Submit Time	Approval Time	Rejection Time	Requester Feedback	Work Time In Seconds	Answe
-	9AC7LKGVCMEHA82VZ53KR0KU6AQ1T	A2805RRD32U14V	100% (4/4)	http://s3.amazonaws.com /mturk/samples /image_cat	18:56:32 GMT	Thu Aug 26 18:56:34 GMT 2010				2	Yes
2	AOSITSXTOFEALQKZG136MHAPE4Q0Q	A2805RRD32U14V	100% (4/4)	http://s3.amazonaws.com /mturk/samples /image_cat	26 18:56:27 GMT	Thu Aug 26 18:56:30 GMT 2010				3	Yes
]	U7CGTHZOT37MPNYALDADPMOOE554X	A2805RRD32U14V	100% (4/4)	http://s3.amazonaws.com /mturk/samples /image_cat	26 18:56:19 GMT	Thu Aug 26 18:56:22 GMT 2010				3	No
-	HIT ID 🔺	Worker ID	Your Approval Rate	Input.Image Url	Accept Time	Submit Time	Approval Time		Requester Feedback	Work Time In Seconds	Answe

2. If you want to sort the list by Worker, click the Worker ID column heading.

You can easily approve or reject all of a Worker's work. Over time you might find a Worker who consistently submits excellent work and therefore has a very high approval rating. In that case, you could approve all of the Worker's work without reviewing all of it.

Amazon Mechanical Turk processes payments several times a day so there is almost always a small delay between approval and payment. When there is a delay, Workers see HITs as **Approved-pending payment** in their dashboard. The dashboard displays **Paid** for processed payments.

### **Reviewing Assignments Offline**

If a batch is large, it's often easier to download batch results, review them using another application, such as Microsoft Excel, and then upload the revised file.

Results are available for 120 days after you approve or reject them. If you need to access the results longer than that, you can use the following procedure to download and archive them.

#### **Downloading and Reviewing Assignments**

#### To download and review assignments offline

1. On the **Review Results**, click the **Download CSV** button.

The following dialog box appears.

Please click here to download your results file.
You can review your results offline and approve or reject the assignments.
<ol> <li>APPROVE ASSIGNMENT: Indicate which assignments to approve by putting an "x" under a column titled "Approve".</li> <li>REJECT ASSIGNMENT: Indicate which assignment to reject by putting your reject feedback under a column titled "Reject".</li> </ol>
The results file was last updated on 11:38 AM PDT.
If workers are still working on your batch, you can view up to the minute results on the <u>Review Results</u> page for the batch at anytime. You can download an updated file on or after 12:38 PM PDT by clicking the <b>Download CSV</b> button on the <u>Review Results</u> page for the batch. Clicking on <b>Download CSV</b> before 12:38 PM PDT will return the previously processed file.

2. Click the word, here.

The following dialog box appears.



3. In this dialog box, do one of the following.

То	Do This
To open and view the results	Select <b>Open with</b> and choose the application from the drop down list that you want to use to view the results. The application you select must be able to display .csv files.
To save the results	Select Save to Disk.

4. Click the **OK** button and open the results file with a .csv compatible application, such as Microsoft Excel.

R	V	AB	AC
AssignmentStatus	ApprovalTime	Approve	Reject
Approved	2010/07/28 21:30:04 +0000	x	
Approved	2010/07/28 21:30:04 +0000	x	
Approved	2010/07/28 21:30:04 +0000		incorrect answer
Rejected	2010/07/28 21:30:04 +0000		incorrect answer
Approved	2010/07/28 21:30:04 +0000	x	

- 5. For each result, enter an x in the **Approve** column or a reason to reject the result in the **Reject** column.
- 6. Save the spreadsheet as a .csv file.

#### **Uploading Reviewed Results**

Now that you've reviewed the results, you must upload your reviewed file so Mechanical Turk can approve or reject work based on the changes you made to the file.

#### To upload a reviewed .csv file

1. On the **Review Results** page, click the **Upload CSV** button. The **Review Results Offline** dialog box appears.

Review Results Offline	×
You can review your results offline and approve or reject the assignments.	
<ol> <li>APPROVE ASSIGNMENT: Indicate which assignments to approve by putting an "x" under a column titled "Approve",</li> <li>REJECT ASSIGNMENT: Indicate which assignment to reject by putting your reject feedback under a column titled "Reject".</li> </ol>	
Please select your modified CSV file for upload Browse	
Upload CSV or <u>Cancel</u>	

2. Click the Browse button, select the .csv file you saved, and click Upload CSV.

The number of approvals and rejections are reported.

Please review the following information and confirm you	r choices:
<ul> <li>Approve 1 out of 10 assignments</li> <li>Reject and republish 1 out of 10 assignments</li> </ul>	
Republish rejected assignment(s) for other workers t	o complete
Note, the assignments that you didn't choose to approv review. You can also use the approve-remaining function approve the remaining assignments	
Would you like to continue?	Cancel

- 3. To republish the rejected assignments, select the **Republish rejected assignment(s) for other** workers to complete check box.
- 4. Click the Yes button to confirm your choices.

Some versions of Microsoft Excel do not display international characters by default. If your HIT title, description, or HIT results contain international characters, you must follow the instructions for your version of Microsoft Excel to import or activate international characters.

# **Deleting a Batch**

If the batch you published isn't working the way you'd like, you can delete it.

#### To delete a batch

1. On the Batches page, click the Delete button on the batch you want to delete.

Created: Time Elapsed:	August 26, 2010 3 davs	Assignments Completed: Estimated Completion Time:	3/3 COMPLETE	1
Average Time per Assignment:	· · ·	Effective Hourly Rate:	\$36.00	
Batch Progress:	100% submitted	100% published		

		×
Delete Batch		
You are about to delete 3 hits from Mechanical Turk along with all the results.		
Are you sure you want to delete the batch?		
	No	Yes

2. Click the Yes button.

It can take several minutes to delete a batch. All Workers who accepted assignments before you deleted the batch can continue working on them. The batch will not be completely deleted until all assignments accepted by Workers have either been returned, submitted, or abandoned.

# **Managing Workers**

#### Topics

- Viewing Worker Statistics (p. 26)
- Blocking a Worker (p. 27)
- Unblocking a Worker (p. 28)
- Awarding a Bonus (p. 29)
- Assigning a Qualification to a Worker (p. 30)
- Revoking a Worker's Qualification (p. 31)
- Managing Worker Details Offline (p. 31)

The **Manage** tab enables Requesters to track Worker performance and take appropriate actions, including blocking Workers, awarding bonuses, and assigning qualifications. Requesters can view the following details on all of the Workers who have worked for them:

- Worker's approval rating on your Human Intelligence Tasks (HITs)
- Worker's blocked status
- Worker's qualification score for up to five of your Qualification Types

Mechanical Turk automatically keeps track of the number of assignments you've approved and rejected for each Worker. You might choose to block a Worker whose assignments you consistently rejected in the past. You might choose to give a bonus to Workers whose work is consistently excellent. The following procedures begin on the **Manage** tab on the **Workers** page.

# **Viewing Worker Statistics**

Mechanical Turk enables you to view a Worker's statistics, which characterize what the Worker is good at.

#### To view a Worker's statistics

1. On the **Manage** tab page, click the **Workers** button. The **Manage Worker** page appears.

	hanical turk	REQUES	TER			
Home	Design	Publish	Manage	Developer	Help	
Batches <u>Wo</u>	orkers Qualif	ication Types				
Qualification. To	ho have complete b block, unblock, pes are displayed	· · · · · ·	ation settings for		us, block, unblock, assign a Qua ct Download CSV. Select Custon	
Show my Wor	kers by: Lifeti	me Last 30 day	ys Last 7 days			
Show my Wor	kers by: Lifeti	<b>me</b> Last 30 day	ys Last 7 days	Workers		
	rkers by: Lifetin er ID ▲		ys Last 7 days Approval Rate		Qual: grape~	Block Status
	er ID 🔺			Workers	Qual: grape~	
Work	er ID ▲ 4QCT	Lifetime		Workers	Qual: grape~	Block Status
Work A1TA9CYXXN4	er ID ▲ 4QCT 0E8Q	Lifetime		Workers	Qual: grape~	Block Status Never Blocked

The **Block Status** column can have the following values:

- Never Blocked Worker has never been blocked you
- Blocked Worker is not allowed to work for you
- Unblocked Worker was blocked by you at one time, but no longer is
- 2. To take a specific action on an individual Worker, click a Worker ID. The **Manage Individual Worker** appears.

amazonmech	anical turk	REQUEST	ER			
Home	Design	Publish	Manage	Developer	Help	
Batches <u>Work</u>	cers Qualificat	tion Types				
Manage Workers : Worker De	-	dual Worker				
Worker ID: A1TA9	OCYXXN4QCT					
Worker Status	s for your work				Never Blocked	
APPROVAL RATE	ON YOUR ASSIGNM	MENTS				WORKER ACTIONS:
Lifetime					100% (1/1)	Bonus Worker
Last 30 day	S				0% (0/0)	Block Worker
Last 7 days					0% (0/0)	

On this page you can view the Worker's approval rating, as well as the number of assignments you approved and rejected.

# **Blocking a Worker**

If Workers aren't performing to your standards, you can block them from working on your Human Intelligence Tasks (HIT).

#### To block a Worker

1. On the **Manage Worker** page, click the Worker ID of the Worker you want to block. The **Manage Individual Worker** page appears.

amazonmechanical turk	REQUEST	ER			
Home Design	Publish	Manage	Developer	Help	
Batches <u>Workers</u> Qualifica	ation Types				
Manage Workers > Manage Indiv Worker Details	ridual Worker				
Worker ID: A1TA9CYXXN4QCT					
Worker Status for your work				Never Blocked	
APPROVAL RATE ON YOUR ASSIGN	IMENTS				WORKER ACTIONS:
Lifetime				100% (1/1)	Bonus Worker
Last 30 days				0% (0/0)	Block Worker
Last 7 days				0% (0/0)	

#### 2. Click **Block Worker**. The **Block Worker** dialog box appears.

Block Worker	×
Please provide the reason why you're blocking this Worker. Example: poor quality	
.:	
Republish rejected assignments to other Workers.	
* To reject and republish this Worker's HITs, select the Results button for the Batch from Manage Batches.	
Block or Cancel	

3. Enter a reason for blocking the Worker and click **Block**. A message with the reason you are blocking is sent to the Worker.

# **Unblocking a Worker**

If you mistakenly blocked a Worker, you can unblock them.

#### To unblock a Worker

1. On the **Worker** page, click the the Worker ID of the Worker you want to unblock. The **Manage Individual Worker** page appears.

Manage Workers > Manage Individual Worker Worker Details	
Worker ID: A1TA9CYXXN4QCT	
Worker Status for your work Blocked	
APPROVAL RATE ON YOUR ASSIGNMENTS	WORKER ACTIONS:
Lifetime 100% (1/1)	Bonus Worker
Last 30 days 0% (0/0)	Unblock Worker
Last 7 days 0% (0/0)	

#### 2. Click the **Unblock Worker** button. The **Unblock Worker** dialog box appears.

Unblock Worker	×
Please provide the reason why you're unblocking this Worker.	
Unblock or Cancel	

3. Enter a reason for unblocking the Worker and click the **Unblock** button. A message with the reason you are unblocking is sent to the Worker.

# **Awarding a Bonus**

You can award bonuses to Workers to encourage them to keep working for you.

#### To give a Worker a bonus

1. On the **Worker** page, click the the Worker ID of the Worker you want to give a bonus to. The **Manage Individual Worker** page appears.

amazonme	chanical turk	REQUEST	ER			
Home	Design	Publish	Manage	Developer	Help	
Batches	Norkers Qualifi	cation Types				
Manage Work Worker	ers > Manage Ind Details	ividual Worker				
Worker ID: A	1TA9CYXXN4QCT					
Worker S	atus for your wo	*k			Never Blocked	
APPROVAL	RATE ON YOUR ASSIG	GNMENTS				WORKER ACTIONS:
Lifetime						Bonus Worker
Last 30	days				0% (0/0)	Block Worker
Last 7 (	lays				0% (0/0)	

2. Click the **Bonus Worker** button. The **Bonus Worker** page appears.

Bonus Worker	
Amount: \$ (at least \$0.01)	
Assignment ID:	
Reason: (this note will be shared with the Wo	rker)
Click 'Pay Bonus Now' to debit your account in this worker.	mediately and pay
Pay Bonus Now or Can	cel

3. Enter the amount of the bonus, the ID of the assignment worked on, and the reason for the bonus, and then click the **Pay Bonus Now** button.

# Assigning a Qualification to a Worker

This section shows how to assign a Qualification Type to a Worker. For information about creating qualification types, see Managing Qualification Types (p. 34).

#### To assign a Qualification Type to a Worker

1. On the **Manage Individual Worker** page, click the the **Assign Qualification Type** button. The **Assign Qualification Type** page appears.

Assign Qualification Type	×
Select which of your Qualification Types to assign to this Worker. You will be prompted to provide a score between 0 and 100. (Ass up to 5 Qualification Types at a time.)	ign
Spanish speaker	^
🗖 Legal	E.
Good tagger	
Good editor	*
Assign or <u>Cancel</u>	

- 2. Select the check boxes next to the qualification types you want to assign to the Worker. The **Score** text box appears beneath each selected qualification type.
- Enter a score (0 to 100) and click the Assign button. Use scores to differentiate Workers that have the same Qualification Type. The Worker's qualification appears at the bottom of the window.

Worl	ker's Qualifications	For Your Work	ign Qualification Type
		Qualifications	
	Name	Description	Score
٢	A plus work	This Worker does excellent work.	98   <u>edit</u>

4. Click the edit link in the Score column to change the qualification score.

# **Revoking a Worker's Qualification**

#### To revoke a Worker's qualification

In the case where a qualified Worker submits inferior work, you might choose to revoke their qualification to do work on your batch.

- 1. On the **Manage** tab, click the **Workers** sub tab. The **Manage Workers** page appears.
- 2. Click the Worker ID whose qualifications you want to revoke. The **Manage Individual Worker** page appears.
- 3. Click the x next to the qualification type you want to revoke.

		Qualifications	
	Name	Description	Score
Θ	Categorizers	Categorizes well.	90   <u>edit</u>
Θ	Trusted Workers	My list of great Workers.	90   <u>edit</u>

# **Managing Worker Details Offline**

If you have a large number of Workers, it's easier to manage them offline using another application, such as Microsoft Excel. This section shows how to download Worker information, edit it, and upload it.

#### To download and modify Worker details

- 1. On the **Manage Workers** page, click the **Download CSV** button. The **Download Workers Results** page appears.
- 2. Click the word here to download the Worker data file.

The Worker data downloads and opens in Microsoft Excel. The CURRENT-*QualName* column shows the Worker's current qualification score. If the cell is blank, you haven't assigned the Qualification Type to the Worker. The far, right column, CURRENT-BLOCK STATUS, shows the Worker's block status.

	А	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	- I	J	К	L	M
1	WorkerId	Link to Inc	Number o	Number o	Your appr	CURREN <sup>®</sup>	UPDATE-Good	UPDATE-0	CURRENT-	UPDAT-Tr	CURRENT-BLOC	UPDATE-B	LOCK STATUS
2	A6RZ3QEOV2869	https://m	2	2	100.00%		98		79	Revoke	Unblocked		
3	A6RZ3QEOV2869	https://m	4	4	100.00%	95	98		95		Unblocked		
4	A6RZ3QEOV2869	https://m	3	2	66.67%		75			90	Blocked	Unblock	
5	A6RZ3QEOV2869	https://m	2	2	100.00%	85	90		90		Never Blocked		
6	A6RZ3QEOV2869	https://m	3	3	100.00%		88				Never Blocked		

- 3. To update the values, do one or more of the following:
  - Indicate which Qualification Type to assign a Worker by putting a Qualification score in the UPDATE-*QualName* column, for example, UPDATE-Good Tagger. Qualification scores must be 0 to 100, inclusive.
  - To revoke the Qualification Type, enter Revoke in the UPDATE column for your Qualification Type.
  - Block or unblock a worker by entering Block or Unblock in the UPDATE-BlockStatus column.
- 4. Save the . csv and click the **Workers** button. The **Manage Workers** page appears.

azuimec	hanical tur	REQUES	TER					
Home	Design	Publish	Manage	Developer	Help			
atches <u>Wo</u>	orkers Qual	fication Types						
Qualification. To	no have complet	,		ct a Worker ID to bon nultiple Workers, sele				
Customize View		in the table below		• *			Downloa	
Customize View	)			Workers				
Customize View	)	ime Last 30 da		•		Qual: grape~.	Downloa	
Customize View Show my Worl Worke	kers by: Lifet	ime Last 30 da	ys Last 7 days	Workers			Downloa	ad CSV Upload CS
Customize View Show my Worl Worke A1TA9CYXXN4	kers by: Lifet	ime Last 30 da	ys Last 7 days	Workers			N	bid CSV Upload CS Block Status
Customize View	kers by: Lifet	ime Last 30 da Lifetime 100% (1/1)	ys Last 7 days	Workers			Downloa	Block Status ever Blocked

5. On the **Manage Workers** page, click the **Upload CSV** button. The **Manage Workers Offline** window appears.

ranag	e Workers Offline	X
You ca	an analyze your Workers offline and take action.	
1.	ASSIGN QUALIFICATION TYPE: Indicate which Qualificatio Type to assign a Worker by putting the Qualification score number under the column with UPDATE and your Qualification Type name. You can assign a Qualification score between 0 and 100.	
	REVORE QUALIFICATION TYPE: To revoke the Qualification Type, put "Revoke" under the UPDATE column for your Qualification Type. BLOCK OR UNBLOCK: Block or unblock a worker by putting "Block" or "Unblock" under the column titled "UPDATE BlockStatus."	1
Pleas	e select your Worker CSV file for upload Browse	
	Upload CSV or Cancel	

6. Click **Browse** to find the .csv file you saved, and then click the **Upload CSV** button. The **Offline Processing** window appears.

Manage Workers > Offline Processing				
Offline Processing				
Please review the following information and confirm your choices:				
<ul> <li>Assign 11 Qualification Scores</li> <li>Revoke 1 Qualifications</li> <li>Block 0 Workers</li> <li>Unblock 1 Workers</li> </ul>				
Would you like to continue? Cancel Yes				

7. Click the Yes button to confirm that you would like to save the changes for your Workers.

# **Managing Qualification Types**

#### Topics

- Creating a Qualification Type (p. 34)
- Viewing Existing Qualification Types (p. 36)
- Deleting Qualification Types (p. 36)

You can create your own Qualification Types, or use the ones supplied by Mechanical Turk.

Mechanical Turk provides System Qualification Types that automatically keep track of a Worker's account statistics and attributes. You can use System Qualification types to control who can and cannot work on your Human Intelligence Tasks (HITs). For example, you can require that Workers have a 95% approval rating or greater to work on your HITs.

You can create new Qualification Types to select Workers based on any criteria you want. You can assign a Qualification Type and a score to Workers who work for you. Then when creating a HIT, you can specify the Qualification Type and the minimum score a Worker must have to be eligible to work on your HITs.

The Requester User Interface (RUI) does not support Qualification Tests that a Worker must take to achieve a qualification. Use the Mechanical Turk APIs or the command line tools for testing. For more information, go to http://aws.amazon.com/documentation/mturk/.

The following procedures start on the **Manage** tab on the **Qualification Types** page.

Home	Desi	gn Publish	Manage	Developer		
Batches	Workers	Qualification Types				
Manage Qualification Types						
Below is a	list of your Q	ualification Types and t	ne corresponding r	number of Workers.		
Create New Qualification Type						

# **Creating a Qualification Type**

The following procedure shows you how to create your own Qualification Type.

#### To create a new Qualification Type

1. Click the Manage tab and then click Qualification Types.



2. Click the Create New Qualification Type button.

The Create New Qualification Type dialog box appears.

reate New Qualification Type	0
This will create a new Qualification Type that can be assigned to Workers.	
Friendly Name: Trusted Work	
Description:	
My list of great Workers.	
The Qualification Type you are creating does not require Workers t take a Qualification test. You can create a Qualification Type that requires Workers to take a test using the Developer Tools. <u>Get</u> <u>more info.</u>	

- 3. In the **Friendly Name** text box, enter a name that describes the Qualification Type.
- 4. In the **Description:** text box, enter a description of the Qualification Type and click the **Create** button.

The new qualification type appears in the list of Qualification Types on the **Manage Qualification Types** page.

	Name 🔻	ID	Workers who have this Qualification	Creation Date	Description		
Θ	Trusted Workers	1GN8822QSRFTC30B169M2SM5KJS0NL	4	Thu Sep 30 00:10:37 UTC 2010	My list of great Workers.		
Θ	Spanish speaker	1U80YIX4OK5K0PGKZVTHHCWA61E652	1	Fri Oct 01 06:13:34 UTC 2010	Natural Spanish speaker		
Θ	Legal	15TORP40YNJZNTU3NO8EFWA6X7967H	2	Fri Oct 01 06:21:45 UTC 2010	Legal expert		
Θ	Good tagger	17FVRWTLGJ23N7ZMXT0KTW618RF684	1	Fri Oct 01 06:23:22 UTC 2010	Tags well		
Θ	Good editor	1TMVYLE3C2631CIW2L6YTS1CSXX69T	2	Fri Oct 01 06:23:35 UTC 2010	Good editor		
Θ	German speaker	1MX02Q5AF6NJJ3IMXPEAE6BFMJQ3GB	1	Fri Oct 01 06:14:19 UTC 2010	Native German speaker		
Θ	Financial	1MR2KPXBD5NGJTGY4E3M9IAA2WP66I	1	Fri Oct 01 06:19:21 UTC 2010	Financial expert		
Θ	Categorizers	1QEW2C0R51VD53MRM58SWLB3L4Q3FC	4	Fri Oct 01 05:54:29 UTC 2010	Categorizes well		

There is a short delay before the new Qualification Type appears in the list. You can refresh your browser to update the list.

To assign Workers your new Qualification Type, see Assigning a Qualification to a Worker (p. 30) to a Worker.

# **Viewing Existing Qualification Types**

The following procedure shows you how to view the Qualification Types you create.

#### **To view Qualification Types**

1. Click the **Manage** tab and then click **Qualification Types**.

Home	Desi	ign Publish	Manage	Developer		
Batches	Workers	Qualification Types				
Mana	je Quai	ification Types				
Below is a list of your Qualification Types and the corresponding number of Workers.						
Delow is a				fumber of workers.		

2. The Qualification Types page shows you all of your Qualification Types.

	Name 🔻	ID	Workers who have this Qualification	Creation Date	Description		
0	Trusted Workers	1GN8822QSRFTC30B169M2SM5KJSONL	4	Thu Sep 30 00:10:37 UTC 2010	My list of great Workers.		
0	Spanish speaker	1U80YIX4OK5K0PGKZVTHHCWA61E652	1	Fri Oct 01 06:13:34 UTC 2010	Natural Spanish speaker		
3	Legal	15TORP40YNJZNTU3NO8EFWA6X7967H	2	Fri Oct 01 06:21:45 UTC 2010	Legal expert		
3	Good tagger	17FVRWTLGJ23N7ZMXT0KTW618RF684	1	Fri Oct 01 06:23:22 UTC 2010	Tags well		
8	Good editor	1TMV/LE3C2631CIW2L6YTS1CSXX69T	2	Fri Oct 01 06:23:35 UTC 2010	Good editor		
8	German speaker	1MX02Q5AF6NJJ3IMXPEAE68FMJQ3G8	1	Fri Oct 01 06:14:19 UTC 2010	Native German speaker		
3	Financial	1MR2KPXBD5NGJTGY4E3M9IAA2WP66I	1	Fri Oct 01 06:19:21 UTC 2010	Financial expert		
3	Categorizers	1QEW2C0R51VD53MRM58SWLB3L4Q3FC	4	Fri Oct 01 05:54:29 UTC 2010	Categorizes well.		

# **Deleting Qualification Types**

The following procedure shows you how to delete Qualification Types.

#### To delete a Qualification Type

1. Click the Manage tab and then click Qualification Types.



2. Click the X next to the Qualification Type you want to delete.

	Name 🔻	ID	Workers who have this Qualification	Creation Date	Description			
0	Trusted Workers	1GN8822QSRFTC30B169M2SM5KJSONL	5	Thu Sep 30 00:10:37 UTC 2010	My list of great Workers.			
0	Right 95%	1044JGI1PBIZ46B61EK5K5F8J8YXTD	5	Wed Sep 29 17:50:51 UTC 2010	This Worker was correct 95% of the time or greater.			
ø	Competency	15E65DY5WSSPG1A69NJ7VN3DTK2PAU	9	Wed Jul 28 18:45:25 UTC 2010	Percentage describes how competent I perceive the worker to be.			
8	Are you sure yo	18Z2XKZBYQ31CEIZKXBLFVEBU5DPX0	7	Wed Sep 22 21:51:28 UTC 2010	test description			
0	A workhorse	16IG2O2UXGVNULFBP5UMPDX5FTIOML	8	Wed Sep 29 17:52:54 UTC 2010	This Worker likes to take on lots of work.			
Θ	A techy	1JFOPY0MPNJE4JQV1JAFP11A2M5XU4	3	Wed Sep 29 17:51:47 UTC 2010	This Worker has technical skills.			
0	A plus work	1N8BAIOU1LK3O3XQPTT7P0IGFOS0LJ	5	Wed Sep 29 17:51:18 UTC 2010	This Worker does excellent work.			

#### 3. Click the Yes button to confirm the deletion.

Dispose Qualification Type	×
Are you sure you want to dispose the Qualification Type "Trusted Workers" and all related Worker Qualification scores?	
The Qualification Type will be removed from the following HIT Templates:	
Name estuaries.	
Yes or <u>Cancel</u>	

There is a short delay before the new Qualification Type disappears from the list. You can refresh your browser to update the list.

When you delete a Qualification Type it is automatically removed from all of your Workers and HIT templates. The deleted Qualification Type is not removed from HITs that Workers are working on.

# **Document History**

This Document History describes the important changes to the documentation in this release of Amazon Mechanical Turk.

#### **Relevant dates to this History**

- Current product version-2011-10-01
- Latest product release-December 2011
- Latest documentation update-01 December 2011

Change	Description	Release Date
New Mechanical Turk Review Policies	Amazon Mechanical Turk has added Review Policies that you can use to evaluate Worker submissions against a defined set of criteria. For more information, see Review Policies.	In this Release
Mechanical Turk Masters Qualifications	Amazon Mechanical Turk has added two new Mechanical Turk Masters Qualification types: Categorization Masters and Photo Moderation Masters. The new Mechanical Turk Masters role is established for an elite group of Workers who have demonstrated accuracy on specific types of HITs on the Mechanical Turk marketplace. For more information, see QualificationRequirement.	2011-06-22
Manage Batches	The <b>Manage</b> tab now has a sub tab called <b>Manage</b> <b>Batches</b> . On that sub tab, you can approve and reject work, import and export results, view batch details, and delete a batch. For more information, see Creating Your Batch of HITs (p. 7).	2010-10-04
Manage Workers	The <b>Manage</b> tab now has a sub tab called <b>Manage</b> <b>Workers</b> . On that sub tab, you can block Workers, give them bonuses, and assign them a qualification type and score. For more information, see Managing Workers (p. 26).	2010-10-04

The following table describes the important changes since the last major release of this guide.

Change	Description	Release Date
Manage Qualification Types	The <b>Manage</b> tab now has a sub tab called <b>Manage</b> <b>Qualification Types</b> . On that sub tab, you can view the details of qualification types and create new ones. For more information, see Managing Qualification Types (p. 34)	2010-10-04
Block or Bonus Workers	Now you can block a worker or award a bonus while reviewing their results. For more information, see Managing Your HITs (p. 19).	2010-02-25
Reject and Republish	Now you can reject work and republish an assignment while you're reviewing a worker's results. For more information, see Managing Your HITs (p. 19).	2010-02-25