How to Create a Custom Calendar View

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With Outlook 2007 you can customize views to display your calendar in a manner that is best suited for you. A view is composed of a view type, fields, colors, fonts and many other settings, and allows you to view items in a folder in a variety of ways. You may choose to create and customize a single calendar view or modify an existing one.

In this tutorial you will learn how to create a custom view that will display all calendar appointments with the word ECS in the subject line. This is a useful view when having a cluttered calendar and attempting to see specific appointments that occur on a regular basis such as committees and board meetings.

1. From the View menu, select Current View → Define Views to open the Custom View Organizer dialog box.
2. Click on **New** to open the *Create a New View* dialog box.

3. Name the view **All ECS Meetings** and select **All Calendar folders**.

By selecting **All Calendar folders** you can apply this view to any calendar you have sharing or delegation permissions on. Click **OK** to continue and open the **All ECS Meetings** dialog box.
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From this dialog box you can select to add fields, filter for key words, control font and other view settings, as well as enable **Automatic Formatting** for unread items.

Some items are greyed-out as they can’t be used with this type of view. They will become enabled when choosing a Table type view.

4. To enable the ECS filter to display only items that are ECS related, click on the **Filter** button. This will open the **Filter** dialog box.

5. Type **ECS** in the **Search for Words** drop down box and select **subject field only** in the **In** field. Click **OK** to finish and return to the **All ECS Meetings** dialog box.
6. At this point you may wish to add other options such as font sizes and table formatting which are available under the *Other Settings* dialog box.

**Automatic Formatting** allows you to control the appearance of unread and overdue items, as well as add formatting to the other items you create.

Click **OK** to return to the *Custom View Organizer* dialog box.
The view you created now appears in the Custom View Organizer dialog box.

7. To apply this view immediately, click on Apply View.
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Your calendar’s view will automatically display the custom view you have just created.

You can now quickly scroll through the calendar to easily locate all ECS related meetings.

**Note:** This new view will also appear in your list of available views on your **Advanced** toolbar.
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