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About This Document

This document describes how to write messages to the log in any WebLogic Collaborate™ application.

What You Need to Know

This document is intended primarily for:

- Business process designers who use the WebLogic Process Integrator Studio to design workflows that can be integrated with the WebLogic Collaborate environment.
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The following documentation conventions are used throughout this document.

Convention	Item
Ctrl+Tab	Indicates that you must press two or more keys simultaneously.
<i>italics</i>	Indicates emphasis or book titles.

Convention	Item
monospace text	<p>Indicates code samples, commands and their options, data structures and their members, data types, directories, and filenames and their extensions. Monospace text also indicates text that you must enter from the keyboard.</p> <p><i>Examples:</i></p> <pre>#include <iostream.h> void main () the pointer psz chmod u+w * \tux\data\ap .doc tux.doc BITMAP float</pre>
<i>monospace</i> <i>italic</i> text	<p>Identifies variables in code.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>String expr</pre>
UPPERCASE TEXT	<p>Indicates device names, environment variables, and logical operators.</p> <p><i>Examples:</i></p> <pre>LPT1 SIGNON OR</pre>
{ }	<p>Indicates a set of choices in a syntax line. The braces themselves should never be typed.</p>
[]	<p>Indicates optional items in a syntax line. The brackets themselves should never be typed.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>buildobjclient [-v] [-o name] [-f file-list]... [-l file-list]...</pre>
	<p>Separates mutually exclusive choices in a syntax line. The symbol itself should never be typed.</p>

Convention	Item
...	<p>Indicates one of the following in a command line:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ That an argument can be repeated several times in a command line■ That the statement omits additional optional arguments■ That you can enter additional parameters, values, or other information <p>The ellipsis itself should never be typed.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <pre>buildobjclient [-v] [-o name] [-f file-list]... [-l file-list]...</pre>
.	<p>Indicates the omission of items from a code example or from a syntax line.</p> <p>The vertical ellipsis itself should never be typed.</p>



1 Writing to the Log

The following sections describe how to write messages to the log in BEA WebLogic Collaborate applications:

- [About the Log](#)
- [Writing Messages to the Log](#)

About the Log

WebLogic Collaborate applications use the Logging API to write error, warning, and information messages to a log file.

Log Files

Logged messages are written to the following locations:

- WebLogic Collaborate system log file (`wlc.log`) and the WebLogic Collaborate Administration Console
- WebLogic Server log file (`weblogic.log`) and the WebLogic Server Administration Console (if it is running)

The `wlc.log` system log file is created automatically when WebLogic Collaborate starts up. The size of this file is limited to 1MB. When this maximum is exceeded, the file is renamed with a numeric label (such as `wlc1.log`) and a new empty file is created.

Logging API

The `com.bea.eci.logging` package contains the WebLogic Collaborate logging API, which consists of the classes described in the following table.

Table 1-1 Logging API

Name	Description
<code>Log</code>	Defines severity levels for log messages.
<code>UserLog</code>	Represents a user log. Provides access to the log for users. The user log is defined as a user log output stream (with a <code><user></code> tag) in the system log.

For detailed information about these classes, see the [Javadoc](#) on the BEA WebLogic Collaborate documentation CD or in the `classdocs` subdirectory of your WebLogic Collaborate installation.

Severity Levels

The `Log` class defines the severity levels described in the following table.

Table 1-2 Severity Levels Defined in Log Class

Level	Severity	Indicates an occurrence of . . .
1	FATAL	A fatal error; a system component failed abnormally due to the exception that was detected.
2	ERROR	A critical error; system stability is affected.
3	WARNING	A minor exception; normal operation or system stability may not be affected.
4	INFO	No exception or failure; indicates only a message reporting normal operations, not exception conditions. An example of such a message is logging the successful startup of WebLogic Collaborate.

Writing Messages to the Log

WebLogic Collaborate applications can write messages to the user log using the `log` method in the `UserLog` class. The `log` method records a message in the user log and does one of the following:

- Specifies the level of severity as `FATAL`, `ERROR`, `WARNING`, or `INFO`.
- Does not specify the level of severity, which then defaults to `INFO`.

In addition, applications can access the print stream to the user log using `UserLog.out`.

Importing the Logging Package

To write to the log, WebLogic Collaborate applications must import the `com.bea.eci.logging` package, as shown in the following listing.

Listing 1-1 Importing the `com.bea.eci.logging` Package

```
import com.bea.eci.logging.*;
```

Writing a Log Message with an INFO Severity Level

To write a log message with an `INFO` severity level, an application can use the following version of the `log` method:

```
static void log(java.lang.String userMsg)
```

In the preceding line, `userMsg` is the message text to be logged.

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When you use this version of the log method, the severity in the log defaults to `INFO`. The following listing shows how to write a log message with an `INFO` severity level.

Listing 1-2 Writing an INFO Message to the Log

```
private static void debug(String msg){
    if (DEBUG)
        UserLog.log("***Partner1Servlet: "+msg);
}
```

Writing a Message with a Specific Severity Level

To write a log message with a specific severity level, an application uses the following version of the `log` method:

```
static void log(int severity, java.lang.String userMsg)
```

In the preceding line:

- `severity` is the severity level (`FATAL`, `ERROR`, `WARNING`, or `INFO`).
- `userMsg` is the message text to be logged.

The following listing shows how to write a log message with a `WARNING` severity level.

Listing 1-3 Writing a WARNING Message to the Log

```
private static void debug(String msg){
    if (DEBUG)
        UserLog.log(Log.WARNING, msg);
}

try {
} catch (Exception e){
    debug("Partner1 exception errors");
    e.printStackTrace(UserLog.out);
}
```

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