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### **Quickbase Pipelines On-Premises Agent**

**Quick Start Guide** 

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### Quickbase On-Prem Agent Client

Introduction



### **Introduction to Quickbase Pipelines Agent**

#### **Brief Overview**

- The Quickbase Pipelines On-Premises Agent is a small self-contained software component that helps you connect On-Premises applications in your corporate intranet to Quickbase Pipelines.
- The agent client supports end-to-end encryption. To encrypt and decrypt the data we use AES 256 symmetric key.





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• The following graphic shows the connection in greater detail:





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### **Permissions and access**

#### **Networking Requirements**

- DNS lookups to hosts 'agents.pipelines.quickbase.com' and 'www.pipelines.quickbase.com'
- Outbound TCP connections to TCP port 5555 for 'agents.pipelines.quickbase.com' protocol CurveZMQ
- Regular HTTPS on port 443 for 'www.pipelines.quickbase.com'
- To achieve this, you will need to enable outgoing connections to Cloudflare IPs.
  - For a full list of IP ranges, see: IP Ranges | Cloudflare
    - The On-Prem Agent Connection uses dynamic IP addresses, and the full list will need to be whitelisted.

\*Contact your IT group to verify your network meets these requirements.



### **Permissions and access**

#### Windows Access

- Contact your IT group to verify you have the correct Windows privileges. You will need this access to get started:
  - Write access to Windows Temp directory for the Agent Client installation files
  - Admin access to Windows to be able to perform the installation
  - We recommend using a separate Quickbase user dedicated to connect to the On-Premises agent

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### **On-Prem Agent Download**

### **Downloading & Enabling The Agent in Quickbase**

- You enable the Agent by opening Pipelines: {yourRealm}.pipelines.quickbase.com
  - In the top right corner is your initials, click this to see a dropdown menu
  - Then click Agent. This will navigate you to the agent tab.
  - Click the Agent on toggle
    - When toggled on this will reveal the download link.

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Pipelines Channel accounts	Use the Pipelines on-premise agent to access and integrate services running in your internal network with Pipelines. If you turn off the agent, the token will refresh.						
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## **Starting the Agent installation process**

#### Installation

Follow the instructions on the Agent tab. When you enable the agent three steps display:

- Step 1: Download agent This step has a link to download the agent on your machine.
- Step 2: Configure and start agent This step turns on the agent and provides the settings you will need during the installation process of the agent on your machine. Note: If you turn off the agent, these settings refresh.
- Step 3: Verify status This step checks to see if the agent is running successfully or not. If the status is successful, you receive detailed data about your connection to the Agent.
- For more detailed installation instructions visit the following link: <u>Pipelines Installation</u>

**Note**: While on the 'Agent' tab, under the section "Step 2: Configure and start agent", there will be two pieces of information: The API Token & The Host. When prompted, you will need to copy and paste these during the installation process.

**Note:** The service will start in the background when the Agent is initially installed, . If this service is running and you launch the Agent's GUI on your machine, then you will see an error about ports 15430 & 13128 being in use and the GUI will look like the agent is failing to launch.

### Intermission

The next section walks through setting up an ODBC Connection. This will only be possible if you have a green status light on the "agent" tab.

Step 3: Verify Status					
✓ The agent is running successfully.					
✓ Agent status deta	ails				
status	ОК				
agent_package_path	C:\Windows\TEMP\_MEI47962				
agent_python	3.7.7				
agent_started_at	2021-06-30T07:54:02.523035				
<pre>agent_host_info</pre>	<pre>uname_result(system='Windows', node='EC2AMAZ-9UGHRUD', releas e='10', version='10.0.17763', machine='AMD64', processor='Int el64 Family 6 Model 85 Stepping 7, GenuineIntel')</pre>				
baked_services	odbc_bridge: 1.0.0				
agent_python_bits	64				
agent_version	1.0.0				

## Using the ODBC Channel

#### **Configuration Overview**

As a developer, you can use the ODBC channel to connect to SQL databases, Jira, and a few other services\*\* on your intranet. Before you connect:

- In your ODBC Driver (must be 64-bit) on your private network, ensure that you have created a "System User"\*\*\* Data Source Name (DSN). The DSN credentials will be used when you configure your first Pipeline using ODBC Channel steps.
- Use TCP/IP Network Protocol in SQL Server
- Ensure SQL browser service is turned on

For a more detailed explanation visit :

https://helpv2.quickbase.com/hc/en-us/articles/4472972995092-ODBC-channel-

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	An ODBC System data source stores information about how to connect to the indicated data provider. A System data source is visible to all users on this machine, including NT services.										
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#### Footnotes:

\*\*A brief overview of services can be seen here <a href="https://helpv2.quickbase.com/hc/en-us/articles/4482673507988-Quickbase-Pipelines-Agent-connections-">https://helpv2.quickbase.com/hc/en-us/articles/4482673507988-Quickbase-Pipelines-Agent-connections-</a> \*\*\*Your configuration should be user or system DSN depending how you will be running your agent client. If it is a user DSN, but you are defining it logged in as user X and the

agent client is running with user Y, it won't see your configuration, since it's visible only for your user

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