


Category Mappings

Category mappings are used to map merchant categories to your system categories.

All the merchants do not have same categories as you have in your system. So the datafeed files from merchants contain their category information which is required to be mapped with your system categories in order to classify products correctly.

This feature comes with the autofeed module. When you create an autofeed url for a merchant, you can see two icons on the url entry:

 This icon is used to display the category mappings that are required to be done.



 This icon is used to display the mappings that you have already done.

Using the first icon, you will be taken to a page like this:

Manage Category Mappings for "kelkoo"

Total records in datafeed : **61**
Categories you have already mapped :
Categories with no mapping found :

Donot show 'Not Defined' again? [\[Yes\]](#) / [\[No\]](#)
Show [25](#) | [50](#) | [100](#) | [200](#) | [500](#) records per page

Category	Main Category	Sub Category	Micro Category	
Tips:				
NOT DEFINED: If a merchant category is not mapped to the website category. It is called NOT DEFINED state.				
WHEN PAGE LOADS: System will search for the suitable category mapping based on your website's category name and datafeed category name and will load that selection. In case no match is found it will just load Not Defined .				
TO MAP A CATEGORY: Click on the ORANGE button so that the category dropdown appears. Just select a category from this drop down to which you want to map. Once category is selected then just click on  button next to dropdown.				
IF IT IS DIFFICULT TO SELECT CATEGORY FROM DROPDOWN: during the mapping process then just click on  button next to dropdown and it will load categories in a popup window.				
<input type="checkbox"/> Do you want to save changes instantly? If you select this option, all changes you make to the mappings will be saved automatically, otherwise, you will have to hit the Update button on the bottom to save the changes when you are done.				
<input type="checkbox"/>	> Vehicles, Parts and Accessories > Wheels	Add Categories	4	Acc. Trajes Humedos
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Defined	Add Categories	2	Accesorios Aletas
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Defined	Add Categories	17	Accesorios Botellas
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Defined	Add Categories	15	Accesorios Iluminacion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Defined	Add Categories	7	Accesorios Jackets
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Defined	Add Categories	4	Accesorios Mascaras
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Defined	Add Categories	1	Accesorios Natacion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Defined	Add Categories	3	Accesorios Ordenadores

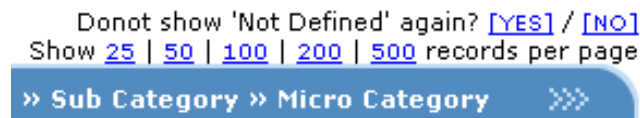
This page shows the category mappings that are required to be done for a particular merchant.

Let us discuss each feature on this page one by one.

On the top right, we have some options:

Donot show 'Not Defined' again?

If a merchant category is not mapped to the website category. It is called NOT DEFINED state. Meaning there is no mapping existing between the merchant category and website category.



If you do not want to show mappings that are left **NOT DEFINED** by you, on the next page reload, you can click on the YES link (this is the default behaviour).

Click on the NO link to reload unset mapping records on next load.

Number of Records per Page

This is the number of merchant categories shown on the website.

You can click on the numbers 25, 50, etc to show fewer or more records per page, by default it displays 100 records per page.

Each row of the category mapping page

Each row of the category mapping page represent a unique category in the merchant datafeed. This unique category can be mapped to your website category. The number in red color represent the number of products under this category.

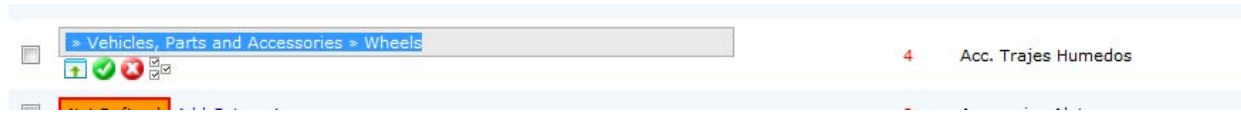
A single row looks like this:

<input type="checkbox"/>	» Vehicles, Parts and Accessories » Wheels Add Categories	4	Acc. Trajes Humedos
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Defined Add Categories	2	Accesorios Aletas

As the category mapping page loads, system tries to find suitable map and shows that for your review. If system does not find any mapping then it just displays **Not Defined**

The category on the left (orange color button) shows your website category that is selected as the most suitable map.


When you click on the orange button you will see an auto-complete textbox appear in its place:

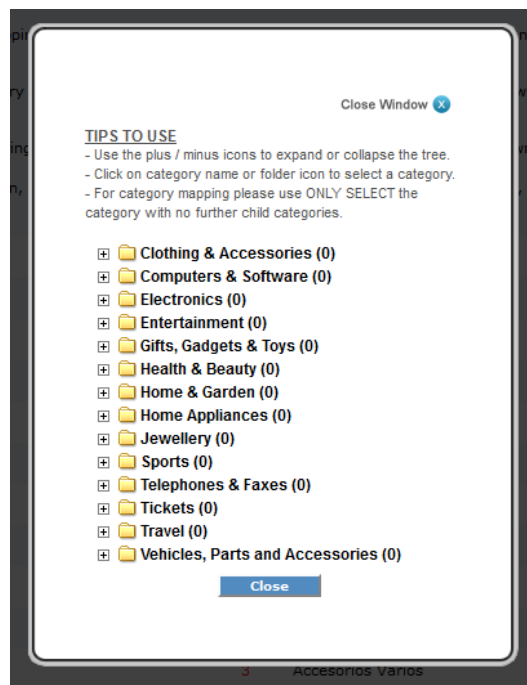


Mapping is simple. Type the appropriate category name that you want to map with merchant category in the textbox and let it load the matching categories, then select the one you want and then click on the GREEN (tick) button.





There are some other icons present to help you do fast search through categories.


 Click this icon to open a pop window that shows a tree of your system categories (as shown in image below).



On a large website, searching for a category even in an auto-complete textbox can be difficult job. For this reason this icon comes in handy.

 **Click** this icon to confirm your selected category from the dropdown.

 **Click** this icon to cancel your selection.

 **This** icon is used for multiple selections. Sometimes you want to map multiple merchant categories to your website's single category. Instead of selecting and mapping same category again and again you can just select the CHECKBOX against the categories that you want to have same mapping. Then against any row select a category from textbox auto-complete and then click on this icon. All other rows that have checkbox marked will also have this mapping selected.

UPDATE button

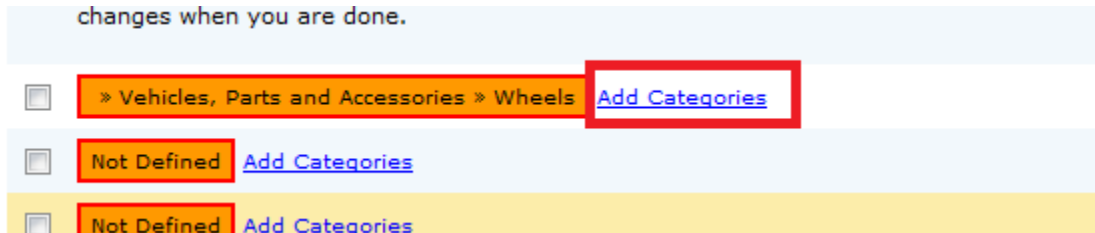
After you selected proper mappings for all the categories on the page. Please click on the UPDATE button to save these mappings to the database.

Failure to do so will mean that your hard work has been lost. So do not forget to save by clicking on the UPDATE button

Add Categories

Sometimes a category is NOT PRESENT in your website to which you have to map. For this reason you can use the feature to add a new category within the mapping system.

Just click the Add Categories link:



You will see a popup window appear like shown in image below.

This popup also have instructions on HOW TO USE this feature.

Please read that and follow carefully to add a new category and same time create mapping to it.

- Select a parent Category where you want to insert these datafeed categories.
- Provide the new category name.
- If this is not the leaf level category and you are not finished yet creating categories, then uncheck "Finish Mapping" option.
- Click Save.
- When you are adding the last category, keep the "Finish Mapping" option checked so that this last category is mapped with the datafeed categories.




Add Categories for Mapping >>>

Datafeed Categories : Acc. Trajes Humedos

Parent Category : -- Root Level -- * > [Expand Dropdown](#)

New Category : Acc. Trajes Humedos

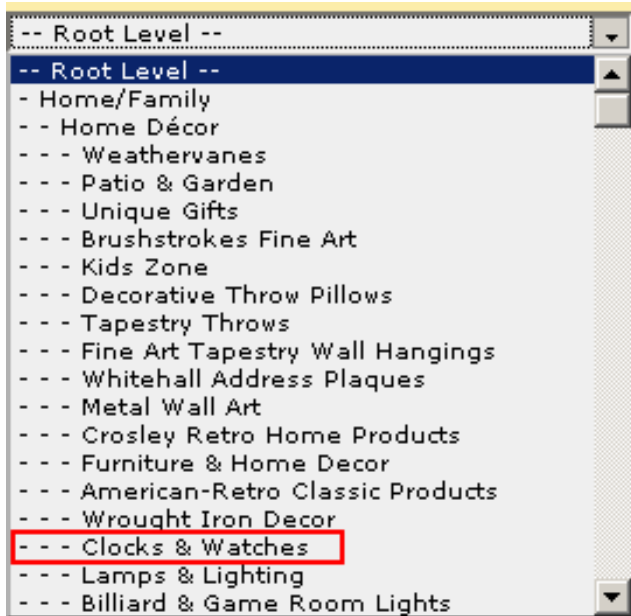
Finish Mapping : Map the datafeed category with this newly created category

 Save  Refresh  Close

For example, a merchant datafeed includes a category **Wrist Watches > Waterproof Watches**. But on our website we have no category for **Wrist Watches** nor **Waterproof Watches**. Now we will create it.

In order to create new category correctly, it is important that we select a correct PARENT category. We have a **“Clocks & Watches”** category in **“Home/Family” > “Home Décor”**:

So first we select the parent category **“Clocks & Watches”** from dropdown as shown in image below.



After parent is selected, we will type **Wrist Watches** in the text box.

- Select a parent Category where you want to insert these datafeed categories.
- Provide the new category name.
- If this is not the leaf level category and you are not finished yet creating categories, then uncheck "Finish Mapping" option.
- Click Save.
- When you are adding the last category, keep the "Finish Mapping" option checked so that this last category is mapped with the datafeed categories.

 Map the datafeed category with this newly created category'. At the bottom right, there are three buttons: 'Save', 'Refresh', and 'Close'."/>

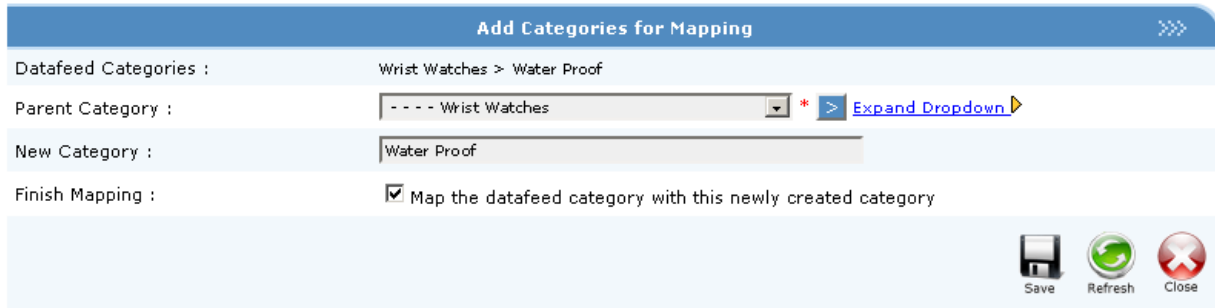
Keep the **FINISH MAPPING** checkbox unchecked.

Notice that I have unchecked the **Finish Mapping** check box because we have not yet created the final level category **“Water Proof Watches”**

So when we click the **Save** icon, the form reloads with the newly added category selected.

Now just type “Water Proof” in New Category text box and check the **Finish Mapping** checkbox and your form will look like this:

- Select a parent Category where you want to insert these datafeed categories.
- Provide the new category name.
- If this is not the leaf level category and you are not finished yet creating categories, then uncheck "Finish Mapping" option.
- Click Save.
- When you are adding the last category, keep the "Finish Mapping" option checked so that this last category is mapped with the datafeed categories.



Add Categories for Mapping >>>

Datafeed Categories : Wrist Watches > Water Proof

Parent Category : - - - Wrist Watches * > [Expand Dropdown](#)

New Category : Water Proof

Finish Mapping : Map the datafeed category with this newly created category

Save Refresh Close

Now click the **save** button and the required category is created as well as the mapping is also performed between this newly created system category and the merchant category.

Tip: The key point is that you can create multiple categories using this popup and you should only mark the checkbox once you are creating the LAST category.