

"Default" Revisions

What

What are default revisions? An excellent question indeed. Default revisions are a way of marking a specific revision of a Fileset as the "default", regardless of what it is called. Keep reading, and you'll see how very useful this is, and how our great developers try to make your job easier on an everyday basis.

When/Why

We are going to use our example again of v79 and v80 of Mozilla Firefox. Assume for a moment that we have v79 assigned to all devices right now in two associations as shown below::

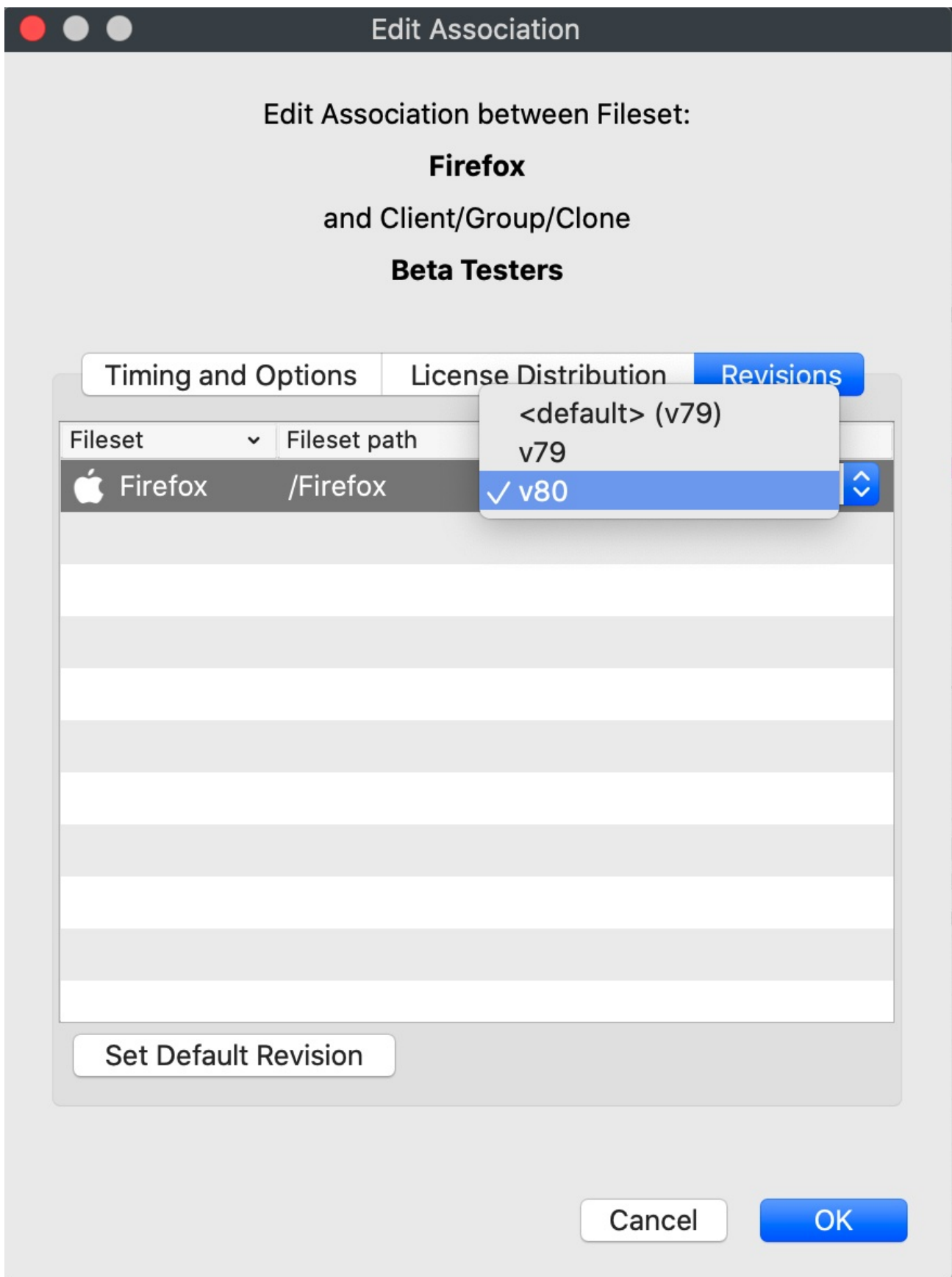
The screenshot shows the FileWave Admin interface. On the left is a sidebar with navigation options: Dashboard, Clients, Filesets, Associations, Imaging, iOS Inventory, License Ma..., Boosters, and Inventory Q... The main area is divided into two panels. The top panel shows a list of clients and groups, with filters for Search, Association Type, Software Update, License Distribution, and From Deployment. The bottom panel shows a list of filesets and their associations. The filesets listed are: All iOS (non-Inv), All macOS (Inv), All Windows (Inv), BAM Devices, Departments, Deployment Example, Windows Get Image Date, Testing Empty, Test FW Shell, Profile - Tik Tok Blocked, Profile - Test Block, OS - Windows, and OS - macOS. The associations table shows two entries for the 'Firefox' fileset, both associated with the 'v79' revision. The first entry is for the 'Beta Testers' group, and the second is for the 'Production' group. The status bar at the bottom indicates 'Everything is OK' and shows license usage statistics.

Fileset	Client/Group/Clone	Revision	Association ID	Type
Firefox	Beta Testers	v79	3347	Standard
Firefox	Production	<default> (v79)	3348	Standard

If you'll look closely, you'll see that the "Production" group has an association to the revision <default> (v79) and the "Beta Testers" group is associated to v79. Effectively, this is exactly the same for both groups...v79 is installed. But, let's take a look below at what happens when we want to upgrade to v80 in the environment.

How

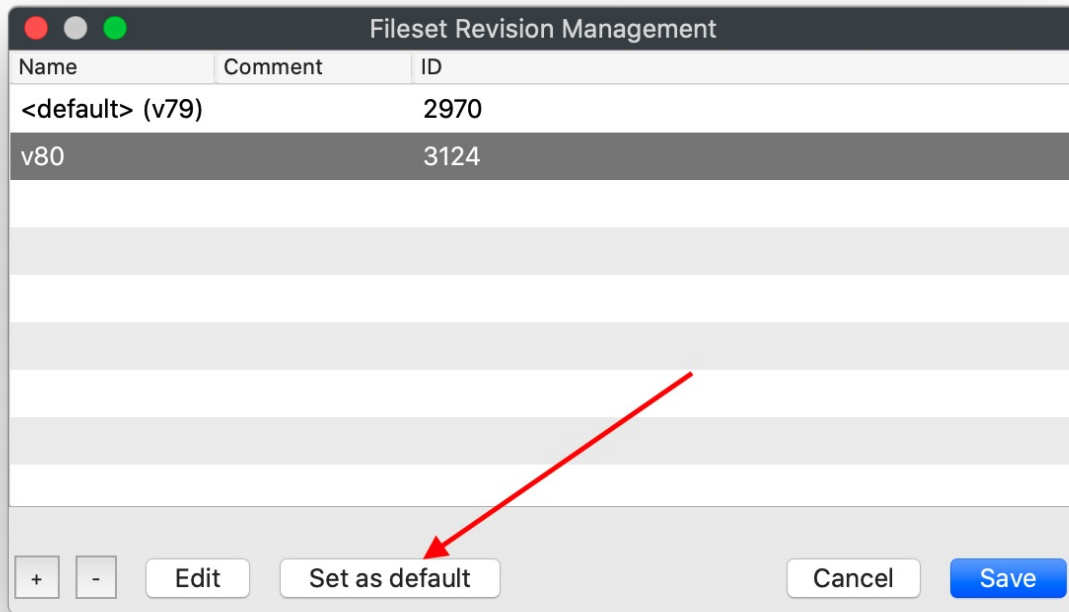
We aren't just going to assign v80 to all devices right away...as always, we want to test first, so with our patch testers group we'll edit their association as follows:



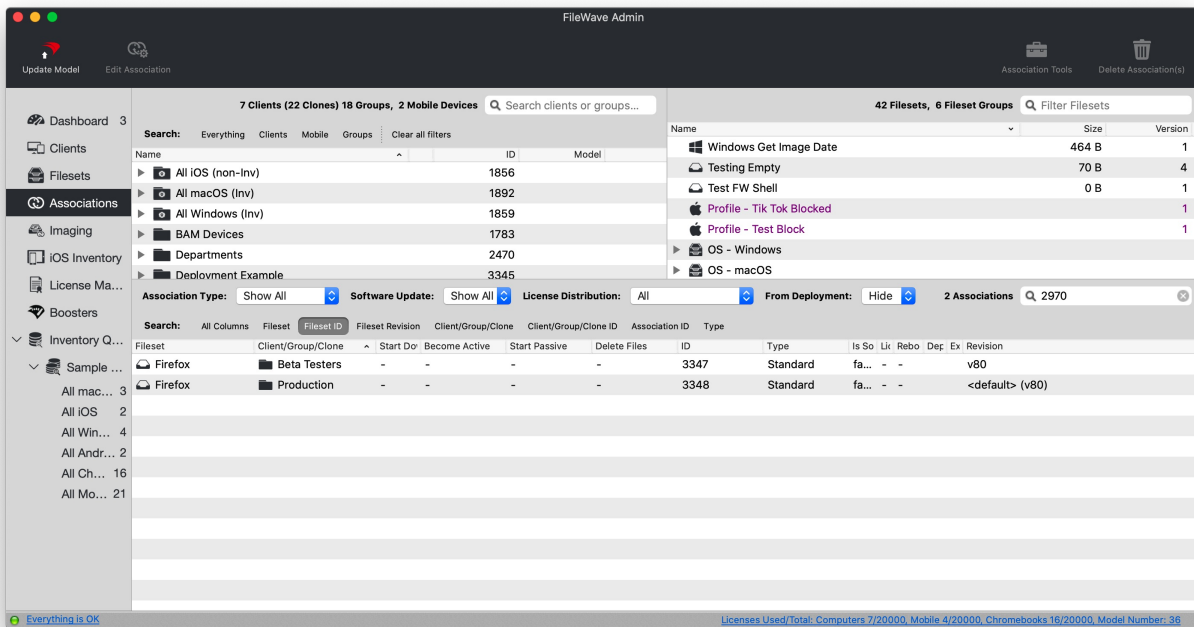
Once we save this association and update the model, all patch testers will get the new version. No deleting of the association or creating a new one is required.

Now, assume that all testing goes well, and we are ready to release to production. Now, we could edit the association for "production", but assume for a second that we had ten such associations...would we want to edit all ten of them? In a word, no. But, if you remember, the association above to production was not v79, but rather Default v79...which means the association is just to the "default" revision of the fileset.

So, we can simply edit the properties of the fileset itself and change the "default" to v80 instead.



Once we save that change, and update the model, you'll see the change reflected in the association:



And, upon next check-in, all "Production" devices will upgrade to v80.

- Remember, we take care of the timing of this transition between versions...so you don't have to worry about the transition timing.

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