

# Smarter job management for network deployment and operation projects



## What is job management?

Job management lets you prescribe the work to be done, guide how it is executed in the field, and track it every step of the way—from test configuration to closeout reporting.

EXFO Exchange's job management feature brings structure and visibility to your build and activation projects. Whether you're working with internal teams or subcontractors, you'll minimize manual errors and ensure identification consistency and test compliance from start to finish.

## Why use job management?

**Minimize manual data entry:** Predefine naming conventions, and locations—so that field technicians don't have to.

**Improve test identification conformity:** Standardize how test result files are named and classified across all projects—no more mislabeled files or inconsistent folder structures.

**Enhance test compliance:** Prescriptive workflows and test configurations ensure technicians follow your exact testing parameters and thresholds—reducing the risk of failed audits and rework.

**Gain full visibility:** Track project progress in real time. Instantly access test status, view individual results, and monitor completion across teams and contractors.

## A complete workflow from prescription to proof

### 1. Define the job

Plan all test parameters in advance:

- Select test types (connector inspection, iOLM, OLTS, etc.).
- Set expected locations, naming formats, and thresholds.
- Assign work to specific teams or contractors.

### 2. Execute in the field

Technicians receive ready-to-run test jobs:

- No guesswork on test types or naming.
- Guided execution ensures consistency.
- Compatible with most handheld EXFO units, such as the FTBx, FTB Lite, MaxTester and AXS Series, as well as the FIP-500, Optical Explorer (OX1) and PXM.



You define in advance how the tests are named, where they belong, and what parameters must be used. It's the difference between collecting data and truly managing it.

### 3. Monitor progress in real time

Through the EXFO Exchange web portal or your own data mart:

- View job progress and/or completion status.
- Drill down into individual test details.
- Confirm if tests are passed, failed, or need review—live, as they are uploaded.

### 4. Simplify reporting and closeout packages

When a job is done:

- Generate summary or detailed reports in Excel or PDF.
- Export all results instantly, already well-named and organized.
- No need to manually reformat or rename files.



A job can include over 500 test points and thousands of test results. Assign it to multiple technicians, monitor real-time progress, and download a full closeout package in one click.

## Case study: Global dark fiber network provider (wholesale)

This dark fiber network provider **strict file naming rules** and **bidirectional test verification** required significant manual cleanup. By using EXFO Exchange's job management:

- All results were named correctly at the source.
- Reports could be dynamically generated on demand without rechecking every file.
- Contractors can simply export and drop results into FastReporter.

**Result: Less manual work, fewer errors, faster project closeouts.**

## Ready to take control of your test workflows in the field?

Let EXFO Exchange speed up your projects with structure, clarity and compliance.

Job Management is included in the free EXFO Exchange account, covering basic deployment needs.

For advanced use cases—such as scaling the number of certified test points across larger projects—**contact us** to learn how an EXFO Exchange subscription can support your operational growth.

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