

Customization Manager

BENEFITS

- **Work the way you want**

Add new fields and controls, hide data items, set defaults, change field captions, and much more. Screens are instantly updated so you see the results of your changes immediately across your entire company.

- **Seamlessly integrate custom solutions**

Attach custom programs and specific business rules to any object in any screen. Customization Manager includes Microsoft Visual Basic® for Applications, which you can use for sophisticated customization capabilities such as enhanced calculations, table lookups, validations, and references to most Microsoft Dynamics SL fields.

- **Tailor your solution**

Create screens with Tools for Visual Basic and incorporate them as objects with the Microsoft Dynamics SL Object Model — an innovative programmatic interface. The Object Model lets you automate any Microsoft Dynamics SL screen, whether standard or created by you, helping ensure data integrity by leveraging the screens' business logic.

- **Alter processes and functionality**

Adjust field colors, screen fonts, and the assignment of tool tips with the Customization Manager property window, consistent with other form-oriented design tools such as Visual Basic or Microsoft Access. Easily see the original, as well as the customized property values for all controls.

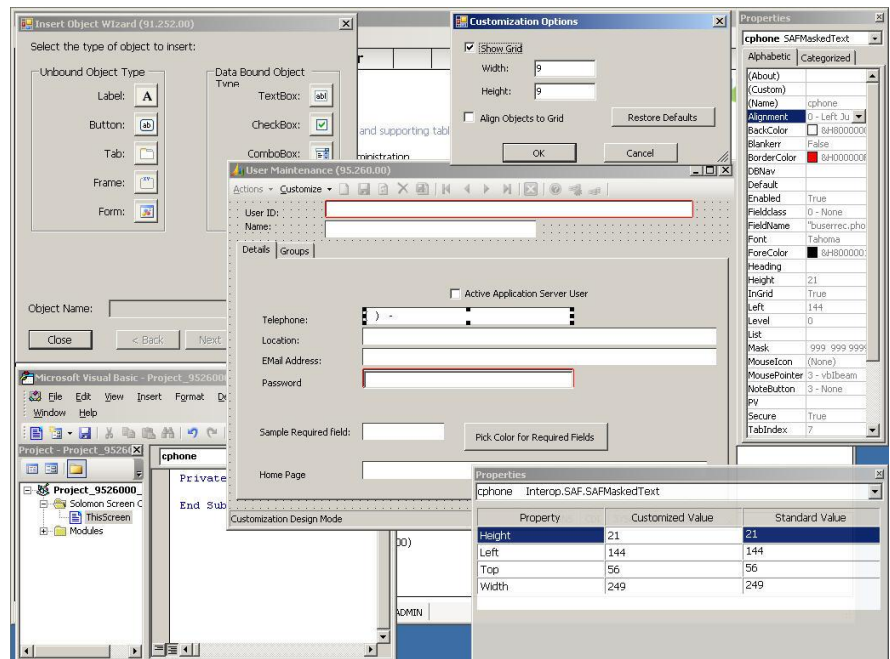
- **Enhance productivity**

Assist newer and more advanced users. For example, optimize data entry by rearranging fields on the screen to match your business flow or unique document layout. You can create custom Tool Tips to provide additional

Microsoft Dynamics™ SL

Adapt your system to the specific requirements of your organization with Microsoft Dynamics SL Customization Manager. Quickly and easily modify any screen in any Microsoft Dynamics SL module without changing the underlying source code, and update screens as often as necessary to match the pace of your business growth.

Inserting new objects is a snap with the Insert Object Wizard



FEATURES

Advanced Customization Capabilities

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Attach custom processes to specific “events” with Visual Basic for Applications. Validate an entry in a custom table or enforce a specific rule based on your requirements.

Industry-Standard Integration

Take advantage of industry-standard integration technologies such as Automation and Open Database Connectivity (ODBC) to integrate with off-the-shelf Microsoft Windows® applications and database sources using Visual Basic for Applications.

Data Access and Transfer

Access any ODBC-compliant data source within any Microsoft Dynamics SL screen, including information stored in SQL databases outside the Microsoft Dynamics SL system. Automate data transfer between products such as Microsoft Office Excel or Microsoft Office Word.

Powerful Security Features

Set up and control access to Customization Manager.

Rights-Based Functionality

Grant functional-level customization rights, such as the ability to change field order and visual appearance, or restrict the ability to insert new objects or write code.

Field-Level Security

Define field-level security — such as making a balance field invisible to some users — or define a more restrictive range of valid entries.

Customization Control

System administrators can make screen changes that apply to all users, one user, or that apply only to themselves; individuals can customize their own screens.

Flexible Import and Export

Copy customizations from one system to another. Easily manage libraries of customizations, control deployment within your organization, or merge new customizations with existing ones.

Customization Packaging and Distribution

Create packaged customizations for import to other sites. For example, an administrator who wants to repeat a series of customizations at multiple sites can package and distribute them to those sites.

Industry-Specific Customizations

Create customizations for a specific industry, such as one that refers to “Vendors” as “Suppliers,” and all “Vendor ID” labels will be changed to “Supplier ID.” Customizations can be exported as a package for resale.

Insert Object Wizard

Capture additional information in certain Microsoft Dynamics SL screens by adding data fields — without requiring the help of a programmer. The Insert Object Wizard allows you to quickly and easily insert new objects on a screen.

Security-Enhanced Customizations

All customizations are stored in the Microsoft SQL Server™ database. This helps ensure that customizations are protected, deployed across the entire system instantly, and allows easier migration to future versions.

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