Sage 300 Web Screens SDK

Web Screen Customization

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1. Overview

This document is intended to serve as a guide for illustrating how to perform a Sage 300 web screen customization (customization).

The first, and most important, steps in the customization process are to become familiar with the web screen to be customized.

Customization steps:

1. XML file for adding control(s)
2. JavaScript file for implementing the business logic and/or control behavior
3. Optional MVC Controller/Model/Service for extending functionality

This guide performs a mock customization of the Order Entry screen:

* Adding controls
* Binding new controls to existing fields and newly added fields
* Intercepting events of existing controls and newly added controls

1. Development environment prerequisites

Before starting the customization, Sage 300 2017.1 must be installed on the developer machine as well as the Sage 300 UI Customization Wizard.

Familiarity with the web screen to be customized is a requirement. Additionally, knowledge of and expertise in the following technologies are required:

* Microsoft ASP.NET MVC 5
* Microsoft C#
* JavaScript
* JQuery and JQuery Ajax(<https://jquery.com/>, <http://api.jquery.com/jquery.ajax/>)
* Kendo UI (<http://www.telerik.com/kendo-ui>)
* Knockout JavaScript Library (<http://knockoutjs.com/documentation/introduction.html>)
  1. Install Sage 300 2017.1

Install Sage 300 2017.1 on the developer machine. After installation, change the web application’s web.config file for debug mode:

1. In {*Sage 300 installation folder*}\Online\Web, open the web.config file.
2. Locate the <System.web> entry and the <compilation debug="false" targetFramework="4.x.x" /> tag, where 4.x.x is version number, e.g. 4.5.1
3. Change the debug attribute to <compilation debug="true" targetFramework="4.x.x" />
   1. Install Visual Studio Web Customization Package

The Visual Studio UI Customization Wizard (Sage300CustomProject.vsix) will install this plugin into Visual Studio and is compatible with Visual Studio Versions 2013 and 2015.

Selecting this file will invoke a dialog, prompting to be installed. Select **OK** to install the plugin.

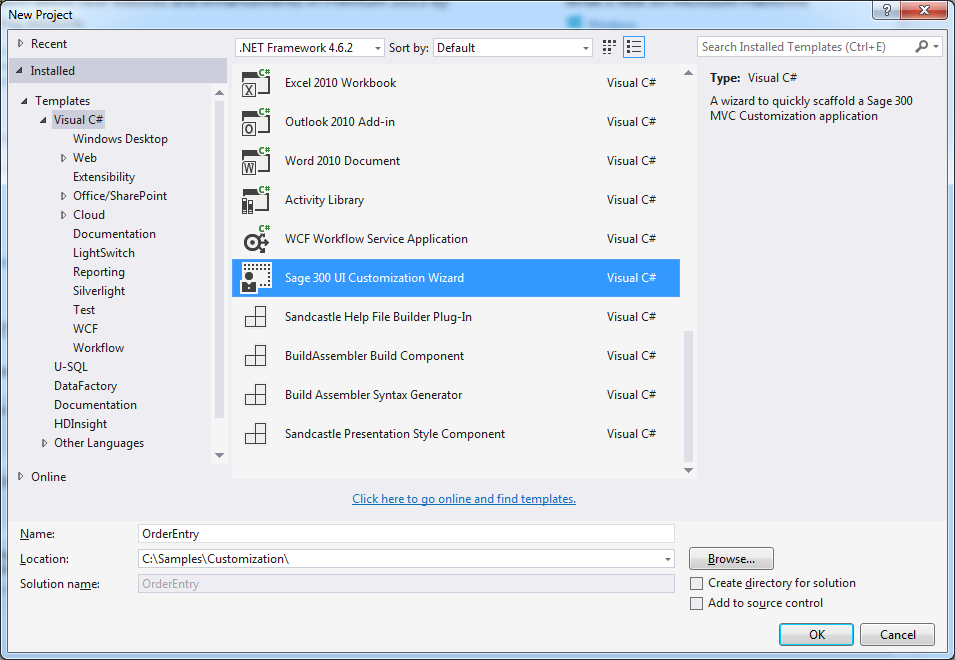
Note: If the plugin is already installed, it must be uninstalled first and this is accomplished in Visual Studio by selecting Tools/Extensions and Updates, locating the plugin and selecting the Uninstall option.

1. Getting started

3.1 Create the customization project and template files

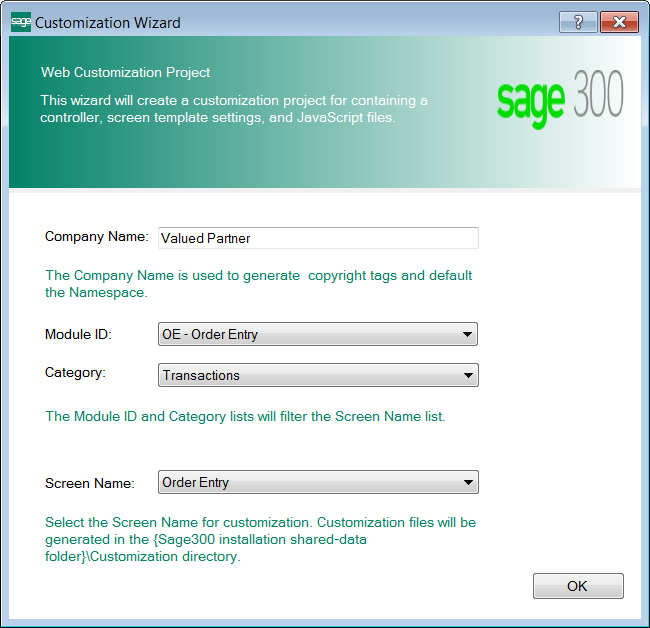
To create the project and template files:

1. Open Visual Studio, create a new project, and in the new project dialog box, select Sage 300 UI Customization Wizard.



1. Enter the name and location, and then click OK.

The customization wizard page appears:



1. Enter the Company Name.
2. Select a Module ID, Category and Screen Name and then click **OK**.

The wizard generates the C# Customization Project and creates a custom settings file, JavaScript template file, and a validating XSD file in *{Sage300 installed shared data folder}\Customization}*.

Template files are generated as follows:

* Settings file: *{screen name}\_*Settings.xml, such as OrderEntry\_Settings.xml
* JavaScript file: *{screen name}\_*Custom.js, such as OrderEntry\_Custom.js
* Validating xsd file: ScreenConfig.xsd

**Note:** Do not change the names of the generated files. These determine which screen the customization will be applied to.

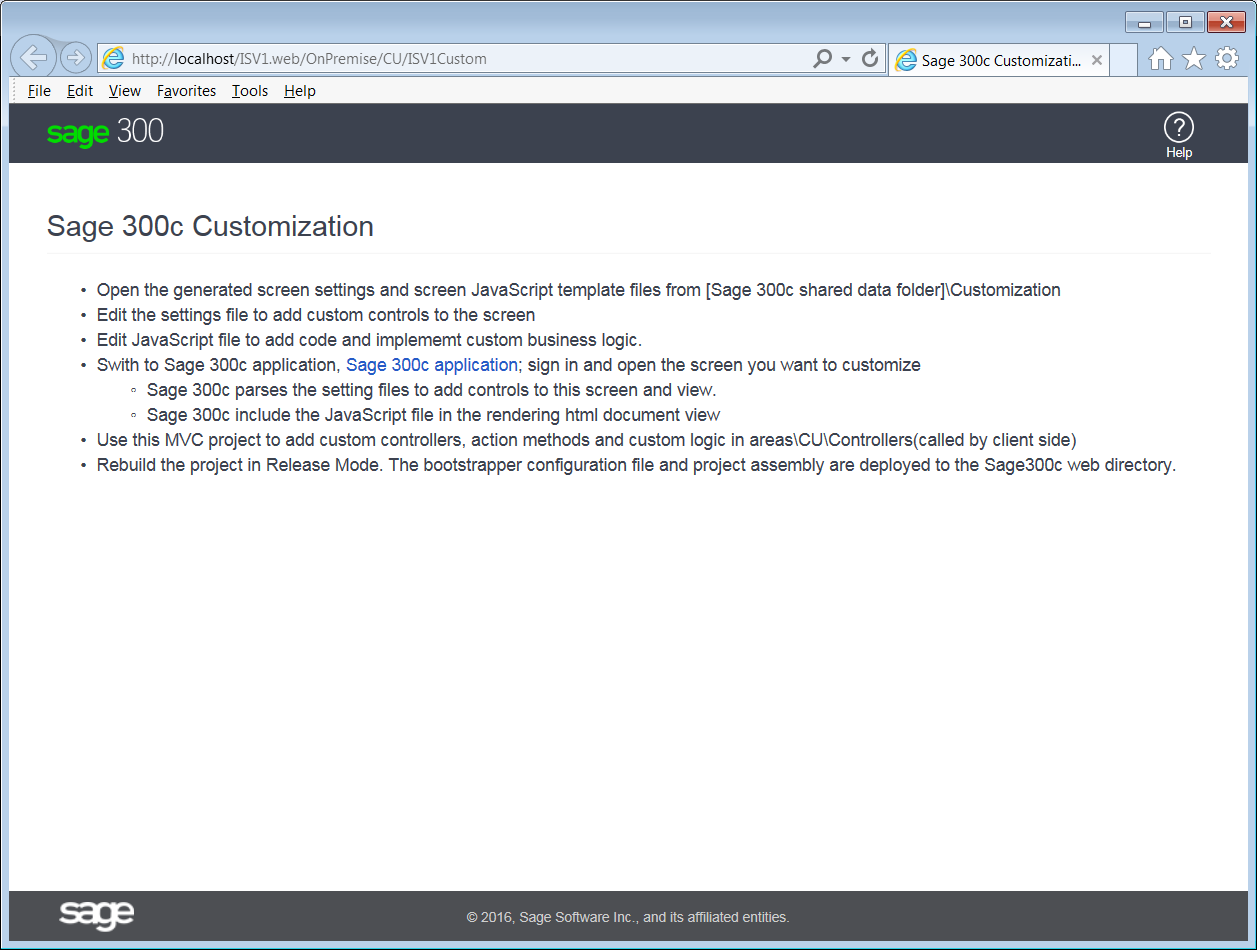
1. Select Nuget Package Manager and restore Nuget Packages
2. Compile the project and make sure it does not have any compile errors.

3.2 Open the settings and JavaScript files and start to debug

The customization wizard will generate template settings and JavaScript files under *{Sage300 installed shared data folder}\Customization folder*

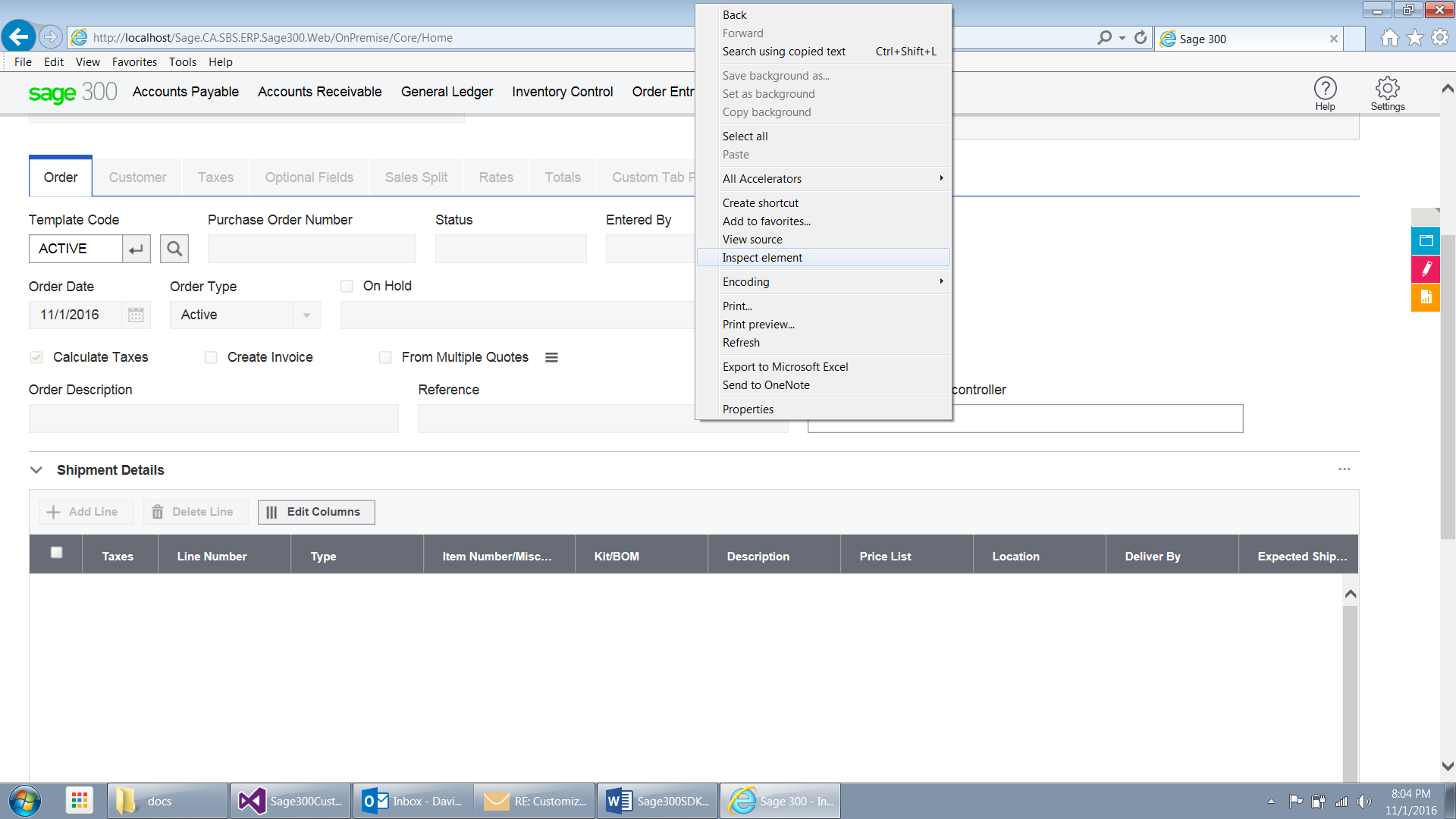
To start debugging:

1. Open the above generated screen settings OrderEntry\_Settings.xml and JavaScript file OrderEntry\_Custom.js in the VS code editor.
2. Set breakpoint at JS file initial entry point ISV1OrderEntryCustomUI.init()
3. Start to run the project with Internet Explorer.
4. When the default page appears, click [Sage 300c application](http://localhost/Sage300) link to switch to the local Sage 300c web application.

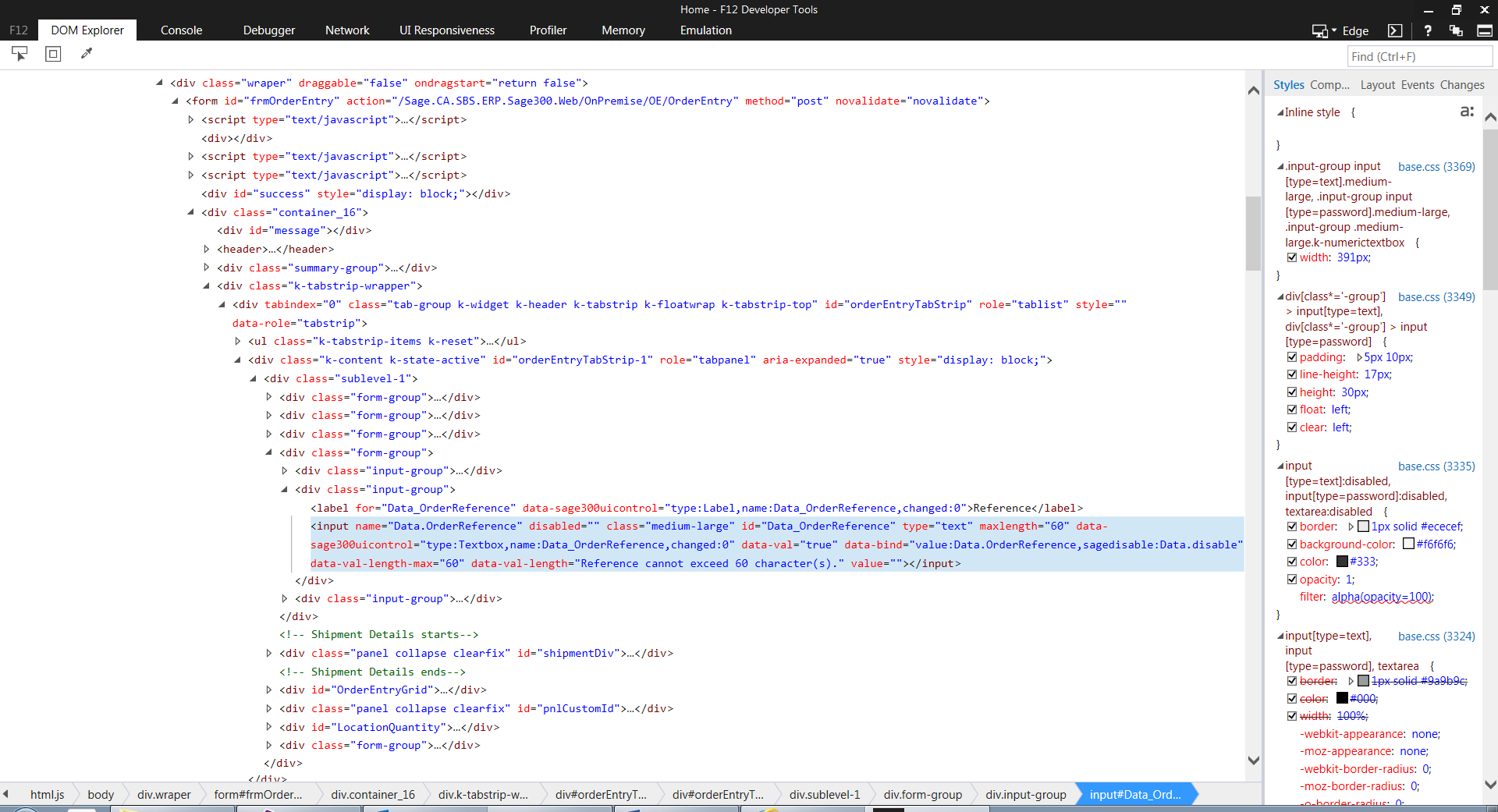


1. Sign in to the Sage 300c web application and navigate to the O/E Order Entry screen. As this screen rendering html document includes the OrderEntry\_Custom.js, when O/E Order Entry document screen is ready, it will hit the breakpoint.
2. Add controls to the screen

With the O/E Order Entry screen open, use your browser’s Inspect element feature to find an existing element ID, which will be used to insert the control. For example, if want to find the “Reference” textbox element Id, right click the textbox, it will show:



Select the Inspect element context menu; it will show F12 window with DOM Explorer page:



The “Reference” textbox element id is “Data\_OrderReference”.

In the Order Entry sample, we will add the following controls:

* A Textbox control after the Data\_OrderReference control, binding to the Data.CustomDescription field
* A Button control before the btnPost control
* A Panel control containing several controls after the OrderEntryGrid control
* A Tab control containing several controls

4.1 XML settings

In the OrderEntry\_Settings.xml, add the following nodes under the root node:

<Control ID="txtFromSage300" Type ="TextBox" Label="Get from call sage 300c controller" AfterID="Data\_OrderReference" Binding="Data.CustomDescription"/>

<Control ID="btnFromSage300" Type="Button" Label="GetFromSage300c" BeforeID="btnPost"/>

<Control ID="pnlCustomId" Type="Panel" Label="Custom Panel Controls" AfterID="OrderEntryGrid">

<Control ID="btnCustomCurrencyFinder" Type="Finder" Label="Custom Currency Code" FinderTextId="txtCustomCurrency" />

<Control ID="dropdownOECostTypeId" Type="DropDown" Label="Amount Type" Binding ="Data.CustomCostTypes" />

<Control ID="txtCustomCTotalCost" Type ="TextBox" Label="Total Cost" Binding=""/>

<Control ID="txtOECustomTextDesc" Type ="TextBox" Label="Total Cost For Order" Binding="Data.OrderNumber"/>

<Control ID="dropdownOEOrderTypeId" Type="DropDown" Label="Order Type" Binding ="GetOrderTypes" />

<Control ID="txtAreaCustomComments" Type="TextArea" Label="Custom Comments" MaxLength="320" Cols="150" Rows="5" Binding ="Data.CustomComments" />

</Control>

<Control ID="tabPageCustom" Type="TabPage" Label ="Custom Tab Page" HeaderAfterID="totalTab" DetailAfterID ="orderEntryTabStrip-7" >

<Control ID="btnCustomCurrencyFinder1" Type="Finder" Label="Custom Order Currency" FinderTextId="txtCustomCurrency1" />

<Control ID="txtCustomOrderNumber" Type ="TextBox" Label="Custom Order Number" Binding="Data.CustomOrderNumber"/>

<Control ID="dropdownCustomOrderType" Type="DropDown" Label="Custom Order Type" Binding ="" />

<Control ID="dtPickerCustom" Type="DatePicker" Label="Order Create Date" Binding ="Data.CustomOrderDate" />

<Control ID="numericOrderAmount" Type ="TextBox" Label="Custom Order Amount" Binding="Data.CustomOrdNumberAmount"/>

<Control ID="chkCustomIsActive" Type="CheckBox" Label="Active Order" Binding ="Data.CustomIsActiveOrder" />

<Control ID="txtAreaOrderComments" Type="TextArea" Label="Order Comments" MaxLength="320" Cols="150" Rows="5" Binding ="Data.CustomOrderComments" />

<Control ID="gridCustomOrder" Type="Grid" />

</Control>

**Note:** The controls in a container do not need the AfterID or BeforeID attribute since these controls are added in the container control by the layout specified in the XML. See the screenConfig.xsd.

* Attributes
  + ID
    - A unique ID for the control (*Required*).
  + Type
    - The control type (*Required*, see below for list of control types).
  + Label
    - The text to be used as a label for the control.
  + MaxLength
    - The maximum number of characters allowed.
    - For TextBox, if you do not specify the value, the default value is 64.
    - For TextArea, if you do not specify the value, the default value is 300.
  + AfterID
    - The control will be inserted after the control with this ID.
  + BeforeID
    - The control will be inserted before the control with this ID.
  + Binding
    - Binds the controls to the Sage 300c view model data or custom view model data.
* Control Types:
  + Label
  + TextBox
  + TextArea
  + Button
  + CheckBox
  + RadioButton
  + DropDown (a Kendo UI DropDownList control)
  + DatePicker (a KendoUI DatePicker control)
  + Grid (a Kendo UI Grid control)
  + Finder
  + Panel (a container control)
  + TabPage (a container control)

4.2 Initialize controls

Some controls use Kendo UI controls, which require initialization in the JavaScript code.

In the Order Entry sample, we will initialize three drop-down lists and one date picker control.

Add the following code snippet in the initDropDownList function:

// Amount type dropdown list

$("#dropdownOECostTypeId").kendoDropDownList({

});

// Order type dropdown list

$("#dropdownOEOrderTypeId").kendoDropDownList({

});

// Custom drop down list in custom tab page

$("#dropdownCustomOrderType").kendoDropDownList({

});

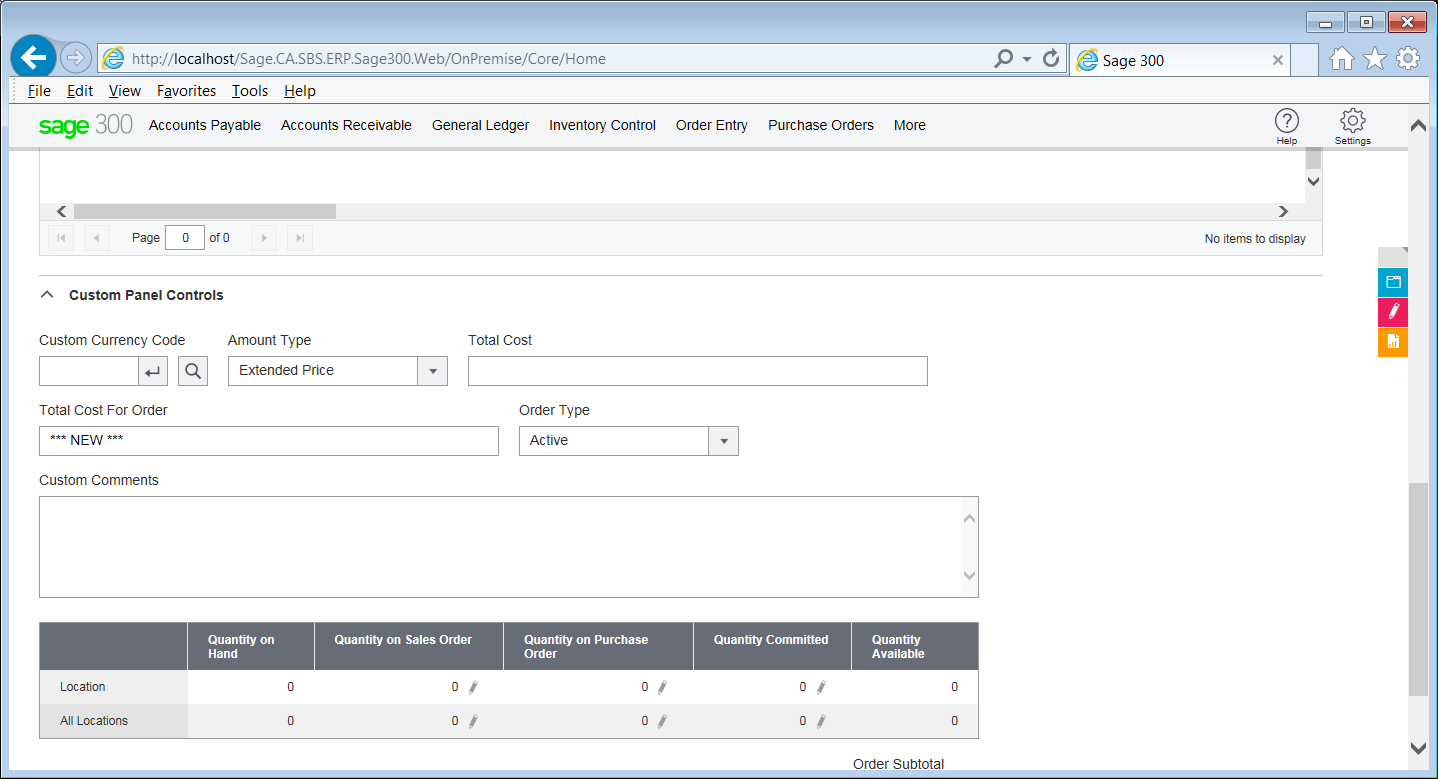
Add the following code snippet in the initDatePicker function:

$("#dtPickerCustom").kendoDatePicker({

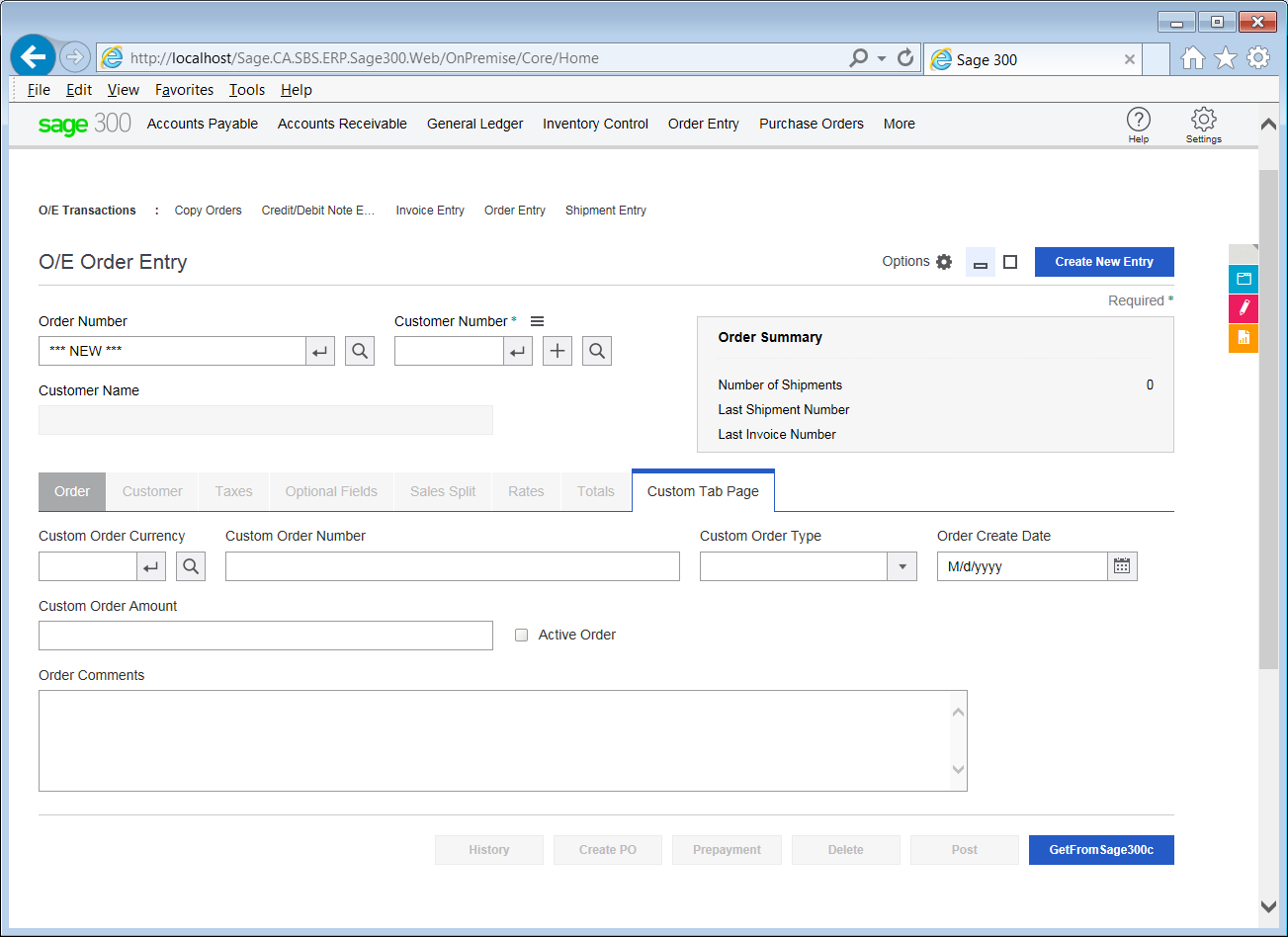
});

4.3 Customized Order Entry screen

When the Order Entry is opened, the customization is applied and the requested controls are now visible in the screen.



*Customization for Panel Controls*



*Customization for Tab Page*

1. Add JavaScript

5.1 Initialize controls

Some controls will require initialization. For example, A Panel control should be expandable, a Tab Page should be disabled when the screen first opens, etc.

1. Add the following snippet to the init function for a Panel control to be collapsible:

sg.utls.collapsibleScreen.setup("expandedEntry", "simpleEntry", ["pnlCustomIdHeader"], []);

$("#pnlCustomIdHeader").trigger("click");

1. Add the following snippet to the initOtherControls function to disable the Tab Page control:

var tabStrip = $("#orderEntryTabStrip").data("kendoTabStrip");

tabStrip.enable(tabStrip.tabGroup.children().eq(7), false);

1. Add the following code snippet to the initFinders function to initialize the finder control:

sg.finderHelper.setFinder("btnCustomCurrencyFinder", sg.finder.TaxCurrencyFinder, ISV1OrderEntryCustomUICallback.currencyCode, null, "Custom Currency Finder", sg.finderHelper.createDefaultFunction("txtCustomCurrency", "CurrencyCodeId", sg.finderOperator.StartsWith), null, true);

sg.finderHelper.setFinder("btnCustomCurrencyFinder1", sg.finder.TaxCurrencyFinder, ISV1OrderEntryCustomUICallback.currencyCode1, null, "Custom Currency Finder", sg.finderHelper.createDefaultFunction("txtCustomCurrency1", "CurrencyCodeId", sg.finderOperator.StartsWith), null, true);

1. Add the following snippet to the initNumericTextBox control for numeric numbers:

$("#numericOrderAmount").kendoNumericTextBox({

spinners : false,

decimals: 3

});

1. Add code to initialize the Kendo UI Grid, Dropdown and other controls as needed. Refer to the sample code for details.

5.2 Intercept existing events and add custom logic

There are two ways to intercept an existing event.

1. Get the existing event and handler, unbind the existing handler, and bind to the custom handler

As an example, to intercept the existing Prepayment button’s click event, show a confirmation message, and then cancel the prepayment click action, add the following code in the initIntercept function:

//Prepayment button event intercept

if ($('#btnPrepayment')[0] == undefined) return;

var prepaymentHandler = null;

var prepaymentHandlers = $('#btnPrepayment').data('events').click;

if (prepaymentHandlers && prepaymentHandlers.length > 0) {

prepaymentHandler = prepaymentHandlers[0].handler;

}

//unbind the original

$('#btnPrepayment').unbind('click');

//bind the modified one

$('#btnPrepayment').click(function () {

sg.utls.showKendoConfirmationDialog(

function () {

var data = orderEntryUI.orderEntryModel.Data;

var amountDue = data.AmountDueLessCurrPrepayment();

data.AmountDueLessCurrPrepayment(amountDue + 1000);

prepaymentHandler();

},

function () {

return false;

},

"This will intercept the Sage 300c Order Entry show prepayment action and add extra cost to the order prepayment amount due. Are you sure you want to do that?");

});

1. Intercept the screen’s Ajax call and add customization logic before or after the Ajax call

To intercept an existing Ajax call, you will need to get part of the Ajax call URL using a web tool such as Fiddler. For the Order Entry GetDetails action, part of the URL is /OE/OrderEntry/GetDetails, so in the JavaScript code, use this part of the URL to specify which Ajax call to intercept.

As an example, we will add code to calculate some order detail field amounts and will show them in the added Total Cost textbox.

To define the variables, refer to the sample code. Add the following code to the $(document).ajaxSuccess(function (event, xhr, settings) function:

if (settings.url.indexOf("/OE/OrderEntry/GetDetails") > -1) {

var data = jQuery.parseJSON(settings.data);

ISV1OrderEntryCustomUI.orderNumber = data.model.OrderNumber;

if (data.model.OrderNumber && data.model.OrderNumber !== "\*\*\* NEW \*\*\*") {

$("#btnFromCustom").trigger('click');

var grid = $("#OrderDetailGrid").data("kendoGrid");

var gridData = grid.dataSource.view();

for (var i = 0; i < gridData.length; i++) {

ISV1OrderEntryCustomUI.total[0] += gridData[i].ExtendedPrice;

ISV1OrderEntryCustomUI.total[1] += gridData[i].DiscountedExtendedAmount;

ISV1OrderEntryCustomUI.total[2] += gridData[i].ExtendedOrderCost;

}

$("#txtCustomCTotalCost").val(ISV1OrderEntryCustomUI.total[0]);

var comment = "Total Cost for " + data.model.OrderNumber + " is " + ISV1OrderEntryCustomUI.total[0];

$("#txtAreaCustomComments").val(comment);

$("#txtCustomCurrency").val("CAD");

//Enable custom tab page

var tabStrip = $("#orderEntryTabStrip").kendoTabStrip().data("kendoTabStrip");

tabStrip.enable(tabStrip.tabGroup.children().eq(7), true);

}

}

When the GetDetails routine is successful, add the following code to send the Ajax call to load custom details information from the custom controller:

$(document).ajaxComplete(function (event, xhr, settings) {

if (settings.url.indexOf("/OE/OrderEntry/GetDetails") > -1) {

var data = jQuery.parseJSON(settings.data);

if (data.model.OrderNumber && data.model.OrderNumber !== "\*\*\* NEW \*\*\*") {

var url = sg.utls.url.buildUrl("CU", "ISV1Customization", "GetOrderDetails");

$.ajax({

type: 'get',

dataType: 'json',

cache: false,

//url: url,

//Use local web server url, when deploy to Sage 300c, use above url

url: 'http://localhost/ISV1.web/OnPremise/CU/ISV1Customization/GetOrderDetails',

data: { id: data.model.OrderNumber },

success: function (data) {

ISV1OrderEntryCustomUICallback.loadCustomOrder(data);

},

error: function () {

}

});

}

}

});

The Ajax call URL should be the web server URL. When deployed to the web application, it should use the sg.utls.url.buildUrl function to build the Ajax call URL, such as sg.utls.url.buildUrl("CU", "ISV1Customization", "GetOrderDetails"). The parameters are the area (module), controller name, and action method. For details, refer to the sample code.

5.3 Add event handler and call back functions

Some functions or methods require a call back function, for example, the finder control setup method and Ajax calls method. In the Order Entry sample, an Ajax call will be made to the Common Services Tax Authorities controller to get a currency description.

Add the following code to the initButtons function:

$("#btnFromSage300").bind('click', function () {

var url = sg.utls.url.buildUrl("CS", "TaxAuthority", "GetCurrencyDescription");

sg.utls.ajaxPost(url, { currencyCode: "CAD" }, ISV1OrderEntryCustomUICallback.getCustomInfo);

});

Add the following call back function getCustomInfo in ISV1OrderEntryCustomUICallback:

getCustomInfo: function (result) {

result = result.CurDescription + "-This info is get from sage300c controller";

$('#txtFromSage300').val(result);

//sg.utls.showKendoConfirmationDialog(function () { }, null, "Custom Text box info is get from sage 300 server ajax call");

sg.controls.Focus($("#txtCustomTextDesc"));

},

When the btnFromSage300 is clicked, a confirmation message box will be displayed and the txtFromSage300 textbox will be populated.

To add other call back functions to ISV1OrderEntryCustomUICallback, refer to the sample code.

1. Add custom model, view model, and controller

Use the Sage 300 UI Customization Wizard to create a template project in order to add a custom model, view model, and controller under the Areas\CU\Models and Areas\CU\Controllers folders. The custom view model fields can be bound to custom added controls. See sample order entry custom tab page fields bindings.

6.1 Add custom view model

Add the custom view model class (as the orderViewModel.cs file) to the Model folder. The file content is as follow:

public class OrderViewModel

{

    public List<string> CustomOrderType

    {

        get

        {

            return new List<string> {"Order Type 1", "Order Type 2", "Order Type 3", "Order Type 4"};

        }

    }

    public string CustomOrderNumber { get; set; }

    public string CustomOrderComments { get; set; }

    public DateTime CustomOrderDate { get; set; }

    public double CustomOrdNumberAmount { get; set; }

    public bool CustomIsActiveOrder { get; set; }

    public string CustomOrderCurrency { get; set; }

}

6.2 Add custom controller action methods

Add the following action methods in ISV1CustomController class

[HttpGet]

public JsonResult GetOrderDetails(string id)

{

    // Call Sage 300c controller/service/repository or custom service to get data

    var data = new OrderViewModel();

    data.CustomOrderNumber = "CustomOrder\_00001";

    data.CustomOrderComments = "This is custom order comments.";

    data.CustomOrderDate = new DateTime(2016, 10, 28);

    data.CustomIsActiveOrder = true;

    data.CustomOrdNumberAmount = 20100.82;

    data.CustomOrderCurrency = "CAD";

    JsonResult jsonResult = new JsonResult {JsonRequestBehavior = JsonRequestBehavior.AllowGet};

    jsonResult.Data = Json(data);

    return jsonResult;

}

When built in release mode, it will deploy the {companyName}CUBootstrapper.xml and {companyName}.web.dll to Sage 300c web application root and bin folder respectively. The Sage 300 web application will load this assembly and it will be used by the application

1. Packaging the customization

When the customization is complete (coded, tested, etc.), the developer should pack the customization files to a package (zip file), it will be used by the Customization Admin screen. This screen will automatically manage the import of the customization files, assignment to the applicable companies, etc.

A customization package can include a customization for a single screen or a customization for multiple screens.

Note: It is recommended that you create the package for a single screen in order to simplify the administration and management of the customization.

The package will include the Manifest.json file which describes the customization package.

Example:

{

"BusinessPartnerName": "ISV1",

"PackageId": "Unique\_GUID",

"SageCompatibility": "6.4A+",

"Name": "ISV-Customization",

"Description": "ISV1's customization for the web screens",

"Version": "1.0",

"EULA": "<license file>",

"Bootstrapper": "ISV1CUBootstrapper.xml",

"Assembly": "ISV1.Web.dll",

"WebScreens":

[

{

"ScreenName": "CutsomOECopyOrder",

"ScreenDescription": "Order Entry Transactions Copy Orders",

"TargetScreen": "CopyOrder",

"ControlsConfiguration": "CopyOrder\_Settings.xml",

"ControlsBehavior": "CopyOrder\_Custom.js"

},

{

"ScreenName": "OrderEntry\_Custom",

"ScreenDescription": "OrderEntry\_Custom Description",

"TargetScreen": "OrderEntry",

"ControlsConfiguration": "OrderEntry\_Settings.xml",

"ControlsBehavior": "OrderEntry\_Custom.js"

},

{

"ScreenName": "CSTaxAuthorities",

"ScreenDescription": "Common Services Tax Authorities",

"TargetScreen": "TaxAuthorities",

"ControlsConfiguration": "TaxAuthorities\_Settings.xml",

"ControlsBehavior": "TaxAuthorities\_Custom.js"

}

]

}

The JSON file is a simple text file and care must be taken to enter accurately as the Customization Admin screen will not import customization packages with invalid manifests.

The example JSON file includes configuration and JavaScript files for three custom screens.

The PackageId value must be unique. Use a GUID value.

If assemblies are to be deployed, include the files of the assembly and the bootstrapper.xml file in the package, and specify them in this manifest file.