Appian

Quick Links Using Intuitive URLs

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Intuitive URLs are quick links that can be used to access various Appian objects.

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For example, you can link to a discussion forum using its intuitive URL, such as `http://<HOST.DOMAIN>/suite/forum/9203` where **9203** is the ID of the forum.

Object IDs

All Appian Objects have ID numbers. You can obtain the ID number of an object by viewing its properties.

In the following tables, we have listed intuitive URLs in Appian with some examples of typical usage. Intuitive URLs always begin with a base URL of `http://<HOST.DOMAIN>/suite/` . Append the object ID to build the desired URL.

NOTE: Only the URLs listed in the tables below are considered public URLs and are guaranteed to remain stable from release to release.
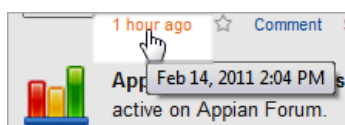
Best Practice: When an object is exported and imported onto a new system, the object ID (displayed on the object's properties) may change. For reason, we recommend using a constant, rule, or variable to represent an object ID when configuring object links in your application. The following approach is commonly used:

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1. Create a constant, process variable, or rule for each object ID.
2. List the ID property of the object (as an integer) for the constant or variable's value. Or, define a rule that retrieves the object ID.
3. Use the constant (or rule) in place of the object ID when configuring a link to the object, such as `linktodocument(cons!DocTemplate,"Template")` rather than `linktodocument(48,"Template")` - or - `linktoprocessdashboardinternal(parent_process_id(),"Back to Parent Process")` rather than `linktoprocessdashboardinternal(108,"Back to Parent Process")`

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4. After importing the application (with these objects and constants) update the constants with the new object IDs.

Tempo Intuitive URLs

Object	Description	Parameter(s)	Example(s)
Feed Entry	Link to a Tempo feed entry	Entry ID (entry)	/suite/tempo/news/entry/b-32618
Records List	Link to a Tempo List of Records for a Specific Record Type	Record Type URL Shortcut (text) • Defined when creating the Record Type	/suite/tempo/records/clients
Record Detail	Link to a Tempo Record Detail Page	Record Opaque ID (record)	/suite/tempo/records/clients/b8486542

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NOTE: You can retrieve the intuitive URL for a feed entry by clicking the entry's timestamp as shown below:

NOTE: You can retrieve the intuitive URL for a record using the `urlforrecord()` expression function.

See also: urlforrecord()

Application Portal Intuitive URLs

Object	Description	Parameter(s)	Example(s)
Application	Link to an application	Application URL Shortcut (such as **expenses**)	/suite/apps/expenses
Application Navigation Item	Link to a tabbed page in an application	Navigation item URL Shortcut (such as **my_expenses**)	/suite/apps/expenses/my_expenses
Application Objects	Link to a specific object within a desired application context.	Application URL Navigation Item Object type (such as **folder** or **process**) Object ID • Links to document objects within applications (such as `/suite/apps///doc/` are not supported.	/suite/apps/helpdesk/issues/folder/173 /suite/apps/helpdesk/issues/proc/5644312345

System Object Intuitive URLs

The following intuitive URLs are displayed in the Application Designer interface. (Do not include `/Designer/` in the path.)

Object	Description	Parameter	Example(s)
Group	Link to a group object	Group ID (group)	suite/group/30
Portal Page	Link to a page object	Page ID (page)	suite/page/92
Folder	Link to a folder object	Folder ID (folder)	suite/folder/203
Knowledge Center	Link to a knowledge center object	Knowledge Center ID (kc)	suite/kc/920
Document Management Community	Link to a document management community	Community ID (community)	suite/community/9
Discussion Forum	Link to a discussion forum	Forum ID (forum)	suite/forum/903
Discussion Thread	Link to a discussion thread	Thread ID (thread)	suite/thread/9003
Process	Link to a process instance dashboard	Process ID (proc)	suite/proc/630
Process Model	Link to a process model dashboard	Process Model ID (model)	suite/model/3
Report	Link to a report	Report ID (report)	suite/report/33
Task	Link to a task	Task ID (task)	suite/task/9203
User	Link to a user profile	Username (user)	suite/user/john.doe` `suite/user/Administrator

Best Practice: Do not design legacy intuitive URL links to appear on pages available to Application Users.

- Use `linkto__internal()` functions instead of `linkto__()` functions, or create the link of the form (for example, `/apps/<APP_NAME>/<TAB_NAME>/<OBJECT_TYPE>/<id>` .