

MS Dynamics CRM 365

Additional Field Customizations



Lesson Objectives

- Creating Fields to Meet Client Needs
- Using Calculated and Rollup Fields
- Working with Local and Global Options Sets
- Using Alternate Keys to Facilitate Data Integration
- Dynamic 365 Field Level Security
- State and Status Reason Transitions



Using Fields to Meet Client Needs

- Often times customers will require specific types of fields to provide specific functionality
- Potential Needs:
 - Ability to perform calculations
 - Aggregate data from related records
 - Prevent specific users from viewing or modifying specific data
 - Share lists across entities





Calculated Fields

- Let you automate manual calculations
 - Calculations use fields from the current or related entities
 - Expression support available on the current and related parent entities
 - Conditions can be added to support branching

- Examples:

- Weighted Revenue
- Cost of Labor
- Net Worth

 SAVE  SAVE AND CLOSE

CALCULATED FIELD

Set Amount to Finance

▾ IF...THEN

▾ CONDITION (OPTIONAL)

+ Add condition

▾ ACTION

Set Amount to Finance to Credit Limit * .80



Defined Calculated Fields

- Change field type from simple to calculated
 - Click edit – it will create the field
 - Once created you cannot change field type
- Can only be defined during field creation
 - Existing fields cannot be converted to calculated
- Calculation expressions can be modified at any time

Type

Data Type *

Whole Number

Field Type *

Calculated

Edit





Rollup Fields

- Aggregate value of records related to specific record
 - Ex. Total est. revenue of opportunities for a specific account
- Available Functions:
 - Sum
 - Count
 - Min
 - Max
 - Avg

ROLLUP FIELD

Open Opp Value

▸ SOURCE ENTITY

Source: **Account**

Use Hierarchy: **NO**

▸ RELATED ENTITY

Related: **Opportunities (Potential Customer)**

▸ FILTERS (OPTIONAL)

If **Status Reason** equals **"In Progress"**

+ Add condition

▸ AGGREGATION

SUM of Est. Revenue



Dynamics 365 Option Sets

- Store values as integers
- Displays text labels associated with the values
- Customize options and labels
- Two types: Local and Global
 - Local Option Set Only available for a single field on single entity
 - Global Option Set can be used with more than one field on more than one entity

Consider advantages of each type before creating a new field



Local Option Sets and Field Mapping

- Option Set fields are mapped between entities based on the underlying integer values
- Make sure option sets have equivalent labels

Event Type			Booking Type	
Product Demo	1	→	1	Product Demo
Market Research	2	→	2	Product Launch
Product Launch	3	→	3	Market Research
Trade Show	4	→	?	???



Modifying Option Sets

- New Labels Used for new and existing records
- Deleted options leave old records unchanged – the records still store the old value
 - Old records will be updated to the current default value when the record is opened
 - Use advanced find before deleting an option and update records to a new value, or clear the old one
 - With many options or lists which might change frequently, consider a lookup to a custom entity



Alternate Keys

- Alternate Keys provide an efficient and accurate way of integrating external data into Dynamics 365
- Can be used to uniquely identify the Dynamics 365 records
 - Important when external System doesn't store the Dynamics 365 IDs
- Key creation
 - Must have a unique name
 - Can use one or more entity fields to define the key

Key Definition

Display Name * GP Account ID

Available Attributes

Email (emailaddress1)
Email Address 2 (emailaddress2)
Email Address 3 (emailaddress3)
Fax (fax)
FTP Site (ftpsiteurl)
Main Phone (telephone1)
No. of Employees (numberofemployees)
Other Phone (telephone2)
Primary Satori ID (primarysatoriid)
Primary Twitter ID (primarytwitterid)
Shares Outstanding (sharesoutstanding)

Add >

< Remove

Name * new_GPAccountID

Selected Attributes

Account Name (name)
Account Number (accountnumber)


OK



Field Security

- Field security applies to all access methods
 - Including: views, charts, audit logs, data import, SDK
- Available for system and custom fields
- All access is removed until you grant permissions to it
 - Create field security profiles for users or teams
- System Administration profile
 - Profile with all permissions to all fields
 - Includes all users who have the system admin security role

Field Security ☒ Enable ☐ Disable

 Enabling field security? [What you need to know](#)


Details

PERSONAL	
Gender	<input type="text" value="Gender"/>
Marital Status	<input type="text" value="Marital Status"/>
Spouse/Partner Name	<input type="text" value="Spouse/Partner"/>
Birthday📅	<input type="text" value="Birthday"/>
Anniversary	<input type="text" value="Anniversary"/>




Field Security Profiles

- All secured fields are listed
 - Add users and/or Teams
- Select fields and grant permissions to them
 - Read, Update, Create
- Permissions are independent of each other
 - For example, user could have Update, but not Read

 Field Security Profile: Sales

Working on solution: Default Solution

 **Field Permissions**

Field Security Profile : Information

General

Related

Members:

Common

Field Permissions

Edit

✓	Name ↑	Display Name	Type	Entity ↑	Read	Update	Create	↻
	opendeals	Open Deals	Whole Number	Account	No			
	openrevenue	Open Revenue	Currency	Account	No			
✓	birthdate	Birthday	Date and Time	Contact	No	No	No	



Field Security and Security Roles

- Security applies at the following levels:
 - **Entity:** Managed through security roles
 - **Record:** Enabled by sharing specific records
 - **Field:** Controlled by using field security profiles
- Field Security combined with Security Profiles
 - Least restrictive Field Security profile applies
 - Least restrictive Security Role applies
 - Most restrictive of the two models wins
 - For example, a user who has update access to a record and read permissions to a secure field can only read the field





Status and Status Reason

- Status is the main “state” of a record
 - Most entities have two states: Active and Inactive
 - Some system entities have more than two, and/or use different names for these states
 - Cannot be customized
- Status Reason provides detail
 - Each status reason is associated with one state
 - Default status reasons for custom entities are active and inactive (You can rename these)
 - You can change labels and add more options



Status Reason Transitions

- On the case and custom entities, status transitions can be defined to add additional level of filtering that defines a specific list of status reasons that can be chosen for specific status reason
- Each reason option for an active status must allow at least one path to an inactive status





Module Review

- By using calculated fields, you can perform calculations and populate data from other fields
- Rollup fields provide a convenient way to aggregate data from related records
- Alternate keys can be a key component where integrating Dynamics 365 with external applications
- Field level security can be applied to system or custom fields and is applied regardless of how the data is accessed



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