



# GETTING TO KNOW CASE FEED

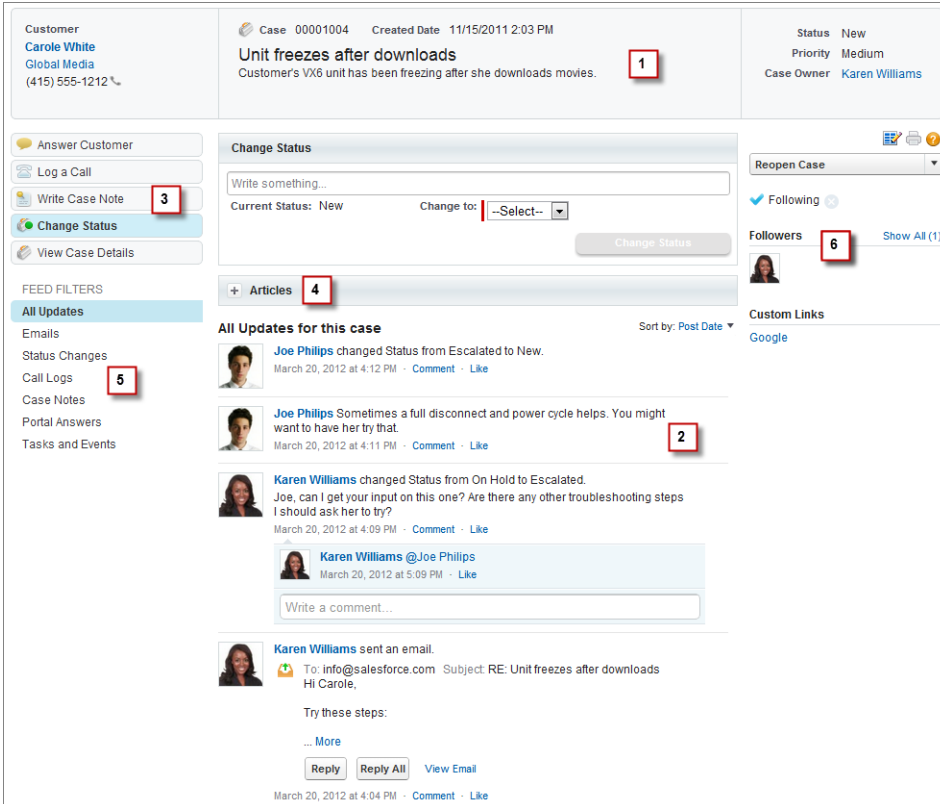
Case Feed introduces a new way of creating, reviewing, and updating cases. It's designed for support agents in fast-paced environments who interact with customers through multiple channels, including phone, email, and portals.

This tip sheet offers an overview of Case Feed features and explains how it makes working with cases easier.

 **Note:** Depending on how your administrator has set up Case Feed in your organization, you may not see some of the features described below.

## Case Feed Overview

The main Case Feed page gives a high-level overview of the case. You can quickly see the case status and Chatter updates, and take action on the case,



The screenshot shows the Salesforce Case Feed interface for a case titled "Unit freezes after downloads". The interface is divided into several sections:

- 1. Highlights panel:** Located at the top right, it displays case information including the case number (00001004), created date (11/15/2011 2:03 PM), status (New), priority (Medium), and case owner (Karen Williams).
- 2. Chatter feed:** The main central area showing updates for the case. It includes a "Change Status" section with a "Write something..." text box and a "Change Status" button. Below this is an "Articles" section with a "+" icon. The feed itself shows updates from users like Joe Philips and Karen Williams, including status changes and comments.
- 3. Publisher tools:** Located on the left side, it includes buttons for "Answer Customer", "Log a Call", "Write Case Note", "Change Status", and "View Case Details".
- 4. FEED FILTERS:** A section on the left side with a dropdown menu set to "All Updates". Other filter options include "Emails", "Status Changes", "Call Logs", "Case Notes", "Portal Answers", and "Tasks and Events".
- 5. Call Logs:** A specific filter option under "Call Logs" in the FEED FILTERS section.
- 6. Followers:** Located on the right side, it shows a "Following" status and a "Followers" section with a "Show All (1)" link.

Case Feed includes these features:

- 1. Highlights panel.** Shows the most important information about a case at the top of the page.
- 2. Chatter feed.** Lists updates made to the case.
- 3. Publisher tools.** Let you communicate with customers, log calls, write case notes, and view details about the case, all from within the feed.

- 4. Articles tool.** Makes it easy to search for Salesforce Knowledge articles and attach them to the case or email them to the customer.
- 5. Feed Filters.** Filters case activities by type for a one-click view, such as a view of all emails associated with the case.
- 6. Followers.** Lists case followers so you can easily see the other agents who are involved in resolving the customer's issue.

The following sections highlight the tasks you can do from the main Case Feed page.

## Viewing Case Information

In the standard case layout, getting an overview of a case and its details requires looking at related lists and clicking around to find the information you want. With Case Feed, it's easy to see both the highlights of and details about a case.

### Feed

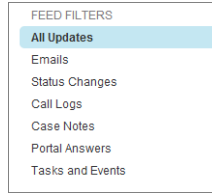
The screenshot displays the 'All updates for this case' feed. At the top right, a 'Sort by: Post Date' dropdown menu is open, showing 'Post Date' selected and 'Post & Comment Date' as an alternative. The feed contains six updates:

- Karen Williams sent an email.** To: info@salesforce.com Subject: Unit freezes after down. Hi Carole, Try these steps: ... More. Buttons: Reply, Reply All, View Email. Date: November 16, 2011 at 5:22 PM. Actions: Comment, Like.
- Joe Philips** We haven't seen this issue with other units. Seems to affect only the VX6. One thing you might have the customer try is power-cycling and then installing the upgrade that should be offered when she turns her unit back on. Let me know if that helps. Date: November 16, 2011 at 5:18 PM. Actions: Comment, Like.
- Karen Williams** changed Status from New to Escalated. Escalating this to Joe for more input. Have you heard of this happening to other customers? Is it just the VX6, or are other models also affected? Date: November 16, 2011 at 4:57 PM. Actions: Comment, Like.
- Karen Williams** created a task. Call customer to follow up. Assigned to: Karen Williams Due Date: 11/16/2011. View Task. Date: November 15, 2011 at 2:18 PM. Actions: Comment, Like.
- Karen Williams** logged a call. Called and spoke with Carole to get some additional details on the problem she's having. Will call her back tomorrow once she's had the chance to do some troubleshooting. Date: November 15, 2011 at 2:18 PM. Actions: Comment, Like.
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The feed shows updates made to a case, who made them, and when they were made. You can comment on or like an update, which will automatically make you a follower of the case. Depending on your Chatter feeds settings, you might receive email notifications when new updates happen, or when someone else comments on the case. (To check these settings, from your [personal settings](#), enter *My Feeds* in the *Quick Find* box, then select **My Feeds**.) You can use the **Sort by** drop-down list to show case updates by the date they were made or by the date of the most recent comment.

### Feed Filters

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Feed filters let you limit the updates displayed in the feed. For example, click **Call Logs** to show only information about calls related to the case.

## Highlights Panel

<b>Customer</b> <a href="#">Carole White</a> <a href="#">Global Media</a> <a href="mailto:info@salesforce.com">info@salesforce.com</a> (415) 555-1212	<b>Case</b> 00001004 <b>Created Date</b> 11/15/2011 2:03 PM <b>Unit freezes after downloads</b> Customer's VX6 unit has been freezing after she downloads movies.	<b>Status</b> Escalated <b>Priority</b> Medium <b>Case Owner</b> <a href="#">Karen Williams</a>
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The highlights panel at the top of the page shows key information about the case, such as the customer's name and contact information, the date the case was created, and the case owner. Your administrator can customize this panel to include the information that's most relevant to your team. Contacts, accounts, case owners, and other related fields appear in the panel as links; click one to go to its detail page.

## Case Detail Page

<b>Customer</b> <a href="#">Carole White</a> <a href="#">Global Media</a> (415) 555-1212	<b>Case</b> 00001004 <b>Created Date</b> 11/15/2011 2:03 PM <b>Unit freezes after downloads</b> Customer's VX6 unit has been freezing after she downloads movies.	<b>Status</b> New <b>Priority</b> Medium <b>Case Owner</b> <a href="#">Karen Williams</a>
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Answer Customer

Log a Call

Write Case Note

Change Status

**View Case Details**

Activity History (5)

Attachments (2)

Contact Roles (1)

Emails (2)

Open Activities (1)

**Case Detail**    [Edit](#) [Delete](#) [Close Case](#) [Clone](#) [Reopen Case](#) [Reassign](#)

**Case Owner** [Karen Williams](#) [Change](#)

**Contact Name** [Carole White](#)

**Account Name** [Global Media](#)

**Status** New

**Priority** Medium

**Contact Phone** (415) 555-1212

**Contact Email** [info@salesforce.com](mailto:info@salesforce.com)

**Case Origin** Phone

**Subject** Unit freezes after downloads

**Description** Customer's VX6 unit has been freezing after she downloads movies.

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**Custom Links**

[Google](#)

[Edit](#) [Delete](#) [Close Case](#) [Clone](#) [Reopen Case](#) [Reassign](#)

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**Activity History**    [Log A Call](#) [Mail Merge](#) [Send An Email](#) [View All](#)    [Activity History Help](#)

Action	Subject	Name	Task	Due Date	Assigned To	Last Modified Date/Time
<a href="#">Edit</a>   <a href="#">Del</a>	Email: RE: Unit freezes after downloads [ref_00DD0JWA_r_500D03av7u.ref]		✓	3/20/2012	<a href="#">Karen Williams</a>	3/20/2012 4:04 PM
<a href="#">Edit</a>   <a href="#">Del</a>	<a href="#">Call Log</a>	<a href="#">Carole White</a>	✓	3/5/2012	<a href="#">Karen Williams</a>	3/5/2012 12:11 PM
<a href="#">Edit</a>   <a href="#">Del</a>	<a href="#">QC Team Meeting</a>	<a href="#">Carole White</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2/29/2012 2:00 PM	<a href="#">Karen Williams</a>	2/15/2012 1:34 PM
<a href="#">Edit</a>   <a href="#">Del</a>	Email: Unit freezes after downloads [ref_00DD0JWA_r_500D03av7u.ref]		✓	11/16/2011	<a href="#">Karen Williams</a>	11/16/2011 5:22 PM
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**Attachments**    [Attach File](#) [View All](#)    [Attachments Help](#)

Action	File Name	Size	Last Modified	Created By
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<a href="#">Edit</a>   <a href="#">View</a>   <a href="#">Del</a>	<a href="#">176 RN 2-3-12.pdf</a>	2.86MB	2/15/2012 1:33 PM	<a href="#">Karen Williams</a>

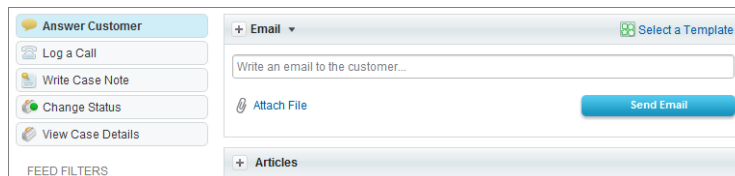
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To see the standard detail page for a case, click **View Case Details**. From the detail page, you can access all of the information about the case, including tasks and events. Use the links below the **View Case Details** button for easy access to any of the related lists on the page.

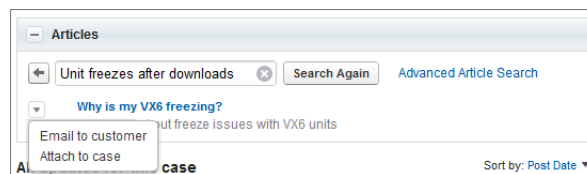
## Working on a Case

No matter how you communicate with customers to resolve their issues, you can work directly from the feed.

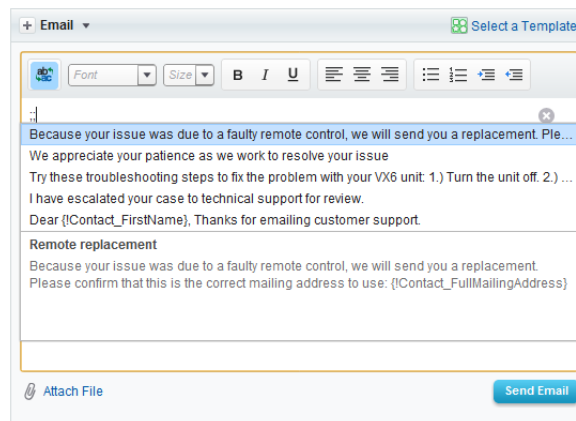
### Email



Click **Answer Customer** and choose **Email** to reply to the customer by email. You can use the Rich Text Editor and templates to format your message. For details, see “Customize Emails with the Rich Text Editor in Case Feed” and “Use Email Templates in Case Feed” in the Salesforce online help.



If your organization has Salesforce Knowledge enabled, you can use the articles tool to search for articles relevant to the case and email them to the customer. Check out “Find, Attach, and Email Articles with the Case Feed Articles Tool” in the Salesforce online help for more information .

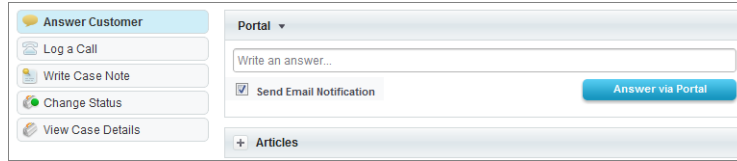


If your organization has Quick Text enabled, you can insert short pre-written messages into your emails. Type ; ; to bring up the list of available messages. Click one to see the full text of the message, and click it again to add it to your email.

For more information, see [Use Quick Text in Case Feed](#).

### Portal Answers

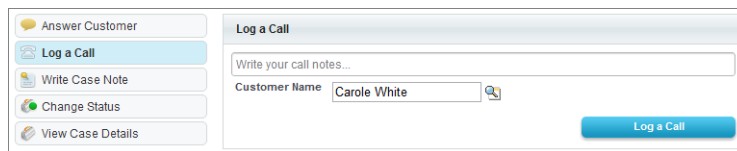
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If your organization uses a Partner Portal, Customer Portal, or Self-Service Portal, you can respond to customers directly through it. Just click **Answer Customer** and choose **Portal**. You can also reply to a message that has come in through a portal by clicking **Answer via Portal** below the message in the feed.

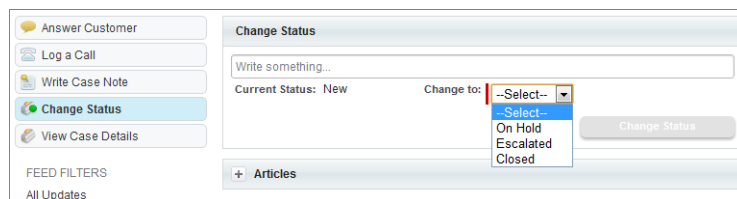
When you contact a customer through the portal, you can select **Send Email Notification** to send the customer a message letting them know that you've posted a reply to their question.

### Logging Calls



When you communicate with customers by phone, click **Log a Call** to write and save notes about the call. If you're using a SoftPhone for Salesforce CRM Call Center, completed calls and call notes are automatically added to the feed.

### Case Status

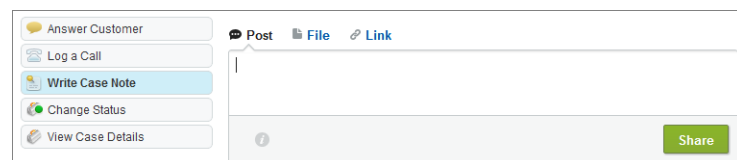


To change the status of a case, click **Change Status** and choose the new status from the **Change to:** drop-down list. You can use the text box to add notes about the status change. When you change the status of a case to **Closed**, you might be prompted to enter additional information, such as the reason for closing the case or the final resolution, depending on how your administrator has set up the Change Status tool.

## Collaborating with Others on Cases


Case Feed makes it easy to work with your teammates to resolve customers' issues.


### Case Notes, Mentions, and Keywords




Share updates about a case with others in your department or get input from them by clicking **Write Case Note**. To mention someone in your note, type **@** and start typing a name, then choose the name you want from the list that appears. People you mention in your note receive an email notification.


**Updates for everything at my company** Sort by: Post Date ▾

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Today at 1:10 PM · [Like](#)


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Add keywords or phrases to your notes by typing them after a hashtag (#)—for example, #VX6. Click a keyword in any feed to see a list of all the case updates throughout your department that use it.

 **Tip:** You can also use hashtags and mentions (for example, @YourName) when you comment on a case update.

## Learning More

To find out more about Case Feed, click **Help for this Page** on the feed page or search for Case Feed in the Salesforce online help.