

# Publisher and Quick Action Developer Guide

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# GET STARTED WITH THE PUBLISHER AND QUICK ACTION APIS

Create custom components to interact with the actions on pages in Salesforce Classic and Lightning Experience apps. Using Aura components, Visualforce, and Apex, you can customize your app's experience, including the case feed. For example, you can use a custom component to let users send an email with a Knowledge article.

The Salesforce Classic Publisher JavaScript APIs, also known as the Case Feed Publisher APIs, and the Lightning Quick Action JavaScript APIs both interact with page actions. The Publisher APIs work with Visualforce components and pages to interact with publisher actions. The Quick Action APIs are called by the lightning: quickActionAPI component to interact with quick actions.



**Note:** Starting with API version 43.0 of the Publisher API, the methods used in Visualforce components work in Lightning Experience. Just point to the latest version of the Publisher API script in your Visualforce pages.

#### **EDITIONS**

Available in: Salesforce Classic and Lightning Experience

Available in: **Group**, **Professional**, **Enterprise**, **Performance**, **Unlimited**, and **Developer** Editions

To use this guide, it helps if you have a basic familiarity with JavaScript, Visualforce, Apex, Aura components, and the Salesforce user interface.

#### SEE ALSO:

How Are the Publisher and Quick Action APIs Different?

Method Parity Between the Publisher API and the Quick Action API
Quick Action APIs in Lightning Experience
Publisher APIs in Salesforce Classic
Customize Case Feed Actions with Visualforce

# HOW ARE THE PUBLISHER AND QUICK ACTION APIS DIFFERENT?

The user interface in your org can dictate which development tools you can use to interact with actions. In Salesforce Classic, you use the Salesforce Classic Publisher JavaScript APIs with Visualforce components to interact with actions. In Lightning Experience, you use the lightning:quickActionAPI component to call the Lightning Quick Action JavaScript APIs to interact with actions.

| Different How? | Salesforce Classic Publisher JavaScript APIs  | Lightning Quick Action JavaScript APIs                                |
|----------------|---|---|
| Implementation | To implement, load the publisher script in your Visualforce page or component. For example:   | To implement, use the component lightning:quickActionAPI inyourcustom |
|                | <pre><script <="" pre="" type="text/javascript"></td><td>Aura component. For example:</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td><aura:component</td></tr><tr><td></td><td><pre>src='/canvas/sdk/js/43.0/publisher.js'/></pre></td><td>implements="flexipage:availableForRecordHome"</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Then you can reference the Publisher APIs through the Sfdc.canvas.publisher object. For example:</td><td><pre>description="My Aura component">      <!idouble component</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Sfdc.canvas.publisher.selectAction({})</td><td><pre>aura:id="quickActionAPI" /></pre></td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></aura:component></td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td>Then you can reference the Quick Action APIs in your controller code.</td></tr><tr><td>Supported Actions, Apps, and Pages</td><td>Works with any quick action on a record page in Salesforce Classic apps for objects that are feed-enabled. Supports apps with standard navigation and console navigation.</td><td>Works with any quick actions on a record page in any Lightning Experience app. Supports apps with standard navigation and console navigation.</td></tr><tr><td>Available Methods</td><td>Provides the following methods:</td><td>Provides the following methods:</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>• publisher.customActionMessage</td><td>• getAvailableActions</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>• publisher.invokeAction</td><td>• getAvailableActionFields</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>• refresh</td><td>getCustomAction</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>• publisher.selectAction</td><td>• getSelectedActions</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>• publisher.setActionInputValues</td><td>• invokeAction</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td><ul><li>refresh</li><li>selectAction</li></ul></td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td>• setActionFieldValues</td></tr><tr><td>Lightning Experience and</td><td>Works in Salesforce Classic and Lightning Experience.</td><td>Works only in Lightning Experience.</td></tr><tr><td>Salesforce Classic Support</td><td>Tip: Starting with API version 43.0 of the Salesforce Classic JavaScript Publisher API, the methods used in Visualforce components and</td><td>Tip: Before implementing, review the Quick Action API Considerations.</td></tr></tbody></table></script></pre> |   |

| Different How? | Salesforce Classic Publisher JavaScript APIs  | Lightning Quick Action JavaScript APIs |
|----------------|---|--|
|                | pages work in Lightning Experience. Just point<br>to the latest version of the Publisher API script<br>in your Visualforce pages. |  |
|                | <script< td=""><td></td></script<>  |  |
|                | <pre>src="/canvas/sdk/js/43.0/publisher.js"</pre>   |  |
|                | <pre>type="text/javascript"&gt; </pre>  |  |
|                | Note: The portalPostFields input value is not supported in Lightning Experience.  |  |

#### IN THIS SECTION:

#### Method Parity Between the Publisher API and the Quick Action API

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This table shows which Quick Action API methods map to Publisher API methods.

| Quick Action API Method (in Aura Component) | Publisher API Method (in Visualforce) |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| getAvailableActions                         | N/A                                   |
| getAvailableActionFields                    | N/A                                   |
| getCustomAction                             | customActionMessage                   |
| getSelectedActions                          | N/A                                   |
| invokeAction                                | invokeAction                          |
| refresh                                     | refresh                               |
| selectAction                                | selectAction                          |
| setActionFieldValues                        | setActionInputValues                  |

# WORK WITH THE QUICK ACTION AND PUBLISHER APIS

The Lightning Quick Action JavaScript API and the Salesforce Classic Publisher JavaScript API both let you interact with actions. If you're building out Aura components in Lightning Experience, use the Quick Action API. This API can interact with all quick actions on a record page. If you're writing Visualforce pages in Salesforce Classic, use the Publisher API. This API can interact with any quick actions on record pages in Salesforce Classic apps for objects that are feed-enabled.

#### IN THIS SECTION:

#### Quick Action APIs in Lightning Experience

A lightning:quickActionAPI component allows you to access methods for programmatically controlling quick actions on record pages. This component is supported in Lightning Experience and supports utility pop-out. This component requires API version 43.0 and later.

#### Publisher APIs in Salesforce Classic

The Salesforce Classic Publisher JavaScript API lets your Visualforce pages and components interact with actions you've added to a record page in a Salesforce Classic app for objects that are feed-enabled. The Publisher API works in Salesforce Classic apps with standard navigation and console navigation. For example, you could develop a component that generates customized, pre-written text, adds that text to a new post in the Case Feed portal action, and submits the post to the portal, all with one click.

# Quick Action APIs in Lightning Experience

A lightning: quickActionAPI component allows you to access methods for programmatically controlling quick actions on record pages. This component is supported in Lightning Experience and supports utility pop-out. This component requires API version 43.0 and later.

For example, if you have a custom Aura component that displays Knowledge articles, you can use the lightning:quickActionAPI component to attach and send a Knowledge article from your custom component using the Email quick action on the case record page.

To access these methods, create an instance of the lightning: quickActionAPI component inside your Aura component or page and assign an aura:id attribute to it.

<lightning:quickActionAPI aura:id="quickActionAPI"/>

This component provides similar functionality to the Publisher APIs in Salesforce Classic.

# Sample Code

This example creates two buttons that interact with the Update Case quick action on a case record page in Lightning Experience. The controller code uses the following Quick Action API methods: selectAction, setActionFieldValues, and invokeAction.

#### Component code:

<aura:component implements="flexipage:availableForRecordHome" description="My Lightning
Component">

defining:quickActionAPI aura:id="quickActionAPI" />

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#### Controller code:

```
( {
    selectUpdateCaseAction : function( cmp, event, helper) {
        var actionAPI = cmp.find("quickActionAPI");
        var args = { actionName :"Case.UpdateCase" };
        actionAPI.selectAction(args).then(function(result) {
            // Action selected; show data and set field values
        }).catch(function(e) {
            if (e.errors) {
                // If the specified action isn't found on the page,
                // show an error message in the my component
        });
    },
   updateCaseStatusAction : function( cmp, event, helper ) {
       var actionAPI = cmp.find("quickActionAPI");
        var fields = { Status : { value : "Closed"},
                       Subject : { value : "Sets by lightning:quickActionAPI component"
},
                       accountName : { Id : "accountId" } };
        var args = { actionName : "Case.UpdateCase",
                     entityName : "Case",
                     targetFields : fields };
        actionAPI.setActionFieldValues(args).then(function() {
            actionAPI.invokeAction(args);
        }).catch(function(e) {
            console.error(e.errors);
        });
    }
})
```

#### IN THIS SECTION:

#### **Quick Action API Considerations**

Before working with the Lightning Quick Action JavaScript API methods, review some considerations that might impact your implementation.

#### get A vailable Actions

Allows custom components to get a list of the available actions on a record page.

#### getAvailableActionFields

Allows custom components to get a list of the available fields for a specific action on a record page.

#### getCustomAction

Allows custom components to access a custom quick action and pass data or messages to it.

#### getSelectedActions

Allows custom components to access selected quick actions on a record page.

#### invokeAction

Allows custom components to save or submit the quick action on a record page.

#### refresh

Refreshes the current record page.

#### selectAction

Allows custom components to select and focus on a guick action on a record page.

#### setActionFieldValues

Allows custom components to select a quick action on a record page and then specify field values for that action.

#### SEE ALSO:

Lightning Component Library: lightning:quickActionAPI Lightning Components Developer Guide

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🚺 Tip: The Lightning Quick Action JavaScript APIs can only interact with quick actions that are targetable on the page. Review the following support.

- Targetable: An action that displays in the highlights panel, including the dropdown action overflow
- Targetable: An action that displays in the publisher, including the More overflow
- Targetable: An action that's nested in an accordion component section or tab that's expanded by default
- Not targetable: An action that's nested in an accordion component section or tab that's not expanded by default\*

\*The action becomes targetable after a user opens the accordion section or tab containing the action.

If you use the Lightning Quick Action JavaScript APIs in custom code in a Lightning app, the targeted quick actions must be visible on the page. If you target an action that isn't visible on the page, it fails.

The Quick Action APIs work with most action types.

| Action Type        | Supported? | Notes  |
|--------------------|------------|--|
| Create a Record    | Yes        | Supported in all Lightning apps, on any object.  |
| Custom Visualforce | Yes        | Supported in all Lightning apps, on any object.  Note: To work with these action types, use the getCustomAction method. Other methods aren't supported for this action type. |
| Flow               | No         | Results in error.  |
| Log a Call         | Yes        | Supported in all Lightning apps, on any object.  |

| Action Type     | Supported? | Notes  |
|-----------------|------------|--|
| Aura Component  | Yes        | Supported in all Lightning apps, on any object.  Note: To work with these action types, use the getCustomAction method. Other methods aren't supported for this action type. |
| Send Email      | Yes        | Supported in all Lightning apps, on any object.  |
| Update a Record | Yes        | Supported in all Lightning apps, on any object.  |

The lightning:quickActionAPI component supports utility popout. However, the getCustomAction method doesn't work with utility popout yet. The Salesforce Classic Publisher APIs also support utility popout if you place them in a Visualforce page that's used in the utility bar. The customActionMessage doesn't support utility popout either.

The Quick Action APIs don't support the following items.

- Opportunity products
- Knowledge articles
- Crew Size field on the Service Crew object
- Social quick action in the case feed publisher provided with Social Customer Service
- Experience Cloud sites—the lightning:quickActionAPI component doesn't work in Experience Cloud sites

# getAvailableActions

Allows custom components to get a list of the available actions on a record page.

# **Arguments**

None.

# Sample Code

```
getAvailableActions : function( cmp, event, helper) {
    var actionAPI = cmp.find("quickActionAPI");
    actionAPI.getAvailableActions().then(function(result){
        //All available actions shown;
    }).catch(function(e) {
        if(e.errors) {
            //If the specified action isn't found on the page, show an error message in the my component
        }
    });
}
```

# Response

Returns a Promise. Success resolves to a response object. The Promise is rejected on error response.

```
success: true,
actions:
    {actionName: "Case._LightningUpdateCase", recordId: "recordId", type: "QuickAction"}
    {actionName: "FeedItem.TextPost", recordId: "recordId", type: "QuickAction"}
    {actionName: "Case.LogACall", recordId: "recordId", type: "QuickAction"}
    {actionName: "Case.SendEmail", recordId: "recordId", type: "QuickAction"}
errors: []
```

# getAvailableActionFields

Allows custom components to get a list of the available fields for a specific action on a record page.

# **Arguments**

| Name       | Туре   | Description   |
|------------|--------|---|
| actionName | string | The name of the quick action that you want to access. |

The actionName parameter starts with the Salesforce object, followed by the quick action name. For example:

```
actionName: "Case.LogACall"
```

# Sample Code

```
getAvailableActionFields : function( cmp, event, helper) {
    var actionAPI = cmp.find("quickActionAPI");
    var args = {actionName : "Case.LogACall", entityName: "Case" };
    actionAPI.getAvailableActionFields(args).then(function(result){
        //All available action fields shown for Log a Call
    }).catch(function(e){
        if(e.errors){
            //If the specified action isn't found on the page, show an error message in the my component
      }
    });
}
```

# Response

Returns a Promise. Success resolves to a response object. The Promise is rejected on error response.

```
success: true,
fields:
    {fieldName: "Subject", type: "textEnumLookup"}
    {fieldName: "Description", type: "TextArea"}
```

```
{fieldName: "WhoId", type: "Lookup"},
errors: []
```

# getCustomAction

Allows custom components to access a custom quick action and pass data or messages to it.

# Arguments

| Name       | Туре   | Description   |
|------------|--------|---|
| actionName | string | The name of the quick action that you want to access. |

The actionName parameter starts with the Salesforce object, followed by the quick action name. For example:

```
actionName: "Case.MyCustomAction"
```

# Sample Code

```
actionApi.getCustomAction(args).then(function(customAction) {
   if (customAction) {
      customAction.subscribe(function(data) {
            // Handle quick action message
      });
      customAction.publish({
            message : "Hello Custom Action",
            Param1 : "This is a parameter"
      });
   }
}).catch(function(error) {
      // We can't find that custom action.
});
```

# Response

Returns a Promise. Success resolves to a response object. The Promise is rejected on error response.

```
success: boolean,
customAction: {
  subscribe: function,
  publish: function,
  unsubscribe: function
},
unavailableAction: boolean,
errors: []
```

# getSelectedActions

Allows custom components to access selected quick actions on a record page.

# **Arguments**

None.

# Response

Returns a Promise. Success resolves to a response object. The Promise is rejected on error response.

```
success: boolean,
actions: [ {
    actionName: "UpdateCase",
    recordId: "recordId",
    type: "QuickAction"
} ],
errors: []
```

# invokeAction

Allows custom components to save or submit the quick action on a record page.

# **Arguments**

| Name       | Туре   | Description   |
|------------|--------|---|
| actionName | string | The name of the quick action that you want to access. |

The actionName parameter starts with the Salesforce object, followed by the quick action name. For example:

```
actionName: "Case.UpdateCase"
```

# Response

Returns a Promise. Success resolves to a response object. The Promise is rejected on error response.

# refresh

Refreshes the current record page.

# Arguments

None.

# selectAction

Allows custom components to select and focus on a quick action on a record page.

# **Arguments**

| Name       | Туре   | Description   |
|------------|--------|---|
| actionName | string | The name of the quick action that you want to access. |

The actionName parameter starts with the Salesforce object, followed by the quick action name. For example:

```
actionName: "Case.UpdateCase"
```

# Response

Returns a Promise. Success resolves to a response object. The Promise is rejected on error response.

```
success: boolean,
unavailableAction: boolean,
targetableFields: [{
    fieldName: "Status",
    type: "PickList"
}],
actionName: string,
errors: []
```

# setActionFieldValues

Allows custom components to select a quick action on a record page and then specify field values for that action.

Because this method also selects the quick action, you don't need to use the selectAction method. To submit the quick action updates, pass submitOnSuccess as true.

# **Arguments**

| Name            | Туре    | Description   |
|-----------------|---------|---|
| actionName      | string  | The name of the quick action that you want to access.   |
| parentFields    | Object  | Optional. The fields that you want to update on the current record. For example, if you want to set field values on the Email quick action on the case record page, the case object is the parent record. |
| targetFields    | Object  | The fields that you want to update on the quick action.   |
| submitOnSuccess | boolean | Optional. Set to true if you want to save and submit the quick action after setting the field values. Default is false.   |

The actionName parameter starts with the Salesforce object, followed by the quick action name. For example:

```
actionName: "Case.UpdateCase"
```

The parentFields and targetFields objects contain a list of field names with values for each field. Each field can optionally specify the insertion behavior using the insertType key, which can be replace (default), cursor, or begin. For example:

We recommend that you don't use this API with the following items:

- Read-only fields
- Encrypted fields
- Fields within social actions

#### Response

Returns a Promise. Success resolves to a response object. The Promise is rejected on error response.

```
success: boolean,
actionName: "LogACall",
unavailableAction: boolean,
targetFieldErrors: [{
   Status: {message: "error"},
   Subject: {message: "error",
}],
errors: []
```

# Publisher APIs in Salesforce Classic

The Salesforce Classic Publisher JavaScript API lets your Visualforce pages and components interact with actions you've added to a record page in a Salesforce Classic app for objects that are feed-enabled. The Publisher API works in Salesforce Classic apps with standard navigation and console navigation. For example, you could develop a component that generates customized, pre-written text, adds that text to a new post in the Case Feed portal action, and submits the post to the portal, all with one click.

Use the publish method on the Sfdc.canvas.publisher object to allow console components to interact with quick actions.



Tip: Starting with API version 43.0 of the Salesforce Classic JavaScript Publisher API, the methods used in Visualforce components work in Lightning Experience. You can use Visualforce pages in Lightning Experience through custom quick actions, or by adding it to the page in the Lightning App Builder. Just point to the 43.0 version of the Publisher API script in your Visualforce pages.

```
<script src="/canvas/sdk/js/43.0/publisher.js"
type="text/javascript"></script>
```

If you use the JavaScript Publisher API methods in custom code in a Lightning app, the targeted quick actions must be visible on the page. If you target an action that isn't visible on the page, it fails.

#### **EDITIONS**

Available in: Salesforce Classic (not available in all orgs)

Available in: **Enterprise**, **Performance**, **Unlimited**, and **Developer** Editions

# publisher.selectAction

| Description  | Payload Values  | <b>Available Versions</b>                 |
|--|---|---|
| Selects the specified action and puts it in focus. | <ul> <li>Payload Values</li> <li>actionName—The action to select. Supported values are:</li> <li>action_name—A create, log a call, or custom Visualforce quick action. For example, action_name for a create contact action might be create_contact.</li> <li>Case.CaseComment—Case Feed portal action</li> <li>Case.ChangeStatus—Case Feed change status action</li> <li>Case.Email—Case Feed email action</li> <li>Case.LogACall—Case Feed log a call action</li> <li>FeedItem.TextPost—Standard Chatter post action</li> </ul> | Available in API versions 29.0 and later. |
|  | <ul> <li>(Available in API versions 32.0 and later)</li> <li>SocialPostAPIName. SocialPost—Social post action (Available in API versions 32.0 and later)</li> </ul>   |   |

#### **Code Sample**

This code snippet selects the email action and puts it in focus.

Sfdc.canvas.publisher.publish ({name: "publisher.selectAction",payload:{actionName: "Case.Email"}});

# publisher.setActionInputValues

| Description   | Payload Values   | <b>Available Versions</b>                 |
|---|--|---|
| Specifies which fields on the action should be populated with specific values, and what those values are. | actionName—The action on which fields should be populated.  The available field values depend on which action you specify. | Available in API versions 29.0 and later. |
|   | • emailFields—Available on Case. Email; the standard available fields on the Case Feed email action:                       |   |
|   | - to   |   |
|   | <b>-</b> cc  |   |
|   | - bcc  |   |
|   | - subject  |   |
|   | - body   |   |
|   | <pre>- template</pre>  |   |
|   | • portalPostFields—Available on Case. CaseComment; the standard available fields on the Case Feed portal action:           |   |
|   | - body   |   |
|   | <ul><li>sendEmail (boolean)</li></ul>  |   |

#### Description Payload Values Available Versions

- targetFields—Available on Case.ChangeStatus, Case.LogACall, FeedItem.TextPost, and the Social action; the standard available fields on those actions.
  - On Case. ChangeStatus: commentBody
  - On Case.LogACall: description
  - On FeedItem.TextPost: body

Attributes on body are value and insertType (optional). Valid values for insertType are begin, end, cursor, and replace. The default value is replace. (Available in API versions 32.0 and later)

- On SocialPostAPIName. SocialPost: content and insertType (optional). Valid values for insertType are begin, end, cursor, and replace. The default value is replace. (Available in API versions 32.0 and later)
- parentFields—Available on Case. ChangeStatus, Case. Email, and Case. LogACall; standard and custom fields on case. Lookup fields aren't supported.

#### **Code Sample**

This code snippet populates the fields on an email message with predefined values, and sets the status of the associated case to Closed.

```
Sfdc.canvas.publisher.publish({name:"publisher.setActionInputValues",
    payload:{actionName:"Case.Email",parentFields: {Status:{value:"Closed"}},
    emailFields: {to:{value:"customer@company.com"},cc:{value:"customer2@company.com"},
    bcc:{value:"supervisor@company.com"},
    subject:{value:"Your Issue Has Been Resolved"},
    body:{value:"Thank you for working with our support department.
        We've resolved your issue and have closed this ticket, but
        please feel free to contact us at any time if you encounter this
        problem again or need other assistance."}}});
```

This code snippet inserts the phrase "Hello World" in the body of the Post action at the current cursor position.

```
Sfdc.canvas.publisher.publish({name:"publisher.setActionInputValues",
payload:{actionName:"FeedItem.TextPost", targetFields:{body:{value:"Hello World",
insertType:"cursor"}}}));
```

#### publisher.invokeAction

| Description  | Payload Values  | Available Versions                        |
|--|---|---|
| Triggers the submit function (such as sending an email or posting a portal comment) on the specified action. | $\verb actionName  — The action on which to trigger the submit function. \\ Supported actions are:$ | Available in API versions 29.0 and later. |
|  | • Case.Email  |   |
|  | • Case.CaseComment  |   |
|  | • Case.ChangeStatus   |   |
|  | • Case.LogACall   |   |
|  | <ul> <li>FeedItem.TextPost (Available in API versions 32.0 and<br/>later)</li> </ul>                |   |
|  | • <b>SocialPostAPIName</b> . SocialPost (Available in API versions 32.0 and later)                  |   |

#### **Code Sample**

This code snippet triggers the submit function on the email action, sending an email message and generating a related feed item.

```
Sfdc.canvas.publisher.publish({name:"publisher.invokeAction",
payload:{actionName:"Case.Email"}});
```

#### publisher.customActionMessage

| Description  | Payload Values   | Available Versions                        |
|--|--|---|
| Passes a custom event to a custom action. Supported for Visualforce-based custom actions only. | actionName—The Visualforce custom action to pass the event to. message—The event to pass to the custom action. | Available in API versions 29.0 and later. |

#### **Code Sample**

This code snippet passes the Hello world event to the action my\_custom\_action.

```
Sfdc.canvas.publisher.publish ({name: "publisher.customActionMessage",
payload: {actionName: "my_custom_action", message: "Hello world"}});
This code snippet is what my_custom_action uses to listen to the Hello world event.
Sfdc.canvas.publisher.subscribe([{name: "publisher.customActionMessage", onData: function(e) {alert(e.message);}}]);
```

# publisher.refresh

Refreshes the current record page. This method has no arguments.

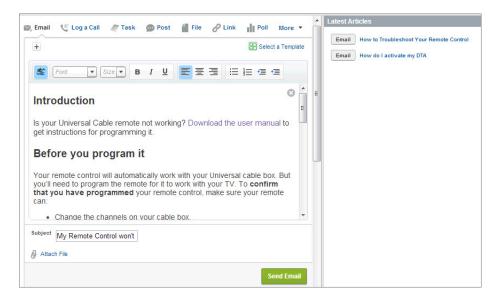
# Use Case and Sample Code



Example: Universal Cable serves millions of phone and cable customers throughout the United States, with 4000 support agents in call centers of varying sizes around the country. Universal wanted to make it easy for agents to access the company's extensive collection of articles in Salesforce Knowledge and share them with customers through email to help keep support costs in check.

Universal used the events on publish to create a custom console component that:

- Displays a list of Knowledge articles, from most recently published to oldest.
- Lets agents view an article by clicking its title.
- Lets agents add the full, formatted text of an article to a message in the Case Feed email action by clicking the **Email** button in the console component.



This code sample shows an Apex class containing a custom controller used by the Visualforce page below.

```
public with sharing class KBController {
  public List<FAQ kav> articles {get; set;}
   public KBController() {
      articles = [select knowledgearticleid, id, title, content c from FAQ kav where
     publishstatus = 'Online' and language='en US' order by lastpublisheddate];
```

This code sample shows the Visualforce page that's used as the custom console component in the use case above.

```
<apex:page sidebar="false" controller="KBController">
  <script type='text/javascript' src='/canvas/sdk/js/publisher.js'/>
  <style>
      .sampleTitle { background-color: #99A3AC; color: #FFFFFF; font-size: 1.1em;
     font-weight: bold;padding:3px 6px 3px 6px; }
      .sampleHeader { }
      .sampleArticleList { min-width: 250px; padding: 8px 0 5px 0;}
      .sampleUl { padding: 0; margin: 0; list-style: none;}
      .sampleLi { display: block; position: relative; margin: 0;}
```

```
.sampleRow { min-height: 16px; padding: 4px 10px;}
      .emailBtn { margin: 1px 1px 1px 3px; padding: 3px 8px; color: #333;
        border: 1px solid #b5b5b5; border-bottom-color: #7f7f7f; background: #e8e8e9;
        font-weight: bold; font-size: .9em; -moz-border-radius: 3px;
        -webkit-border-radius: 3px; order-radius: 3px; }
      .emailBtn:active { background-position: right -60px; border-color: #585858;
        border-bottom-color: #939393; }
      .sampleArticle { padding-left: 4px; padding-bottom: 2px; font-weight: bold;
        font-size: 1em; color: #222; }
      .sampleLink { color: #015ba7; text-decoration: none; font-weight: bold;
        font-size: .9em; }
  </style>
  <script>
      function emailArticle(content) {
        Sfdc.canvas.publisher.publish({name: 'publisher.selectAction',
        payload: { actionName: 'Case.Email'}});
        Sfdc.canvas.publisher.publish({name: 'publisher.setActionInputValues',
        payload: {
           actionName: 'Case.Email',
           emailFields: { body: { value:content, format:'richtext', insert: true}}
    }
  </script>
   <div style="margin-left:-10px;margin-right:-10px;">
     <div class="sampleTitle">Latest Articles</div>
     <div class="sampleHeader" style=""></div>
     <div class="sampleArticleList">
        <apex:repeat value="{!articles}" var="article">
           class="sampleLi">
                 <div class="sampleRow">
                 <div style="display:none;" id="content {!article.id}">
                     <apex:outputText value="{!article.content c}" escape="false"/>
                    <input type="button" title="Email" value="Email" class="emailBtn"</pre>
                       onclick="emailArticle(document.getElementById
                           ('content {!article.id}').innerHTML);"/>
                          <span class="sampleArticle">
                               <a href="/{!article.knowledgearticleid}"</pre>
                                  title="{!article.title}" class="sampleLink">
                                  {!article.title}</a>
                          </span>
                  </div>
              </111>
        </apex:repeat>
      </div>
  </div>
</apex:page>
```

# CUSTOMIZE CASE FEED ACTIONS WITH VISUALFORCE

The Salesforce-provided Case Feed Visualforce components enable you to create a customized page within a Salesforce Classic app. To create custom Salesforce console components that interact with Case Feed actions, publish the Case Feed-related events using the publish method on the Sfdc.canvas.publisher object in the Salesforce Classic Publisher JavaScript API.



**Important**: This section of the guides focuses on customizing the Case Feed in a Salesforce Classic console app. However, you can use the Visualforce components in Salesforce Classic apps with standard navigation that use the case object, too. You can also use the Case Feed Visualforce components in Lightning Experience. However, there are some issues with refresh for certain Visualforce components. We recommend that you use these components in Salesforce Classic only.

# Requirements

Before customizing Case Feed in the Salesforce console, make sure that:

- Case Feed, Chatter, and feed tracking on cases are enabled in your organization.
- Your organization has at least one Salesforce console app. For more information, see Set Up a Salesforce Console App in Salesforce Classic.
- You're familiar with developing with Visualforce. Check out the Visualforce Developer Guide for a comprehensive overview.



Note: Lookup field filters aren't supported on any of the Case Feed Visualforce components.

# **Assigning Custom Pages to Users**

Generally, when you create a custom Case Feed page using Visualforce, it's not possible to assign that page only to certain users while allowing other users to see the standard Case Feed page. However, with the support: CaseFeed component, you can create a page that replicates the standard Case Feed page, assign that page to certain users, and then create a custom page to assign to a different set of users. See Replicating a Standard Case Feed Page for more information.

# **Customization Overview**

Here are the Case Feed Visualforce components.

| Component Name          | Description  |
|-------------------------|--|
| apex:emailPublisher     | Displays and controls the appearance and functionality of the Case Feed Email action.                                    |
| apex:logCallPublisher   | $Displays \ and \ controls \ the \ appearance \ and \ functionality \ of \ the \ Case \ Feed \ Log \ a \ Call \ action.$ |
| support:caseArticles    | Displays and controls the appearance and functionality of the Articles tool for cases.                                   |
| support:CaseFeed        | Replicates the standard  Case  Feed  page, including  all  standard  actions, links, and  buttons.                       |
| support:portalPublisher | Displays and controls the appearance and functionality of the Case Feed Portal action.                                   |

In addition, the chatter:feed component has two attributes related to Case Feed.

- feedItemType: Lets you specify how feed items are filtered.
- showPublisher: Lets you display the Chatter publisher on a page.

Here are the Publisher JavaScript APIs.

| Method Name          | Description  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| customActionMessage  | Passes a custom event to a custom action. Supported for Visualforce-based custom actions only.               |  |  |  |
| invokeAction         | Triggers the submit function (such as sending an email or posting a portal comment) on the specified action. |  |  |  |
| selectAction         | Selects the specified action and puts it in focus.   |  |  |  |
| refresh              | Refreshes the current record page.   |  |  |  |
| setActionInputValues | Specifies which fields on the action should be populated with specific values, and what those values are.    |  |  |  |

# Customizing the Layout and Appearance of Case Feed

Creating a customized Case Feed page with Visualforce lets you control the overall layout and appearance, including which actions and tools are shown and where they're located on the page. You can also include other standard and custom console components to enhance the functionality of the page.

In addition to the four case-specific Visualforce components detailed in this guide, you can also use the chatter: feed component to customize Case Feed. The table below lists its attributes.

# chatter: feed Attributes

| Attribute<br>Type | Description   | Required?   | API<br>Version  | Access  |
|-------------------|---|---|---|---|
| id                | Entity ID of the record for which to display the feed; for example, Contact.Id  | Yes   | 25.0  |   |
| String            | The feed item type on which the Entity or UserProfileFeed is filtered. See the Type field on the FeedItem object listing in the API Object Reference Guide for accepted values. |   | 25.0  |   |
| String            | An identifier that allows the component to be referenced by other components on the page.   |   | 20.0  | global  |
| String            | The Javascript function to call after a post or comment is added to the feed  |   | 25.0  |   |
| Boolean           | A Boolean value that specifies whether the additional fields defined in the action layout are displayed.  |   | 20.0  | global  |
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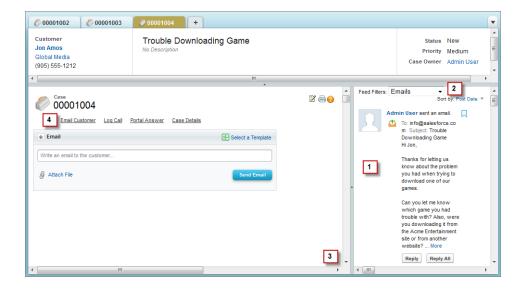
| Attribute Name | Attribute<br>Type | <b>Description</b>   | Required? | API<br>Version | Access |
|----------------|-------------------|--|-----------|----------------|--------|
| reRender       | Object            | The ID of one or more components that are redrawn when the result of the action method returns to the client. This value can be a single ID, a comma-separated list of IDs, or a merge field expression for a list or collection of IDs. |           | 25.0           |        |
| showPublisher  | Boolean           | Displays the Chatter publisher.  |           | 25.0           |        |

# Use Case

Acme Entertainment creates online games used by more than a million people on multiple platforms. Acme's 1500 support agents use desktop computers, laptops, and tablets, and the company wanted to customize the Case Feed page to standardize its look and feel across different devices. They also wanted to make it easier for agents to track case activities using filters.

Acme used these steps to create a customized Case Feed page:

- 1. Using the chatter: feed component, they positioned the feed in the sidebar so the publisher and other Case Feed tools are always in the center of the page.
- 2. They repositioned the feed filter and auto-selected default filters depending on case origin:
  - If the case origin is email, the default filter is Emails.
  - If the case origin is phone, the default filter is Call Logs.
  - If the case origin is Web, the default filter is Portal Answers.
- 3. In apex:emailPublisher, apex:logCallPublisher, and support:portalPublisher, they made the width percentage-based so the publisher expands and contracts as the size of the page changes, making its appearance more consistent across different screen sizes.
- **4.** They changed the orientation of the publisher action tabs from their standard left-side vertical arrangement to a horizontal arrangement at the top of the page.



# Code Sample

This code sample shows a Visualforce page with custom Email, Portal, Log a Call, and Case Details tabs.

```
<apex:page standardController="Case">
   <!-- Repositions publisher tabs to a horizontal arrangement on top of the page -->
   style="float:left">
           <a id="custom email tab" class="selected" href="javascript:void(0);"</pre>
               onclick="getDemoSidebarMenu().selectMenuItem('custom email tab');">
               <span class="menuItem">Email Customer</span>
           </a>
       style="float:left">
           <a id="custom log call tab" href="javascript:void(0);"</pre>
               onclick="getDemoSidebarMenu().selectMenuItem('custom log call tab');">
               <span class="menuItem">Log Call</span>
           </a>
       style="float:left">
           <a id="custom portal tab" href="javascript:void(0);"</pre>
               onclick="getDemoSidebarMenu().selectMenuItem('custom portal tab');">
               <span class="menuItem">Portal Answer</span>
           </a>
        style="float:left">
           <a id="custom detail tab" href="javascript:void(0);"</pre>
               onclick="getDemoSidebarMenu().selectMenuItem('custom detail tab');">
               <span class="menuItem">Case Details</span>
           </a>
       <!-- Email action -->
   <div id="custom email pub vf">
       <apex:emailPublisher entityId="{!case.id}"</pre>
            width="80%"
            emailBodyHeight="10em"
            showAdditionalFields="false"
            enableOuickText="true"
            toAddresses="{!case.contact.email}"
            toVisibility="readOnly"
            fromAddresses="support@cirrus.com"
            onSubmitSuccess="refreshFeed();" />
   </div>
   <!-- Log call action -->
   <div id="custom log call vf" style="display:none">
       <apex:logCallPublisher entityId="{!case.id}"</pre>
           width="80%"
           logCallBodyHeight="10em"
           reRender="demoFeed"
           onSubmitSuccess="refreshFeed();" />
   </div>
```

```
<!-- Portal action -->
<div id="custom_portal_vf" style="display:none">
    <support:portalPublisher entityId="{!case.id}"</pre>
        width="80%"
        answerBodyHeight="10em"
        reRender="demoFeed"
        answerBody="Dear {!Case.Contact.FirstName},
            \n\nHere is the solution to your case.\n\nBest regards,\n\nSupport"
        onSubmitSuccess="refreshFeed();" />
</div>
<!-- Case detail page -->
<div id="custom detail vf" style="display:none">
    <apex:detail inlineEdit="true" relatedList="true" rerender="demoFeed" />
</div>
<!-- Include library for using service desk console API -->
<apex:includeScript value="/support/console/25.0/integration.js"/>
<!-- Javascript for switching publishers -->
<script type="text/javascript">
    function DemoSidebarMenu() {
        var menus = {"custom email tab" : "custom email pub vf",
                     "custom log call tab" : "custom log call vf",
                     "custom_portal_tab" : "custom_portal_vf",
                     "custom detail tab" : "custom detail vf"};
        this.selectMenuItem = function(tabId) {
            for (var index in menus) {
                var tabEl = document.getElementById(index);
                var vfEl = document.getElementById(menus[index]);
                if (index == tabId) {
                    tabEl.className = "selected";
                    vfEl.style.display = "block";
                } else {
                    tabEl.className = "";
                    vfEl.style.display = "none";
                }
         } ;
    var demoSidebarMenu;
    var getDemoSidebarMenu = function() {
        if (!demoSidebarMenu) {
            demoSidebarMenu = new DemoSidebarMenu();
       return demoSidebarMenu;
    };
</script>
<!-- Javascript for firing event to refresh feed in the sidebar -->
<script type="text/javascript">
```

The following sample shows an Apex class containing a controller extension to be used with the Visualforce page above.

```
public class MyCaseExtension {
   private final Case mycase;
   private String curFilter;
   public MyCaseExtension(ApexPages.StandardController stdController) {
        this.mycase = (Case)stdController.getRecord();
        // initialize feed filter based on case origin
        if (this.mycase.origin.equals('Email')) {
            curFilter = 'EmailMessageEvent';
        } else if (this.mycase.origin.equals('Phone')) {
            curFilter = 'CallLogPost';
        } else if (this.mycase.origin.equals('Web')) {
            curFilter = 'CaseCommentPost';
        }
    }
   public String getCurFilter() {
       return curFilter;
   public void setCurFilter(String c) {
        if (c.equals('All')) {
            curFilter = null;
        } else {
           curFilter = c;
        }
   public PageReference refreshFeed() {
       return null;
```

This sample shows a Visualforce page with custom feed filters and Chatter feed for cases. You can use this page in the sidebar of a Salesforce console.

```
id="custom email option">Emails</option>
        <option value="CaseCommentPost"</pre>
            id="custom_web_option">Portal Answers
        <option value="CallLogPost"</pre>
            id="custom phone option">Call Logs</option>
    </select>
</div>
<apex:form >
    <!-- actionFunction for refreshing feed when the feed filter is updated -->
    <apex:actionFunction action="{!refreshFeed}" name="changeFilter"</pre>
        reRender="custom demoFeed" immediate="true" >
        <apex:param name="firstParam" assignTo="{!curFilter}" value="" />
    </apex:actionFunction>
    <!-- actionFunction for refreshing feed when there is an event fired for
        updating the feed -->
    <apex:actionFunction action="{!refreshFeed}" name="updateFeed"</pre>
        reRender="custom demoFeed" immediate="true" />
</apex:form>
<!-- Chatter feed -->
<chatter:feed entityId="{!case.id}" showPublisher="false"</pre>
    feedItemType="{!curFilter}" id="custom demoFeed" />
<!-- Include library for using service desk console API -->
<apex:includeScript value="/support/console/25.0/integration.js"/>
<!-- Javascript for adding event listener for refreshing feed -->
<script type="text/javascript">
    var listener = function (result) {
       updateFeed();
   };
    // add a listener for the 'Cirrus.samplePublisherVFPage.RefreshFeedEvent'
    sforce.console.addEventListener('Cirrus.samplePublisherVFPage.RefreshFeedEvent',
       listener);
</script>
<!-- Javascript for initializing select option based on case origin -->
<script type="text/javascript">
    window.onload = function() {
        var caseOrigin = "{!case.origin}";
        if (!caseOrigin) {
            caseOrigin = "all";
        } else {
            caseOrigin = caseOrigin.toLowerCase();
        var selectElem = document.getElementById('custom_' + caseOrigin + '_option');
        if (selectElem) {
            selectElem.selected = true;
```

```
</script>
</apex:page>
```

# Customizing the Email Action

The Email action in Case Feed lets support agents connect with customers via email. With the apex:emailPublisher component, you can:

- Customize the dimensions of the Email action.
- Define defaults and visibility for fields.
- Define the visibility and label of the send button.
- Define onSubmit functionality.
- Support email templates and attachments in the action.



Note: The apex:emailPublisher component closes a task in Open Activities created by Email-to-Case inbound email.

# apex:emailPublisher Attributes

| Attribute Name   | Attribute<br>Type | Description  | Required? | API<br>Version | Access |
|------------------|-------------------|--|-----------|----------------|--------|
| autoCollapseBody | Boolean           | A Boolean value that specifies whether the email body collapses to a small height when it is empty.                        |           | 25.0           |        |
| bccVisibility    | String            | The visibility of the BCC field can be 'editable', 'editableWithLookup', 'readOnly', or 'hidden'.                          |           | 25.0           |        |
| ccVisibility     | String            | The visibility of the CC field can be 'editable', 'editableWithLookup', 'readOnly', or 'hidden'.                           |           | 25.0           |        |
| emailBody        | String            | The default text value of the email body.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| emailBodyFormat  | String            | The format of the email body can be 'text', 'HTML', or 'textAndHTML'.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| emailBodyHeight  | String            | The height of the email body in em.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| enableQuickText  | Boolean           | A Boolean value that specifies whether the Quick Text autocomplete functionality is available in the action.               |           | 25.0           |        |
| entityId         | id                | Entity ID of the record for which to display the Email action. In the current version, only Case record ids are supported. | Yes       | 25.0           |        |
| expandableHeader | Boolean           | A Boolean value that specifies whether the header is expandable or fixed.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| fromAddresses    | String            | A restricted set of from addresses.  |           | 25.0           |        |

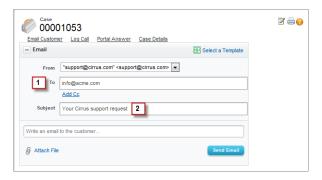
| Attribute Name       | Attribute<br>Type | Description   | Required? | API<br>Version | Access |
|----------------------|-------------------|---|-----------|----------------|--------|
| fromVisibility       | String            | The visibility of the From field can be 'selectable' or 'hidden'.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| id                   | String            | An identifier that allows the component to be referenced by other components on the page.   |           | 25.0           | Global |
| onSubmitFailure      | String            | The JavaScript invoked if the email is not successfully sent.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| onSubmitSuccess      | String            | The JavaScript invoked if the email is successfully sent.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| rendered             | Boolean           | A Boolean value that specifies whether the component is rendered on the page. If not specified, this value defaults to true.  |           | 25.0           | Global |
| reRender             | Object            | The ID of one or more components that are redrawn when the email is successfully sent. This value can be a single ID, a comma-separated list of IDs, or a merge field expression for a list or collection of IDs. |           | 25.0           |        |
| sendButtonName       | String            | The name of the send button in the Email action.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| showAdditionalFields | Boolean           | A Boolean value that specifies whether the additional fields defined in the action layout are displayed.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| showAttachments      | Boolean           | A Boolean value that specifies whether the attachment selector is displayed.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| showSendButton       | Boolean           | A Boolean value that specifies whether the send button is displayed.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| showTemplates        | Boolean           | A Boolean value that specifies whether the template selector is displayed.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| subject              | String            | The default value of the Subject.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| subjectVisibility    | String            | The visibility of the Subject field can be 'editable', 'readOnly', or 'hidden'.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| submitFunctionName   | String            | The name of a function that can be called from JavaScript to send the email.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| title                | String            | The title displayed in the Email action header.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| toAddresses          | String            | The default value of the To field.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| toVisibility         | String            | The visibility of the To field can be 'editable', 'editableWithLookup', 'readOnly', or 'hidden'.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| width                | String            | The width of the action in pixels (px) or percentage (%).   |           | 25.0           |        |

# Use Case

Cirrus Computers, a multinational hardware company with technical support agents in 10 support centers throughout the world, wanted to customize the Email action to increase standardization in outgoing messages and to limit the fields agents could edit.

Cirrus used the apex:emailPublisher component to create an Email action that:

- Has read-only To and Subject fields.
- Pre-populates those fields, ensuring consistency and increasing agents' efficiency when writing email messages.



# Code Sample

```
<apex:page standardController="Case" >
  <apex:emailPublisher entityId="{!case.id}"
    fromVisibility="selectable"
    subjectVisibility="readOnly"
    subject="Your Cirrus support request"
    toVisibility="readOnly"
    toAddresses="{!case.contact.email}"
    emailBody=""/>
  </apex:page>
```

# **Customizing the Portal Action**

The Portal action makes it easy for support agents to compose and post messages to customers on portals. With the support:portalPublisher component, you can:

- Customize the dimensions of the Portal action.
- Define a default value for the portal message text.
- Define the visibility and label of the submit button.
- Define on Submit functionality.

# support:portalPublisher Attributes

| Attribute Name | Attribute Type | Description                                | Required? | API<br>Version | Access |
|----------------|----------------|--|-----------|----------------|--------|
| answerBody     | String         | The default text value of the answer body. |           | 25.0           |        |

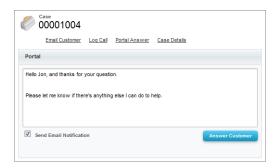
| Attribute Name      | Attribute Type | Description   | Required? | API<br>Version | Access |
|---------------------|----------------|---|-----------|----------------|--------|
| answerBodyHeight    | String         | The height of the answer body in ems (em).  |           | 25.0           |        |
| autoCollapseBody    | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether the answer body is collapsed when it is empty.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| entityId            | id             | Entity ID of the record for which to display the Portal action. In the current version, only Case record ids are supported.   | Yes       | 25.0           |        |
| id                  | String         | An identifier that allows the component to be referenced by other components on the page.   |           | 25.0           | Global |
| onSubmitFailure     | String         | The JavaScript invoked if the answer failed to be published to the portal.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| onSubmitSuccess     | String         | The JavaScript invoked if the answer was successfully published to the portal.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| rendered            | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether the component is rendered on the page. If not specified, this value defaults to true.  |           | 25.0           | Global |
| reRender            | Object         | The ID of one or more components that are redrawn when the answer is successfully published. This value can be a single ID, a comma-separated list of IDs, or a merge field expression for a list or collection of IDs. |           | 25.0           |        |
| showSendEmailOption | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether the option to send email notification should be displayed.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| showSubmitButton    | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether the submit button should be displayed.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| submitButtonName    | String         | The name of the submit button in the portal action.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| submitFunctionName  | String         | The name of a function that can be called from JavaScript to publish the answer.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| title               | String         | The title displayed in the portal action header.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| width               | String         | The width of the action in pixels (px) or percentage (%).   |           | 25.0           |        |

# Use Case

The Wellness Group is a healthcare company with 300 support agents in three tiers of support. Wellness wanted to customize the Portal action to reduce the amount of standard text, such as greetings and closings, agents had to type when replying to customers, which would help increase agents' efficiency and improve the standardization of portal communications.

Wellness used the support:portalPublisher component to create a Portal action that:

- Pre-populates the message body with a standard opening ("Hello {name}, and thanks for your question.") and a standard closing ("Please let me know if there's anything else I can do to help.").
- Lets agents edit the pre-populated text if needed.



# Code Sample

# Customizing the Log a Call Action

The Log a Call action lets support agents record notes and information about customer calls. With the apex:logCallPublisher, you can:

- Customize the appearance and dimensions of the Log a Call action.
- Specify which fields are displayed in the action.
- Define the visibility and label of the submit button.
- Define onSubmit functionality.

# apex:logCallPublisher Attributes

| Attribute Name   | Attribute Type | Description   | Required? | API<br>Version | Access |
|------------------|----------------|---|-----------|----------------|--------|
| autoCollapseBody | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether the Log a Call body is collapsed when it is empty.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| entityId         | id             | Entity ID of the record for which to display the Log<br>a Call action. In the current version, only Case record<br>ids are supported. | Yes       | 25.0           |        |
| id               | String         | An identifier that allows the component to be referenced by other components on the page.   |           | 25.0           | Global |

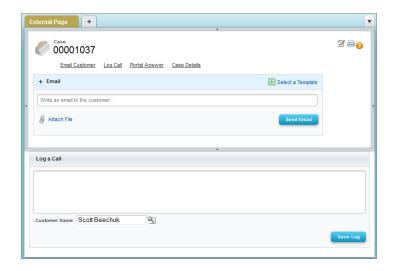
| Attribute Name       | Attribute Type | Description  | Required? | API<br>Version | Access |
|----------------------|----------------|--|-----------|----------------|--------|
| logCallBody          | String         | The initial text value of the Log a Call body when the action is rendered.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| logCallBodyHeight    | String         | The height of the Log a Call body in em.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| onSubmitFailure      | String         | The JavaScript invoked if the call is not successfully logged.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| onSubmitSuccess      | String         | The JavaScript invoked if the call is successfully logged.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| rendered             | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether the component is rendered on the page. If not specified, this value defaults to true.   |           | 25.0           | Global |
| reRender             | Object         | The ID of one or more components that are redrawn when the call is successfully logged. This value can be a single ID, a comma-separated list of IDs, or a merge field expression for a list or collection of IDs. |           | 25.0           |        |
| showAdditionalFields | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether the additional fields defined in the action layout should be displayed.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| showSubmitButton     | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether the submit button should be displayed.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| submitButtonName     | String         | The name of the submit button in the Log a Call action.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| submitFunctionName   | String         | The name of a function that can be called from JavaScript to publish the call log.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| title                | String         | The title displayed in the Log a Call action header.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| width                | String         | The width of the action in pixels (px) or percentage (%).  |           | 25.0           |        |

# **Use Case**

Stellar Wireless is a mobile phone provider with several high-volume call centers, where agents are rewarded both for solving customers' issues quickly and for keeping detailed, accurate records of customer interactions. Stellar wanted to customize the Log a Call action so it was open and available to agents at all times, even when they were working with another action, giving them a quick and easy way of taking notes about incoming calls.

Stellar used the apex:logCallPublisher component to create a Log a Call action that:

- Appears in the footer of the page, replacing the standard interaction log.
- Is open and available by default each time a support agent opens a case.



# Code Sample

After you create a Visualforce page with this code, follow these steps to use the Log a Call action you create as a replacement for the standard interaction log:

- 1. From the object management settings for cases, go to Page Layouts.
- 2. Select the layout you're using from the Page Layouts for Case Feed Users list, and then select **Edit detail view**.
- 3. Click the **Custom Console Components** link at the top of the page.
- **4.** In the Subtab Components section, use the lookup to select the page you created as the component to use for the bottom sidebar.
- **5.** Specify the height of the action.
- 6. Click Save.
- 7. In the page layout editor, click **Layout Properties**.
- 8. Uncheck Interaction Log.
- 9. Click OK.
- 10. Click Save.

#### SEE ALSO:

Salesforce Help: Find Object Management Settings

# **Customizing the Articles Tool**

The Articles tool lets support agents browse Salesforce Knowledge articles, see whether articles are attached to a case, and share relevant articles with customers. With the support:caseArticles component, you can:

- Customize the appearance and dimensions of the Articles tool.
- Define how the tool's search function works, including which article types and keywords are used by default and whether advanced search is available.
- Specify whether agents can attach articles to emails.

# support:caseArticles Attributes

| Attribute Name       | Attribute Type | Description   | Required? | API<br>Version | Access |
|----------------------|----------------|---|-----------|----------------|--------|
| articleTypes         | String         | Article types to be used to filter the search. Multiple article types can be defined, separated by commas.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| attachToFmailFnabled | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether articles can be attached to emails.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| bodyHeight           | String         | The height of the body in pixels (px) or 'auto' to automatically adjust to the height of the currently displayed list of articles.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| caseId               | id             | Case ID of the record for which to display the case articles.   | Yes       | 25.0           |        |
| categories           | String         | Data categories to be used to filter the search. The format of this value should be: 'CatgeoryGroup1:Category1' where CategoryGroup1 and Category1 are the names of a Category Group and a Category respectively. Multiple category filters can be specified separated by commas but only one per category group. |           | 25.0           |        |
| defaultKeywords      | String         | The keywords to be used when the defaultSearchType attribute is 'keyword'. If no keywords are specified, the Case subject is used as a default.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| defaultSearchType    | String         | Specifies the default query of the article search form when it is first displayed. The value can be 'keyword', 'mostViewed', or 'lastPublished'.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| id                   | String         | An identifier that allows the component to be referenced by other components on the page.   |           | 25.0           | Global |
| language             | String         | The language used for filtering the search if multilingual Salesforce Knowledge is enabled.   |           | 25.0           |        |

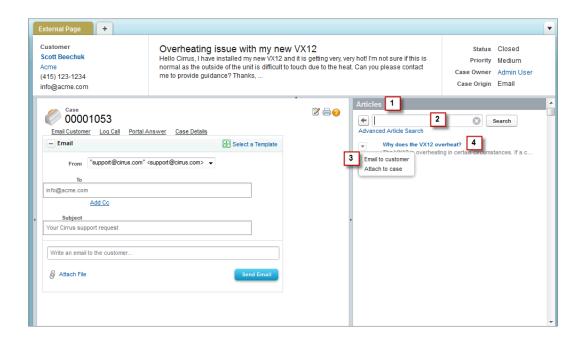
| Attribute Name     | Attribute Type | Description  | Required? | API<br>Version | Access |
|--------------------|----------------|--|-----------|----------------|--------|
| logSearch          | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether keyword searches should be logged.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| mode               | String         | Specifies whether the component displays articles currently attached to the case, an article search form, or both. The value can be 'attached', 'search', 'attachedAndSearch', or 'searchAndAttached'.                                   |           | 25.0           |        |
| onSearchComplete   | String         | The JavaScript invoked after an article search has completed.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| rendered           | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether the component is rendered on the page. If not specified, this value defaults to true.   |           | 25.0           | Global |
| reRender           | Object         | The ID of one or more components that are redrawn when the result of the action method returns to the client. This value can be a single ID, a comma-separated list of IDs, or a merge field expression for a list or collection of IDs. |           | 25.0           |        |
| searchButtonName   | String         | The display name of the search button.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| searchFieldWidth   | String         | The width of the keyword search field in pixels (px).  |           | 25.0           |        |
| searchFunctionName | String         | The name of a function that can be called from JavaScript to search for articles if the widget is currently in search mode.  |           | 25.0           |        |
| showAdvancedSearch | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether the advanced search link should be displayed.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| title              | String         | The title displayed in the component's header.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| titlebarStyle      | String         | The style of the title bar can be 'expanded', 'collapsed', 'fixed', or 'none'.   |           | 25.0           |        |
| width              | String         | The width of the component in pixels (px) or percentage (%).   |           | 25.0           |        |

# **Use Case**

Cirrus Computers wanted to customize the Case Feed articles tool so agents could more easily find articles to help resolve customers' issues.

Cirrus used the support: caseArticles component to create an articles tool that:

- 1. Appears in the right sidebar of the page and is open by default on all case pages.
- **2.** Uses search-as-you-type functionality to show suggested articles quickly.
- **3.** Lets agents attach articles to messages they write with the email action.
- **4.** Displays the most recently published articles when no articles are attached to a case.



# Code Sample

# Replicating a Standard Case Feed Page

The support: CaseFeed component includes all of the elements of the standard Case Feed page:

- Email, Portal, Log a Call, and Case Note actions
- Case activity feed
- Feed filters
- · Highlights panel
- Case following icon
- Case followers list
- Layout, print, and help links

# support: CaseFeed Attributes

| Attribute Name | Attribute Type | Description  | Required? | API<br>Version | Access |
|----------------|----------------|--|-----------|----------------|--------|
| caseId         | id             | ID of the case record to display in Case Feed.   | Yes       | 26.0           |        |
| id             | String         | An identifier that allows the component to be referenced by other components in the page.                                    |           | 26.0           | global |
| rendered       | Boolean        | A Boolean value that specifies whether the component is rendered on the page. If not specified, this value defaults to true. |           | 26.0           | global |

#### Use Case

National Foods is a food service company supplying restaurants and corporate cafeterias throughout the United States. National's support operations includes both call center agents who work primarily on desktop computers and field agents who work mainly on mobile devices. The company wanted a simplified Case Feed page that would be easy for its field agents to use, and also wanted to give its call center agents access to the full Case Feed functionality.

National used the support: CaseFeed component to recreate the standard Case Feed page for its call center agents working on desktops, and created a custom page for its field agents working on mobile devices.

#### Case 00001018 Created Date 8/15/2012 5:15 PM Edward Stamo Priority Medium Question about 8/20 shipment to Bravissimo Case Owner Karen Williams Customer has a question about the items included in the next shipment to Bravissimo restaurant (212) 555-5555 📞 **₽** ⊕ 0 Select a Template Answer Customer + Email \* ⊕ Follow Write an email to the customer. No followers Attach File Change Status View Case Details + Articles Sort by: Post Date ▼ FEED FILTERS All Updates for this case Karen Williams created this case. All Updates Comment - Like - Today at 5:15 PM Emails

#### Standard Case Feed page created with support: CaseFeed

# Code Sample

```
<apex:page standardController="Case"
   extensions="CasePageSelectorExtension" showHeader="true" sidebar="false">
   <apex:dynamicComponent componentValue="{!casePage}"/>
   </apex:page>
```

The following sample shows an Apex class containing a controller extension to be used with the Visualforce page above.

```
public class CasePageSelectorExtension {
   boolean isFieldAgent;
```

```
String caseId;
public CasePageSelectorExtension(ApexPages.StandardController controller) {
    List<UserRole> roles = [SELECT Id FROM UserRole WHERE Name = 'FieldAgent'];
    isFieldAgent = !roles.isEmpty() && UserInfo.getUserRoleId() == roles[0].Id;
    caseId = controller.getRecord().id;
}
public Component.Apex.OutputPanel getCasePage() {
    Component.Apex.OutputPanel panel = new Component.Apex.OutputPanel();
    if (isFieldAgent) {
        Component.Apex.Detail detail = new Component.Apex.Detail();
        detail.subject = caseId;
        panel.childComponents.add(detail);
    } else {
        Component.Support.CaseFeed caseFeed = new Component.Support.CaseFeed();
        caseFeed.caseId = caseId;
        panel.childComponents.add(caseFeed);
    return panel;
}
```

# Create Custom Actions

You can create Visualforce pages to use as custom actions in Case Feed. For example, you can create a Map and Local Search action that lets agents look up the customer's location and find nearby service centers.

You can use any Visualforce page that uses the standard case controller as a custom action.

# **Use Case**

Viaggio Italiano is a boutique travel agency specializing in tours of Italy. The company tracks multiple details for each client, including flights, ground transportation specifics, dietary preferences, and itineraries. Viaggio Italiano's agents needed the ability to create long case comments but were limited to 1000 characters for standard case notes. The company wanted a way to bypass this limit.

Viaggio Italiano used Visualforce to create a page that includes the ability to post a case comment, which can be up to 4000 characters long. The company then added the page as a custom action by editing the Case Feed page layout.



# **Code Samples**

The following code sample shows a custom Post Case Comment action for an organization that doesn't have actions in the publisher enabled, or that has actions in the publisher enabled but uses the Case Feed Settings page, not the page layout editor, to choose and configure the actions in the Case Feed publisher.

```
<apex:page standardcontroller="Case"</pre>
   extensions="CaseCommentExtension" showHeader="false">
   <apex:includeScript value="/support/api/26.0/interaction.js"/>
    <div>
        <apex:form >
            <!-- Creates a case comment and on complete notifies the Case Feed page
               that a elated list and the feed have been updated -->
            <apex:actionFunction action="{!addComment}" name="addComment" rerender="out"</pre>
            oncomplete="sforce.interaction.entityFeed.refreshObject('{!case.id}',
            false, true, true);"/>
            <apex:outputPanel id="out" >
                <apex:inputField value="{!comment.commentbody}" style="width:98%;</pre>
                height:160px;" />
            </apex:outputPanel>
        </apex:form><br />
        <button type="button" onclick="addComment();" style="position:fixed; bottom:0px;</pre>
        right:2px; padding: 5px 10px; font-size:13px;" id="cpbutton" >Post Case Comment
        </button>
    </div>
</apex:page>
```

This is the code to use for the custom Post Case Comment action if your organization has actions in the publisher enabled and you've opted to use the page layout editor to choose and configure actions in the Case Feed publisher.

```
<apex:page standardcontroller="Case"</pre>
   extensions="CaseCommentExtension" showHeader="false">
   <!-- Uses publisher.js rather than interaction.js -->
   <apex:includeScript value="/canvas/sdk/js/28.0/publisher.js"/>
    <div>
        <apex:form >
            <!-- Creates a case comment and on complete notifies the Case Feed page
                that a related list and the feed have been updated -->
            <apex:actionFunction action="{!addComment}" name="addComment" rerender="out"</pre>
            <!-- Different oncomplete function using publisher.js -->
            oncomplete="Sfdc.canvas.publisher.publish(
            {name : 'publisher.refresh', payload :
            {feed: true, objectRelatedLists: {}});"/>
            <apex:outputPanel id="out" >
                <apex:inputField value="{!comment.commentbody}" style="width:98%;</pre>
                height:160px;" />
            </apex:outputPanel>
        </apex:form><br />
        <button type="button" onclick="addComment();" style="position:fixed; bottom:0px;</pre>
        right:2px; padding: 5px 10px; font-size:13px;" id="cpbutton" >Post Case Comment
        </button>
```

```
</div>
</apex:page>
```

The following sample shows an Apex class containing a controller extension to be used with either version of the Visualforce page above.

```
public with sharing class CaseCommentExtension {
   private final Case caseRec;
   public CaseComment comment {get; set;}

   public CaseCommentExtension(ApexPages.StandardController controller) {
      caseRec = (Case)controller.getRecord();
      comment = new CaseComment();
      comment.parentid = caseRec.id;
   }

   public PageReference addComment() {
      insert comment;
      comment = new CaseComment();
      comment.parentid = caseRec.id;
      return null;
   }
}
```

# **Additional Steps**

After creating a Visualforce page, make it available to users.

First, give profiles access to the page:

- 1. From Setup, enter Visualforce Pages in the Quick Find box, then select Visualforce Pages.
- 2. Click **Security** next to the name of the page you created.
- **3.** Choose the profiles you want to be able to access the page.
- 4. Click Save.

Then include the page as a custom action. If you're using the Case Feed Settings page to choose and configure actions:

- 1. From the object management settings for cases, go to Page Layouts.
- 2. How you access the Case Feed Settings page depends on what kind of page layout you're working with...
  - For a layout in the Case Page Layouts section, click **Edit**, and then click **Feed View** in the page layout editor.
  - For a layout in the Page Layouts for Case Feed Users section, click the down arrow and choose Edit feed view. (This section appears only for organizations created before Spring '14.)
- 3. In Custom Actions, click + Add a Visualforce page.
- **4.** Choose the page you want to add.
- 5. Specify the height of the action. For the best appearance, we recommend a height of 200 pixels.
- **6.** In Select Actions, move the custom action from Available to Selected.
- 7. Click Save

If you've opted to use the page layout editor to choose and configure actions, you first need to create the custom action:

- 1. From the object management settings for cases, go to Buttons, Links, and Actions.
- 2. Click New Action.

- 3. Select Custom Visualforce.
- **4.** Select the Visualforce page you created, then specify the height of the action window. (The width is fixed.)
- **5.** Type a label for the action. This is the text users will see for the action in the publisher.
- **6.** If necessary, change the name of the action.
- 7. Type a description for the action. The description appears on the detail page for the action and in the list on the Buttons, Links, and Actions page. The description isn't visible to your users.
- **8.** Optionally, click **Change Icon** to select a different icon for the action. This icon appears only when you use the action through the API.

Then add the action to a page layout:

- 1. From the object management settings for cases, go to Page Layouts.
- 2. How you access the page layout editor depends on what kind of page layout you're working with.
  - For a layout in the Case Page Layouts section, click Edit, and then click Feed View in the page layout editor.
  - For a layout in the Page Layouts for Case Feed Users section, click the down arrow and choose Edit detail view. (This section appears only for organizations created before Spring '14.)
- 3. Click Quick Actions in the palette.
- **4.** Drag the action from the palette to the Quick Actions in the Salesforce Classic Publisher section.
- 5. Click Save.

SEE ALSO:

Salesforce Help: Find Object Management Settings

# **OTHER RESOURCES**

In addition to this guide, there are other resources available for you as you learn how to use the Salesforce Classic Publisher JavaScript API and Lightning Quick Action JavaScript API.

Use these resources to learn more about Aura components, Visualforce, and Case Feed.

- Lightning Aura Components Developer Guide
- Visualforce Developer Guide