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Form Sections

Certain business objects may have quite a large number of attributes so putting them all on one form may not be practical. **AwareIM** allows breaking the form up into smaller chunks called *form sections*. Each form section may contain only a subset of attributes of the business object. In the Operation Mode such form sections are either displayed as tabs (each tab showing the name of the form section) so the user can access each form section in a random order or the form sections are displayed in a strictly defined order – one after the other. The following picture shows different form sections for the Customer business object (form sections are Main, Communication, Alerts and Signature; the currently open form section is Main)

Jane Allison

Main Communication Alerts Signature

Number: 000001

First Name: Jane

Last Name: Allison

Date Of Birth: 12/10/1973 MM/dd/yyyy

Gender: ☐ Male ☒ Female

Email Address: janec@hotmail.com

Address: 321 Ninth Street Gadsden AL 35903-1618

Phone: (555) 555-5555 (999) 999-9999

New email
New letter
New note
New alert
Delete

AwareIM creates a layout of a form section automatically whenever there is a request to show the form section in the Operation Mode. By default the attributes defined for the form section are generated in a top-down fashion using input controls corresponding to the attribute types (it is possible to change the default top-down layout and place attributes in a single row – see [Adding/Editing Form Sections](#)). If a definition of a business object changes so that new attributes are added or existing attributes are deleted or modified, the layout of the form section is automatically re-generated in the Operation Mode to reflect the changes. The picture showing form sections of the Customer business object above is an example of a form section.

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