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We recommend that you follow these steps when configuring your application (the order of steps is essential):

1. **Identify the requirements of your system** Requirements define the problem(s) that your application will solve for your organization. All other steps are part of a solution to these problems. Without the definition of a problem there can be no solution.
2. **Define business objects and relationships between the objects.**
This is the key step when defining the solution. Make sure you do it right – if you do, all other steps will be easier. Ignore any user interface considerations at this stage – let **AwareIM** create the default user interface and forms for you. You can customize them later if you like. See also [“Business Objects as Carriers of Data”](#)].
3. **Define business rules**
Business logic of your system must be encapsulated in business rules. Do not use processes for this. Do not worry about presentation rules (rules on how the information will be presented to the user) at this stage. See also [“Business Rules as Carriers of Business Logic”](#).
4. **Test the resulting system in the browser.**
Performing steps 2 and 3 should be enough to create the skeleton of your system. **AwareIM** will create the default user interface that will make it possible for you to test this skeleton in the browser. See also the [“Testing Business Space Version”](#) section.
5. **Refine your system by customizing the user interface, adding reports and document templates, specifying access restrictions etc**
6. **Test the final system**
See the [“Testing Business Space Version”](#) section.
7. **Deploy the final system**
See the [“Publishing Business Space Version”](#) section.

See also the [“Configuration Guidelines”](#) section.

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