Propertybase Marketing Templates

Customer Documentation



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Overview

With the <u>New Propertybase Template Engine</u> you can create beautiful and mobile-ready templates for mail merge and email. Market your listings and send out personalized email campaigns to exactly the right target groups using the Propertybase Send Wizard.

In order to add logic and dynamic content such as listings or text snippets to our templates, we rely on an easy to use templating language called <u>Liquid</u>. Customizing our templates has never been easier! This documentation will help you to customize our default set of templates to your company and needs. If you don't already have our templates in Propertybase, <u>click here to get all available</u> templates and learn how to import them to Propertybase. Here is a complete feature overview of <u>our templates</u>:

- 10+ email templates
- 20+ PDF templates
- Templates for residential real estate companies
- Templates for commercial real estate companies (listings for sale and lease)
- Modern and robust layout to support most email clients
- Responsive layout for mobile devices
- Multi-currency ready
- Easy customizable
- Include weblinks to a landing-page or your website for further details



The basics

Structure

We provide both email and PDF templates that you can use out of the box with just some little customizations. Our PDF templates consist of a **logo** template with your company logo and a **content** template including header and footer. Our email templates consist of a separate **header**, **content** and **footer** template, and an additional **plaintext** template.



Email plaintext

Most likely your clients will see the html email, but if their email client does not support html emails, the plaintext will act as a "fallback". It contains all the content of the html email but without styles, advanced layout or images. So if you change any fields in the html templates make sure to repeat these changes in the plaintext!

Commercial templates

Commercial templates work both for listings for sale and for lease. Based on the listing type field pba_listingtype_c the template automatically selects the right template component. We currently do not provide a residential template for listings for rent, but you easily can adjust the fields to your needs.

```
{% for listing in listings %}
 {% if listing.pba_listingtype_c == 'Sale' %}
    <!-- Sale template and relevant fields -->
    {% else %}
    <!-- Lease template and relevant fields -->
    {% endif %}
{% endif %}
```

Before you get started

As stated earlier our templates are based on the Liquid templating language. To get an overview of the syntax and functionality we recommend to take a look at <u>the official documentation for</u> <u>designers</u>.

Tip: If you customize your templates we recommend you to copy and paste the template code to your local editor. There you can use syntax highlighting, get a better overview and don't need to struggle with the small input field. After you finished your adjustments just copy and paste the code back into Salesforce.

The template object

In Propertybase the templates are modeled as custom objects. Navigate to the template object by clicking on the "+" tab on the far right. Then select "Templates". You will see a list of all available templates. If you want to create a new template you will see the following screen:

Template Edit		Save Save & New Cancel			
Information					
	Template Name	Shown name of the template	amail far amaile	Owner	Nina Foster
	Dev Name	Unique Name in the system	pdf for letters/exposees inline for text modules, which can be used in several template		Type which will be
	Туре	None Select for the template type		ActivityType	used for the tracked activity
	Description	Enter a description shown for the users		Category	Categories can be
	Screenshot	Here you can have a link to a thumbnail of	of the template	Subcategory	defined if required
Template Content	Subject	Enter the profiled subject here -> require	d for emails		
	HTML	Enter html code here			
	Plain Text	Enter plain text here			
	CSS	If you want to work with styles, you can o	define the CSS here.		
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Accessing and displaying fields of Salesforce objects

To get an idea of the available fields of an object such as Listing, Contact or User click on "Setup". There you will find the section "Build" in the left sidebar. Open "Create" and choose "Objects". You will find a list of all available objects, select your desired object and find out the <u>API name</u> of this field.

For example the API name of the price field of the listing object will be pba__ListingPrice_pb__c In order to access and display Salesforce fields in any template, all fields need to be lowercased. So pba__ListingPrice_pb__c becomes pba__listingprice_pb__c. To finally display the listing price of the first selected listing in the Send Wizard you have to use the following syntax:

```
{{ listing[0].pba_listingprice_pb_c }}
100000
```

In order to display the listing price of multiple listings you need to loop through the array of selected listings. The syntax looks something like this:

```
{% for listing in listings %}
{{ listing.pba_listingprice_pb_c }}
{% endfor %}
100000
250000
600000
```

Note: You can define the number of possible listings for a template by adding your desired number to the "Media Items" input field within the "Template Content" settings.

Snippets

You want to add custom content to your templates? No problem, you can make use of snippets. Those allow the users to enter values and text within the templates during the writing process in the Send Wizard. Here is simple example and how it shows up in the Send Wizard:

```
{{SNIPPET.content | snippet:
"'type':'text','label':'Content','size':'2000','placeholder':'Your message...'" |
newline_to_br}}
```

Define content for your custom fields	
Content 4000 characters left	
Your message	

Make them yours

Tip: If you have problems with previewing and sending out your template after customizations, please take a look at section "Common pitfalls".

Customize email logo

In order to adjust the company logo used in all of the Email templates open the Email header template. Find the image element in the template shown below and replace the URL in the source attribute with the URL of your own logo. Make sure the image is a PNG with a transparent background for an optimal visual appearance. Adjust the width and height attributes to your needs. (The values should match the dimensions of your logo image.)

```
<img style="max-width: 100%;height: auto;"
src="http://www.propertybase.com/images/theme/logo.png" alt="Propertybase Logo"
width="200" height="39" border="0" hspace="0" vspace="0" />
```

```
<img style="max-width: 100%;height: auto;"
src="http://www.my-website.com/my-logo.png" alt="My Logo" width="180" height="35"
border="0" hspace="0" vspace="0" />
```

If you want to center your logo just set the align attribute in the email header to center:

Note: You can add custom layout elements such as borders, custom sections or images, too. In the process it is important to assure that especially the email layout remains sound. Otherwise the display of the templates will be flawed and your customers will have a bad user experience. So if you are not really into HTML and CSS, we recommend a developer or web designer to assist you.

Customize pdf logo

In order to adjust the company logo used in all of the PDF templates open the PDF company logo template and change the image. Use the "style"-tag to add the dimensions (exact width and height) of your image.

```
<img id="img" src="http://www.propertybase.com/images/theme/logo.png">
```

```
<img id="img" src="http://www.my-website.com/my-logo.png"
style="width:100px;height:75px;">
```

You want to center your logo? Add the following highlighted code to your logo img:

```
<img id="img" src="http://www.my-website.com/my-logo.png"
style="width:100px;height:75px;float:none;text-align:center;">
```

Customize background color

In order to adjust the background color used in all of the email templates open the **Email header** template and change the image.

Find the following code fragment and change the value of all of the bgcolor attributes to your desired color. You may want to use bright and pastel shaded colors. Each template has to be adjusted separately!

```
<body style="margin:0; padding:0;" bgcolor="#f5f5f5" leftmargin="0" topmargin="0"
marginwidth="0" marginheight="0">
```

<body style="margin:0; padding:0;" bgcolor="#fffffff" leftmargin="0" topmargin="0" marginwidth="0" marginheight="0"> <table border="0" width="100%" height="100%"

cellpadding="0" cellspacing="0" bgcolor="#fffffff">

Customize fields

Open the Email or PDF template in which want to update. Find the field you want to change and replace it with your desired field name in lowercase characters. You can also delete fields and add new fields. However, it is recommended to do a preview rendering to make sure the layout is not affected by any changes.

```
{{listing.price_unit__c}}
{% if listing.price_unit__c %}$ {{listing.price_unit__c}{% else %}-{% endif %}
```

```
{{listing.my_field_name_c}}
{% if listing.my_field_name_c %}$ {{listing.my_field_name_c}}{% else %}-{% endif
%}
```

You want to do advanced calculations? No problem, see the last chapters about filters. Here is an advanced example that shows how to calculate the average listing price of all listings, capture it in a variable and output it in a custom format:

```
{% capture average_sold_price %}{% average listings, 'pba_listingprice_pb_c' %}{%
endcapture %}
{{ average_sold_price | money: "precision: 2" }}
$2,345.56
```

You want to show text based on the state of a checkbox? In Salesforce checkboxes can have three values: null (default, unchecked), false (unchecked) and true (checked).

```
{% if listings[0].pba_dachfields_kitchen_c % == true %} Yes {% elsif
listings[0].pba_dachfields_kitchen_c % == false %} No {% else %} No {% endif %}
```

Additional listing images

Propertybase already comes with a couple of templates to present your listings in the best light including:



You want to show off even more images? Feel free to add additional images but ensure that the template structure remains intact. This can involve some trial and error. First locate the section that includes the image/images and copy & paste it above or below the original section. Then make sure to enter the correct number of images per listing in the **Media Items** setting on the template object and adjust the **image source** as follows:

```
{{ listings[0].media[0].file }} <!-- First image of a single listing template -->
{{ listings[0].media[1].file }} <!-- Second image of a single listing template -->
{{ listing.media[0].file }} <!-- First image of a multiple listing template -->
{{ listing.media[1].file }} <!-- Second image of a multiple listing template -->
...
```

Customize email footer

In order to do adjust the footer open the "Email footer" template and adjust the html and plaintext to your needs.

Html footer:

```
. . .
         <hr style="height:1px;border:none;border-bottom:1px solid")</pre>
#ededed;">
              \frac{d}{d}
            <td align="left" style="font-family:Helvetica, Arial,
sans-serif;font-size:11px;line-height:16px;color:#999;">
              {{user.companyname}}
              <br>
              {{user.name}}
              <br>
              {{user.street}}, {{user.city}}, {{user.postalcode}}
              <br>
              <br>
              {{user.phone}}
              <br>
              {{user.mobilephone}}
              <br>
              <a href="mailto:{{user.email}}"
style="color:#999">{{user.email}}</a>
              <br>
              <br>
```

```
<td class="container-padding footer-text" align="left"
style="font-family:Helvetica, Arial,
sans-serif;font-size:11px;line-height:16px;color:#999;padding-left:24px;padding-righ
t:24px">
            <br>
            Don't want to receive this type of email?
            <a href="mailto:{{user.email}}?subject=Unsubscribe"
style="color:#999">Unsubscribe.</a>
            <br>
            \frac{d}{d}
          </body>
</html>
```

Plaintext footer:

```
{{user.companyname}}
{{user.name}}
{{user.street}}, {{user.city}}, {{user.postalcode}}
{{user.phone}}
{{user.mobilephone}}
{{user.email}}
Don't want to receive this type of email?
<a href="mailto:{{user.email}}?subject=Unsubscribe">Unsubscribe.</a>
```

Customize pdf footer

Adjusting fields in the footer of PDF templates has to be done inside each template separately.

```
<div class="footer">
 {{user.companyname}}
   <br />
   {{user.name}}
   <br />
   {{user.street}}, {{user.city}}, {{user.postalcode}}
   <br />
   {{user.phone}}
   <br />
   {{user.mobilephone}}
   <br />
   {{user.email}}
   <br />
 </div>
```

Common pitfalls

Missing if or endif statement.

```
{% if listing.pba_listingprice_pb_c %}...{% endif %}
```

Missing object reference.

{{ pba_listingprice_pb_c }}
{{ listing.pba_listingprice_pb_c }}

Wrong field name or field name not in lowercase.

```
{{ listing.pba_ListingPricepb_c }}
{{ listing.pba_listingprice_pb_c }}
```

Missing braces or wrong syntax. Please note that double curly braces are used for output whereas curly braces and % are used, amongst other things for control flow statements such as if or for and defining variables.

```
{{ listing.pba_listingprice_pb_c }}
{% if listing.pba_listingprice_pb_c %}
...
{% endif %}
{% assign currency_precision = 2 %}
{% capture number_active_listings %}{{ number_active_listings | plus:1.0 }}{%
endcapture %}
```

Format currency

Note: This section covers the new approach to format currencies! <u>See bottom for the old</u> <u>approach based on the locale.</u>

Inside each email and PDF listing template you will find a couple of configuration variables. These variables format currencies for the whole template based on the currencyIsoCode of each listing. The template automatically detects Euro, Pound and Dollar. You can of course adjust the formatting to your needs and region.

```
{% assign currency_precision = 2 %}
{% assign currency = listings[0].currencyisocode %} // listing for multiple listings
{% if currency == 'EUR'%}
    {% assign currency_unit = '€' %}
    {% assign currency_separator = ',' %}
    {% assign currency_delimiter = '.' %}
    {% assign currency_format = '%n %u' %}
{% assign currency_mit = 'f' %}
    {% assign currency_separator = '.' %}
    {% assign currency_separator = '.' %}
    {% assign currency_mit = 'f' %}
    {% assign currency_delimiter = '.' %}
    {% assign currency_separator = '.' %}
    {% assign currency_format = '%u%n' %}
```

```
{% else %}
{% assign currency_unit = '$' %}
{% assign currency_separator = '.' %}
{% assign currency_delimiter = ',' %}
{% assign currency_format = '%u%n' %}
{% endif %}
```

{{listing.pba_listingprice_pb_c | money: "precision: currency_precision, unit: currency_unit, separator: currency_separator, delimiter: currency_delimiter, format: currency_format" }}

1.234.567,89 € £1,234,567.89 \$1,234,567.89

Important: Be sure to adjust the currency settings of each template in your Org. In some templates the currency variable block appears more than once, make sure to adapt this block, too.

Format date

Similar to the currency formatting you will find a configuration variable for dates. If you do not have a variable yet you always can add the parameters inline.

Important: Be sure to adjust the date settings of each template in your Org.

```
{% assign date_format = '%D' %}
{{ 'now' | date: date_format }}
04/22/16

{% assign date_format = '%d/%m/%y' %}
{{ 'now' | date: date_format }}
22/04/16

{% assign date_format = '%d.%m.%y' %}
{{ 'now' | date: date_format }}
22.04.16

{% assign date_format = '%a, %b %d, %Y' %}
{{ 'now' | date: date_format }}
Wed, Feb 20, 2016
```

Available filters

Supported Liquid filters

This section only covers a small subset of available filters. To see all supported Liquid-based filters and tags check out: <u>https://github.com/Shopify/liquid/wiki/Liquid-for-Designers</u>

sort

Sort an array depending on a field.

```
{% assign sorted_listings = listings | sort: 'name' %}
{% for listing in sorted_listings %}
  {{ listing.pba__address_pb__c }}
  {% endfor %}
Alamo Square 125
Bakery Street 34
Mission Street 200
```

Additional custom filters

See <u>http://api.rubyonrails.org/classes/ActionView/Helpers/NumberHelper.html</u> for reference (the syntax is different tough).

money

Format prices.

```
{{ 100000 | money: "precision: 2, unit: 'Ksh', separator: '.', delimiter: ',',
format: '%n %u'" }}
100,000.00 Ksh
```

percentage

Format a number as a percentage.

```
{{ 1234567 | percentage: "precision: 2" }}
123,46%
```

human

Format a number in a human readable way.

```
{{ 1234567 | human: "precision: 1, separator: ',', significant: false" }}
1,2 Million
```

with_delimiter

Delimit a number to thousands.

{{ 3000000 | with_delimiter }}
3,000,000

with_precision

Define the precision of a number.

```
{{ 123456789 | "with_precision: 2" }}
12345.68
```

pluralize

Return the second word if the input is not 1, otherwise return the first word.

```
{{ 3 | pluralize: 'item', 'items' }}
items
```

Additional custom tags

average

Calculates the average of a field in a collection.

```
{% average listings, 'pba_listingprice_pb_c' %}
```

count

Counts a collection.

{% count listings %}

max

Returns the maximum value of a field in a collection.

{% max listings, 'pba_listingprice_pb_c' %}

median

Calculates the median of a field in a collection.

{% median listings, 'pba_listingprice_pb_c' %}

min

Returns the minimum value of a field in a collection.

```
{% min listings, 'pba_listingprice_pb_c' %}
```

stdev

Calculates the standard deviation of a field in a collection.

```
{% stdev listings, 'pba_listingprice_pb_c' %}
```

sum

Calculates the sum of a field in a collection.

{% sum listings, 'pba_listingprice_pb_c' %}

var

Calculates the variance of a field in a collection.

```
{% var listings, 'pba_listingprice_pb_c' %}
```

Individual templates

Comparable market analysis (CMA)

This template does a lot of calculations in the background to provide you with an overview over your listings. If the outcome has missing fields or shows you a red bar reassure the following points:

- Out of the box the CMA template only supports listings for sale with a pba_status_c of "Active" and "Closed" (commercial ORGs) or "Sold" (residential ORGs). Feel free to customize the template for other listing states.
- Make sure all of your listings provide the field values that are needed for the CMA template.
 Otherwise the output may be distorted.

Deprecated settings

```
Customize locale (aka format currencies)
```

Important: Formatting currencies via adjusting the locale is deprecated. The current set of templates relies on a per template setting that is more fine-grained.

The default locale of each template is 'en-US' but you can customize it to your location. Our template engine supports the following locales (see i18n):

af, ar, az, be, bg, bn, bs, ca, cs, cy, da, de, de-AT, de-CH, el, en, en-AU, en-CA, en-GB, en-IE, en-IN, en-NZ, en-US, en-ZA, eo, es, es-419, es-AR, es-CL, es-CO, es-CR, es-EC, es-MX, es-PA, es-PE, es-US, es-VE, et, eu, fa, fi, fr, fr-CA, fr-CH, gl, he, hi, hi-IN, hr, hu, id, is, it, it-CH, ja, km, kn, ko, lb, lo, lt, lv, mk, mn, mr-IN, ms, nb, ne, nl, nn, or, pa, pl, pt, pt-BR, rm, ro, ru, sk, sl, sr, sv, sw, ta, th, tl, tr, tt, ug, uk, ur, uz, vi, wo, zh-CN, zh-HK, zh-TW, zh-YUE

For example if you are situated in the UK or in Germany you have to adjust the locale as follows:

```
{% assign locale = 'en-GB' %}
{% if listing.pba_listingprice_pb_c %}{{ listing.pba_listingprice_pb_c | money:
"precision: 2, locale: locale" }}{% else %} - {% endif %}
f1,234,567.89
{% assign locale = 'de' %}
{% if listing.pba_listingprice_pb_c %}{{ listing.pba_listingprice_pb_c | money:
"precision: 2, locale: locale" }}{% else %} - {% endif %}
1.234.567,89 €
```

If the local setting does not work for you or the formatting is insufficient, you can always hard-code your preferred money formatting for each field. See the money filter.