

How to use the Branding wizard to apply styles to user-form error messages

You can use the Branding wizard to change the way your application displays form-level and field-level error messages in user forms.

This article describes 6.2 features. For information about working with the 6.3 Skin rule, see [How to use the Skin rule to style your application user interface](#).

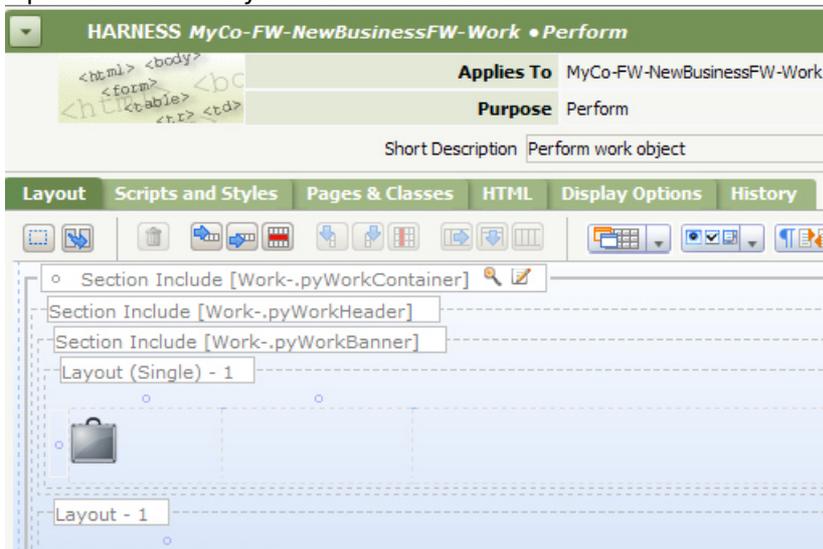
To learn how to create custom error sections in 6.2+, see [How to create a custom error section in user forms \(V6.2\)](#). For 5.X, see [How to customize the presentation of errors on work object forms](#).

Suggested Approach

The Branding wizard enables you to modify the default text, background, and icon styles used in standard form-level and field-level error messages. The following example shows you how to modify the message styles to suit your requirements.

Do the following:

1. Open the harness you want to customize.



2. On the Display Options tab, select Top of Harness in the Display Form-Level Errors drop-down list. This option displays the message at the top of the form. You can also select Default to display the error at both the top and bottom of the form.
3. Select the Always show form level errors checkbox. This displays the error section that includes the field-level error (incorrect Customer ID value). When unchecked, the area only appears for page-level messages. Selecting the option shows field-level messages as well.



4. Select As Full Error Text in the Display Field-Level Errors drop-down list.
5. Save the harness and run the process to display the default error messages.

Errors:

- Customer ID:Customer ID must start with JLC

Loan (A-111)

Case ID	A-111	Urgency	🕒 10	Status
Created	less than a minute ago	Goal	1 day, 23 hours from now	Last Update
Created by	James Allen	Deadline	2 days, 23 hours from now	Last Update

Search for a Customer

Is this an existing customer?

Customer ID **Customer ID must start with JLC**

Customer Details | **Loan Details** | **Loan Terms**

First Name		Customer ID	123456789
Last Name		Total Current Balance	
Street			

- To customize the presentation, open the Branding wizard from  > *User Interface* > *Branding Wizard*.
- In the Name and Location panel, select modify an existing skin and an unlocked version of the skin you want to modify. Make sure that this skin is selected in your General Preferences dialog so that you can view your modifications during testing.
- Navigate to the Styles and Formats panel. Select *Special Category* > *Errors Element*.

Modify the form-level message

Do the following:

- In the Error Section area, modify the text, border, background, and message colors as shown below.
- In the Symbol field, use the Image Catalog () to replace the default Message image (Disc) with a new image ()

MODIFY SKIN - EndUser62MyCo2

Category: Special >> Element: Errors

Error Section

Text
 Font: (use overall) 8
 Color: #FF0000
 Bold:

Border
 same for all sides
 solid 1 px

Background
 Type: solid
 Color: #C2FEFF

Message
 Font: (use overall) 9
 Color: #8000FF
 Bold:
 Symbol: Image

- Click Save in the wizard to update the skin's CSS files and keep the skin open for modification.

Errors:
 Customer ID: Customer ID must start with JLC

Loan (A-117)

Case ID	A-117	Urgency
Created	13 minutes ago	Goal
Created by	James Allen	Deadline

- Run your process. Here are the results:
- Collapse the section to display the standard message text.

Please correct the errors indicated and try again.

Modify the field-level messages

Return to the Branding wizard and modify the field-level message styles as follows:

- In the Labels area, change to orange the text color of the label next to the field containing the error.
- In the Fields area, replace the Icon with a new image () in the **Location** field.
- Change to green the colors of the field border and the message text.

Labels

Text Font: (use overall) 8
 Color: #FF8000
 Bold:

Fields

Icon Location: images/errortriangle.gif

Use browser styles for border and background

Border same for all sides
 solid 1 px

Background Type: solid
 Color: #FFFFFF

Message Font: (use overall) 8
 Color: #008000
 Bold:

- Click Save and run the process. Here are the orange label text, and green message and border

Search for a Customer

Is this an existing customer?

Customer ID **Customer ID must start with JLC**
 123456789

Customer Details Loan Details Loan Terms

First Name Customer ID 1234567

- settings in the As Full Error Text display.
- In the harness, select As Image with Tooltip in the Display Field-Level Errors drop-down list on the Display Options tab.
- Save the harness and run the process to view the new icon.

Search for a Customer

Is this an existing customer?

Customer ID  123456789
 Customer ID must start with JLC

Customer Details Loan Details Loan Terms

First Name Customer ID
 Last Name Total Current