

FormFusion Suite

Appendix B: Getting Started

Before you delve into the advanced concepts found elsewhere, you may like to review just how simple it is to begin. You can literally take one of our pre-designed Banner process templates, import it, add your logo and details, and go into production in minutes. How long further customizations take is entirely up to you.

Select a Database


Log in to a database session. On the left-hand side of the application window you will find a panel with three buttons and a drop-down combo box. First you need to select



the Oracle SQL*Net session you would like to connect to. The sessions in the drop-down list are read from the "tnsnames.ora" file. If the session is not in the drop-down list, you may type it into the edit

box. Select a session from the drop_down box Every time you exit FormFusion the last session used is saved to the Windows(tm) Registry. The next time you return to FormFusion, the session will be displayed in the box automatically.

Log in

After the session has been chosen, click on the Login icon.  Alternatively, you can type the shortcut keys <CTRL> and L. At this point, you will be prompted for a Username and Password. The session drop-down list will become disabled disallowing the option to change the Oracle session.

After the session is logged in, assuming there were no warning messages, you should see a view of the FormFusion table structure. The tree view may or may not contain groups and processes at this point. This will depend on whether your DBA installed the Evisions Sample Forms or have created forms for your organization's use.

Process Tree

This section will discuss the layout and organization of the "Process Tree View." This can also be thought of as the view into FormFusion tables residing in the Oracle session. Each entry in the tree view is called a "tree node" (or "node" for short). Each node represents an entry in one or more of the FormFusion tables.

