Importing Customers into Counter Intelligence Office 2009

The Import Customers function allows for Customers to be imported into Counter Intelligence Office from an external source, typically an excel spreadsheet.

The Customers Import file **MUST** be in comma separated file format (.CSV). To create the CSV file, prepare your Customers in Excel or a similar spreadsheet, and save the file as a CSV file.

The column headings **MUST match exactly** to the field names specified in the table below. It is not necessary to have all the fields specified, but you **MUST** have the field names that are required. It does not matter if which order they are sequenced.

The following is a list of supported **Field Names**. The names are not casesensitive. Extra fields are allowed, but are ignored by import function.

Field	Reqd	Len	Description
Code	Yes	8	Specifies the customer code. If the code specified does not exist, a new customer is created. If the code already exists then the existing customer's details are updated. Single quotes (`) are not permitted.
LookUpNumber	No	6	It will prompt to allow to generate (Yes or No), if there is no column in Spreadsheet.
Group	No	4	Specifies the group code for which the customer is being created. If this column is not included, the user must select an existing group from a drop down list at import time. If the group is specified, but no group with that code can be found in Counter Intelligence, a new group is created.

Field	Reqd	Len	Description
DefaultBranch	No	3	Specifies the branch code for which the
			customer is being created. If this column
			is not included, the user may select an
			existing branch from a drop down list at
			import time.
			If the branch is specified, but no branch
			with that code can be found in Counter
			Intelligence, the line is ignored.
DefaultEmployee	No	7	Specifies the employee code for which the
			customer is being created.
			If this column is not included, the user
			may select an existing employee from a
			drop down list at import time.
			If the employee is specified, but no
			employee with that code can be found in
		4	Counter Intelligence, the line is ignored.
AccountType	No	1	B=Balance Forward
			O=Open Item
			R=Revolving Credit
			M=Marketing Only
			If this column is not included, Office will
			record the Account Type as O (Open Item).
TradingName	No	40	Trading name of customer.
ContactTitle	No	40	Title of contact person.
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ContactFirstName	No	40	First name of contact person.
ContactLastName	No	40	Last name of contact person.
PhoneHome	No	20	Home phone number.
PhoneWork	No	20	Work phone number.
PhoneMobile	No	20	Mobile phone number.
Fax	No	20	Facsimile number.
Email	No	60	Email address.
Website	No		Website address.
Street	No	255	
City	No	40	Address City.
PostCode	No	5	Address Post Code of address.
Country	No	40	Address Country.
DeliveryStreet	No	255	Delivery address street/suburb.
DeliveryCity	No	40	Delivery address city.
DeliveryPostCode	No	5	Post Code of delivery address.
DeliveryCountry	No	40	Delivery address country.
Note	No	80	Note.

Field	Reqd	Len	Description
TermCode	No	1	P=`of the Month Following Invoice Date'
			D='Days After Date of Invoice'.
TermDays	No	4	If term code is P, term days must be
			between 1 and 31.
			If term code is D, term days must be
			between 0 and 9999.
			If this column is not included, Office will
			record the Term Days as 0.
CreditLimit	No	9	Amount of credit limit.
			If this column is not included or blank,
			Office will record the Credit Limit as 0.
AllowMarketing	No	1	0=not allow marketing
			1=allow marketing
			If Account Type is M then Allow Marketing
			should always be set to allow marketing
			(1).
			If this column is not included, Office will
			record the Allow Marketing as 0.

Office will display an Access-like grid of the fields found in the specified import file.

An audit report is generated.

Note: The Delivery Street may be spread over multiple lines to a maximum 255 characters. If you need to concatenate multiple lines – eg Cell A2=Unit 27 Cell A3="The Mews Apartments" Cell A4="123 Vincent Street" then build a formula for the DeliveryStreet field of:

A2&CHAR(10)&A3&CHAR(10)&A4. The Char(10) will split them onto multiple lines.