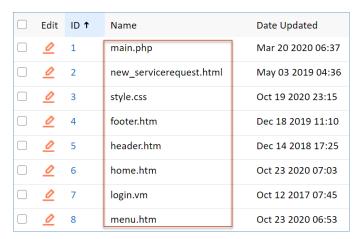
EUI Template Reference

The Agiloft EUI is managed by a set of HTML files stored as records in the EUI Templates table. Using HTML, you can redesign the interface in any number of ways to match your branding and web design. This article contains a description for each of the main EUI templates. To see the code for each template, go to the EUI Templates table in your knowledgebase and open the desired template. For more detailed instructions on editing the templates, see Working with Default EUI Templates.

Each page of the EUI has a corresponding record in the EUI Templates table. The Name field shows the full template name including the file extension, such as .htm, .html, .css, .php, or .properties.



EUI Templates table with Name column highlighted

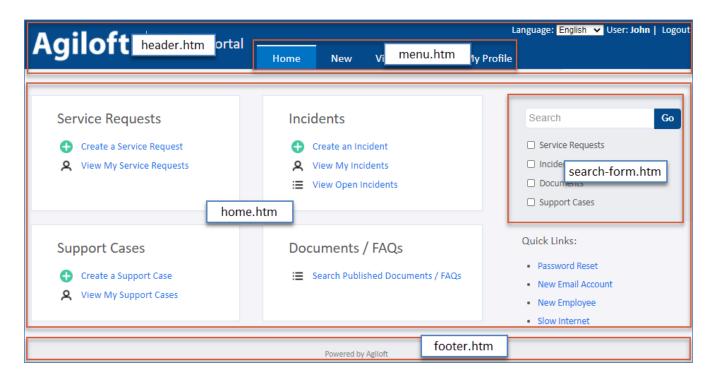
The Body field holds the code, and modifying the code makes changes to the EUI. For this reason, we recommend making a copy before editing any template records so that you can revert to the old code if necessary.

Some EUI templates don't stand alone as separate pages, but are used by other templates or included in other pages. For instance, the templates header.htm, footer.htm and menu.htm are included in every page of the EUI. Here are other examples of these "helper" files:

- iresize.js: Contains a piece of JavaScript
- search-form.htm: Contains the search block found on every home page
- meta.htm: Holds meta data included in every page

main.php

The standard login pages provided by Agiloft are set to direct a user to main.php when logging into the custom portal. The following wireframe image shows how the elements contained in the main.php page fit together:



The main.php file does not directly contain the elements that are displayed to the user on the page. Instead, main.php uses the #ew_include() macro to pull in the contents of three other HTML files:

- header.htm
- home.htm
- footer.htm

Header.htm in turn includes the file menu.htm, and home.htm pulls in search-form.htm. Header.htm also contains the reference to the logo, plus user information and a logout link in the upper right corner.

Although a login page does have to specify which page a user is taken to, it does not have to be the main.php page. Different login pages for the same project could even direct users to different landing pages.

home.htm

The home.htm template file is the main part of the page that users see when they log in to the EUI. It makes heavy use of conditionals to show different tables to different user groups. An HTML table lines up the Agiloft tables in columns and rows. On the EUI, the horizontal and vertical lines are table cells with particular CSS classes designated. Using conditionals with this type of layout provides a relatively compact presentation when there are only a few options for each user.

You do not have to use home.htm if it is not suitable for your needs. In main.php, you can replace the reference to home.htm with a different EUI template to serve as your main home page. See Working with Home Pages for more information.

menu.htm

The menu.htm template file creates the navigation menu, or the tabs across the top of the screen.



Each tab of the menu is held in an unordered HTML list in menu.htm. The template file also contains a script near the bottom that highlights the current tab. If you add any extra tabs to the EUI, ensure that you give each new item a unique ID in the script.

The area used by the tabs expands to accommodate any extra tabs added. If the area used by the tabs becomes larger than the area available to the menu, it creates a second line, which generally looks bad. For this reason, we recommend that you limit the number of tabs you add, use shorter tab names, or add line breaks into the tab names so that users see a limited number of tabs. You can also create drop-down menus for the extra items. For more information on how to do this, see the EUI Setup Tips page.

header.htm

The header.htm template file controls the appearance of the EUI header and also references menu.htm to display the navigation menu. Header.htm contains the reference to the logo, plus user information and a logout link in the upper right corner. The \$ewText.get method uses the userinfo.name.label and userinfo. logout.link variables to retrieve the words "User:" and "Logout," respectively, from the translation. properties file.

translation.properties

The translation.properties file is actually part of a family of files. The default Agiloft setup includes translation.properties, translation_ru.properties, and translation_zh.properties. These records hold the text retrieved by the \$ewText.get method for English, Russian, and Chinese, respectively. For more information about translation.properties, localization, and the EUI, see Text and Localization in the EUI.

style.css

The style.css file contains the CSS code for the EUI, which defines the page formatting and can be updated as desired. By default, style.css is already referenced on each page by including the meta.htm file, which calls style.css along with several other standard scripts. You can use this same shortcut on pages you create.



Mhen editing the CSS, keep in mind that by default the <divs> in home.htm have their location determined by the HTML table and do not use relative positioning. This means that the location of a particular <div> on the page is determined by its placement within the HTML table. If you want to update the style.css to use positioning, then you must remove the HTML table in home.htm or your positioning will not work as intended.