

# Defining and using Custom-Id for Requirements

## Introduction

Some customers felt that the random distribution of Requirement Id's is not suitable for documentation and wanted a mechanism similar to section numbers of a document.

Consequently, we are introducing Custom-Id's, which can fulfill these needs. Custom-Id's are not meant to replace the default Requirement ID's, which are unique identifiers, but rather as an aid for documentation.

## Key Properties of Custom-Id attribute

- Please note that this is not a unique ID and will change as per the position of the Requirement in Requirement Hierarchy.
- The Custom-Id's cannot be modified by users on the screen.
- The custom-Id's are not preserved when a Requirement is Baselined or Committed.

## Defining a Custom-Id

Custom-Id can be defined on a per project basis and can be configured by a user who has rights to manage Project Configuration. On the project configuration screen, the following configuration option is available to the user.

» Custom ID Configuration

Current Config: %PK%-%RHID%-%RVER%

Define a pattern to use for a Custom ID cell in planned requirement table. You can use keys defined below enclosed in "%" and any other alpha-numeric character. During display, keys will be replaced with appropriate values.

Example: %PK%-R-%RHID% will become DEMO-R-1.2.1

Key	Value
PK	Jira project key
RSID	Requirement system unique identifier
RPID	Requirement project unique identifier
RHID	Requirement hierarchical identifier
RVER	Requirement version

The configuration mechanism stated on the configuration page is self explanatory.

## Displaying the Custom-Id

Any user can display the Custom-Id column by selecting this option in the Column Selection Tool. Subsequently this option will be visible (in the table for which this is selected).

The screenshot shows the JIRA Requirements tool interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for 'Planned Requirement' and 'Unplanned Requirement'. Below this is a table with columns: Id, Custom ID, Requirement Summary, BL, Categories, Depends On, Dependents, Criticality, Feasibility, and Status. The 'Custom ID' column is visible and populated with values like 'FOUR-1-1', 'FOUR-1.1-1', 'FOUR-1.2-1', etc. The 'Status' column shows various states like 'Assigned', 'Open', and '---'. The bottom of the table indicates 'Now Showing # 8 row(s)' and includes buttons for 'Auto Insert', 'Append Row', and other actions.

## Printing Custom-Id in documents

The Custom-Id is exported as part of CSV as well as PDF export functions.