



Upgrading to Windward From Docmosis

Saving Time & Money



Create Templates in MS Word

- You still create your templates in MS Word
- Windward also supports template creation in Excel and Powerpoint



Benefits

- Adding New Functionality
- Saving You Time. A Lot of Time
- Making the Design Process Pleasant

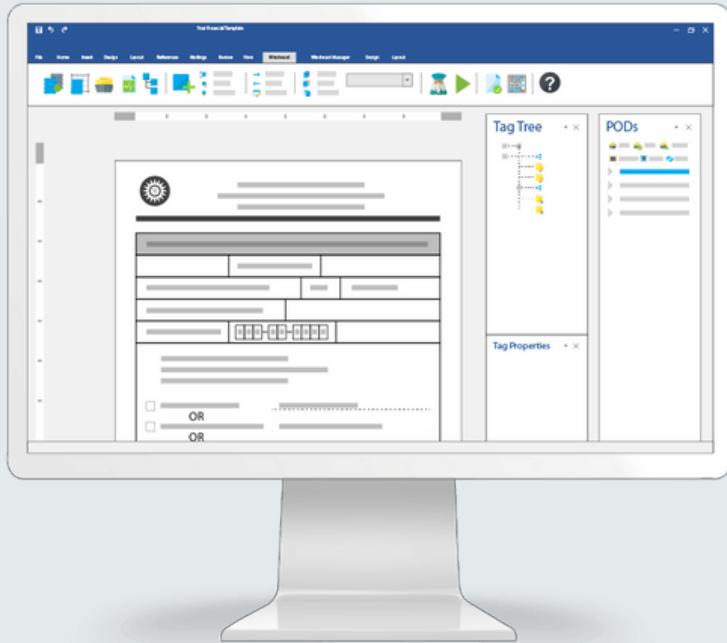


Big Wins

- The Windward Designer
- Eliminating Code Behind
- Drag & Drop Doclets
 - Query Wizards

The Windward Designer

Microsoft Office Add-in



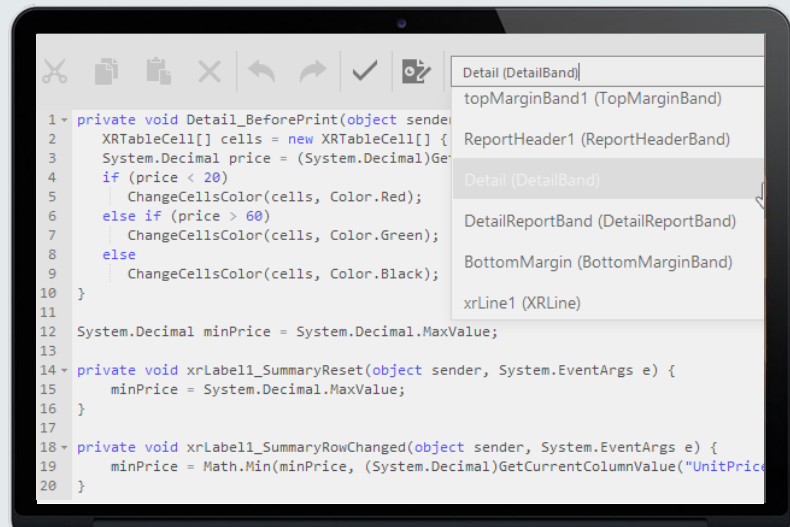
Windward is built around an add-in to help you place & edit the fields (tags in Windward nomenclature) in the template.

The Windward Designer makes adding and revising tags a breeze because it helps you write each tag exactly where you need it in the template.

Having an Add-In (vs. not) determines how much time your team will spend designing templates, day after day, week after week, year after year.

Control tags can be hidden or revealed immediately with a click.

Eliminate Code Behind



The image shows a laptop screen with a code editor. The code is in C# and includes a method `Detail_BeforePrint` that uses `XRTableCell` and `System.Decimal` to format data. A dropdown menu is open, showing a list of report bands: `topMarginBand1 (TopMarginBand)`, `ReportHeader1 (ReportHeaderBand)`, `Detail (DetailBand)` (which is selected), `DetailReportBand (DetailReportBand)`, `BottomMargin (BottomMarginBand)`, and `xrLine1 (XRLine)`.

```
1 private void Detail_BeforePrint(object sender, EventArgs e) {
2     XRTableCell[] cells = new XRTableCell[] {
3         System.Decimal price = (System.Decimal)GetColumnValue("UnitPrice");
4         if (price < 20)
5             ChangeCellsColor(cells, Color.Red);
6         else if (price > 60)
7             ChangeCellsColor(cells, Color.Green);
8         else
9             ChangeCellsColor(cells, Color.Black);
10    }
11
12    System.Decimal minPrice = System.Decimal.MaxValue;
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14    private void xrLabel1_SummaryReset(object sender, System.EventArgs e) {
15        minPrice = System.Decimal.MaxValue;
16    }
17
18    private void xrLabel1_SummaryRowChanged(object sender, System.EventArgs e) {
19        minPrice = Math.Min(minPrice, (System.Decimal)GetCurrentColumnValue("UnitPrice"));
20    }
```

- Eliminate the concept of a `DataProviderBuilder`
- Everything is in the template, including the queries to the data sources.
- Eliminates the need to have programmers involved in template design.
- No more rebuilding your application and pushing it through test & staging each time you need another field.

Drag and Drop Doclets

AKA “PODs”

One (or several) users can create content for a template that are saved off. Then they or other users can drag those saved doclets to drop right onto a template. This provides template designers a way to create very complex templates easily by just dragging the needed components. It also eliminates repetitive tasks.

- Any part of a template you can select can be saved as a POD.
- The POD is linked so any change to the POD is immediately reflected in the template and in any generated documents.
- When dropping a POD, the full style & formatting is inserted.
- PODs can easily be shared among users.
- PODs can include tags of any complexity.

Query Wizards

- Your most common activity creating templates is writing the queries to select the data.
- With query wizards, business users can write the query to pull data.
- Distinct wizards for JSON, Odata, Salesforce, SQL, & XML.
- User selects data in the moment—that's gigantic!
- No more errors due to typos.
- Easy to find/get the data you want - MORE IMPORTANTLY the Designer understands the data and then uses it appropriately.

What Goes Away

Writing Code

Everything is in the template



Breaking the Flow

No switching between code and template



Converters

(Say goodbye to LibreOffice!)

- No configuring and administering converters
- Output documents rendered in Windward Engine
- Vastly improved performance



Docmosis Only Features



Templates in ODT & DOC

- Windward requires templates in DOCX (along with XLSX & PPTX).



Writing templates in LibreOffice, OpenOffice, and Word on Mac & browser

- Windward's Designer runs on Word for Windows only

Windward Only Features



PODs – drag & drop doclets



Charts (from data)

- Built around native Word charts



Templates in XLSX & PPTX



Output to over 20 file formats

- Including direct to printers



Imported child templates

- Headers & footers optionally included
- Child styles & format merged



Custom macros

- To be used in formulas



Access Providers

- Import files using any protocol



Document Locking

- Carries Word & Excel locking to output



Process Embedded Office Objects

- Process tags in embedded OpenXML objects

Reasons to NOT UPGRADE

- Your Docmosis system is running fine
- No new templates to create
- No templates to revise
- You need to design templates in LibreOffice, OpenOffice, or Word on the Mac or browser
- Windward's Designer only runs on Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) for Windows



Reasons to UPGRADE

- You need faster turn-around
- You want to empower business users to fully design templates
- You need the advanced features Windward provides
- You need to simplify the data -> field mapping
- You need to reduce time programmers spend on reports
- You need to eliminate code changes when documents need additional data
- You need faster report generation



Steps to Upgrade

Convert your Docmosis templates to DOCX

- Run Windward's template convertor.
- Address any issues the convertor lists.

Step 1

Step 2

Step 3

Step 4

Run the converted template in Windward using the XML file

Convert your DataProviderBuilder data to an XML file

- Use Windward's Docmosis data exporter class

Convert your Docmosis templates to DOCX

- More powerful and easier way to maintain a template
- Requires editing some of the tag queries

Pricing

	Windward Pro 2 cores + Designer	Docmosis Java D-400
Year 1	\$5,956.80	\$5,695.00
Year 2+	\$5,956.80	\$2,278.00

Windward

- Java Engine
- .NET Engine
- RESTful Engine
- SAAS (coming soon)
- Document Automation solution

Docmosis

- Java Engine
- RESTful Engine
- SAAS
- Note: Docmosis year 2+ is optional for engines

Alternative

Run Windward & Docmosis Side by Side

- **Use Windward for:**
 - All new templates
 - Templates requiring substantial editing
 - Templates that need Windward only features
- **Or use Windward's tools to convert your Docmosis data & templates**
- **And use the data as built run through our convertor**
- **Keep Docmosis for:**
 - All existing templates that are fine as-is



Thank You

Questions?

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Resources

[Windward Studios website](#)

[A Guide to Evaluating DocGen Products](#)

[3rd party reviews of Windward vs. Docmosis](#)

Next Step

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