

# Update a CRM Entity Activity

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## CRM 4.0

### Context

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### Wizard Tips

1. In the left pane of the Request section, click **BusinessEntity**.
2. In the right pane of the Request section, from the **Type** drop-down menu, select the entity type you want to update.  
You can manually select a *DataSource* or *Value* for the entity, or as the result of a workflow expression.
3. Expand the **BusinessEntity** tree, then select and define values for the selected entity fields. You can manually define the values, select them from a workflow field, or basing the value on a workflow expression.
4. In the right pane of the Request section, define the GUID of the entity you want to update. Use the syntax: *New Guid ("a53e78c4-0187-4513-be6d-49836e406baa")*.

## CRM 2011/2013

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There are two general options for creating an entity:

Entity Option	Description
<b>Typed</b>	You select the entity type from the <b>Type</b> drop-down menu, for example, <i>Contact</i> . The CRM object displays with the entity-relevant attributes. For list attributes, creates an Enumerable of the attributes in the right-panel tree.
<b>Untyped</b>	Use the default entity <b>Type</b> , which is <i>Entity</i> . Create the entity attributes and set their types yourself; refer to CRM. This option takes significantly longer than the <b>Typed</b> option, and is only appropriate for exceptional circumstances.

### Wizard Tips

1. In the left pane of the Request section, click **Entity**.
2. From the **Type** drop-down menu, select the entity type you want to update.
3. Expand the **Entity** node, then select and define values for the selected entity fields. You can manually set the values by selecting a workflow field, or base the value on a workflow expression.

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If you use the **Typed** option, you cannot create relationships (as properties). To work with relationships, for example,  $1:N$ ,  $N:1$ ,  $N:N$ , you must use the **Untyped** option, or a dedicated activity.