

Exploring eFORMz and Forms Fill-in with Parlux Fragrances



The Challenge

Parlux Fragrances, a manufacturer of world-renowned fragrances and associated products, had a predicament concerning their output. They were able to produce customs forms for shipping internationally, but could not modify them prior to printing. With the highly variable nature of customs shipping, last-minute alterations are a given. Thus, they had to print each individual form and manually make the necessary changes with a typewriter. Their existing warehouse management (WMS) solution did not provide the ability to edit a form that had already been created. Not only was this a tedious, time-consuming process, but the overall look of their forms suffered.

The Solution

After a thorough evaluation, Parlux Fragrances selected Minisoft's eFORMz to solve their customs forms challenge. Within eFORMz, PDF's can be created that can be revised before being printed or emailed. Any form can be designed to allow users to edit specified fields in a PDF. Each field can be independently configurable with regard to color, size and font style. These PDF's can then be rendered to a user's screen display for previewing and editing.


DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY UNITED STATES CUSTOMS SERVICE CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN					Page 1
2. EXPORTER (Name address including ZIP code) Parlux Fragrances, Inc 1000 Riverside Drive Suite D Kearney NJ 08832-1213 United States		5. DOCUMENT NUMBER		5a. B/L OR AWB NUMBER	
3. CONSIGNEE TO		6. EXPORT REFERENCES			
4. NOTIFY PARTY/INTERMEDIATE CONSIGNEE (Name and address)		7. FORWARDING AGENT (Name and address - references)			
14. EXPORTING CARRIER		15. PORT OF LOADING/EXPORT		10. LOADING PIER/TERMINAL	
16. FOREIGN PORT OF UNLOADING		17. PLACE OF DELIV. BY ON-CAR		11. TRANSPORTATION MODE	
SHIPPER'S ORDER NUMBER:		12. PRE-CARRIAGE BY		11a. CONTAINERIZED	
18. MARKS AND NUMBERS		19. QUANTITY		20. DESCRIPTION OF COMMODITIES in schedule B detail	
21. GROSS WEIGHT (kg)		22. MEASUREMENT		23. SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER	
3303.00.0000 GF 2400.0000		PERFUMES AND TOILET WATERS		217.72	
3303.00.0000 US 4954.0000		PERFUMES AND TOILET WATERS		3812.85	
I declare that I am the person named above in the capacity indicated; that the description and other particulars of the merchandise specified above are correct as set forth in this certificate; that the said merchandise was produced or manufactured in the insular possession named above, and from the materials grown, produced, or manufactured in the insular possession also named above, or of the United States, or of both; that if foreign materials were used therein, their description and value are shown above.					
23. SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER					
VERIFICATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		I hereby certify that I have investigated the foregoing statements and am satisfied that they are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.		24. DATE	
				8/10/11	
25. SIGNATURE OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE					

Certificate of Origin as a revisable PDF

Revisable PDF's are ideal for situations where information needs to be added or removed before the form is printed. As a result, Parlux Fragrances utilized the eFORMz Forms Fill-in and Revisable PDF features. They built their shipper's letter of instructions, dock receipt and certificate of origin forms, eliminating the need for manual changes.



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3. CONSIGNEE TO Minisoft, Inc. 1024 1ST ST SE SNOHOMISH WA 98290 United States		6. EXPORT REFERENCES [REDACTED]	
4. NOTIFY PARTY/INTERMEDIATE CONSIGNEE (Name and address) [REDACTED]		7. FORWARDING AGENT (Name and address - references) [REDACTED]	
14. EXPORTING CARRIER [REDACTED]		15. PORT OF LOADING/EXPORT [REDACTED]	10. LOADING PIER/TERMINAL [REDACTED]
16. FOREIGN PORT OF UNLOADING [REDACTED]	17. PLACE OF DELIV. BY ON-CAR [REDACTED]	11. TRANSPORTATION MODE [REDACTED]	11a. CONTAINERIZED No
SHIPPER'S ORDER NUMBER: [REDACTED]		12. PRE-CARRIAGE BY [REDACTED]	13. PLACE OF RECEIPT [REDACTED]
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Updated Certificate of Origin

3. CONSIGNEE TO
[REDACTED]
United States

Before



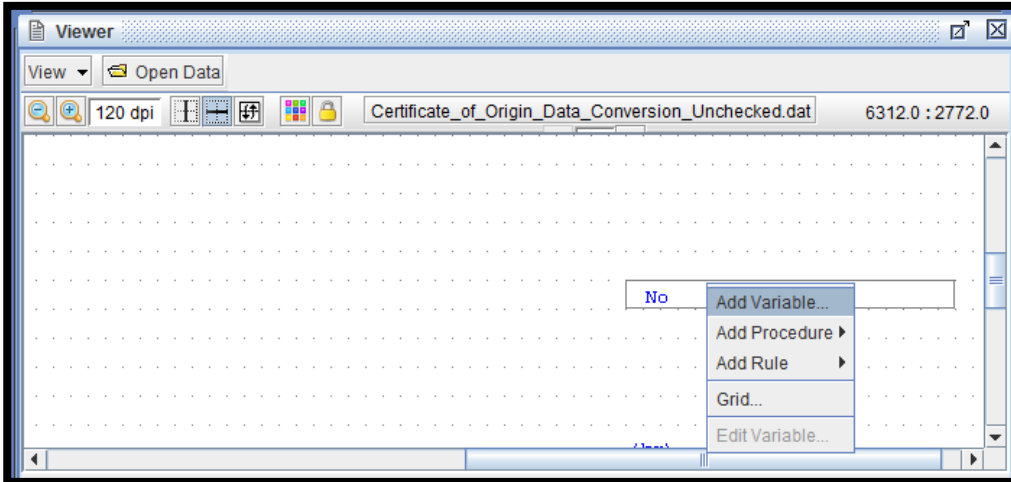
3. CONSIGNEE TO
Minisoft, Inc.
1024 First Street
Snohomish WA 98290
United States

After

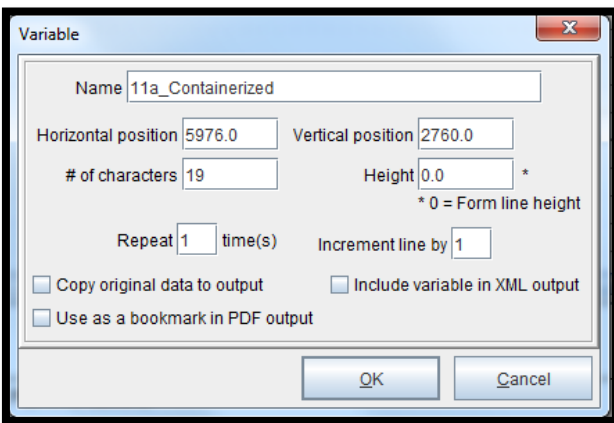
Harnessing the flexibility of eFORMz, Parlux Fragrances saved time and improved the appearance of their forms. In a dynamic world, it is important to adapt to ever-changing needs and desires. eFORMz helped Parlux Fragrances do exactly that. And, perhaps, peacefully lay their typewriter to rest.

How Might Forms Fill-In Look in eFORMz?

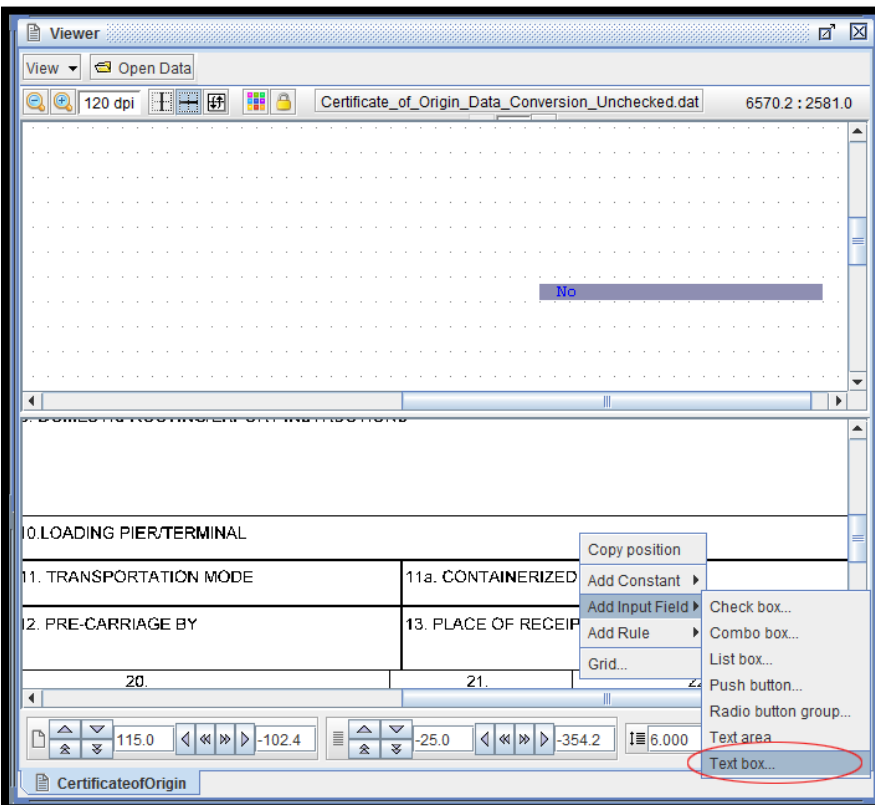
1. Right click in the *Input Data Viewer*. Select *Add Variable*.



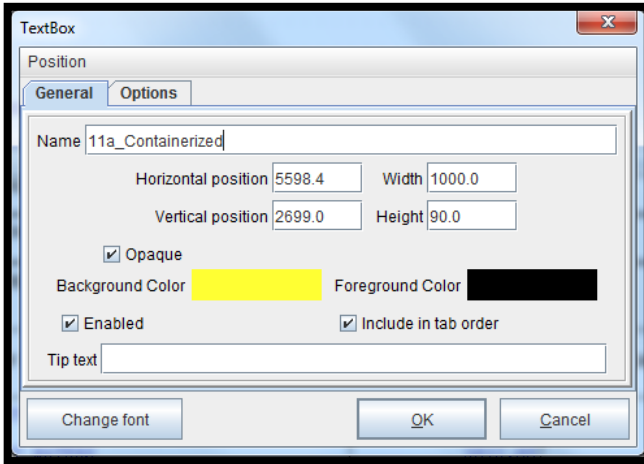
II. Enter a name for the variable.



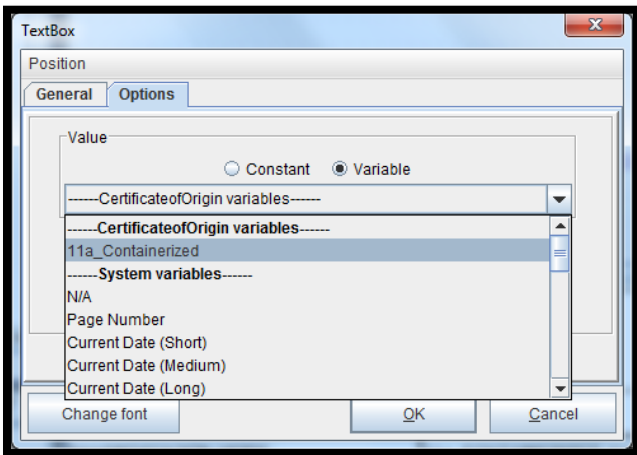
III. Right click in the *Form and Data Viewer*. Highlight *Add Input Field* and select the *Text Box* option.



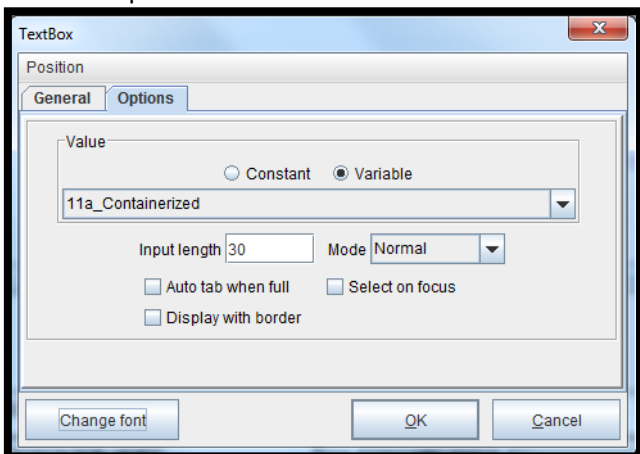
IV. The *Text Box* dialog box will display. Here, specifications pertaining to font, color and size of the field can be made.



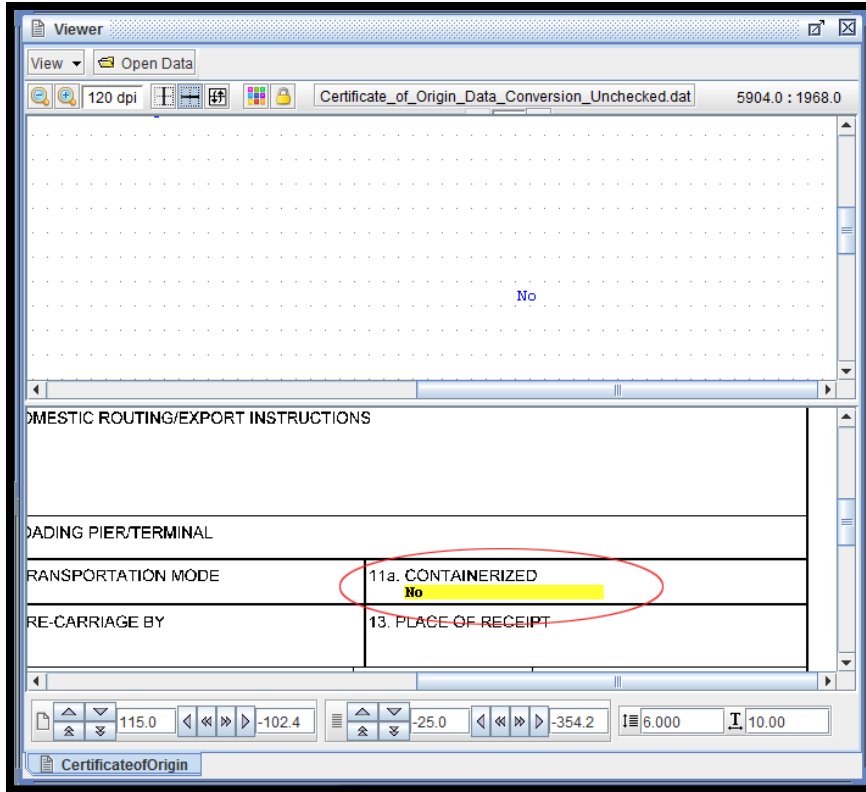
V. After determining the general look, proceed to the *Options* tab. Choose the *Variable* option, and select the desired variable.



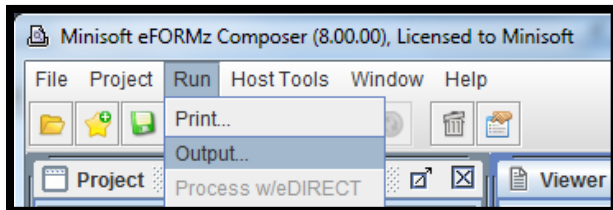
VI. Before exiting, adjust the input length to the appropriate amount. In addition, uncheck the *Display with Border* option.



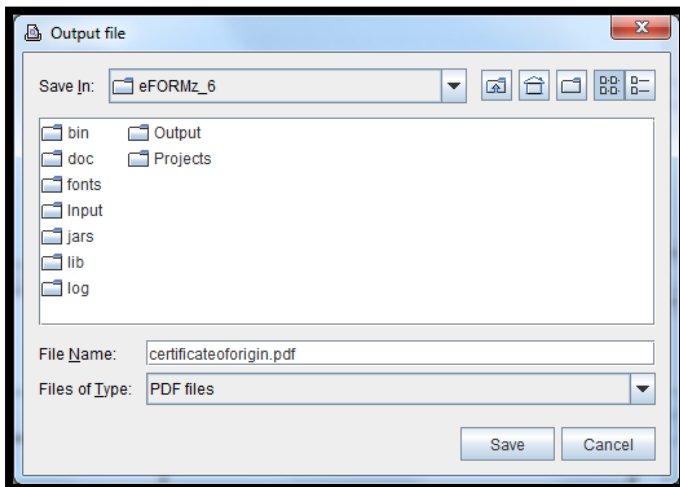
VII. The *Input Data Viewer* will now show the text box input field.



VIII. Next, navigate to the eFORMz Menu and select Run, followed by output.



VIII. Save the file as a PDF.



X. A PDF will display shortly. The input field created in eFORMz will appear as previously described, with the capability of being revised.

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XI. Edit the field as necessary. To do this, type new or delete old information. [Tip: When there are multiple fields, use the *Tab* key to navigate between fields. It's much quicker!]

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XII. When finished editing, the new entry will be highlighted. The field can be edited repeatedly, and each alteration will be similarly marked.

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