

Row Selection Mode

Component *DataViewExtender* allows control over selection mode of rows displayed in data controller grid views via *SelectionMode* property. The default property value is *Single*.

Here is the snippet of *DataViewExtender* definition from *Customers.aspx* page generated with Web Site Factory premium project from *Northwind* database. The *SelectionMode* property is set to *Multiple*.

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<div factory:activator="Tab|Customers">
	<div id="view1" runat="server">
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	<aquarium:DataViewExtender ID="view1Extender" runat="server"
		TargetControlID="view1" Controller="Customers" View="grid1"
		ShowInSummary="true" SelectionMode="Multiple" />
	</div>
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Here is how the page is displayed in a web browser.

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We will also change the data controller ~/Controllers/Customers.xml to expose a new action *a6* with command argument *MyCommand* on the action bar.

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<actionGroup id="ag5" scope="ActionBar" headerText="Actions">
    <action id="al" commandName="ExportCsv" headerText="Download"
    description="Download items in CSV format." />
    <action id="a2" />
    <action id="a3" commandName="ExportRowset" headerText="Export to
    Spreadsheet"
    description="Analyze items with spreadsheet<br/&gt; application."
    />
        <action id="a4" commandName="ExportRss" headerText="View RSS Feed"
        description="Syndicate items with an RSS reader." />
        <action id="a5"/>
        <action id="a6" commandName="Custom" commandArgument="MyCommand"
        headerText="MyCommand" description="My custom command."/>
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</actionGroup>

You can see the action displayed as a menu option on action bar of the grid view grid1.

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Let's add a business rule class *Class1* and link it to the ~/Customers/Customers.xml data controller via /*dataController*/@*handler* attribute as described at http://blog.codeontime.com/2009/04/filtering-and-business-rules.html and http://blog.codeontime.com/2009/04/externalfilter-and-modal-views.html.

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Web;
using MyCompany.Data;
public class Class1: BusinessRules
{
```

```
[ControllerAction("Customers", "grid1", "Custom", "MyCommand",
ActionPhase.Execute)]
public void MyCommand()
{
    foreach (string customerId in Arguments.SelectedValues)
    {
        // do something here
    }
}
```

Property *SelectedValues* is an array of string values. You might need to convert each value to the appropriate data type when writing custom business rules.

Set the breakpoint inside of *foreach* loop, open the page in a web browser, select a few records, and execute the action. The Visual Studio debugger will show the selected values as pictured below.



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