



Optimize field configuration schemes

Identify and then remove unused fields from a field configuration scheme. You can [remove individual fields from your field configuration schemes](#), but this tool does it quicker and faster.

 The processes described on this page are limited to a specific field configuration scheme. If you're looking to clean up unused fields across your site, [the site optimizer can do that too](#).

 This feature is available in **Free**, **Standard**, **Premium** and **Enterprise** plans.

Fields are considered unused if all the following are true:

- haven't been used on a work item in the last two years,
- aren't associated to a screen or scheme,
- were made by a Jira administrator (not created or used by Jira, a plugin, or a Connect or Forge app),
- aren't used in workflows,
- aren't used in Forms

To identify unused fields in your site:

1. Navigate to the Jira admin panel by selecting **Settings** (), then **Work items**.
2. Select **Field configuration schemes** in the Fields section.
3. Choose the field configuration scheme you want to clean up, then select **Optimize scheme**.

If you haven't used this recently, the tool will run an analysis on your site to find the fields that can be reduced. This might take several hours, depending on the size and complexity of your site. You can also re-run the scan using the **Update** button to ensure you're seeing the most up-to-date data.

Remove unused fields from field configuration scheme

In the section titled **Remove unused fields from this field configuration scheme**, use the **Review actions** to view the identified fields, then **Remove fields** to clear them out. This

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removes unused fields from the current scheme as well as any configuration settings.

It doesn't delete data in fields on work items, though the field values won't be accessible until you re-associate the field to this scheme.

Create scheme variant

When you create a variant, Jira creates a copy of the currently selected field configuration scheme that only has the fields that are currently in use, and automatically associates it to a space.

To create a field scheme variant:

1. Select which space to isolate in its own scheme, then select the **Review actions**.
2. Use **Remove fields** to create the variant

The original field configuration scheme isn't edited with this action. If you want to revert the change, you can select the previous field configuration scheme in space settings.

Redefine your configuration schemes

 This option is only available for field configuration schemes being used by more than one space.

Redefining a field configuration scheme is very similar to creating a scheme variant described above, except that it optimizes every space, and may group several spaces under the same scheme.

To redefine your schemes:

1. Select the **Redefine configuration schemes** in the **Redefine your configuration schemes** section.
2. Review the changes that will be made to your schemes and spaces. When you're ready, use **Create new schemes** to start the process. This operation may take several minutes to complete.

The original field configuration scheme isn't edited with this action. If you want to revert the change, you can select the previous field configuration scheme in space settings.

If you have trouble optimizing the field, contact [support](#).

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