

# Object Type Groups Overview

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**Object type groups** assemble one or more object types into a category to create [relationships](#). Object type groups are required when creating relationships because they allow users to create and draw data from multiple object types via a single relationship, which thereby prevents administrators from having to create multiple relationships for each relevant object type.

## EXAMPLE

Because the person creating an Incident object may not be the same person who was directly involved in the incident (e.g. witness, victim, suspect, etc.), you want to track these people, whether they are an employee or visitor. To do this, you create a People object type group and add the Employee Record and People object types, then select this group when creating a People Involved relationship on Incident. Now, when an Incident object is created, the user can select an existing record or create a new one from either the Employee Record or Person object types in the People Involved field on a form.

### PEOPLE

Name

  

Long Name

  

The Long Name is optional and can be used in select parts of the application to provide a more detailed label to the user.

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### RELATED OBJECT TYPES

Select one... + ADD SELECTED (0)

- ER Employee Record ×
- P Person ×

*An object type group. In this case, the People group has the Employee Record and Person object types saved to it. This group will be used to create the People Involved relationship on the Incident object type.*

### Edit Relationship: People Involved ✕

Relationship Name

Reference Name

The Reference name is the reverse of the relationship name (e.g. Witness > Witnessed). It will be used when a relationship is displayed as a reference on an object type form.

Long Name

The Long Name is optional and can be used in select parts of the application to provide a more detailed question to the user.

Object Type Group

*The People Involved relationship that will appear on the Incident object type. Note that the People object type group has been selected on this relationship.*

### Incident Details

Date & Time the Incident Occurred

People Involved

 

Location

*The People Involved relationship as it appears on a new Incident object.*