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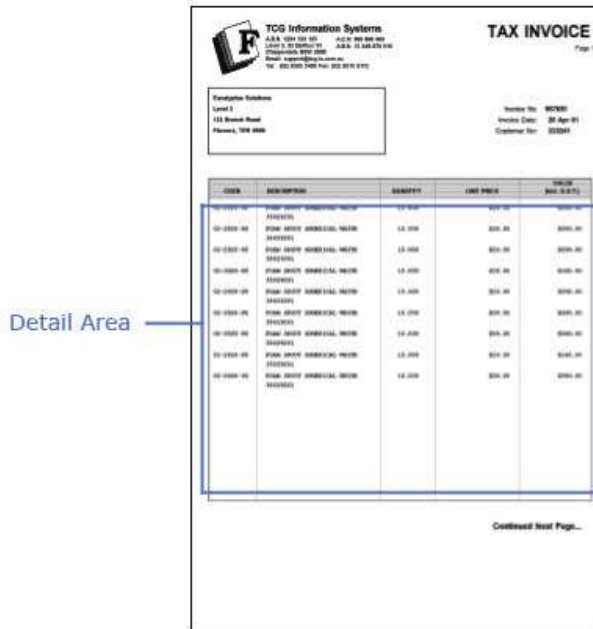
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### Creating Page Elements - Detail Area

The Detail Area is a bounding box surrounding the incoming variable data. A Detail Area needs to be defined as part of the Base Page if you intend to include the variable detail lines from the data file. The figure below outlines a sample Detail Area on a form.



There are two types of Detail Areas:

- **Static** - the Detail Area remains in the same position on each page.
- **Floating** - the Detail Area moves up and down the page and changes in size to provide room for Report and Page headers and footers.

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#### Static Detail Area

To define a static Detail Area:

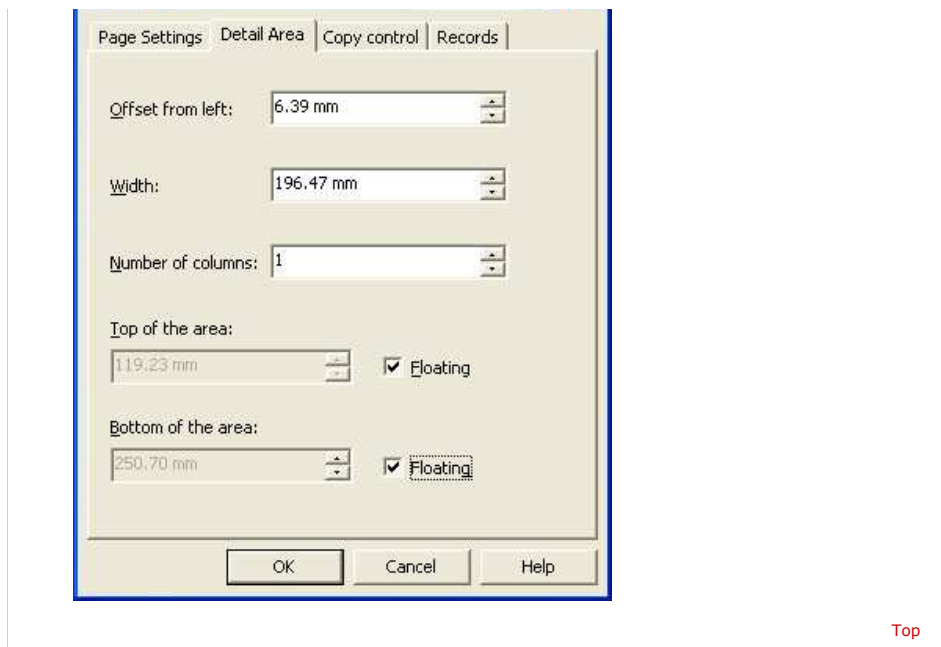
- Ensure the **Base page** is selected on the **Go** menu. Select **Properties of the Base page...** from the **Define** menu.
- Set the properties of Detail Area on the **Detail Area** tab.
- Un-tick both **Floating** checkboxes of **Top of the area** and **Bottom of the area**.
- Click the **OK** button. The Detail Area is delineated by a faint grey outline, which can be adjusted using the mouse by pulling the handles. This facility is only available when the Base page is in focus.

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#### Floating Detail Area

To define a floating Detail Area:

- Ensure the **Base page** is selected on the **Go** menu. Select **Properties of the Base page...** from the **Define** menu.
- Set the properties of Detail Area on the **Detail Area** tab.
- Tick the **Floating** checkbox next to **Top of the area** to make the top edge of the Detail Area float. The top of the Detail Area moves up and down to cater for the Report and Page headers.
- Tick the **Floating** checkbox next to **Bottom of the area** to make the bottom edge of the Detail Area float. The bottom of the Detail Area moves up and down to cater for the Report and Page footers.



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