

Resizing Panels for Better Reading Editing and Comparison

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Understanding Which Panels You Can Resize

In Sherkety ERP & Website Platform, panel resizing is most useful when you are working in the admin area, especially on screens such as **Content**, **SEO**, **Services**, **Pricing**, **Users**, and **Settings**, where navigation, editing, and supporting details may appear side by side. The main resizable areas usually follow a familiar pattern:

- A **left navigation panel** for moving between sections or items
- A **main content area** where you read, edit, or review information
- A **right-side details panel** when extra settings, properties, or supporting information are open

The part you drag is the **divider** between two panels. When your pointer is directly over that boundary, it changes to a resize cursor. That visual change tells you the divider can be moved left or right. If the pointer does not change, move slightly until you are exactly on the panel edge.

[SCREENSHOT: divider between the left navigation panel and main content area with resize cursor visible]

It helps to separate **resizing** from **collapsing**:

- **Resizing** changes the width of a panel while keeping it visible
- **Collapsing** hides a panel using its own toggle or collapse control
- **Expanding** brings a collapsed panel back so you can resize it again if needed

This matters because each choice affects your workspace differently. A wider **main content area** gives you more room for long text, previews, and side-by-side review. A narrower **left panel** keeps navigation available without taking too much space. A smaller **right-side panel** leaves room for editing while still showing useful details.

If you need a refresher on how panel movement behaves overall, including boundaries and saved workspace behavior, see [Understanding Resizable Panel](#)

[Layouts and Workspace Behavior](#). This guide focuses on using those controls for practical reading, editing, and comparison work.

Resizing Panels While Reviewing Long Content

When you are reviewing long website content in Sherkety ERP & Website Platform, the most comfortable layout usually starts with three visible areas: the **left navigation panel**, the **main reading area**, and, if needed, a **right-side details panel**. This is common when checking page content, reviewing multilingual sections, or reading longer entries before editing them.

For long paragraphs, structured content blocks, or document-style previews, give the **main reading area** more room first. Place your pointer on the divider next to the reading area and drag it outward until lines of text feel easier to scan. A wider reading pane reduces cramped line breaks and makes headings, body text, and grouped content easier to follow.

You can usually reclaim space from the **left navigation panel** without losing usability. Narrow it until item names, page labels, or section titles are still readable enough to move around confidently. If labels begin to cut off too much, drag the divider back slightly.

The **right-side details panel** is often the next place to adjust. If you are focused on reading rather than checking settings, narrow that panel so it shows only the most important details, or collapse it completely if it is distracting. This is especially helpful when metadata or supporting properties are visible but not needed for the current review pass.

A practical reading layout often looks like this:

- **Left panel** kept narrow but still readable
- **Main reading area** widened as much as possible
- **Right panel** reduced or collapsed unless details are actively needed

[SCREENSHOT: content review screen with a wide main reading area and narrowed side panels]

If scrolling becomes excessive or text feels compressed, that is usually a sign the reading area needs more width. For related layout behavior, including what happens when a panel reaches its limit, see [Understanding Panel Limits and Layout Recovery](#).

Adjusting the Workspace for Editing Tasks

Editing needs a slightly different layout from reading. In Sherkety ERP & Website Platform, when you are updating content in the **Content** area or working with fields that need careful review, the **main editor panel** should usually be your widest panel. Text fields, grouped inputs, and inline editing areas are easier to use when labels and values have enough horizontal space.

Start by widening the **main editor panel** until field names and editing controls are easy to read without wrapping too aggressively. This is especially helpful when you are working through longer text sections, multilingual entries, or structured content that includes several related fields. A cramped editor makes it harder to spot missing text, compare wording, or review the full value of a field before saving.

Keep the **right-side panel** partially open only when it supports your current task. If you need quick access to properties, settings, or validation-related details, leave that panel visible but narrow. That way, you can still glance at supporting information without giving up too much editing space. If you are making focused text changes, reduce it further or close it temporarily.

The **left navigation panel** should stay just wide enough to let you switch between pages, sections, or items. It does not need to be fully expanded while you are actively editing one item. Shrinking it can free up valuable room for the editor.

A good editing setup usually follows this balance:

- **Main editor panel** wide enough for comfortable typing and review
- **Right-side panel** partially open only if you need supporting details
- **Left navigation panel** reduced to the smallest useful width
- **Preview or secondary reading area** narrower when editing is the priority

[SCREENSHOT: editing workspace with a wide central editor and a narrow right-side details panel]

If you are editing content directly from page sections, the same principle applies: make the writing area larger than the supporting panels. For more on editing workflows themselves, see [Editing Multilingual Content in the Editor](#) and [Using Live Preview to Check Page Updates](#).

Setting Up Side-by-Side Comparison Views

Side-by-side work is where panel resizing becomes especially valuable in Sherkety ERP & Website Platform. When you need to compare an **editor and preview**, two

pieces of content, or content against its supporting details, your goal is to keep both panels readable at the same time without constant horizontal scrolling.

Begin by opening the two panels you want to compare. In many review tasks, that means keeping the **main editor** open while also showing a **preview** or a **details panel**. In comparison-heavy work, both panes need enough width to show headings, body text, and the controls you actually use. If one panel is too narrow, you will spend more time scrolling and less time comparing.

Drag the divider until both sides feel balanced for the task in front of you. The best split depends on what you are comparing:

- Use **equal widths** when you want line-by-line comparison
- Make the **editing panel wider** when you are changing content while checking a reference
- Make the **reference panel wider** when the source material is longer or more complex
- Keep enough room in both panes to avoid clipped headings and hidden action buttons

This is especially helpful when reviewing:

- **Translated text** across languages
- **Formatted content blocks** that need visual consistency
- **Revisions** where you want to compare old and updated wording
- **Metadata or settings** alongside the main content

[SCREENSHOT: two-panel comparison view with balanced widths for editor and preview]

Fine-tuning matters. Small divider movements can remove horizontal scrolling and make paragraphs line up more naturally. If the layout still feels cramped, reduce the **left navigation panel** first before shrinking either comparison pane. For broader navigation patterns around panels and workspace areas, see [Understanding Breadcrumbs Drawers and Shared Navigation Patterns](#).

Restoring a Comfortable Layout After Resizing

After a long editing or comparison session, it is common to end up with a layout that no longer fits your next task. In Sherkety ERP & Website Platform, the easiest sign of an over-adjusted layout is when labels, field names, or action buttons stop displaying

clearly. If panel text is cut off, controls are hidden, or you need extra scrolling just to reach basic actions, it is time to rebalance the workspace.

Start by looking at the **left navigation panel**, **main editor or reading area**, and **right-side details panel** together. Ask which one is taking more space than it needs. Often, a panel that was useful during one task stays too wide after that task is finished. For example, a wide details panel may no longer be necessary once you return to reading, or a very narrow navigation panel may become frustrating when you need to move between items again.

A simple way to restore comfort is to drag the dividers back toward a more even middle position. You do not need an exact default measurement. Focus on whether you can clearly see:

- Navigation labels in the **left panel**
- Full field names and main content in the **center**
- Important supporting controls in the **right panel**

If the layout feels too far off, use a panel's **collapse** or **expand** control first. Hiding one side panel can quickly reset your focus. After that, reopen it and make smaller width adjustments until the workspace feels balanced again.

[SCREENSHOT: rebalanced workspace with readable navigation, editor, and details areas]

A comfortable final layout should support the task you are doing right now, not the one you were doing ten minutes ago. If you need help recognizing when panels are affecting usability rather than helping it, see [Resizing Panels for Better Workspace Visibility](#).

Fixing Common Panel Resizing Problems

Most panel resizing problems in Sherkety ERP & Website Platform are simple to correct once you know what to look for. If a divider does not respond, the issue is usually your pointer position rather than the panel itself. Move the pointer directly over the boundary between two panels until the resize cursor appears, then drag. If you are slightly inside the panel instead of on the divider, resizing will not start.

A panel may also seem like it will not shrink any further. That usually means it has reached its **minimum width**. Side panels that contain labels, icons, field names, or controls often stop shrinking once those items would become unusable. This is normal

behavior. If you still need more room, reduce a different panel or collapse the side panel instead of forcing it smaller.

If important controls disappear after resizing, check whether the affected area has become too narrow. Common signs include:

- Buttons no longer visible
- Field labels cut off too heavily
- Tabs or controls wrapping awkwardly
- Extra scrolling inside a panel

The fix is usually one of these:

- Widen the panel that contains the missing controls
- Reopen a collapsed **left navigation panel**
- Reopen or widen the **right-side details panel**
- Reduce a less important panel to give space back to the main work area

When a **comparison view** still feels cramped, do not immediately shrink both working panes. First reduce the **left navigation panel** as much as practical. Then rebalance the two main panes based on the task: equal widths for close comparison, or a wider primary pane for active editing.

[SCREENSHOT: cramped comparison layout being corrected by narrowing the navigation panel and widening the two main panes]

If the workspace still feels unstable after several adjustments, revisit [Understanding Panel Boundaries and Layout Behavior](#) for a clearer picture of how panel limits affect resizing.

Overview

Panel resizing in Sherkety ERP & Website Platform is most useful when you are switching between three common types of work: **reading**, **editing**, and **comparing**. Instead of keeping every panel the same size all the time, you get a better result by changing the layout to match the task on screen.

The most important ideas from this guide are:

- Widen the **main content area** for long reading and review
- Give the **editor panel** the most space when you are making changes
- Keep the **right-side details panel** open only as wide as needed

- Reduce the **left navigation panel** when you need more room for content
- Balance two working panes carefully for side-by-side comparison
- Restore a more even layout when labels, controls, or buttons become hard to use

These adjustments are especially helpful in admin screens such as **Content**, **SEO**, **Services**, **Pricing**, **Users**, and **Settings**, where side panels can compete with the main work area. A few small divider movements can make long text easier to read, editing fields easier to manage, and comparison tasks much less cramped.

Keep in mind that resizing is not the same as collapsing. If a panel is still useful, resize it. If it is distracting or unnecessary for the moment, collapse it and bring it back later. That simple choice helps you stay focused without losing access to important navigation or details.

[SCREENSHOT: example of three workspace setups for reading, editing, and comparison]

This document builds on [Understanding Resizable Panel Layouts and Workspace Behavior](#) and completes this panel layout sequence by showing how to apply resizing in real review work.

Prerequisites

Before using panel resizing effectively in Sherkety ERP & Website Platform, you should already be comfortable moving around the workspace and recognizing the main areas of the screen. You do not need any advanced setup, but a few basics make this guide much easier to apply.

You should be able to:

- Open the admin area after signing in
- Navigate to screens such as **Dashboard**, **Content**, **SEO**, **Services**, **Pricing**, **Users**, or **Settings**
- Recognize the **left navigation panel**, **main content area**, and any **right-side details panel**
- Identify panel boundaries and basic collapse or expand controls
- Use your mouse or trackpad to drag a divider

If panel structure still feels unfamiliar, review these first:

- [Understanding Resizable Panel Layouts and Workspace Behavior](#)
- [Understanding Panel Boundaries and Layout Behavior](#)

- [Working With Drawers Dialogs and Confirmation Prompts](#)

It also helps if you are already doing one of the tasks where resizing matters most, such as:

- Reviewing long website content
- Editing multilingual sections
- Comparing content with a preview
- Checking settings or details while updating a page

You do not need to change any account settings before resizing panels. If a page includes resizable panels, you can adjust them directly from the screen you are already using. The key requirement is simply having a layout with visible panel boundaries and enough open workspace to drag them comfortably.