

# **IMS Online Max**

## **Administrator Guide**



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## Introduction

This document provides guidelines on:

- Permanent Rosters
- Variable Rosters
- Administrator functions:
  - Sending leave reminders
  - Locking variable rosters
  - Locking leave requests
  - Opening periods
  - Creating timesheets
  - Recalculating timesheets
  - Importing transactions to payroll
  - Closing periods
  - Synchronising employee data to IMS Online
  - o Recalculating future leave requests
  - Trouble-shooting
- Warning messages
- Business rule configuration
- Standard reports
- Quick Tips

Note that this level of functionality is only available in IMS Online Max.

## Administrator tasks





## **Permanent Rosters**

For Leave Requests and Timesheet functionality to work, all employees must have a permanent roster assigned to them.

There are two types of Rosters available in TimeFiler. They are Permanent and Variable rosters.



Although all sites use permanent rosters, not all sites will necessarily use variable rosters.

Variable rosters allow a Manager or Administrator to make one-off changes to the permanent roster for a future date range.

#### Introduction to Rosters



Rosters can have different impacts depending on how your TimeFiler system is configured.

#### What is a roster?

A roster is simply a standard, or expected, working pattern assigned to employees.

#### What is the benefit of a roster?

- It can be used to provide a starting point for employee timesheets. This means the employee or manager only needs to enter exceptions for the period such as leave, additional allowances and hours worked.
- It can be pivotal in payment calculations, for example different overtime calculations for the day depending on whether it is a rostered day or not, public holiday calculations (for example, to determine whether an Alternative Holiday is payable), and leave calculations.
- It provides more information to the employee when applying for leave giving full visibility of scheduled working days into the future. Of course, this is of great benefit to managers as well.
- One-off changes may be made to the roster that does not impact the employee's permanent roster. This document does not cover this functionality; please contact us for further information.



#### How does the roster impact timesheets?

- Roster information can be transferred to the timesheet at the time of opening the timesheet period. This provides a starting point for the timesheet.
- You may choose however to make the timesheet start as a blank slate. For some organisations, this can be better to help ensure employees are filling in their timesheets more accurately without simply accepting the roster as their timesheet.



#### How does the roster impact leave requests?

- Roster information will be seen in the Monthly Planner area, providing great visibility to both employees and managers regarding scheduled hours/days of work.
- This makes it easier for employees to choose leave days and easier for managers to decide whether leave should be approved or declined by being able to see the whole team's roster for the day.

## **Roster templates**



Roster Templates define a standard working pattern that can then be applied to employees.

#### View existing templates

Roster Templates are viewed from the Masterfiles page via Employee Permanent Rosters:

• Start typing "template" into the Name field; a list of templates that have already been set up will be displayed:

My leave My time My roster My	payslips My documents	Actions Master files Configuration My password
Master files O		lays on, 2 days off, 8 hrs per day)
Employees	🔒 Create 🍙 Delete	
Employee permanent rosters	Default roster	temp x * 🛊 🕸
Organisation -	Roster Cycle Template	Template
Periods	5/4-9/4	- Template (5 days on, 2 days off, 8 hrs per day)
Work areas	Date	- Template (5 days on, 2 days off, 7.5 hrs per day)
Administrator users	X 🔶 Mon 5/4 (1)	- Template (5 days on, 2 days off, 4 hrs per day)

• To view the roster for an existing template, simply arrow down to the relevant template to highlight it, and then press Enter (or click on the template using your mouse):

Master files 🛛 🤤	Roster Template (5 days on, 2 days off, 8 hrs per day)					
Employees	📄 Create 🍃 Delete					
Employee permanent rosters	Default roster	- Template (5	days on, 2 days	s off, 8 hrs per o	day)	
Organisation •						
Periods	Roster Cycle Templat 5/4-9/4	e Ref # 7375				
Work areas	5/4-5/4					
Administrator users	Date	Start	End	Break	Cost centre override	Hours
	💥 🚽 Mon 5/4 (1)	08:00	16:30	00:30	•	8
	💢 🚽 🛛 Tue 6/4 (2)	08:00	16:30	00:30	•	8
	💥 🚽 Wed 7/4 (3)	08:00	16:30	00:30	•	8
	💢 🚽 Thu 8/4 (4)	08:00	16:30	00:30	•	8
	💢 🚽 🛛 Fri 9/4 (5)	08:00	16:30	00:30	•	8
	💢 🚽 Sat 10/4 (6)				•	
	💢 🚽 Sun 11/4 (7)				•	
				2.5		40

• The above template is seven days in length. The roster pattern is made up of five working days of eight hours per day; followed by two days off.



• When assigning the roster template to an employee, the employee can start on any day of the roster pattern. For example, let's say the employee starts on a Wednesday. The employee will start on day three of the roster, which means the employee works for two days, has two days off, and then goes onto the normal pattern of five days on and two days off.

#### Create a new template

Roster Templates are created from the Employee Permanent Rosters link on the MasterFiles page:

- Start typing "template" into the Name field; a list of templates that have already been set up will be displayed (as per above screenshot).
- Highlight Template, and press Enter:

My leave My time My roster My	y payslips My documents Actions	Master files Configuration	My password
Master files G	Roster Template		
Employees	Create		
Employee permanent rosters	Default roster Templa	ate	▼ 📲
Organisation *			
Periods			
Work areas			
Administrator users			

• To add a new Roster Template, click on the Create button:

Select ros	ter cycle details
• D	scription :
• s	tart Date : 30/06/2008
* Rep	at Every : 7
ОК	Cancel

Field	Explanation
Description	Type in a meaningful description for the Roster Template.
Start date	Enter a start date for the roster cycle.
Repeat every	This is the number of days that makes up the roster pattern. For example five days on and two days off is a seven-day pattern, whereas a four-on and four-off pattern is an eight-day pattern.

• Click OK to save the Roster Template.



#### Assigning roster templates to employees

- Use the dropdown list to navigate to the applicable employee on the Employee Permanent Rosters page (on Masterfiles tab page), and then click the Create button.
- You will be presented with the following screen:

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elect roster cycle details	
* Template : No template to be copied through	]•
* Start Date : 30/06/2008	
Terminated Date :	
Repeat Every :	
Start Day Number :	
Comment :	
OK Cancel	

Field	Explanation
Template	<ul> <li>Click on the drop-down arrow to view a list of previously configured roster templates.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>If the work pattern you wish to apply to the employee is not on the list, then you will set up an individual roster pattern (see next section for more information).</li> </ul>
Start date	<ul> <li>Type in the start date for the new roster pattern.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Important Note – this date cannot be earlier than the employee's start date with the organisation.</li> </ul>
Terminated date	<ul> <li>This field would normally be left blank, however if this roster pattern has a fixed end date, type in the finish date for the roster pattern.</li> </ul>
Repeat every	<ul> <li>Leave this field blank (this value is determined from the roster template).</li> </ul>
Start day number	<ul> <li>This field specifies the day within the cycle on which the employee will start.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>For example a new starter may commence employment on Monday 7 April, so for a seven-day pattern, this is likely to be Day One of the roster cycle. However if the employee starts work on a Wednesday, this is likely to be Day Three of a seven-day pattern.</li> </ul>
Comment	Enter a comment for the roster cycle pattern, if required



Once a roster template has been assigned to an employee, there is no further linkage to it. For example if the roster template changes in the future, these changes do not flow through to employees previously set up with a roster sourced from the template.

• Press OK to generate the roster pattern for the employee.

- You are able to make changes to the roster if it is slightly different to the roster template at this stage.
- You only need to save the roster pattern if you have made changes at employee level after generating the roster from the roster template.

#### Assigning individual rosters to employees

- Use the dropdown list to navigate to the applicable employee on the Employee Permanent Rosters page (on Masterfiles tab page), and then click the Create button.
- You will be presented with the following screen:

* Template :	No template to be copied through
* Start Date :	30/06/2008
Terminated Date :	12
Repeat Every :	
Start Day Number :	
Comment :	
OK Cancel	

Field	Explanation
Template	<ul> <li>Leave this field blank since you are setting up a roster pattern that is not generic.</li> </ul>
Start date	Type in the start date for the new roster pattern.
	<ul> <li>Important Note – this date cannot be earlier than the employee's start date with the organisation.</li> </ul>
Terminated date	<ul> <li>This field would normally be left blank, however if this roster pattern has a fixed end date, type in the finish date for the roster pattern.</li> </ul>
Repeat every	This field holds the number of days in the roster cycle.
	• For example, 7 days (ie 5 on, 2 off); 8 days (ie 4 on, 4 off)
Start day number	Leave this field blank.
Comment	Enter a comment for the roster pattern, if required





## The Administrator functions are located on the Actions tab page:

Actions	G
Backups *	
Do a backup	
Restore backup	
Manage leave requests 🔺	
Send leave reminders	
Lock leave requests	
Re-calculate leave requests	
Manage the roster 🔺	
Open roster for editing	
Lock roster up to	
Roster admin 🔹	
Period actions +	
Open period	
Create timesheets	
Lock period	
Re-calculate timesheets	
Close period	
Period admin 🔺	
Un-open period	
Unlock period	



## Variable Rosters

Variable rosters is additional functionality some organisations may choose to use. It allows a Manager or Administrator to make one-off changes to the permanent roster in a future date range.

This demonstrates the three-step flow from permanent rosters to variable rosters to timesheets:





## Roster tab page

Roster summary information is displayed on the Roster tab page:



The roster summary is usually a week, fortnight or a month in length.

My time Monthly	planner Year planner	Roster	Time	SHEEL	Summ	ary	epons	Acti		iviastei	mes	Coning	juratior	i iviy	pason	oru			
Roster Fortnight b	eginning 5/04/2010																		
≪ Prev Fortnight 🔰	🕨 Next Fortnight   ಿ Ref	fresh 🤞	Show	me	làn Prin	nt													
Er	nployee	M	5/4	т	6/4	W	7/4	Т	8/4	F	9/4	S f	10/4	S 1	11/4	M	12/4	T	13/4
Name	Home work area	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End
		Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift
NOQUARRIE, Failina IV	are ADMIN	00.00	17.00	00.00	17.00	00.00	17.00	00.00	17.00	00.00	17.00					00.00	17.00	00.00	17.00
		8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8					8	SAL8	8	SAL8
O'Callaghan, Amy	ADMIN	10:00	14:00	10:00	14:00	10:00	14:00	10:00	14:00	10:00	14:00					10:00	14:00	10:00	14:00
		4	m4b	4	m4b	4	m4b	4	m4b	4	m4b					4	m4b	4	m4b
Anderson, Annie	AGED CARE	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00					08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00
		8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8					8	SAL8	8	SAL8
Jackson, Imogen	AGED CARE	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00					08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00
		8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8					8	SAL8	8	SAL8
Smith, Mollie	AGED CARE	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00					08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00
		8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8					8	SAL8	8	SAL8
Berry, Thomas	AGED CARE ADMIN	09:00	12:00	09:00	16:00	09:00	16:00			09:00	14:00			09:00	14:00	09:00	12:00	09:00	16:00
		з	wal3	6	PH	6	voð			5	PH5			5	PH5	3	wal3	6	PH
Willis, Nick	AGED CARE ADMIN	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00					08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00
		8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8					8	SAL8	8	SAL8
Chisholm. Tina	AGED CARE HOME MAN	A 08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00					08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00

- This page, by default, displays the employees' permanent roster, along with any one-off changes that have been made to the roster via this tab page.
- If there is no permanent (default) roster set up for employees then this page will be blank until a one-off roster has been added.



## Open roster period for editing

In order to add a one-off roster to employees, the variable roster period has to be opened.

Navigate to the Actions tab page, and select 'Open roster for editing':

Actions	Open roster for editing	
🖻 🧔 Backups		
Do a backup	Period :	From Date : 16/02/2009
Delete a backup Restore backup	To Date : 1/03/2009	
Manage leave requests		
Send leave reminders		
Lock leave request editir		
🖃 🃁 Manage the roster		
Open roster for editin		
Lock roster up to	Start Close	
Period actions	Start Close	

Field	Explanation
Period	<ul> <li>Use the dropdown box to select a period code for the date range you wish to open the one-off roster for</li> </ul>
From date	<ul> <li>Select the start date for period range (this is the start date of the one-off roster period)</li> </ul>
To date	<ul> <li>Select the end date for period range (this is the end date of the one-off roster period)</li> </ul>

Click **Start** to open the roster period ready for editing. The following screen will be displayed:

combined ro Edited roste	irm you wish to copy osters into category : r for the range 21/06/2010 for employees of period
OK	Cancel

Click **OK** to proceed.



## Set up a one-off roster change

- To enter roster override details for employees:
  - 1. Navigate to the Roster tab page
  - 2. Highlight the employee in the roster summary area of the page:

≪ Prev Fortnigł	ht ≫ Next F	ortnight   🞅 Ref	resh 🤘	Show	me	lèn Prin	nt						
Employee			M 5/4 1			T 6/4		W 7/4		T 8/4		F 9/4	
Name	Hom	ne work area	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Star
			Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift	Hrs	Shift	Hrs
Anderson, Annie	AGE	D CARE	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	
			8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	
Jackson, Imogen	AGE	D CARE	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	
			8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	
Smith, Mollie	AGE	D CARE	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	
			8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	
Berry, Thomas	AGE	D CARE ADMIN	09:00	12:00	09:00	16:00	09:00	16:00			09:00	14:00	
			3	wal3	6	PH	6	vc6			5	PH5	
Willis, Nick	AGE	D CARE ADMIN	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	08:00	17:00	
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			8	SAL8	8	SAL8	8	SAL8	•	OALO	•	SAL8	
•			8	SAL8	8	SALS	0	SALS	•	SALO	•	SALS	
	in	Name	1	SAL8	8 Filter	111	Ξŧ	Previo	11	JALO	0	SALS	
Find	in	Name	1		1.1	111	Ξŧ	111	11	SALO	•	SALS	
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Find		Name Raymond (1014		•	Filter	4 N	ext 🏠	Previo	us		0	SALS	
Find Roster GLOZIE	ER, Anthony	Raymond (1014		•	Filter	4 N	ext 🏠	Previo	us		0	SALS	
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- 3. Enter the roster for the fortnight for the employee in the lower half of the screen.
- 4. Press Save.
- 5. Highlight the next employee you wish to enter a one-off roster for, and repeat the process.

## **Send Leave Reminders**

Prior to creating timesheets, Administrators may send an email to remind employees and managers to attend to outstanding Leave requests.

To send leave reminder emails, select **Send leave reminders** on the **Actions** tab page:



Select the pay period and the applicable date range. Leave reminders would generally be sent to people who have leave requests that are submitted (but not approved) and un-submitted (not sent to manager for approval). There is the option to send it to people who have approved leave requests should your organization choose to do so.

Send reminders for leave requests to Submit/Approve							
Remind users in this period, for requests in this date range:							
Period : F	From Date : 28/08/2013	To Date : 08/09/2013					
Remind For Unsubmitted :	Remind For Submitted : 🔽	Remind For Approved :					
For testing, or resuming if something goes v	wrong						
Never Send Email (test mode) :	Send Reminders For This One Employee :	Resume All Reminders From This Employee :					
Send all reminder emails to this Address instead :							

#### Click Start.

Employees with unapproved leave requests will receive an email asking them to attend to them.

There are unapproved Leave Request(s) for the period 26/08/2013 to 08/09/2013. Please review the Leave Request(s) and Withdraw any that are no longer required, or remind your manager to Approve the Leave Requests. Click here to view your Leave Requests planner.

Managers with employees who have unapproved leave requests will receive an email asking them to attend to these.



There are unapproved Leave Request(s) for the period 26/08/2013 to 08/09/2013.

Please review the Leave Requests and Approve or Decline as necessary.

Click here to view the Leave Requests planner.

## **Problem Solving**

There is the ability to test leave reminders or to resume them at a certain point.

For testing, or resuming if something goes wrong							
Never Send Email (test mode) :	Send Reminders For This One Employee :	Resume All Reminders From This Employee :					
Send all reminder emails to this Address instead :							

Field	Explanation
Never Send Email (test mode):	Ticking this box means no emails will be sent out to employees
Send Reminders For This One Employee:	You are able to select one particular employee to send a Leave Reminder email to
Resume All Reminders From This Employee:	If, during the process of sending leave reminders, your system crashes, you are able to resume leave reminders from the point they stopped. This saves having to re-run them from the beginning and employees receiving multiple emails
Send all reminder emails to this Address instead:	To test all leave reminder emails are working you could have them sent to one email address, rather than sending them out to the employees



## Lock Variable Roster

If your organisation has this functionality, the editable roster period must be locked prior to opening and creating timesheets. Locking variable rosters means no more changes can be made to employees' work patterns up to that date. This prevents the employees' rosters becoming mismatched with their timesheet.

To lock rosters, select Lock roster up to on the Actions tab page:



Select the date and the pay period. This means no further changes can be made to employees' work patterns up to this date. Generally, the 'Lock Up To Date' would be the last day of the pay period you are about to create timesheets for.

Lock roster editing	
Lock Up To Date : 8/09/2013	* Period : F

Click Start.

A message appears asking you to confirm this is the date you wish to lock roster editing up to.

Please confirm you wish to lock category : Edited roster up to the date 8/09/2013 for employees of period Fortnightly.
Cancel



Click OK.

#### After the rosters are locked an audit log is displayed.

Locking category : Edited roster up to the date 8/09/2013 for employees of period Fortnightly Changes committed This period and timesheet category has now been successfully LOCKED



## Lock Leave Requests

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Locking leave requests means no more leave can be entered into the leave planner up to that date. This prevents the employees' leave becoming mismatched to their timesheet. Once leave requests are locked and the timesheet created, you are able to enter any additional leave directly into the timesheet.

To lock leave requests, select Lock leave requests on the Actions tab page:



Select the date and the pay period. This means no further leave can be entered up to this date. Generally, the 'Lock Up To Date' would be the last day of the pay period you are about to create timesheets for.

Lock leave request edting	
Lock Up To Date : 08/09/2013	* For employees in F

Click Start.

A message appears asking you to confirm this is the date you wish to lock leave requests up to.



Click OK.



#### After the leave requests are locked an audit log is displayed.

Locking category : Leave Request up to the date 8/09/2013 for employees of period Fortnightly Changes committed This period and timesheet category has now been successfully LOCKED



## **Open Period**

Prior to creating timesheets, the timesheet period must be opened. The timesheet period is the same date range as the pay period.

To open timesheets, select **Open period** on the **Actions** tab page:



To select the pay period, click on the drop-down arrow. Periods should be opened in order. It is not good practice to open a future period without opening the periods that precede it.

* Period Range :	
E 00/00/0040 0/00/0040	
F 26/08/2013 8/09/2013	

Click Start.

A message appears asking you to confirm this is the period you wish to open.



Click OK.



#### After the period is opened an audit log is displayed.

Opening period range : Fortnightly 26/08/2013 - 8/09/2013 Changes committed This period range has now been successfully OPENED



## **Create Timesheets**

You can bulk create timesheets for every employee in a period. This is the recommended method for creating timesheets, to ensure that all possible timesheets are created.

To create timesheets, select Create timesheets on the Actions tab page:



Select the period range you wish to open Timesheets for. This is generally the same period you have just opened up.

Create default t	mesheets			
Period Range :		-		
	F	29/07/2013	11/08/2013	Open
	F	12/08/2013	25/08/2013	Open
	F	26/08/2013	8/09/2013	Open

Click Start.



Creating timesheets after timesheets have already been created will only create timesheets for those employees who do not currently have a timesheet for that period.

A message appears asking you to confirm this is the period you wish to create timesheets for.



Please confirm you wish to copy combined rosters into category : Timesheet for period range : Fortnightly 26/08/2013 - 8/09/2013 - Open.

OK Cancel

Click OK.

After the timesheets are created an audit log is displayed showing a list of all the employees that timesheets have been created for.

```
Copying combined roster into : Timesheet for period range : Fortnightly 26/08/2013 - 8/09/2013 - Open
Listed timesheets to create and add in combined roster :
Timesheet status : Create
```

The audit log should be checked for yellow warnings or red critical alerts. Red critical alerts must be fixed.

III 28/08/2013 You have exhausted your available AL, some (or all) will be paid as LWOP III 2/09/2013 You have exhausted your available AL, some (or all) will be paid as LWOP III 3/09/2013 You have exhausted your available AL, some (or all) will be paid as LWOP III 4/09/2013 You have exhausted your available AL, some (or all) will be paid as LWOP

At the bottom of the audit log you should check to ensure the process has completed successfully.

Changes committed This timesheet category has now been successfully copied into from combined rosters



All un-submitted, submitted and approved leave requests from the Leave Planner will be pulled into the timesheet. For leave requests that span the pay period date range, payment transactions will only be included for dates within the current timesheet (remaining days will be paid in the next period's timesheet)





## Lock Period Timesheet

At the completion of the timesheet period, the TimeFiler Administrator needs to lock the period so that no further changes can be made. Once the period has been locked, the Administrator is able to check data and make changes if necessary, before creating the export file.

#### Fast facts about locking timesheet periods

Question	Answer
When do I lock the timesheet period?	After employees have finished completing their timesheets for the period, and prior to checking data / creating an export payments file for Payroll.
What happens when I lock a timesheet period?	No further changes to the timesheet may be made by employee and managers (note that Administrators can still make changes).



Only Administrator users can edit Timesheets when the period is locked. Employees can still view them via the History option in Timesheets.

#### To lock timesheets, select the **Lock period** on the **Actions** tab page:



Select the period range you wish to lock Timesheets for.



Loc	k period		
	* Period Range :	•	
		E F	29/07/2013 - 11/08/2013, Open
		🗆 F	12/08/2013 - 25/08/2013, Open
		🗆 F	26/08/2013 - 8/09/2013, Open

#### Click Start.

A message appears asking you to confirm this is the period you wish to lock timesheets for.



Click OK.

After the timesheets are locked an audit log is displayed.

Locking period range : Fortnightly 29/07/2013 - 11/08/2013 - Open Changes committed This period range has now been successfully LOCKED





## **Re-calculate timesheets**

Processing occurs at different stages throughout the timesheet process:

- After opening the timesheet period, and the 'Create Timesheets' action has been run, the timesheets are processed automatically as they get generated.
- If employee timesheets are modified, payments are recalculated automatically (displayed underneath the timesheet).

It is recommended that you **recalculate timesheets** prior to importing the payments file into IMS Payroll. This will ensure:

- Timesheet data is calculated using up-to-date leave balances and / or modified fields on the employee masterfile.
- A chance to review warnings and alerts prior to finalising the timesheet period.

To re-calculate timesheets, select the **Re-calculate timesheets** on the **Actions** tab page:

Actions	3
Backups 🗉	
Do a backup	
Restore backup	
Manage leave requests 🗉	
Leave request status	
Send leave reminders	
Lock leave requests	
Re-calculate leave requests	
Manage the roster 🗉	
Open roster report	
Open roster for editing	
Lock roster up to	
Period actions	
Period lock dates	
Open period	
Create timesheets	
Lock period	
Re-calculate timesheets	C
Close period	N
Period admin 🗉	
Un-open period	
Unlock period	

Select the period you wish to re-calculate by clicking on the drop-down arrow. Only open or locked periods will be available to select from.

Re-calculate timesheets	
Period Range : F, 26/08/2013 - 8 🔻	

Click Start.



A message appears asking you to confirm this is the period you wish to recalculate timesheets for.



Click OK.

After the timesheets are recalculated an audit log is displayed. The log will group employees by Timesheet status and highlight any warnings and alerts.

```
Processing category : Timesheet for period range : Fortnightly 26/08/2013 - 8/09/2013 - Open
Listed timesheets to process :
Timesheet status : Unsubmitted
```

The audit log should be checked for yellow warnings or red critical alerts. Red critical alerts must be fixed.

III 28/08/2013 You have exhausted your available AL, some (or all) will be paid as LWOP III 2/09/2013 You have exhausted your available AL, some (or all) will be paid as LWOP III 3/09/2013 You have exhausted your available AL, some (or all) will be paid as LWOP III 4/09/2013 You have exhausted your available AL, some (or all) will be paid as LWOP

At the bottom of the audit log you should check to ensure the process has completed successfully.





Processing timesheets ensures that payments calculated for the timesheet are 100% up to date.

For example, leave payments may change as leave balances get updated from Payroll, and payments may also change depending on other employee field changes.



## **Importing Payments to Payroll**

Importing timesheet payments from IMS Online Max into the pay-run is performed via IMS Online.

#### **IMS Online Synchronisation Tool tasks**

Log into the IMS Online Synchronisation Tool via the IMS Online menu item on the Tools toolbar within IMS Payroll:

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<u>F</u> ile <u>E</u> dit ⊻iew	Tools Help										
	Tax Reckoner New Company	Ctrl+T	Em	ployee	<b>S</b>	Proce	essing			Sundry Reports	
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imp# 1002 Standard Payme	Annual Leave Entitlement Update		✓ Is H	🖌 🖌 listory	<b>V</b>	1	1	1	<b>V</b>		
Personal First Names:	IRD Reporting End Of Tax Year	•		Asht	on						
Address:	Files Export Files Import	*	Nam	ie:		_					
	IMS Online		е	O Fe	male		Emp	#:		1002	
		Birth Dal	e:	07/12/1	946 -	•	Age:		63		
E-mail:	jo.smith@timefiler.com	Phone #	:1:	778 224	5		# 2:		021 78	5 185	
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Occupation:	General Manager	Start Da	te:	10/03/1	997		Ap	prenti	cer		
Pay Point:	Management 💌	Finish Da	ate:			•					
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Contract:	Individual 💌										

You will be presented with the following screen:





## **Create Import File**

On the IMS Online Synchronisation Tool home screen, click **Create Import File**. The following screen will be displayed:



Click Create Import File. A dropdown box will be displayed:

रिहें Create Import File	▼

Valid timesheet date ranges will be displayed:





If there are no open timesheet periods, the following message will be displayed: "No period date ranges available to select".

It is only possible to create an import file for an open and locked timesheet period.

Double click the timesheet period range; you will be presented with the following confirmation box:





Click **Yes** to continue.

At the end of the process, a confirmation box will appear:



Click **Yes** to view the import file report.

Two pages are displayed on the report; transactions and validation messages:



Please check both pages of the import file report.

#### Import file log: transactions

The first page of the Import File Log displays the transactions that have been created ready for import into IMS Payroll:

000			IMS Online Sync v	2.43	
	3				
Employee	Employee Description	DataEntryCode	Units UnitRate(code)	Date1	Date2
1002	ASHTON, Colin (1002)	SALARY	-5.00 PDR	09/08/2010	13/08/2010
1002	ASHTON, Colin (1002)	ANNUAL LEA	5.00	09/08/2010	13/08/2010
1012	BLOXHAM, Peter (1012)	ANNUAL LEA	5.00	09/08/2010	13/08/2010
1015	CLARK, Andrea (1015)	ANNUAL LEA	1.00	09/08/2010	09/08/2010
1008	HAMILTON, Jenny (1008)	ANNUAL LEA	0.50	12/08/2010	12/08/2010
1014	HAYES, John (1014)	ANNUAL LEA	5.00	09/08/2010	13/08/2010
Transaction	s Validation Messages				

You can click on the red Print button to print the results to your local printer.

Now click on the Validation Messages tab at the bottom of the Import File log.



#### Import file log: validation messages

The second page of the Import File Log displays the system warnings that have been generated in the system for the Timesheets in the period date range:

		IMS Online Sync v2.43
3		
Employee Description	Date	Comment
HAMILTON, Jenny (1008)	09/08/2010	You have exhausted your available Company Leave, some (or all) will not be paid
HAMILTON, Jenny (1008)	10/08/2010	You have exhausted your available Company Leave, some (or all) will not be paid
HAMILTON, Jenny (1008)	11/08/2010	You have exhausted your available Company Leave, some (or all) will not be paid
HAMILTON, Jenny (1008)	12/08/2010	This partial day equates to 0.5 days Annual Leave
s Validation Messages		
	HAMILTON, Jenny (1008) HAMILTON, Jenny (1008) HAMILTON, Jenny (1008) HAMILTON, Jenny (1008)	HAMILTON, Jenny (1008) 09/08/2010 HAMILTON, Jenny (1008) 10/08/2010 HAMILTON, Jenny (1008) 11/08/2010 HAMILTON, Jenny (1008) 12/08/2010

If you are not happy with the Transactions and/or Validation Messages, and need to go back into IMS Online to make changes, you will need to **Undo the Export** process (as detailed in the Troubleshooting section of this document).

Click the green arrow to go back to the main screen.


#### Import into IMS Payroll

Click Import into IMS Payroll. A dropdown box will be displayed:



Valid timesheet date ranges will be displayed:



Double click the timesheet period range; you will be presented with the following confirmation box:



You must have the Time Import Module installed to complete this step. You must also have the pay period open in IMS Payroll.

Click **Yes** to continue. The Time Import window will display:





These settings should not be changed.

Click **Next** to continue.



Click Next to continue.



Click **Finish** to continue.

The IMS Online timesheet transactions will now be imported into the open IMS Payroll period.



#### Troubleshooting

The Troubleshooting area allows you to:

 View the last Import File Log (in case you forgot to print it out, or need to take another look at it).



It is not possible to view historical Import File Logs beyond the previous one.

• Undo the Export process (allows Timesheet data to be adjusted, and then recreated ready for import into IMS Payroll).

#### Show Last Import Results

Click **Show Last Import Results**. Import File Logs will be displayed for the last period range:

Troubleshooting			
Show Last Import Results	~		
Un-do Export Process	Description	Created	Imported
Oll-do Export Process	<ul> <li>Weekly, 11/10/2010 - 17/10/2010, Open</li> <li>Weekly, 11/10/2010 - 17/10/2010, Open</li> </ul>	12/16/2010 9:39:26 F 12/16/2010 9:28:52 F	

Double click the timesheet period range to view the Import File log.



All attempts at creating the import file are displayed for selection. A tickbox indicates which file was imported into IMS Payroll.

Note that information is displayed on the Transactions tab as well as the Validation Messages tab.



#### **Un-do Export Process**

If you discover that the Timesheets you have just created an import file for are not correct, or you have created the import file in error, it is possible to "un-do" the process so that it can be recreated again in the future.



Remember to make any changes in IMS Online if necessary before recreating the import file.

It is only possible to un-do the export process for the previous imported period.

Click **Un-do Export Process**. A period range drop-down box is displayed:

Import into IMS Payroll			A
Create Import File			Home
Import into IMS Payroll			
Troubleshooting	lts		
Un-do Export Process	Description	*	Sele
	▶ Weekly, 11/10/2010 - 17/10/2010, Open		

Make sure this is the period range you are planning to un-do the export process for, then click on the period date range.

You will then be asked to confirm whether you want to un-do the export for the selected period range:



Click **Yes** to undo; otherwise press **Cancel**. If you clicked **Yes**, then IMS Online Sync will proceed to un-do the export process:



You may now run through the **Create Import File** process again after making any necessary changes that may be required in IMS Online.



#### **Close timesheet period**

Closing a period is the final task to carry out when the export to IMS Payroll has been carried out and the pay period in IMS Payroll has been closed.

#### Fast facts about closing timesheet periods

Question	Answer
When do I close timesheet periods?	It is recommended you close the timesheet period once the corresponding period has been closed in IMS Payroll.
What happens when I close a timesheet period?	Timesheet data can no longer be edited in Timesheets. It is not a straightforward task to take a timesheet period back to an 'unopened' state, so only close the period once it has been successfully imported into Payroll.

To close periods, select **Close period** on the **Actions** tab page.



Select the locked period you wish to close.

Close period					
* Period Range :		•			
	F		29/07/2013	11/08/2013	Locked
	F		12/08/2013	25/08/2013	Open
	F		26/08/2013	8/09/2013	Open

#### Click Start.

A message appears asking you to confirm this is the period you wish to close.



Please confirm you wish to close period range : Fortnightly 29/07/2013 - 11/08/2013 - Locked.
Cancel

#### Click OK.

After the timesheets are closed an audit log is displayed.

Closing period range : Fortnightly 29/07/2013 - 11/08/2013 - Locked Changes committed This period range has now been successfully CLOSED



You can only close periods that are locked first Closed periods can only be unclosed by TimeFiler Support (support@timefiler.com)



#### Update IMS Online data

After closing the IMS pay period and the IMS Online period, the updated employee Masterfile information in IMS Payroll (such as leave balances) should be synchronised to IMS Online.

Click on the 'Update IMS Online' button within the IMS Online Synchronisation Tool.







#### **Recalculate leave requests**

If you choose to perform this function, it should be run after:

- Closing the IMS pay period
- Closing the IMS Online period
- Running the 'Update IMS Online' tool to bring the new leave balances in the payroll system into IMS Online.

#### Why recalculate leave requests?

Warnings are generated for leave requests when the employee, manager or administrator creates them. This means a warning about insufficient leave balances for a request made three months ago may no longer be accurate since balances increase and decrease as leave is accrued and taken.

The warnings generated on leave requests are based on the total leave balance available at the time of the request, or when they were last recalculated (i.e. if this Recalculate Leave process has been runs since).



If you have Projected Leave as a customization to your site then Leave Requests will use this annual leave balance instead of the current annual leave balance, reducing the requirement for leave request recalculations

When leave requests are recalculated the warnings are updated based on the current leave balances, which is why it should be run after syncing data from IMS Payroll at the end of a period.

#### How to recalculate leave requests



To recalculate leave requests, go into Actions – Manage leave requests and select the 'Re-calculate leave requests' action.

The above screenshot shows how you may select employees in a particular period, along with the start and end date for the recalculation range.



Keep the recalculation date range to two months at most so that the recalculate process doesn't time out. Do not recalculate periods already processed & closed

Click Start.



#### Frequently asked questions

## When I run the 'Recalculate Leave Requests' action, am I able to see what warnings have been generated against leave requests in the date range I selected?

Any warnings that have been generated for that date range will be displayed in the audit log following the recalculation of the leave requests (the audit log appears at the bottom of the screen).

### How come there are instances where a warning generates alerting that LWOP will occur when some of the leave has already been paid?

When recalculating leave requests, entire leave requests are recalculated, so any leave requests that have already been partially paid will be compared against the current balance and show incorrect warnings.

# Why is no warning generated if an employee has two leave requests in the same period and the second leave request should result in LWOP (e.g. employee's sick leave balance is 1 day, and there are two leave requests of 1 days' sick leave each)?

Each leave request is considered against the leave balance individually. If it had been 2 days of sick leave in one request it would have displayed a warning that LWOP would result. But two 1 day requests are each compared to the 1 day balance and deemed to be payable.

## If I don't recalculate leave requests, does that mean the leave will be paid incorrectly on the timesheets?

It is important to note that whatever the warnings on the leave requests say, the payments generated at timesheet stage will be correct. The timesheet looks at the employee's current balances and pays the leave accordingly.





#### **Period Administration**

If Periods have been opened or locked by mistake, they can be un-done.

If Periods have been closed by mistake, they cannot be un-closed, without contacting TimeFiler Support.

#### Un-open period

Periods can be un-opened, which will set the period back to a blank state and remove all timesheets for that period. This can be useful if periods & timesheets are opened too early.

To un-open a period, go to **Un-open period** on the Actions tab.



Select the period you wish to un-open by clicking on the drop-down arrow.

Reset period				
* Period Range :		•		
	F	12/08/2013	25/08/2013	Open
	F	26/08/2013	8/09/2013	Open
	F	9/09/2013	22/09/2013	Open

Click Start.

A message appears asking you to confirm this is the period you wish to un-open.



This action will delete any timesheets in the selected period (Fortnightly 9/09/2013 - 22/09/2013 - Open), and reset it so that it can be opened again in future - are you sure you wish to continue?
Continue?

Click OK.

After the period is un-opened an audit log is displayed.

```
Resetting period range : Fortnightly 9/09/2013 - 22/09/2013 - Open
Changes committed
This period range has now been successfully RESET
```



This process cannot be reversed.

#### **Unlock period**

You would generally un-lock a period if you needed to correct timesheets prior to importing to payroll.

To unlock a period, go to Unlock period on the Actions tab.



Select the period you wish to unlock by clicking on the drop-down arrow.



* Period Range : F. 1208/2013 X  F 12/08/2013 25/08/2013 Locked	Unlock period				
F 12/08/2013 25/08/2013 Locked	* Period Range :	F, 12/08/2013 🗙 🔻			
		F	12/08/2013	25/08/2013	Locked

#### Click Start.

A message appears asking you to confirm this is the period you wish to un-lock.



Click OK.

After the period is unlocked an audit log is displayed.

```
Unlocking period range : Fortnightly 12/08/2013 - 25/08/2013 - Locked
Changes committed
This period range has now been successfully UNLOCKED
```

#### Un-close period

There is no ability for a user to unclose a period. Please contact TimeFiler Support for assistance (<u>support@timefiler.com</u>).



#### Warnings

This section explains the two different types of warning messages that appear on leave requests or timesheets and the corrective action required.

#### **Critical Warnings**

Critical warnings are highlighted in red and must be fixed.

Start	End	Break	Please enter a Start Time ending in 00, 15, 30 or 45 min
08:05	17:30	00:30 ×	■

Scenario	Explanation
Start time has not been entered in a quarter hour unit (this warning may be turned off in Business Rules)	Warning: "Please enter a Start Time ending in 00, 15, 30 or 45 min" Action: Change the Start time ensuring it is entered as a quarter hour unit.
End time has not been entered in a quarter hour unit (this warning may be turned off in Business Rules)	Warning: "Please enter an End Time ending in 00, 15, 30 or 45 min" Action: Change the End time ensuring it is entered as a quarter hour unit.
A second timesheet entry for the day overlaps with another entry for the same day, for exaple: 8am to 12:30pm worked time 12:00 to 4pm Annual Leave (overlap between 12 and 12:30)	<ul> <li>Warning: "Overlaps with another entry on this day. Please edit or delete this entry"</li> <li>Action: Ensure the End time of the first timesheet entry for the day is earlier than the Start of the next timesheet entry for the day.</li> </ul>
User has chosen a leave type on timesheet or leave request for which a payment code has not been specified in Business Rules	<ul> <li>Warning: "A <leave type=""> pay code does not exist: choose a different reason and advise your Administrator"</leave></li> <li>Action: Administrator needs to remove this leave type as a selectable type, or specify the pay code for the leave type in Business Rules.</li> </ul>



#### **Non-Critical Warnings**

Non-Critical warnings are highlighted in yellow and are warning messages only. They will not prevent the timesheet or leave request from being saved or submitted.

AL Accrued	AL Total	Alt Holiday	You have exhausted your available Sick Leave, so	ome (or all) will be paid as LWOP
Hours	0 Hours		This Leave was not previously Approved	
Start	End	Break	Is this entry correct; note that there is no roster for	r the day
08:00	17:00	00:30	ick Leave 🗶 💌	8.5

Scenario	Explanation
Enter a leave reason against a non rostered day	<b>Warning</b> : <i>"Is this entry correct; note that there is no roster for the day"</i> <b>Action</b> : You should only be assigning leave reasons against a day that has been a rostered (scheduled) day of work for the employee.
If an Annual Leave entry has been entered that results in an insufficient leave balance, Leave without Pay is payable	<ul> <li>Warning: "You have exhausted your available Annual Leave balance, some will be paid as Leave Without Pay"</li> <li>Action: No action required if this is correct; otherwise change the leave reason to a different leave type so it may be paid.</li> </ul>
If a Company leave entry has been entered that results in an insufficient leave balance, Leave Without Pay is payable	<ul> <li>Warning: "You have exhausted your available Company Leave balance, some will be paid as Leave Without Pay"</li> <li>Action: No action required if this is correct; otherwise change the leave reason to a different leave type so it may be paid.</li> </ul>
If a Sick Leave entry has been entered that results in an insufficient leave balance, Leave without Pay is payable	<ul> <li>Warning: "You have exhausted your available Sick Leave balance, some will be paid as Leave Without Pay"</li> <li>Action: No action required if this is correct; otherwise change the leave reason to a different leave type so it may be paid.</li> </ul>
If a Shift Leave entry has been entered that results in an insufficient leave balance, Leave without Pay is payable	<ul> <li>Warning: "You have exhausted your available Shift Leave balance, some will be paid as Leave Without Pay"</li> <li>Action: No action required if this is correct; otherwise change the leave reason to a different leave type so it may be paid.</li> </ul>
If a Service Leave entry has been entered that results in an insufficient leave balance, Leave without Pay is payable	<ul> <li>Warning: "You have exhausted your available Service Leave balance, some will be paid as Leave Without Pay"</li> <li>Action: No action required if this is correct; otherwise change the leave reason to a different leave type so it may be paid.</li> </ul>
If a Time in Lieu entry has been entered that results in an insufficient leave balance, Leave without Pay is payable	<ul> <li>Warning: "You have exhausted your available Time in Lieu balance, some will be paid as Leave Without Pay"</li> <li>Action: No action required if this is correct; otherwise change the leave reason to a different leave type so it may be paid.</li> </ul>
User enters a leave reason into a Timesheet that does not have a corresponding approved Leave Request	Warning: "This Leave was not previously Approved" Action: No action required.
Leave type is in Days, and a partial leave day is taken that results in a full day	Warning: "This partial day equates to 1 day <leave type="">" Action: No action required.</leave>
Leave type is in Days, and	Warning: "This partial day equates to 0.5 days <leave type="">"</leave>



a partial leave day is taken that results in a half day	Action: No action required.
Employee enters a Partial Day request for a number of hours that is greater than rostered hours for the day	<ul> <li>Warning: "Leave will be capped at Rostered hours (xx hours) <where day="" for="" hours="" is="" number="" of="" rostered="" the="" xx="">"</where></li> <li>Action: Review the number of hours requested for the partial leave day</li> </ul>
User enters a Leave Request against a non- rostered day	Warning: "This Leave Request will not result in a payment (no rostered days)" Action: Review roster, or remove Leave Request



#### **Business Rule Configuration**

This section explains the fields on the Configuration / Business Rules tab pages and how they interact with leave requests, timesheet calculations, payroll payments and emailing.

IMS Online - Training Company									
My time	My leave	My roster	My payslips	My documents	Actions	Master files	Configuration	My password	
Configuration									
Business	rules		Leave	Timesheets	Payment	s Email			

#### Leave

This tab page controls rules surrounding leave requests.

<b>Business rules configuration</b>		
Leave Timesheets Payments Emai		
Select the Reasons users can choose from o	n Leave Requests	
Request reasons : 10 selected	Request reasons (casuals): <u>4 selected</u> ▼	
Leave rules (Annual Leave)		
Can use Accrued Annual :	Maximum AL in advance (days) : 0	Maximum AL in advance 0 (hours) :
Leave rules (Sick Leave)		
Maximum SL in advance 0 (days) :	Maximum SL in advance (hours) : 0	

Field	Explanation
Request reasons:	By default, the standard IMS Online Express leave reasons will be available for use, but additional leave types may also be selected here. Click on the drop-down arrow to view the list of request reasons.
Request reasons (casuals):	A different set of leave reasons can be specified for casual employees. Generally casuals have less leave reasons available to them than permanent employees.
Can use Accrued Annual:	Ticking this box allows both available and accrued leave to be used when employees are applying for annual leave. If this box is un-ticked, only the available leave portion will be used and anything over and above available leave will default to Leave without pay.
Maximum AL in advance (days):	For organisations who have their annual leave in Days, a maximum number of days can be specified that are allowed to be utilised from the Accrual balance. For example, if employees are only allowed to use five days of their accrual, then '5' would be entered in this field.
Maximum AL in advance (hours):	For organisations who have their annual leave in Hours, a maximum number of hours can be specified that are allowed to be utilised from the

	Accrual balance. For example, if employees are only allowed to use 40 hours of their accrual, then '40' would be entered in this field.
Maximum SL in advance (days):	For organisations who have their sick leave in Days, a maximum number of days can be specified that an employee can use in advance of their entitlement i.e. how far into negative their balance can go.
Maximum SL in advance (hours):	For organisations who have their sick leave in Hours, a maximum number of hours can be specified that an employee can use in advance of their entitlement i.e. how far into negative their balance can go.

#### Timesheets

This tab page controls rules surrounding timesheet calculations.

Business rules configuration
Leave Timesheets Payments Email
Select the Reasons users can choose from on Timesheets
Timesheet reasons : 11 selected Timesheet reasons (casuals) : 4 selected
Overtime Rules (daily)
Overtime applies after xx OR Pay Overtime for hours in excess of Overtime Rules (period)
Over which Overtime applies after ∞ 80 Over which Overtime F hours per period : 80 Period ?: F Define Public Holiday 'normal day' criteria (averaging criteria will only apply if the Rostered field is NOT ticked)
Rostered = 'normal day' : ✓ OR, Apply 'normal day' averaging rules
Worked this number of  Worked this number of  Worked this day of the  Week : Week : Choose whether TimeFiler should automatically deduct unpaid breaks
Automatically deduct unpaid break : Tick this to only accept start/end times ending in 00, 15, 30 or 45 min * Break auto-deducted safter (hours) : 5 (hh:mm) : 00:30 (hh:mm) : 00:30
Quarter hour times only? :

Field	Explanation
Timesheet reasons:	The codes available on the timesheet's 'Leave/Worktype' pick-list. Click on the drop-down arrow to select the codes required.
Timesheet reasons (casuals):	A different set of leave/worktype reasons may be specified for casual employees. Generally casuals have less leave/worktype reasons available to them than permanent employees.
Overtime applies after xx hours per day:	This is used if overtime is paid on a daily basis. Overtime payments will apply after the number of hours specified in this field. Only one of this or the box below can be used. Warnings will be generated if both daily overtime options are selected (only one should apply).
OR Pay Overtime for hours in excess of Rostered	Overtime payments will apply for any hours worked in excess of the rostered hours for that day. Only one of this or the box above can be



hours:	used. Warnings will be generated if both daily overtime options are selected (only one should apply).
Overtime applies after xx hours per period:	This is used if overtime is paid on a period basis. Overtime worked after xx hours worked per period (Administrator must also specify period code; only period codes sourced from IMS will be available – if the overtime is different to existing pay period frequencies, then this will have to be customised).
Over which overtime period?:	This works in tandem with the above field. The applicable period code must be specified.
Rostered = 'normal day':	This determines public holiday payments. If this field is ticked, and the employee is rostered to work on a public holiday, then the system assumes they did work and appropriate payments will be calculated. If the field is not ticked, then the system assumes the employee did not work on the public holiday and will pay it as having been observed.
Worked this number of times of this day of the week:	This is used if the averaging formula is used to calculate applicable payment for public holidays (generally used for casual employees). For example, for a casual to be paid for a public holiday that falls on a Monday, they may have to have worked two out of the last four Mondays to qualify. Therefore, '2' would be entered in this field. There is 1-5 available in the drop-down list, any other values will need to be configured.
Over this many weeks:	Works in tandem with the above field. In the above example, '4' would be entered in this field. There is 1-5 available in the drop-down list, any other values will need to be configured.
Reasons that qualify for averaging rule:	Works in tandem with the above two fields. Administrators are able to select leave reasons that may be included in the averaging formula above. For example, Sick leave may count as being a 'worked' day.
Automatically deduct unpaid break:	Ticking this field means an unpaid break will automatically be applied after a certain number of hours worked. The parameters of this break are based on the criteria in the following two fields.
Break auto-deducted after (hours):	The number of hours an employee works before an unpaid break is forced. For example, if an unpaid break is required after five hours worked, then '5' should be entered in this field.
Break deducted (hh:mm):	The length of the unpaid break is entered here. For example, if after five hours a 30 minute unpaid break is required, then 00:30 is entered in this field.
Quarter hour times only:	Ticking this field means times can only be entered in quarter hourly units e.g. 07:00, 07:15, 07:30 and 07:45. If the box is unticked, then times can be entered in any units.



#### Payments

This tab page controls the payroll codes. These codes will determine where the worked time and leave payments are costed to and will go on to the export file for importing into the payroll system.

Business rules configuration			
Leave Timesheets Payments Email			
Worked time payments			
Salary : SALARY	Ordinary : 1	Time and Half : 15	Statutory Worked : STAT WORK
Credit Alt Holiday : CR ALT HOL			
Leave payments			
Annual Leave : ANNUAL LEA	Alternative Holiday : ALT HOLS	Bereavement Leave : BEREAVEMEN	Company Leave : COMP LEAVE
Jury Service : JURY SERVI	Leave without Pay : LWOP	Long Service Leave : SERV LEAVE	Parental Leave : ZARENTAL L
Shift Leave : SHIFT LEAV	Sick Leave : SICK LEAVE	Study Leave : STUDY LEAV	Statutory Holiday : STAT
Time In Lieu : TIL 🔹			

Section	Explanation
Worked time payments	The applicable allowance code is connected to each worked time payment. For example in the above screenshot, the allowance code for Time and Half overtime payments is '15'.
Leave payments	The applicable leave code is connected to each leave type. For example in the above screenshot, the payroll code for Annual Leave is 'ANNUAL LEA'. Some organisations may use numeric coding e.g. 201.

#### Email

This tab page controls emailing from IMS Online Max. When testing email processes, this screen can be set for testing purposes.

Business rules configuration				
Leave Timesheets Payments Email				
E-mail addresses (emails default to IMS Company Settings e	E-mail addresses (emails default to IMS Company Settings email if not specified)			
Test mode (ALL e-mails sent to fallback) : Fallback email address : joe.bloggs@xtra.co.nz				
Reminders will be sent to employees/managers FROM this email address				
Reminder Sender email noreply@timefiler.com				

Field	Explanation
Test mode (ALL emails sent to fallback):	This is used for testing the emails generated from IMS Online Max. Ticking this box and putting an email address in the 'Fallback email address' box will send any emails there. For example, you could use this if you were testing the leave reminder emails. In the above screenshot, everybody's reminder emails would go to joe.bloggs@xtra.co.nz.

Fallback email address:	Where the test emails will be sent to.
Reminder Sender email address:	This is the address that will show as the sender of reminder emails. All employees and managers who receive reminder emails will show they came from <u>noreply@timefiler.com</u> . If nothing is entered in this field, it will default to the email address in the IMS Company Settings.



#### **Standard reports**

There are a set of standard reports available within IMS Online:

My leave page:

- Absenteeism trends
- Employee turnover
- Excessive annual leave
- Leave liability (units)



#### My time page:

- Timesheet notes
- Timesheet status
- Payment summary week

#### My time

#### Timesheets

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Timesheet summary

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#### **Running reports**

This section provides a general overview of:

- Report settings
- Running reports
- Viewing reports
- Report output formats
- Printing reports

#### **Report Settings**

Reports may have one or two tab pages used to determine the report settings:

- Details
  - Can be used to specify the periods, date ranges, payments, and other commonly changed settings on the report
  - Can be used to filter data e.g. by employee, date ranges, projects (in job costing instances)
  - To select all items in a pick list, leave the field blank. (In the example below, leaving the 'Employees' filter empty means the report will run for all employees)

le Print	options		
Details	Admin - Details		
	Employees :	From Date : 1/07/2014 Tuesday, 1 July 2014	To Date : 31/07/2014

- Admin Details
  - Administrators set the values on this tab page (e.g. the payment codes) that are used within the report
  - Settings on this tab apply to all users of the report
  - Generally these settings don't change that often. Note, that to save changes to these settings, the save occurs upon running the report

🗞 Print	options
Details	Admin - Details
	Payment : ZTFKPI

To run the report, click on 'Start' at the bottom of the page

Start Close

After the report has generated, a 'paper' symbol appears:



Open file (or right click to save as):

- Left click to view the report on-screen
- Right click to save it elsewhere (select 'Save Target As')

#### **Report Formats and Printing**

Reports can be generated in different formats:

- PDF
- Excel
- On screen (which generates report as a webpage).

To select the report format, click on 'Print Options' at the top of the page.

Rrint options	
Print Options	
* Format : PDF	•
* Orientation : Defa	ult 🗸
Email Address :	
OK Cancel	

Print Options allows users to:

- Select the report format
- Change the orientation (i.e. landscape or portrait)
- Email the report to a nominated person

The settings are saved for each user for the next time the report is run.



#### Absenteeism trends

This report is designed to work for customers using IMS Payroll as the source database, and reports data from the IMS Payroll leave history.

#### Purpose of report

This report gives a visual display of which days of the week leave are taken on. This report is particularly useful for seeing which days of the week employees are taking sick leave.

#### Report output

- Company summary is at the top
- · Per work area displays underneath



#### **Report settings**





#### **Employee Turnover**

#### Purpose of report

The Employee Turnover report has two parts:

- Employee Retention:
  - Summarises the length of employment, broken down into five bands
    - < 1 year</p>
    - 1 2 years
    - 2 5 years
    - 5 10 years
    - > 10 years.
- Employee Turnover:
  - Compares the number of new hires against the number of departing employees giving a total change in numbers over a selected period.

Note, that this report excludes employees with an employment status of 'CAS' (casual).

#### Report output

- Company summary is at the top
- Turnover per work area displays underneath





#### **Report settings**

A date range is required for determining the employee retention/turnover statistics. In the below screenshot, the report is being run for a twelve month period February 2011 to January 2012.

Employee turnover	
Rrint options	
* From : 01/02/2011 2011 Tuesday, 1 February 2011	* To : 31/01/2012

#### **Excessive Annual Leave**

#### **Purpose of report**

The Excessive Annual Leave report converts annual leave into weeks (rather than days or hours) and highlights (in red) employees with balances in excess of X weeks (with 'X' being determined by the user).

#### Report output

- Company summary is at the top
- Per work area displays underneath

In the below example, '4 weeks' has been set by the user:

- Employees with < 4 weeks leave balance display in green
- Employees with > 4 weeks leave balance display in red
- Company summary is the average annual leave balance and displays in green as it is < 4 weeks</li>

		Compa	any sur	nmary	
Average	e Annual Leave entitl	ement for entire co	mpany	3.8	8
Emp no.	Name	Balance Units	Hours/wk	Days/wk	Estimated balance (weeks)
			_		
		Bo	ourke S	t	
1050	Gilchrist, Joy	214.65 Hours	24.00	8.94	
1134	Guo, Gabriella	134.73 Hours	24.00	5.61	
1071	Hajisava, Laurence	123.56 Hours	24.00	5.15	
1053	Hughes, Nancy	55.62 Hours	24.00	2.32	
1138	Hussien, Betty	132.27 Hours	24.00	5.51	
1024	Imbert, Rouba	120.59 Hours	40.00	3.01	
1094	Jensen, Lynn	24.89 Hours	24.00	1.04	
1085	Kentish, Nikki	112.46 Hours	24.00	4.69	



#### **Report settings**

To set the 'X' value on the report, users will find this on the 'Configuration / Configure display report settings' screen.

Configuration	6	Excessive annual leave - configuration
Administrator users		* Warn for more than ? weeks available :
Business rules		weeks available :
Configure display report settings <b>•</b>		
Excessive annual leave - configuration	1	

To run the report, it is from the My Leave screen. Simply click on it and the results will display on screen.

Leave KPIs 🔺	
Absenteeism trends	
Employee turnover	
Excessive annual leave	
Leave liability (units)	



#### Leave liability (units)

This report is designed to work for customers using IMS Payroll as the source database.

#### **Purpose of report**

The Leave Liability report displays the total leave balances for each Work Area.

#### **Report output**

- Company summary is at the top
- Per work area displays underneath





#### **Report settings**

To specify which leave types will display on the report, users will find this on the 'Configuration / Configure display report settings' screen.

Configuration 3	Configure Leave Liab	bility (units) KPI				
Business rules	Leave - Annual					
Configure My details Configure Excessive annual leave K Configure Leave liability (units) K	Include Annual Leave Outstanding : M	Include Annual Leave Accrued :	Paid In Advance :			
Configure forms (leave balances) + Configure Leave Request form	Show Sick Leave : 🗹					
	Show Alternative Holiday : Include Shift Leave Accrued :	Show Time in Lieu : 🗹	Show Company Leave : 🗹	Include Company Leave Accrued :	Show Long Service M	Show Shift Leave : 🗹

Running the report is from My Leave screen. Simply click and the results will display.

Leave KPIs *
Absenteeism trends
Employee turnover
Excessive annual leave
Leave liability (units)



#### **Timesheet Notes**

#### Purpose of report

This report shows notes that employees or managers have entered on timesheets.

#### Report output

Employees that work across multiple work areas will have the applicable notes display under the applicable work area.

Selected period ra Additional Filter : ( Locale : English N	(Comment <		IY		
Date	Start	End	Units Reason description	Comment	
Work area	: North	Island	Regional		
Employee nam	ne : Karl Br	aun			
3/05/2011	12:00	16:30	4.00 Sick Leave	Flu	
4/05/2011	08:00	16:30	8.00 Sick Leave	Flu	
5/05/2011	08:00	16:30	8.00 Sick Leave	Flu	
Work area	: West	field Qu	eensgate		
Employee nam	ne : Antoin	e Becquerel			
2/05/2011	08:00	16:30	8.00 Leave without Pay	Didn't turn up	
3/05/2011	08:00	16:30	8.00 Leave without Pay	Didn't turn up	
Work area	: West	field St	Lukes		
Employee nam	e : HAYES	, John			
5/05/2011	12:00	16:00	3.50 Bereavement Leave	Grandmother	
Work area	: West	field We	estcity		
Employee nam					
2/05/2011	08:00	16:30	8.00 Alternative Holiday (taken)	Forced leave	
3/05/2011	08:00	16:30	8.00 Alternative Holiday (taken)	Forced leave	
4/05/2011	08:00	16:30	8.00 Alternative Holiday (taken)	Forced leave	
5/05/2011	08:00	16:30	8.00 Alternative Holiday (taken)	Forced leave	
5/05/2011	00.00	10.00	olos Alternative Holiday (taken)	I OF COM ALLING	

#### **Report settings:**

The report will be sorted by:

- Work Area
- Employee
- Payment Code

Multiple periods can be selected. Only entries with notes will show on the report.



#### **Timesheet Status**

#### Purpose of report

This report shows the status of the timesheet. Status is defined as:

- unsubmitted (employee hasn't submitted timesheet for approval yet)
- submitted (timesheet has been submitted but manager hasn't approved it yet)
- approved (manager or administrator has approved the timesheet).

#### Report output

The report is sorted by:

- Status
- Work Area
- Employee

Employee code	Name	From Date	To Date
status : Unsubmitted		1.1.1	2.5.9
Work area : North Island	Regional		
1031	Gabriel Lippmann	2/05/2011	8/05/2011
1033	Karl Braun	2/05/2011	8/05/2011
1018	RITCHIE, Susan	30/05/2011	12/06/2011
Work area : Northlands S	hopping Centre		
1020	Albert Michelson	2/05/2011	8/05/2011
1030			
Work area : South Island			
		2/05/2011	8/05/2011
Work area : South Island	Regional	2/05/2011 9/05/2011	8/05/2011 15/05/2011

Employees that work across multiple Work Areas will appear under their primary work area.

#### **Report settings**

The user selects a date range and which status types to report on.

Timesheet status			
* From Date : 16/05/2011	* To Date : 22/05/2013	Show Approved timesheets :	Show Submitted timesheets :
Show Unsubmitted timesheets :	Black and White instead of colour? :		

Multiple periods can be selected by choosing the relative date range.



#### **Payment Summary**

#### **Purpose of report**

The Payment Summary shows payments broken down by:

- Work Area
- Employee
- Payment Code

It can be useful to see employees' payments for each day of the period (e.g. ordinary time, overtime, allowances, leave).

#### **Report output**

Employees that work across multiple work areas will have the applicable payments display under the applicable work area.

Payment summary - fortnight Selected period ranges : 1, Payment Entries Only Locale : English New Zealand Work area: Bourke St 1050 Gilchrist, Joy 12.5% shift allowance 1.00 1.00 1.00 6.50 5.50 50% shift allowance 6.50 6.50 Double time and a half 5.50 7.00 7.00 12.50 Meal money 1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 2.00 Ordinary time 5.50 8.00 6.50 20.00 8.00 7.00 5.00 5.00 25.00 45.00 1.50 1.50 Public holiday (not worked) 1.50 1134 Guo, Gabriella 50% shift allowance 7.50 20.00 7.50 7.50 7.50 15.00 Ordinary time 5.00 7.50 7.50 5.00 7.50 7 50 20.00 40.00

The report is available in weekly, fortnightly and monthly layouts.

#### **Report settings**

- Multiple periods can be selected
- Specific payment types can be selected.

Payment summary - fortnight			
Panol Range	NT_SETTLEM     ON CALL OR     ON CALL SH     ON CALL SH     ON CALL SH     PARENTAL L     SALARY     SERV LEAVE     SETTLEMENT     SHIFT LEAV	NT_Settlement On Call Ondnary Time On Call Stat Holiday On Call Stat Holiday Parental Leave Satiany Service Leave Settlement Payment Shift Leave	^

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#### Appendix 1: Using IMS Online efficiently

#### Time Entries:

Start and End times can be entered in various formats. (All times are shown in 24 hour format)

- Start and end times do not require the : or 00 e.g. midday can be entered as 12, with no requirement to enter as 12:00
- Start times before midday can be entered as a single number e.g. 08:00 start can be entered as 8
- End times will automatically switch to PM in order to be after the Start time on the same day e.g. if start at 08:00 and finish at 17:00, end time can be entered as 5, and system will default to 17:00
- Start times between midday and midnight can be entered with a 'p' e.g. 4.30pm can be entered as 430p, or entered as 1630
- Start times after midnight (e.g. adding an entry for "tomorrow" such as doing a recall from 1am to 3am), type a + (e.g. 1+ will generate 01:00+, then end time of 3 will generate 03:00+)
- End times after midnight will have a + automatically applied e.g. if starting at 22:00 and ending at 06:00, the end time will display as 06:00+ to indicate it's after midnight

Entry	Result
8	8:00 (or 20:00 if used for an End time that starts after 8:00 am)
830	8:30 (or 20:30 if used for an End time that starts after 8:30 am)
1630	16:30 – Translates directly into 24 hour time
430p	16:30 – The p indicates this is 4.30pm, which is then turned into 24 hour time
13	13:00 – Translates directly into 24 hour time
1p	13:00 – The p indicates this is 1 pm, which is then turned into 24 hour time
1+	01:00+ - The + indicates it is after midnight

#### Quick use tools:

Column	Explanation	
	Moving quickly from field to field:	
	The Tab key or Enter key on your keyboard moves you quickly from field to field	
	<ul> <li>Tabbing, or Entering, to a populated field will highlight the data. The data can be typed over, rather than deleting it first</li> </ul>	
	Pressing the Shift and Tab keys together will move you backwards through fields	

	Removing / Adding Lines:
<b>×</b>	<ul> <li>Clicking this button will remove everything that has been entered on this line</li> <li>For clients with job costing, clicking the red 'X' once will remove the hours entered for job costing. Clicking the red 'X' again will remove the job/activity codes (ie make the</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>whole line blank)</li> <li>Clicking this button (or alternatively using ALT=) will create a new line. For example if you wanted to enter two time-bands on one day, two leave types taken on one day or a partial day's leave</li> </ul>
	Auto-Population of data:
P L 2 L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L	• To repeat data that is in a row above, rather than manually entering it in, using the 'ditto' key on your keyboard will replicate it
	<ul> <li>The ditto key will replicate any <u>populated</u> field directly above. In the example below, you could use the ditto key in the start, end and break boxes on the Tuesday or Wednesday and it will mirror what is entered on the Monday</li> </ul>
	K 📲 Mon 16/1 12:00 17:30 00:30
had a second	¥ 🌵 Tue 17/1
	¥ 🌗 Wed 18/1
	<ul> <li>Deleting field data:</li> <li>For keyboard users, the quickest way to delete data in a field is to tab to the field and then hit DEL</li> <li>For mouse users, some internet browsers will provide an 'x' at the end of the field. For example, clicking on the 'x' in this box will remove the Sick Leave reason code from the box</li> <li>Viewing Historical Data:</li> </ul>
Create Ristory Submit R Approve Delete	<ul> <li>Clicking on the History button allows you to view historical information e.g. previous timesheets</li> <li>Use the buttons to move up or down through the historical timesheets</li> </ul>
	Shortening Pick-lists:
Annual Leave AL Bereavement Leave BL Carers' Leave CL Defence Leave DL Long Service Leave LSL Parental Leave (adoption) PL-A Parental Leave (maternity) PL-M Parental Leave (paternity) PL-P	If there are multiple types of reason codes to select from, typing one common word such as 'leave' will condense the list down to only leave reasons Alternatively, start typing the name or code in the pick list (e.g. 'par' or 'parental') and you will only get reasons that have the word 'parental' in them
an x Albert, Angela (1061) (20/12/2011 - 8/01/2012 Submitted) Albert, Angela (1061) (8/01/2012 - 22/01/2012 Unsubmitted) Anderson, Denise (1102) (20/12/2011 - 8/01/2012 Unsubmitted) Anderson, Denise (1102) (8/01/2012 - 22/01/2012 Unsubmitted) Antalfy, Kristy (1130) (20/12/2011 - 8/01/2012 Unsubmitted) Antalfy, Kristy (1130) (8/01/2012 - 22/01/2012 Unsubmitted) Chadwick, Angelique (1092) (8/01/2012 - 22/01/2012 Unsubmitted) Chadwick, Angelique (1092) (8/01/2012 - 22/01/2012 Unsubmitted) Docherty, Ann (1100) (8/01/2012 - 22/01/2012 Unsubmitted) Docherty, Ann (1100) (9/01/2012 - 22/01/2012 Unsubmitted) Higgins, Angela (1082) (28/12/2011 - 8/01/2012 Unsubmitted)	<ul> <li>Searching for Employees:</li> <li>Start typing employee's name or employee code</li> <li>e.g. if searching for Anderson: <ul> <li>Typing 'A' will shorten list to all employees whose surname or fist name starts with 'A'</li> <li>Typing 'An' will shorten list to all employees whose surname or first name starts with 'An'</li> <li>Typing 'And' will shorten list to all employees whose surname or first name starts with 'An'</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>Show me</b> Go To : <b>1</b>	Jumping to months (either ahead or behind): On the Leave Planner, rather than scrolling through month by month, if you want to jump say six months ahead/behind, click the 'Show Me' button and type in a future/behind date and click OK. This will automatically leap you to that month. Remember to remove the date when you are finished, or the system will automatically take you there each time you log in
Expand	Expand and Contract screens: Screens such as My Roster and My Leave can have a top half and a bottom half to them. The top half is a summary and the bottom half is the employee detail. Clicking on Expand in one half of the screen will close the other half Clicking on Contract will bring the screen back to two halves
Rech Forward See to Exception 4 at Ed as background Carpy Sackground Safets all Parts Contre botton Add the forcellen There is surger Point Recording * Point Recording * Point Record Ecol Ecol to Device Rechard. Export to Microsoft Ecol Ecol to Device	Printing timesheets: Use your browser's Print dialogue