Viewing Exceptions in Time & Labor
A Guide for Approvers

Exceptions are problems that prevent time and labor from processing correctly. It is important that you view exceptions prior to approving in order to notify employees of any exceptions and allow time for the entry to be corrected and, where necessary, approved after the Time & Labor nightly process.

This guide will assist you in understanding all exceptions.

Security Roles
You will need one of the following roles to view exceptions in time and labor
✅ UF_TL_DEPT_APPROVER

Exception Levels
All myUFL Time & Labor exceptions are considered high level. Exceptions in time and labor will block the generation of payable time. Therefore, the employee will not be paid accurately until the exception is corrected. It is therefore essential that exceptions are resolved promptly. Note: When an employee’s time reporting has created an exception, the exception time will not be seen in Payable Time Detail, Payable Time Summary, or any other views of time in Manager Self Service.

Exceptions include:
- Hours exceed 40 in a work week (exempt employees only)
- Invalid punch order
- More than 24 hours reported in one day
- Invalid Time Reporting Codes (TRCs)

To View Group Exceptions
1. Log in to myUFL using your GatorLink username and password
2. Navigate to Human Resources > Manager Self Service > Time Management > Approve Time and Exceptions > Exceptions
3. Enter or search for your Time Reporter Group
4. Click the Get Employees button. The list of exceptions will be displayed in the lower section of the page

Note: After identifying the employees with exceptions, the approvers should contact each employee and advise him or her of the issue with his or her time/leave entry. The employee should then make the corrections. If the employee is unable to make the adjustments, the approver should ask the department processor to make the corrections. After the corrections are made and the overnight time administration run is complete, the approval process can be completed.
To Resolve Exceptions
The best practice for correcting exceptions is to contact the employee who has the exception and have him or her make the correction. The day after the correction is made; the time/leave can be approved, where necessary.

However, due to time or employee contact limitations, department processors may have to adjust an employee’s time.

**Note:** Only department processors can adjust employee time/leave. Approvers must request the employee or department processor make the needed change before approving. If a department processor must adjust an employee’s time/leave, he or she must not then approve the same. Approvers must approve the adjusted time/leave.

Types of Exceptions

*Hours exceed 40 in a work week (exempt employees only)*

- An example of this exception would include recording more than 40 hours of time using any combination of regular earnings TRCs, for example:
  - TMS Regular TEAMS
  - FAC Regular Faculty
  - VAC Vacation Used
  - SCK Sick Leave Used
  - ADMIN Administrative Leave
  - EMC Emergency Closing

- If the employee is still active, and the **date of the reported time is less than 60 days**, the department processor can correct the time.

- If employee is still active, and the **date of the reported time is beyond 60 days**, you must complete and fax the Prior 60 Day Request to University Payroll and Tax Services at 846-0166.

- If the employee’s empl record has been terminated in Job Data, but the employee is still employed, complete and fax the On Cycle Adjustments form to University Payroll and Tax Services at 846-0166.

  **Note:** Prior to December 25, 2009, Hours exceed 40 was a low level exception. As a result, prior to 2010 this exception resulted in overpayments. Therefore, if the exception is prior to 2010 and the employee is terminated, a Wage Refund Calculation Form must be submitted.
**Hours exceed 40 Example #1**
In the example below, the employee reported 48 hours in *Timesheet*. The error was created by reporting 8 hours Regular TEAMS and 8 hours Vacation on the same day (2/20). This creates a high level exception, which can be viewed in the *Exceptions* section (shown below on page 3). **Note that the date displayed in this section is the date on which the Hours exceed 40 exception was created.**

In this example, the exception was not resolved prior to the end of the pay cycle. Since 32 hours had been reported (and approved, where required) from Friday, 2/20 – Wednesday, 2/26, the **Hours exceed 40 rule** allowed the employee to be paid for all time reported except for 8 hours for Thursday, 6/26.

To resolve the exception, the department needs to verify if the employee worked on Friday, 2/20 or was on vacation on Friday, 2/20. If the employee was on vacation on Friday, 2/20, and was paid correctly, the time needs to be corrected to remove the outstanding exception. If the employee worked on Friday, 2/20, the leave time needs to be removed to accurately reflect the employee's use of leave.

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**Hours exceed 40 Example #2**
In this example the *Timesheet* screen shows 10 hours reported on Thursday 2/26, making a total of 42 hours for that week. **Note that the employee would not be paid for any of the 10 hours and would receive pay for 32 hours only.** The time must be corrected and the overnight process must be run to allow the employee in this example to be paid correctly. By reviewing exceptions before approving time, the employee can be notified of the error timely.

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**Invalid punch order (non-exempt employees):**
- If employee is still active, and the **date of the reported time is beyond 60 days**, you must complete and fax the Prior 60 Day Request Punch to University Payroll and Tax Services at 846-0166
- If the employee's empl record has been terminated in Job Data, but the employee is still employed, complete and fax the *On Cycle Adjustments* form to University Payroll and Tax Services at 846-0166
More than 24 hours reported in a day (non-exempt employees)

- This is usually caused by invalid a.m./p.m. punches or misplacing the decimal point (i.e., 80.00 instead of 8.00)
- If employee is still active, and the date of the reported time is beyond 60 days, you must complete and fax the Prior 60 Day Request Punch to University Payroll and Tax Services at 846-0166
- If the employee’s empl record has been terminated in Job Data, but the employee is still employed, complete and fax the On Cycle Adjustments form to University Payroll and Tax Services at 846-0166

More than 24 hours have been reported in a day: This example shows an exception that will not cross over to payable time. The employee should be notified of the exception so he or she can make the correction. However, due to time or employee contact limitations, department processors may have to adjust an employee’s time or leave. To correct the exception department processors can access the week in Timesheet and correct the hours reported.

Invalid TRCs

- Typically caused by a change in employee’s workgroup
- Verify the effective date of change in Job Data and use that date as the beginning date in Timesheet
- For leave entries, select the correct TRC
- For time entries, the “In” time of the offending entry needs to be changed by one minute, the change submitted, then changed back to the original time and submitted again. This is called “touching time” and allows the system to use the TRC from the current workgroup rather than the previous workgroup.
- If employee is still active, and the date of the reported time is beyond 60 days, you must complete and fax the appropriate Prior 60 Day Request to University Payroll and Tax Services at 846-0166
- If the employee’s empl record has been terminated in Job Data, but the employee is still employed, complete and fax the On Cycle Adjustments form to University Payroll and Tax Services at 846-0166

Special Notes

- You cannot “Clean Up” or allow exceptions. The exception must be corrected
- Any corrected exceptions for non-exempt employees will show the following day for approval. Only corrections made to leave time (i.e., VAC, SCK) for exempt employees require approval. Therefore, these corrections must be approved in order to complete the process
- All forms required can be located at http://fa.ufl.edu/forms/#PTS
Additional Help

Payroll and Tax Services 352-392-1231
timelaborhelp@admin.ufl.edu
http://www.fa.ufl.edu/departments/payroll-tax-services/

HRS Benefits: 352-392-2477
central-leave@ufl.edu – for leave inquiries
http://hr.ufl.edu/benefits/leave/

Additional resources are available at the Time and Labor toolkit