Sparkrock 365 Fall 2020 Update 2 Release Notes

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These release notes include supplemental information about the Sparkrock 365 Fall 2020 Update 2 release.

Topics include:

Revision history

The following table lists the revision history for these release notes.

Revision	Date	Description
00	April 2021	Initial version.

Highlights

The following sections highlight the major accomplishments in this release.

Platform

- Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central 17.5 update
- Finance and HR Department Manager role center approvals

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Scheduling and Time Entry

- Time entry line is added to an existing approval batch

New features and changes

Sparkrock 365's Fall 2020 Update 2 release introduces exciting new features and enhancements to existing functionality.

Platform

Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central 17.5 update

The base Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central platform that powers Sparkrock 365, has been updated from 17.3 to 17.5. To view a detailed list of cumulative platform fixes that are available from Microsoft, see Update history for Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central.

Terminology

Core Product

The term *core product* distinguishes between the mySparkrock web interface and the interface which includes and extends Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central. The latter is referred to as the core product.
Note: In these release notes, if mySparkrock is not mentioned, the interface that is being referred to is the core product.

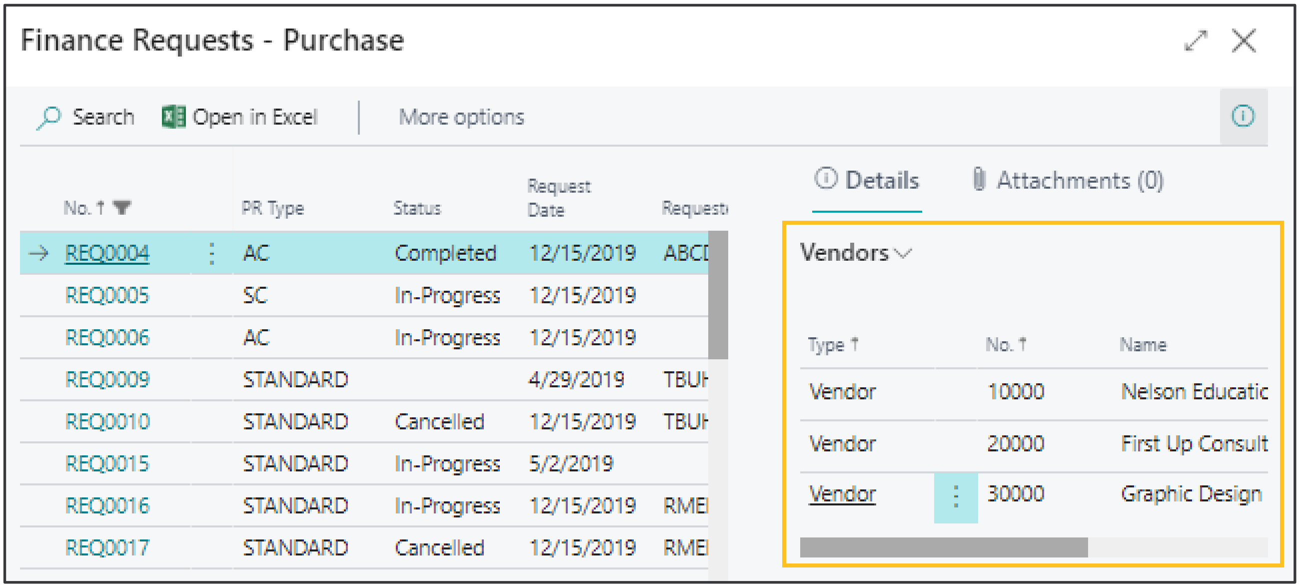
Finance and HR Department Manager role center approvals

From the Finance Department Manager and HR Department Manager role centers, you can now access all approvals, for example, approvals for journals, new customers, new vendors, purchase invoices, time entry, and absence requests. You no longer need to navigate to multiple role centers.
When you approve purchase requisitions, payment requests, expense claims, and purchase orders from the HR Department Manager role center, the same security as on the Finance Department Manager role center is now applied.

Finance and Procurement

Vendor information is displayed when you copy a purchase requisition

Before this release, when you copied purchase requisitions that involved multiple vendors, there was no easy way to view the vendor information. Now, to view the vendor information, you can use the new Vendors FactBox on the Finance Requests - Purchase page.



Aged Accounts Payable report

Starting with this release, when you run the Aged Accounts Payable report from the Accounts Payable Coordinator and Accounting Manager role centers, instead of the 322 report layout, the 10085 report layout is used. The captions on the 10085 report layout are intended for North American audiences.

mySparkrock user experience for Account Sets on expenses

When you select the Type for an expense on mySparkrock, background processing occurs to build the subset of allowable Account Sets. This processing may take a few seconds. To improve performance and the user experience, mySparkrock now locks down the Account Set and general ledger account fields while processing. Also, a visual indicator appears to show that mySparkrock is performing processing.

RBC 152 STD EFT export template

Starting with this release, you can export EFT data with the new CA EFT RBC-152 STD.xml template. This template has a 7-digit Julian date and an additional header that requires a qualifier.

The new template is loaded when a company is created or can be downloaded from the Sparkrock Customer Success Center.

To support this feature, the following changes have been completed:

- A new date field 23022301 Julian date has been added to support the YYYYDDD format.
- The new date field was added to the header and line mapping table.
- The new header line was added to the definition to populate the file qualifier value.

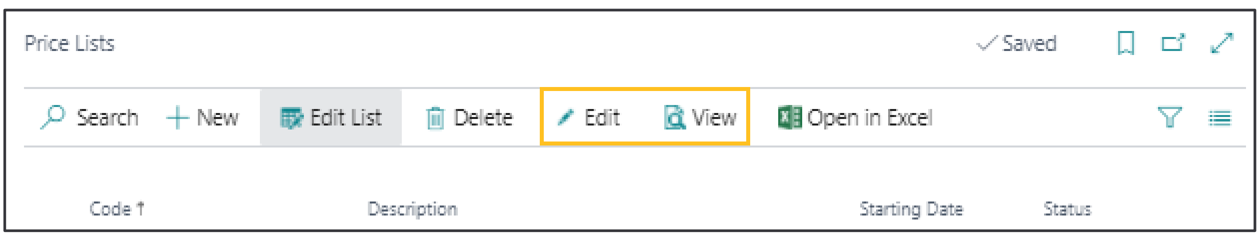
Expense Type Price List Line changes

This release introduces the following changes on the Expense Type page, to Price List Lines:

- A price list can only be attached once to an expense type. Activating a price list checks for duplicate records. If a duplicate record is found, the record is removed.
- The Status field on an expense type price list line cannot be changed. The price list determines the value of the Status field.
- To avoid issues with cost calculations, if two or more price lists have the same start date, the following notification appears:
  There are two or more lines with the same starting date.

View and edit price lists

From the Price Lists page, you can now view and edit price lists.



To view a list of all expense types that are configured for the selected price list, choose View.

To create, change, and delete price list lines for the selected price list, choose Edit. You can also change general information for the selected price list.

HR Management

Required fields on the Load HR Request Worksheet page

On the Load HR Request Worksheet page, for Leave Details Change HR Requests, the following fields that were required in a previous release are now optional:

- Cause of Inactivity
- Leave Comments
- Leave Type

Also, for Leave Details Change HR Requests, the Leave Expected Return Date field is no longer displayed.

For Leave and Return HR Requests, the following fields are now optional:

- Leave Comments
- Leave Type

Company email as contact email

Starting with this release, when processing HR Requests, Sparkrock 365 now automatically populates the company email as the contact email. The following sections include more information.

Contact email for an HR Request that creates a vendor

When processing an HR Request that creates a vendor, Sparkrock 365 now sets the Email field on the Vendor Card page, to be the same as the Company Email field on the Employee Card page.

Contact email for an HR Request that creates a mySparkrock user

When processing an HR Request that creates a mySparkrock user, Sparkrock 365 now sets the Contact Email field on the mySparkrock User Card page and the Email field on the mySparkrock User Setup Card page, to be the same as the Company Email field on the Employee Card page.

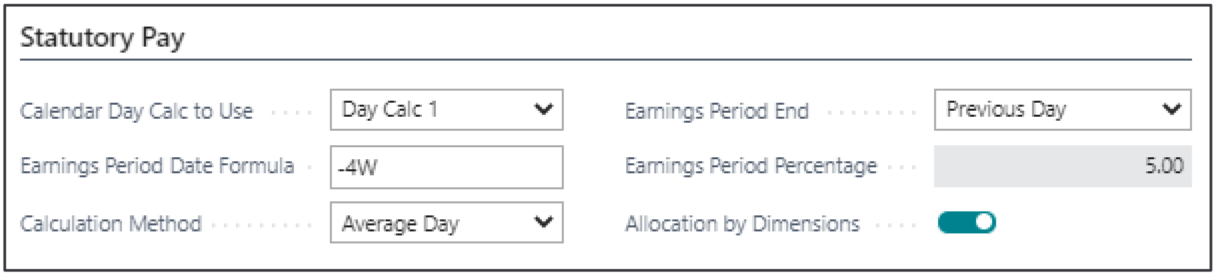
Payroll Administration

Statutory pay enhancements

This release includes several statutory pay enhancements.

Statutory Pay FastTab on the Advanced HR Setup page

The Advanced HR Setup page now includes a Statutory Pay FastTab.



The following list describes the new fields on this FastTab:

- Calendar Day Calc to Use: Specifies the day calculation field in the HR Base Calendar to use to indicate statutory holidays.
- Earnings Period Date Formula: Specifies the start date of the earnings period from the end of the week before the statutory holiday.
- Calculation Method: Specifies the method to use for statutory pay calculations.
- Earnings Period End: Specifies how to determine the period end for statutory pay calculations.
- Earnings Period Percentage: Specifies the percent that is to be applied to the lookback earnings for the statutory holiday period when determining the pay for the holiday.
- Allocation by Dimensions: Specifies whether to create general ledger account allocation based on the distribution of the dimensions in the earning period of the statutory pay calculation.

Statutory pay calculation methods

You can now specify whether to calculate statutory pay by percentage or average day. The following list includes information about these options:

- *Percentage*: The statutory pay calculation is based on the percentage that is specified in the Earnings Period Percentage field. This setting works the same as the functionality in previous releases.
- *Average Day*: The statutory pay calculation is based on the calculated average pay per day. When this option is selected, the value of the Earnings Period Percentage field cannot be changed.

Earnings period end setup options

You can now specify how to determine the period end for statutory pay calculations. The following list includes information about the allowable options:

- *Previous Week*: Works the same as the functionality in previous releases. Considers the value in the Earnings Period Date Formula field to determine how far back earnings qualify for statutory pay. Uses the end of the week as the end of the earning period calculation.
- *Previous Day*: Uses the day before the statutory holiday as the end of the earning period calculation
- *Previous Pay Period*: Uses the end of the previous pay period as the end of the earning period calculation.

Statutory pay allocations by dimensions

This release adds the capability for you to create general ledger account allocation based on the distribution of the dimensions in the earning period of the statutory pay calculation.

To turn on this feature, perform the following setup:

1. Choose 🔎, enter a*dvanced hr setup*, and then choose the related link.
   The **Advanced HR Setup** page opens.
2. On the **Statutory Pay** FastTab, turn on **Allocation by Dimension**.
3. Choose 🔎, enter *compensation journal*, and then choose the related link.
   If required, select a compensation journal template, and then choose **OK**.
   The **Compensation Journal** page opens.
4. On the action bar, choose **Process** > **Load Lines**.
   The **Compensation Journal Load** page opens.
5. On the **Options** FastTab, turn on **Load Stat. Pay**.

The following example demonstrates a statutory pay allocation by dimension:

Scenario

- Earnings Period Date Formula: -4W
- Total Earnings during that time: $176
- Total Earnings by Dimension Set:
  - Dimension Set ID 9 = $132
  - Dimension Set ID 33 = $44

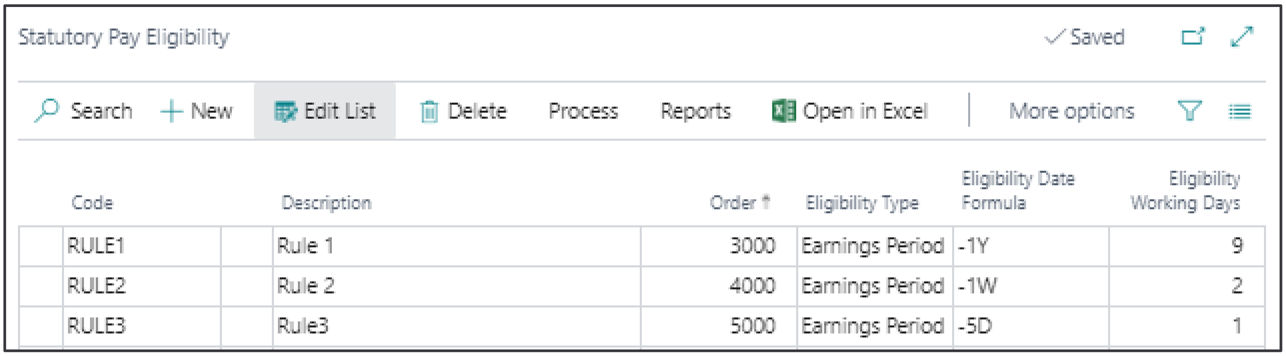
Result

Sparkrock 365 determines all the Dimension Set IDs that compose the $176 and creates the general ledger account allocation accordingly for the statutory pay line in the compensation journal. Based on the scenario above, the allocation is as follows:

- Dimension Set ID 9: 75% (132 / 176 x 100)
- Dimension Set ID 33: 25% (44 / 176 x 100)

Statutory Pay Eligibility page

To support statutory pay requirements in Alberta and British Columbia, this release introduces a Statutory Pay Eligibility page.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Code	Description	Order ↑	Eligibility Type	Eligibility Date Formula	Eligibility Working Days
RULE1	Rule 1	3000	Earnings Period	-1Y	9
RULE2	Rule 2	4000	Earnings Period	-1W	2
RULE3	Rule3	5000	Earnings Period	-5D	1

The values that are defined on the Statutory Pay Eligibility page affect the statutory pay calculations that occur when lines are loaded in the Compensation Journal page and on the Compensation Journal Load page, on the Options FastTab, Load Stat. Pay is turned on.

To access the new Statutory Pay Eligibility page, perform the following steps:

1. Choose , enter a *advanced hr setup*, and then choose the related link.
   The Advanced HR Setup page opens.
2. On the action bar, choose Statutory Pay Eligibility.
   The Statutory Pay Eligibility page opens.

The following list includes information about the fields on this page:

- Code: Specifies the code that represents the eligibility criteria.
- Description: Specifies a description for the code.
- Order: Specifies the order in which the eligibility criteria is checked.
- Eligibility Type: Specifies the type of eligibility. The following list includes information about the allowable options:
  - *Earnings Period*: Uses the values in the Eligibility Date Formula and Eligibility Working Days fields to determine eligibility. For example, did the employee work 30 working days in the last 1 year?

- *Regular Day*: Uses the values in the Eligibility Date Formula and Eligibility Working Days fields to determine eligibility. This setting is based on the day of the week where the statutory holiday falls. For example, did the employee work at least 5 of the last 9 Mondays?

- Eligibility Formula: Specifies the date formula to calculate how far in the past to determine eligibility.
- Eligibility Working Days: Specifies the number of working days for the employee to be eligible. If *Earnings Period* is selected, the value represents how many working days in the past period are required. If *Regular day* is selected, the value represents how many working days on the weekday where the statutory holidays falls are required.

Eligibility Exception report

To help troubleshoot situations where statutory pay does not appear for certain employees, this release introduces a new Eligibility Exception report. The report includes details about employees that are not currently eligible for statutory pay for a specific HR Pay Cycle Period.

Eligibility Exception Report

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Starting Date 12/13/20
Ending Date 12/26/20
Filters

Employee No.	Employee Name	HR Assignment Entry No.	Statutory Holiday	Eligibility Code
E0478	Anne Weiler	904	12/25/20	AB-YEAR
E0481	Molly Clark	907	12/25/20	AB-YEAR
E0488	Ron Weiler	922	12/25/20	AB-YEAR

To run the report, perform the following steps:

1. Choose , enter a*dvanced hr setup*, and then choose the related link.
   The Advanced HR Setup page opens.
2. On the action bar, choose Statutory Pay Eligibility.
   The Statutory Pay Eligibility page opens.
3. On the action bar, choose Reports > Eligibility Exception Report.
   The Eligibility Exception Report page opens.
4. Specify values as required.
5. To view the report, choose Send to, Print, or Preview.

The report can also be run from the Compensation Journal page.

Primo Payday updated from 17.12 to 17.13

To stay current with the latest Primo Payday updates and fixes, Primo Payday has been updated from 17.12 to 17.13. To view a detailed list of updates that are available from Primo, see the Primo Payday Release Notes.

This Primo Payday release includes the following Export & Process Check enhancements that were requested by Sparkrock:

- Negative Earnings without Hours
- Export & Process Check

Retro pay enhancements

This release includes several retro pay enhancements.

Negative retro payments validation

This release introduces a new validation for negative retro payments. Negative retro payments can occur in cases where an employee was overpaid in previous pay periods.

The new validation occurs when you Load Lines into the Retro Pay Worksheet. The validation ensures that the Payroll Code that is linked to the Retro HR Pay Code has on the Payroll Code Setup Card page, the Reverse Sign Allowed field turned on.

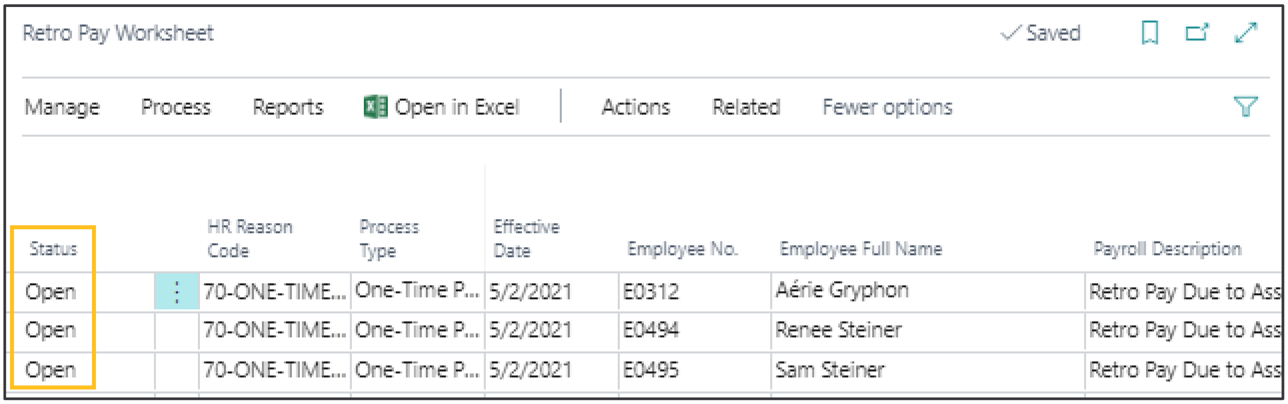
HR Pay Code validation

This release introduces a new HR Pay Code validation that occurs when you Load Lines into the Compensation Journal. This validation is required to support scenarios where negative One-Time Payment HR Requests must be processed, for example, a negative retro pay.

If a compensation journal line has a negative salary amount with zero hours, the validation ensures that the Payroll Code that is linked to the HR Pay Code has on the Payroll Code Setup Card page, the Reverse Sign Allowed field turned on.

Retro Pay Worksheet Status field

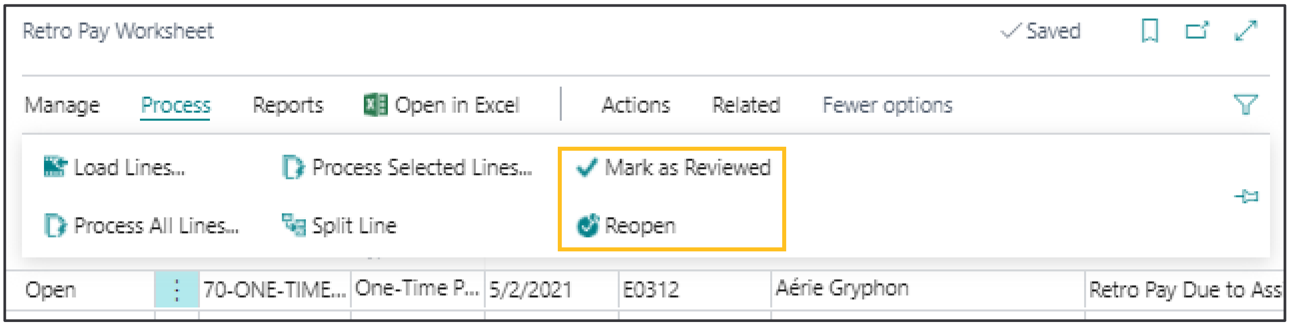
On the **Retro Pay Worksheet** page, there is a new **Status** column that you can use to track the state of Retro Pay Worksheet lines.



The status of a line can be *Open* or *Reviewed*. To make changes to a record, the status must be *Open*.

Retro Pay Worksheet Mark as Reviewed and Reopen actions

On the **Retro Pay Worksheet** page, this release adds **Mark as Reviewed** and **Reopen** actions.



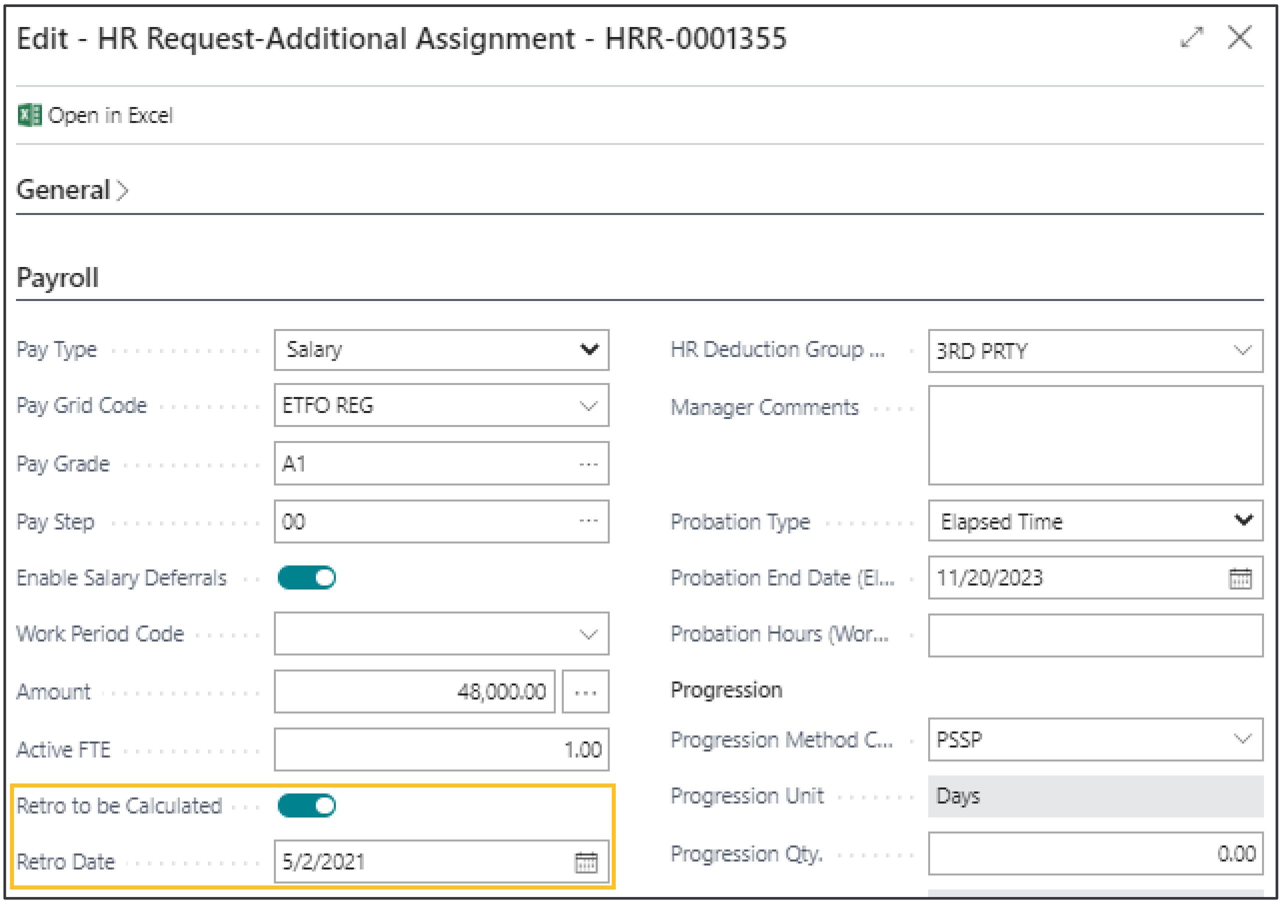
You can use the **Mark as Reviewed** action to update the **Status** field to *Reviewed* for one or more selected lines. Similarly, to update the **Status** field from *Reviewed* to *Open* for one or more selected lines, choose the **Reopen** action. To make changes to a record, the status must be *Open*.

Retro pay for the HR Request process type of Additional Assignment

This release introduces retro pay functionality for the HR Request process type of Additional Assignment. This new functionality has a similar design as the existing retro pay functionality for the HR Request process type of Details Change.

This new functionality helps in cases where paperwork is submitted to HR after a delay and the employee has missed at least one pay period with that new assignment.

To support this new functionality, fields have been added to the Payroll FastTab on the HR Request-Additional Assignment page.



The following list describes the new fields on the **HR Request-Additional Assignment** page:

- **Retro to be Calculated**: Specifies whether the employee requires retro pay to be calculated on the Retro Pay Worksheet after the HR Request is processed.
- **Retro Date**: Specifies the oldest posting date that the Retro Pay Worksheet is to consider when calculating the retro pay amount.

When you open the **Load Retro Pay Lines** page to load lines into the Retro Pay Worksheet, the new **Cause of Retro Pay** field option of *New Assignment* includes functionality for the HR Request process type of Additional Assignment.

Retro pay for the HR Request process types of New Hire and Rehire

This release introduces retro pay functionality for the HR Request process types of New Hire and Rehire. This new functionality has a similar design as the existing retro pay functionality for the HR Request process type of Details Change.

This new functionality helps in cases where paperwork is submitted to HR after a delay and the new employee or rehired employee has missed at least one pay period.

To support this new functionality, the following new fields have been added to the **Payroll** FastTab on the **HR Request - New Hire** page.

- **Retro to be Calculated**: Specifies whether the employee requires retro pay to be calculated on the Retro Pay Worksheet after the HR Request is processed.
- **Retro Date**: Specifies the oldest posting date that the Retro Pay Worksheet is to consider when calculating the retro pay amount.

When you open the **Load Retro Pay Lines** page to load lines into the Retro Pay Worksheet, the new **Cause of Retro Pay** field option of *New Assignment* includes functionality for the HR Request process types of New Hire or Rehire.

Retro pay for the HR Request process type of Transfer

This release introduces retro pay functionality for the HR Request process type of Transfer. This new functionality has a similar design as the existing retro pay functionality for the HR Request process type of Details Change.

This new functionality helps in cases where paperwork is submitted to HR after a delay and the employee has missed at least one pay period with that new assignment. If there is a difference in pay between the new and old assignments, a retro pay amount is required.

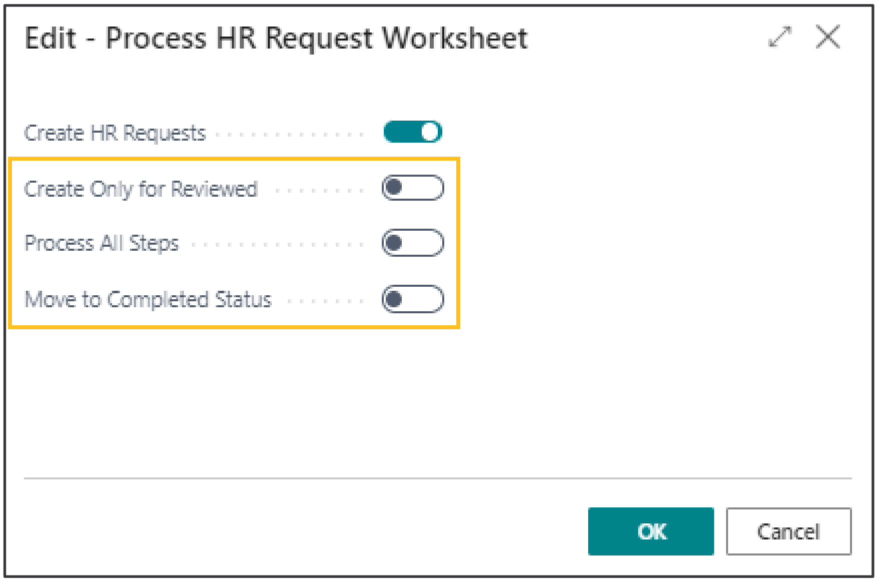
To support this new functionality, the following new fields have been added to the Payroll FastTab on the HR Request-Transfer page:

- Retro to be Calculated: Specifies whether the employee requires retro pay to be calculated on the Retro Pay Worksheet after the HR Request is processed.
- Retro Date: Specifies the oldest posting date that the Retro Pay Worksheet is to consider when calculating the retro pay amount.

When you open the Load Retro Pay Lines page to load lines into the Retro Pay Worksheet, the Cause of Retro Pay field option of *Assignment Change* includes functionality for the HR Request process type of Transfer.

Process lines actions on the Retro Pay Worksheet

This release enhances the Process All Lines and Process Selected Lines actions on the Retro Pay Worksheet page. After you choose one of these actions, the Process HR Request Worksheet page opens and displays new fields.



The following list describes the new fields:

- Create Only for Reviewed: Specifies whether HR Requests are to be created for only reviewed lines.
- Process All Steps: Specifies whether HR Requests are to be processed after they are created.
- Move to Completed Status: Specifies whether the status of HR Requests is to be changed to Completed after they are processed.

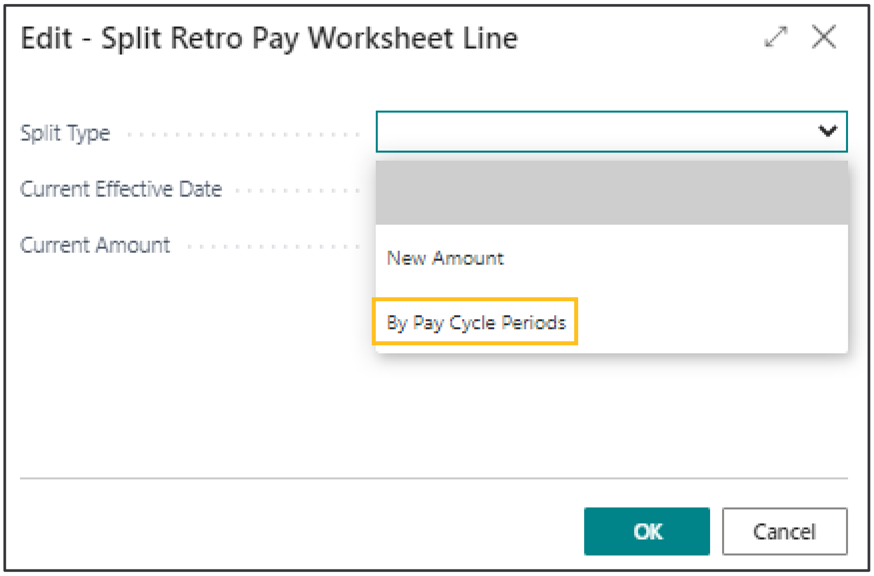
Split Lines action on the Retro Pay Worksheet

This release introduces the capability for you to split retro pay amounts over multiple pay periods. This functionality is useful for scenarios where a negative retro pay amount is greater than the pay for one pay period.

To use this new functionality, perform the following steps:

1. On the **Retro Pay Worksheet** page, on the action bar, choose **Process** > **Split Line**.

   The **Split Retro Pay Worksheet Line** page opens.
2. Choose *By Pay Cycle Periods*.

   Note: If you choose the *New Amount* option, lines are split in the same way as previous releases.
3. In the **No. of Pay Cycle Periods** field, specify the number of pay cycle periods that the current amount is to be split.
4. Choose **OK**.

Scheduling and Time Entry

Time entry line is added to an existing approval batch

When a line is added on a timesheet and submitted for approval, if there is an existing approval batch that has the same employee number, week start, and activity code, the line is now added to that approval batch. This design provides the capability for a manager to review all lines at the same time as one request.

Upgrade considerations

The following sections include information about upgrade considerations for the Sparkrock 365 Fall 2020 Update 2 release.

Platform

Permission Set update

This release adds a permission set for the following new table.

ID	Name
23068730	SRW Statutory Pay Eligibility

Finance and Procurement

Replacement of Sparkrock general ledger entries dimensions fields

In this release, Microsoft introduced dimension FlowFields to the general ledger table and pages in Business Central. These new FlowFields replace the FlowFields that were previously introduced by Sparkrock.

Payroll Administration

Advanced HR Setup General FastTab changes

As part of the statutory pay enhancements, several Advanced HR Setup page fields were moved from the General FastTab to the new Statutory Pay FastTab. After the fields were moved, the fields were renamed as described in the following table:

Old Name	New Name
Statutory Pay Calendar Day to Calc Use	Calendar Day Calculation to Use
Statutory Pay Date Formula to Compute Earnings Period	Earning Period Date Formula
Statutory Pay Percent	Earnings Period Percentage

Retro pay enhancements

Due to the retro pay enhancements in this release, it is recommended that you process existing Retro Pay Worksheet lines before the upgrade.

Defects corrected

The following sections include information about the defects that have been corrected in the Sparkrock 365 Fall 2020 Update 2 release.

Finance and Procurement

Invalid error appears when working with a posted invoice

When you try to correct a posted invoice that has a sales tax amount difference, an invalid error appears. The following text is an example of the error:
Canceling the invoice failed because of the following error:
The record in table Sales Tax Amount Difference already exists.
Identification fields and values: Document Product Area='Purchase', Document Type='Credit Memo', Document No.='1003', Tax Area Code='', Tax Jurisdiction Code='PST-100', Tax %='-6', Tax Group Code='TAXABLE', Expense/Capitalize='Yes', Tax Type='Sales and Use Tax', Use Tax='No'.
If you try to cancel or copy the posted invoice, or create a correcting credit memo, the same error message appears.

Resolution
You can now cancel, correct, and copy the posted purchase invoice, as well as create a corrective credit memo.

Invalid message appears when you run the Batch Control report

When there is a vendor posting group that has a code that is greater than 10 characters and you try to run the Batch Control report, an invalid error appears.

Resolution
The invalid error no longer appears.

Vendor Remittance Advice report for U.S. ACH masks the vendor bank account number incorrectly

When the Vendor Remittance Advice report is run for a U.S. ACH, the vendor bank account number is masked incorrectly. For example, for the bank account number 9988881444, the report displays *****9988881444. The correct bank account number to display is *******444.

Resolution

Only the last 3 digits of the vendor bank account number now appear on the Vendor Remittance Advice report for a U.S. ACH.

Invalid message appears when mileage threshold is zero

When the Mileage Threshold field on the Purchases & Payables Setup page is set to zero, and you create an expense on mySparkrock with the Type of *Distance*, the following invalid message appears:
Total mileage over 0 will result in change in rates.

Resolution

The invalid message no longer appears when the Mileage Threshold field is set to zero.

Request is automatically cancelled when invoice is deleted

When you delete a purchase invoice that is linked to a purchase requisition through a purchase order, the Status of the requisition line and header is automatically changed to *Cancelled*.

Resolution

When the purchase invoice is deleted, the Status remains as *In-Progress*.

Incorrect caption on expense claim print view

On mySparkrock, on an expense claim print view, the Employee No. field does not display an employee number. The caption must be corrected to match the information that appears.

Resolution

Instead of displaying Employee No., the caption now displays User.

Budget amount disappears when a filter is applied for dimensions 7 or 8

On the Budget page, when a filter is applied for dimensions 7 or 8 and you enter an amount, the amount disappears.

Resolution

When you apply a filter for dimensions 7 or 8 and enter an amount, the amount does not disappear.

Purchase requisition created from a template opens an empty document

When you create a purchase requisition from a template and you have security filters applied, the document is created, but a blank document is displayed.

Resolution

When you create a purchase requisition from a template and you have security filters applied, instead of a blank document, the new document appears.

Standard and Extended Text do not appear on sales invoice lines

On sales invoice lines, the Details field is not automatically populated with the information that has been setup for Standard Text Codes and Extended Text.

Resolution

The Details field on sales invoice lines is now automatically populated with the correct Standard Text and Extended Text information.

A/P Batch status is not updated during posting

When an A/P Batch is successfully posted, the Status field may not be updated to *Posted*.

Resolution

When an A/P Batch is successfully posted, the Status field is now updated to *Posted*. Purchase invoices and credit memos from the batch can be posted individually from the Purchase Invoices or Purchase Credit Memos pages. After the last document from the batch is posted, the Status of the A/P Batch is set to *Posted*.

Previous data for Audit By fields is overwritten during A/P Batch posting

When an A/P Batch is posted, data for Audit By fields is overwritten with the user who posted the batch.

Resolution

When an A/P Batch is posted, data for Audit By fields is no longer overwritten.Purchase invoices and credit memos from the batch can be posted individually from the Purchase Invoices or Purchase Credit Memos pages. After the last document from the batch is posted, the Posted By User ID field is updated with the user ID of the user who posted the batch.

Budget checking information is visible when Show Budget Checking is turned off

Even though the Show Budget Checking field is turned off on the mySparkrock user profile, a user can still view budget checking information for expense claims on the Finance Department Manager role center.

Resolution

When the Show Budget Checking field is turned off, budget checking information is now hidden.

Incorrect dimensions appear on general ledger entries

When the G/L Account Card page for a general ledger account has Always Use Account Dimensions turned on, the preview posting and posted general ledger entries display incorrect dimension values.

Resolution
The correct dimension values now appear.

Cannot edit purchase requisition documents that are accessed from a cue

If you have the *Purchasing Agent* role and you access a purchase requisition record from a cue on the Purchasing Agent role center, you cannot make changes to the record.

Resolution
When you access a purchase requisition record from a cue on the Purchasing Agent role center, you can now make the appropriate changes to the record.

Default GL Account is not automatically populated on a sales invoice line

The Default GL Account field value that is set up on a Customer Card page is not automatically populated on a sales invoice line for the corresponding customer.

Resolution
When a default general ledger account is set up for a customer and a sales invoices is created for this customer, the default general ledger account is now automatically populated on the sales invoice lines.

Purchase requisition approval request email only displays one vendor

When you create a purchase requisition for more than one vendor, the related approval request notification email displays one vendor in the body of the email.

Resolution

A purchase requisition approval request notification now displays all vendors in the body of the email.

Quantity field on a comment line cannot be greater than zero

The Quantity field on a purchase order line is automatically populated with the value from the Default Quantity field on the Purchases & Payables Setup page. This functionality causes an issue for comment lines on a purchase order because if the value of the Quantity field is greater than zero, an error appears.

Resolution

The Quantity field for a comment line on a purchase order is now always set to zero.

Invalid error for general ledger accounts and dimensions for blocked account sets

If on the Dimension Validation Setup page, Enable Account Set Verification is turned on, and you post a document that has a line where the general ledger account and dimensions that are entered match a blocked account set, an error appears even though the blocked account set does not appear on the line.

Resolution

The validation no longer checks the general ledger account and dimensions against blocked account sets when the blocked account set does not appear on the line.

Posting a purchase order is allowed when Disable PO Posting is turned on

On the Purchase Order page, the Post and New action appears even though on the Purchases & Payables Setup page, the Disable PO Posting field is turned on.

Resolution

When the Disable PO Posting field is turned on, the Post and New action no longer appears.

Purchase requisition types do not appear on expense claims

On mySparkrock, when you enter an expense claim for a new company, you are not able to see a list of purchase requisition types (PR Types).

Resolution

When you enter an expense claim for a new company, a list of purchase requisition types now appears.

Cost not updated when you change the date for an expense type that has a price list

On mySparkrock, for an expense type that has a price list, when you change the date on the expense to a date that has a different price, the cost is not updated.

Resolution

The cost is now updated when you change the date on an expense to a date that has a different price.

Default vendor general ledger account does not appear on purchase lines

When a vendor has a default general ledger account configured, this account is not automatically populated during purchase line creation.

Resolution
When a purchase line is created, the default vendor general ledger account is now automatically populated.

Vendor number is not posted in fixed asset ledger entries

When a user posts a purchase invoice for an asset with TCA Expense Posting turned on, the fixed asset ledger entries that are created from the posting of the invoice do not display the vendor information.

Resolution
When posting a purchase invoice for an asset that has TCA Expense Posting turned on, the fixed asset ledger entries now display the vendor.

HR Management

Seniority Group Detail field is optional when you post Employee Experience Worksheet lines

When you post lines on the Employee Experience Worksheet page, the Seniority Group Detail field is optional.

Resolution
The Seniority Group Detail field is now mandatory when you post lines on the Employee Experience Worksheet page.

HR Request status updates to Complete when there are unresolved errors

When processing an HR Request for a new hire, if you leave fields blank on the Employee Experience Worksheet page, and then process all steps, the Status changes to *Complete* and all fields are disabled, even though there are unresolved errors.

Resolution

The fields now remain enabled, and the Status does not change until all errors are resolved.

Contacts are not removed when an HR Request is reversed

When an HR Request that created contacts is reversed, the contacts are not removed.

Resolution

Now, when an HR Request that created contacts is reversed, the contacts are removed.

HR Position Class Code and HR Position Code fields are editable

On the Employee Assignment page, the HR Position Class Code and HR Position Code fields are editable.

Resolution

The HR Position Class Code and HR Position Code fields are no longer directly editable on the Employee Assignment page. These fields can only be updated through an HR Request.

Cannot process Leave and Return lines from the HR Request Worksheet

When trying to process Leave and Return lines from the HR Request Worksheet, an error appears indicating that there is a missing Leave Return Date even though the field is populated.

Resolution
Leave and Return lines are now processed when the required fields are populated.

Extra absence request lines appear in the Compensation Journal

If a Details Change HR Request is processed in the middle of a pay cycle and absence requests are registered after the effective date of the Details Change, lines for these absence requests are incorrectly loaded in the Compensation Journal.

Resolution
When this scenario occurs, the absence request lines are no longer loaded in the Compensation Journal.

Payroll Administration

Retro pay calculations are incorrect for dates in the middle of a pay cycle

When a retro date is in the middle of a pay cycle period, retro pay calculations are not prorated correctly.

Resolution
Retro pay calculations are now prorated correctly.

Invalid employee blocked from payroll error in Retro Pay Worksheet

When you load lines into the Retro Pay Worksheet and an employee who is blocked from payroll is found, an invalid error appears, and lines are not loaded.

Resolution

The invalid error no longer appears, and lines can now be loaded.

One-Time Payment HR Requests for Grid Change do not appear in the compensation journal

When a Grid Change retro pay is completed with the effective date set to the start of a pay cycle period, the One-Time Payment does not appear in the compensation journal.

Resolution

One-Time Payment HR Requests for Grid Change now appear in the compensation journal.

Cannot delete retro pay lines from the compensation journal

After you delete a One-Time Payment HR Request, if you try to delete the related compensation journal line, an error appears.

Resolution

A new validation has been added to prevent the deletion of One-Time Payment HR Requests when there are related open compensation journal lines.

Incorrect force payout amount

The force payout for salary deferrals is not calculated correctly on the Compensation Journal when the force payout is completed during a deferral pay cycle period.

Resolution

Force payouts are now calculated correctly.

ROE Reason Code is not automatically populated

When an HR Request is created to indicate that an employee is on leave, the ROE Reason Code that was used is not automatically populated on the related Return from Leave HR Request.

Resolution
The ROE Reason Code is now automatically populated on the related Return from Leave HR Request.

Scheduling and Time Entry

You can delete a schedule unit that is assigned as an unavailable unit to an area

When you delete a schedule unit that is assigned as an unavailable unit to an area, the link to the area remains.

Resolution
You can no longer delete a schedule unit that is assigned as an unavailable unit to an area.

Opening timesheet entries to approve entries adds Approval Tracking ID

On mySparkrock, on the Timesheets page, for a specific scenario, approval related values from a pending line are copied to a new line.

Resolution
Approval related values from a pending line are no longer copied to the new line.

Invalid error when a different time zone is used

On mySparkrock, an error appears when you change your time zone, and then perform the following steps on the Timesheets page:

1. Enter data on a line.
2. Save the line.
3. Submit the line.

Resolution

When you change your time zone, an error no longer appears.

Invalid error appears when creating a shift on the My Schedule page

On mySparkrock, when you try to create a shift on the My Schedule page, an invalid error appears in the console and the shift is not created.

Resolution

Now, when you try to create a shift, no error appears in the console and the shift is created.

Time entry multiplier is not working correctly

If the Multiplier field on the HR Pay Codes page is less than 1, when processing the compensation journal, the multiplier is ignored during the calculation of the Amount and Ending Balance fields on employee attendance plan lines.

Resolution

The Sparkrock 365 logic has been updated to consider multipliers that are greater than 0, instead of greater than 1.

Cannot open comments for any lines on a timesheet

On mySparkrock, on the Timesheet Admin Monthly page, after you save a line comment, an error appears in the console and you cannot open comments for any line.

Resolution
An error no longer appears in the console and you can now open comments for any line.

Invalid error appears when cancelling a line on a timesheet

On mySparkrock, when a manager opens the Timesheets page and cancels a pending approval line, an invalid error appears and the approval request for the line is not cancelled.

Resolution
The approval request for the line is now cancelled and the status of the line returns to *Open*.

An employee cannot clock in after a pending trade is cancelled

If the following sequence of events occurs, an employee cannot clock in on the mySparkrock Welcome page:

1. Two shifts are created and are filled with two different employees. The employees have assignments that have Time Clock Required turned on.
2. One employee makes a request to trade shifts with the other employee.
3. One of the employees clocks in for the shift that was traded. A message appears and asks whether the employee wants to cancel the shift trade and clock in.
4. If the employee chooses Yes, the trade is cancelled, an error appears, and the employee is not clocked in.
5. If the employee tries to clock in again, an incorrect message appears, and the employee is prevented from clocking in because the trade was cancelled.

Resolution

An employee can now clock in after a pending shift trade is cancelled.

Week start date is incorrect on the Timesheet Admin Monthly page

On the mySparkrock Timesheet Admin Monthly page, when you perform the following steps, the week start date is incorrect:

1. Go to My Self Service > Timesheet Admin Monthly.
2. Select a unit and an employee.
3. Change the time zone on your desktop.
4. Refresh the page.
5. Select a unit and an employee.
   The week start date is the previous day.

Resolution

When you change the time zone, the week start date is now correct.

Invalid console errors on the Timesheet Admin Monthly page

On the mySparkrock Timesheet Admin Monthly page, when you perform the following steps, invalid errors appear in the console and the data may not be saved:

1. On the first line, enter time for a day, and then choose Save.
   An error appears in the console and the data is saved.
2. Change the time on the same day, and then choose Save.
   An error appears in the console and the data may not be saved.

Resolution

When you perform these steps, errors no longer appear in the console and the line is now saved.

Known issues

The following sections include information about known issues in the Sparkrock 365 Fall 2020 Update 2 release.

Platform

French Canadian Language Support

Some fields are displayed in English.

Finance and Procurement

Name selection field filters are not working correctly

On the Purchase Invoice, Purchase Order, and Sales Invoice pages, when characters are entered in the Vendor Name or Customer Name fields, a filtered list of records is not displayed.

Workaround
To perform lookups on these pages, use the Customer No. or Vendor No. fields. To have the Customer No. or Vendor No. fields displayed on these pages, on the General FastTab, choose Show more.

Expense Type List may open with no lines displayed

The very first time a user opens the Expense Type list on an expense line, the page may open with no lines displayed. This issue happens when the expense types have not finished loading into the application's data cache.

Workaround
To display the expense types, close the page, and then open the page again.

FA Depreciation Book does not exist error

When you create a fixed asset record on the Fixed Asset Card page and specify a value in the Depreciation Book Code field, if you try to change the value that you just specified, you cannot save the changes and the following error appears:
The FA Depreciation Book does not exist.

Workaround

Perform the following steps:

1. On the Fixed Asset Card page, choose Related > Fixed Asset > Depreciation Books.
   The FA Depreciation Books page opens.
2. Add a record for the new depreciation book that you want to use.
3. Delete the existing record for the depreciation book that was previously assigned.
4. Close the FA Depreciation Books page.
5. To view the changed value, refresh the Fixed Asset Card page.

mySparkrock link in an Expense Claim email notification does not open the claim

If your default web browser is Microsoft Edge, the mySparkrock link in an Expense Claim email notification does not open the claim.

Workaround

Set another web browser to be your default web browser.

Something went wrong error on the Bank Account Card page

On the Bank Account Card page, when you repeatedly choose the Go to the next document of the same type or Go to the previous document of the same type buttons, a *Something went wrong* error may appear and you are logged out of Sparkrock 365.

Workaround

Instead of using the Go to the next document of the same type or Go to the previous document of the same type buttons to view the Bank Account Card page, access the Bank Account Card page for each bank account from the Bank Accounts page.

Payroll Administration

Payroll Employee or Payroll Processing pages may fail to open

When using the platform security filters on permission sets, the Payroll Employee page, Payroll Processing page, or both pages may fail to open with a *something went wrong* error message. This is a limitation of the payroll processing module.

Workaround

Remove the permission sets with security filters from the user who must access these pages.

Appendix

Apps available on Sparkrock 365 for Canadian Installations

The following apps are available on Sparkrock 365 for Canadian installations.

Installed by default

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App Name	Publisher	App Description
Application	Sparkrock	Application (CA)
Base Application	Microsoft	Base Application (CA)
Core Application	Sparkrock	Core Application (CA)
English language (Canada)	Microsoft	This application adds the English language (Canada) to Dynamics 365 Business Central
Finance and Procurement	Sparkrock	A financial accounting and procurement product that is purpose-built to serve the needs of mission-based organizations. Enables your finance department by automating processes and data sharing across all accounting, budgeting, purchasing and approval workflows. Streamlines accuracy, efficiency, and transparency across all financial processes and reporting.
HR Management	Sparkrock	A human resources management product that enables your HR team to work more efficiently with all your common HR processes in one solution. Connects a single source of employee data to Finance, Payroll, and Scheduling–reducing the administrative burden and improving compliance.
Platform	Sparkrock	
Primo Payday	Primo Payday	Increase efficiency and financial analytics with this fully integrated payroll solution. Post payroll directly to your GL and easily leverage the payroll accounting detail for financial analysis.
Primo Payday Connector	Sparkrock	The Primo Payday Connector App is an integrated payroll product that simplifies and automates pay for greater reliability. Staff can run payroll correctly every time without the stress of error-prone manual tasks, including complex payroll calculations. Save payroll administration time with straightforward allocations for job-sharing, employees working in multiple roles, and complex direct and indirect costs.
Scheduling	Sparkrock	A scheduling product that makes scheduling more efficient and organized, including templates, auto-fill settings, and self-service capabilities for employees and managers. Proactively prevent budget issues with automatic warnings for schedule changes that could lead to overtime costs. Staff details such as qualifications, seniority, and availability are readily available to supervisors.
Send remittance advice by email	Microsoft	Allows to send remittance advice to vendors by email
Send To Email Printer	Microsoft	Provides functionality to use the printer's email address to send print jobs to the printer.
System Application	Microsoft	Provides a standard set of capabilities that serve as a foundation for developing business apps.
Time Entry	Sparkrock	A time entry product that makes your time entry process more efficient and traceable. Categorize activities on time sheets to collect the information you need and automate approval notifications to managers about submitted time sheets. Load approved time sheet entries directly into payroll without any reformatting and seamlessly integrate allocation data for different departments, cost centers, or dimensions.

Available to install

The following apps are available to install for Canadian installations.

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AMC Banking 365 Fundamentals	Microsoft	AMC Banking 365 Fundamentals for Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central
Business Central Cloud Migration - Previous Release	Microsoft	Enables data migration from the previous version of Dynamics BC (n-1) to the current release of Dynamics 365 Business Central SaaS.
Business Central Cloud Migration - Previous Release (CA)	Microsoft	Enables data migration from the previous version of Dynamics BC (n-1) to the current release of Dynamics 365 Business Central SaaS.
Business Central Intelligent Cloud	Microsoft	This extension will take you through the process to configure your Cloud Migration environment.
Ceridian Payroll	Microsoft	The Ceridian Payroll functionality allows you to import payroll transactions from Ceridian HR/Payroll (US) and Ceridian Powerpay (Canada).
DIOT - Localization for Mexico	Microsoft	Easily configure and create DIOT file.
Dynamics GP History SmartLists	Microsoft	This extension will allow you to query your Dynamics GP history data with your Dynamics 365 Business Central cloud tenant.
Dynamics GP Intelligent Cloud	Microsoft	This extension will allow you to set up data migration from your Dynamics GP companies to your Dynamics 365 Business Central tenant through a wizard.
Envestnet Yodlee Bank Feeds	Microsoft	Envestnet Yodlee Bank Feeds enables you to process payments and reconcile bank accounts faster and safer.
Essential Business Headlines	Microsoft	Essential business headlines draw facts out of your data. Your people draw the conclusions.
French language (Canada)	Microsoft	This application adds the French language (Canada) to Dynamics 365 Business Central
Image Analyzer	Microsoft	Analyze images using Microsoft Cognitive Services.
Intelligent Cloud Base	Microsoft	This extension will take you through the process to configure your Cloud Migration environment.
Late Payment Prediction	Microsoft	Predict whether payments for sales will be on-time.
Microsoft Pay Payments	Microsoft	The Microsoft Pay Payments service adds a Microsoft Pay Payments link to your sales documents so customers can easily pay using Microsoft Pay Payments. From inside Dynamics 365 Business Central you can send the documents by email.
PayPal Payments Standard	Microsoft	PayPal Payments Standard adds a PayPal link to your sales documents so customers can easily pay using PayPal. From inside Dynamics 365 Business Central; you can send the documents by email.
QuickBooks Data Migration	Microsoft	Enables users to migrate their Customers, Vendors, Items and Accounts and open transactions from QuickBooks to Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central.
QuickBooks Payroll File Import	Microsoft	The QuickBooks Payroll File Import functionality allows you to import payroll transactions from a QuickBooks IIF file.
Sales and Inventory Forecast	Microsoft	Get insights about potential sales and a clear overview of expected stock-outs.

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