

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION



FY2024 MODULE CLOSE PREP GUIDE (OUT-OF-SYNC/MISMATCHES)

State Controller's Office

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AGENCY TASK OVERVIEW

STAR transactions Out-of-Sync/Mismatched

Transactions where the Budgetary and Fiscal Year information entered has created and generated corresponding entries in the Budget and Actuals Ledgers that are not in sync with each other, inaccurate, or incorrect.

Key fields for FY End Discrepancies

Budget Date Field

Voucher - The budget date field appears on the Voucher Distribution Line and is used to determine the Budget Period and Budget Year the entry will "Post" to the Budget Ledger.

Expense Report - you are not able to see or edit this date, it will be the same as the Accounting Date.

Accounting Date Field

Voucher - The accounting date field appears on the Voucher Header, Distribution Line, and Voucher Accounting Line (the Voucher Distribution Line is used to create the Voucher Accounting Line when the Voucher is "Posted"). The "Accounting Date" is used to determine the Accounting Period and Fiscal Year the entry is "Posted" to the Actuals Ledger. The Accounting Date is viewable on the voucher only on the Voucher Header.

Expense Report - The Accounting date on an expense report is viewable as the submitted date.

Note – the Budget Date and Accounting Date for the transaction should be within the same Budget Fiscal Year or an "Out of Sync" condition will be created.

Budget Reference Field

Voucher - The budget reference field indicates which budget authority is used. If a PO is carried over from a FY2024 to FY2025 it retains the FY2024 budget authority. If a Voucher in FY2025 has a Budget Reference of FY2024 then the Voucher will use budget authority from any PO's carried over from FY2024 even if there is no relation between the PO and the Voucher. If there is no carryover budget authority a budget reference of FY2024 on a FY2025 Voucher transaction will result in an error message and the transaction cannot be processed until the error is corrected.

The Budget Reference field identifies the Budget Fiscal Year corresponding to the transaction. The budget reference field indicates which budget authority is used.

Expense Report (ER) — The Budget Reference field identifies the Budget Fiscal Year corresponding to the transaction. The budget reference field indicates which budget authority is used.

If a Bud Ref on an Expense Report is not updated it may cause issues with budget reserved for a PO/Voucher. A PO that is carried over from FY2024 to FY2025 will retain the FY2024 budget authority. If an ER transaction in FY2025 has a Budget Reference of FY2024 then the ER will use budget authority from any PO's carried over from FY2024 even if there is no relation between the PO and the ER. If there is no carryover budget authority a budget reference of FY2024 on a FY2025 ER transaction will result in an error message and the transaction cannot be processed until the error is corrected.



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Note - this field does not generate any type of budgetary entries but should match (fall within) the Budget and Accounting Date of the corresponding transaction.

Please see WAM 18-02 for additional information regarding these fields and STAR Screenshots.

These inaccuracies will cause Out-of-Sync & Mismatch entries in the ledgers that will need to be reconciled. Take necessary steps to ensure the GL and KK match. There are several variations an AP mismatch may take on. Please review the provided definitions to prevent as many mismatches as possible.

Please contact SCO if you identify a Mismatch with an Expense Reimbursement item for your agency after completing these tasks to determine the best method for correcting.

DEADLINES

Agency AP Deadline: EOD Thursday 07/18/2024

On Thursday 06/27/2024 SCO will approve all Interunit Vouchers with dates prior to 06/21/2024.

On Friday 07/19/2024 SCO will approve remaining FY2024 Interunit Vouchers

On Friday 07/19/2024 SCO will delete any other remaining FY2024 Vouchers.

Agency EX Deadline: EOD Thursday 07/18/2024

On Friday 07/19/2024 SCO will send back any remaining FY2024 expense reports to employees to make updates on their Expense Report to FY2025.

Interunit Billing Deadline: EOD 07/12/2024

Other Agency Subsystems - EOD 08/02/2024 (non-project) EOD 08/09/2024 project

For more information about closing deadlines please refer to the closing calendar.
FY2024 Closing

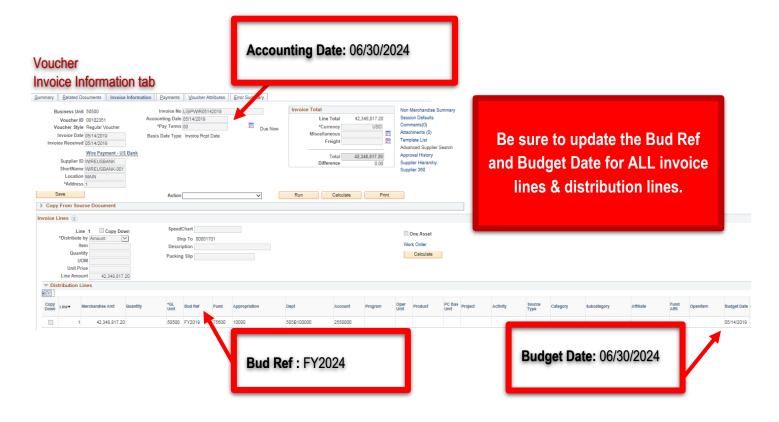


CLOSING PERIOD

What to watch for when approving Vouchers during the Close Period*

*both June 2024 (FY2024) & July 2024 (FY2025) are open

- Bud Ref date should equal (match) the FY in which the expense was incurred (the item received, or work completed) unless that fiscal year is already closed, then you should use the current FY.
- Accounting Date should equal (match) the Date/FY in which the agency would like the expense to hit the Actuals GL (i.e. 06/30/2024 for FY2024 or 07/01/2024 & later for FY2025).
- Accounting Date, Budget Date, and Bud Ref should be within the same FY on a voucher (for all voucher lines and distribution lines), unless using a rolled PO with a previous Bud Ref, then just Accounting Date and Budget Date would need to match.
 - Either ALL 06/30/2024 & earlier (for FY2024) or ALL 07/01/2024 & later (for FY2025).





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What to watch for when approving Expense Reports during the Close Period *both June 2024 (FY2024) & July 2024 (FY2025) are open.

- Bud Ref date = the FY in which the travel occurred (or expense incurred), unless that fiscal year is already closed, then you should use the current FY.
- Accounting Date = the date in which the agency would like the expense to hit the GL.
 (i.e. 06/30/2024 for FY2024 or 07/01/2024 & later for FY2025)
- The Expense Submission Date, Accounting Date and Approved for Payment status Date should all be within the same FY. Either ALL 06/30/2024 & earlier or ALL 07/01/2024 & later.

What to watch for when creating Online Payments (AR) during the Close Period *both June 2024 (FY2024) & July 2024 (FY2025) are open.

- Bud Ref date = must be set to the old fiscal year on the Accounting Entries Tab to record for FY2024
- Accounting Date = must be manually changed to 06/30 on the Totals and Payments Tab to record
 FY2024

Please see section <u>18-02</u> of the WAM for screen shots.

PROCEDURES

Task 1:

Complete the EX Monthly Checklist Workbook items: Monthly Items 1-3 and Quarterly Items 2-3. Wisconsin Accounting Manual Monthly Checklist or via the STAR AP WorkCenter

Complete the AP Monthly Checklist Workbook items: Monthly Items 1-7 Wisconsin Accounting Manual Monthly Checklist or via the STAR AP WorkCenter

After completing/resolving items on the Monthly Checklist please move on to the module specific Year End Guides located on the <u>FY2024 Closing</u> page

FY2024 Accounts Payable Mismatch FY2024 Expense Reporting Mismatch

Please also see WAM 18-04 for Between Year Expenditure and Revenue Adjustments



APPENDIX

Useful Links:

STAR Job Aids (STAR Connection)

Please email SCO Accounting Services <u>doadebfscoaccountingservices@wisconsin.gov</u> for assistance or questions regarding the above tasks and scenarios.