

# Quick Guide: 7-day Increment Rule for LOA Events

For specific types of Leave of Absence events (i.e. FMLA), the Workday system requires that the length of time requested for the event be entered into 7 day periods. Below are the instructions for HR and Timekeeping personnel to follow to accurately place an employee on and return them from an LOA event and avoid a disruptions in compensation and benefits:

**Example A: Place employee on requested FMLA leave of absence for 1/1/2021 to 2/2/2021.**

**Step 1:** Review the requested timeframe.

If these dates are entered, HRCs will receive this error message and be prompted to revise the request:

## **Error**

### 1. Page Error

- Leave of Absence must be entered in 7 day increments. Any days taken for a leave of absence reason in less than 7 days must be entered on the timesheet and not leave of absence. (Leave Request Event)

**Step 2:** To enter the LOA request, determine the system approved date range.

To follow the 7 day rule, identify the first day of leave, count one full week and the 7<sup>th</sup> day is where the increment ends.



**TIP:** An easy method to determine a full 7day increment week is, you will always end on the day of the week that is before the day that the leave started on.

*Ex: If the first day of leave is on a Wednesday, the 7<sup>th</sup> day will be the following Tuesday. Every increment counted beyond will always end on the same day.*

Identify how many complete increments will fit in the requested date range, and use the last day identified as the estimated last day of leave date (ex: 1/28/21):

Last Day of Work

First Day of Leave \*

Estimated Last Day of Leave \*

**Note:** *When counting the seven day increments, include weekends in the count.*

**Step 3:** Fill the rest of the leave request prompts and enter a note in the comment section to communicate with Timekeeping.

In the comment, identify the true expected end date for this event and request that the proper timesheet code be entered for the dates not included in the LOA request date range:

> **Supporting Documents**



This employee will not return to work until 2/3/21, please code the timesheet with FMLA Intermittent for 1/29, 2/1, and 2/2.

**Note:** *The timesheet should be coded only for the regular work days of the employee; the FMLA Intermittent code should be entered in addition to the time off code being used for the paid leave.*

**Step 4:** Monitor the use of the timesheet and ensure that the dates using the FMLA Intermittent time code, align but do not overlap with the dates captured in the LOA event.

Leave of Absence Requests 1 item

Leave of Absence	Last Day of Work	First Day of Leave	Actual Last Day of Leave	Estimated Last Day of Leave
Paid > FMLA (Use Paid Leave)	12/31/2020	01/01/2021		01/28/2021

Time Off Requests 241 items

Time Off	Date	Day of the Week	Type	Start Time	End Time	Requested	Unit of Time	Comment
	02/02/2021	Tuesday	FMLA Intermittent Sick	08:00:00 AM	04:00:00 PM	8	Hours	
	02/01/2021	Monday	FMLA Intermittent Sick	08:00:00 AM	04:00:00 PM	8	Hours	
	01/29/2021	Friday	FMLA Intermittent Sick	08:00:00 AM	04:00:00 PM	8	Hours	
	01/22/2021	Friday	Personal Leave (Timesheet)	12:30:00 PM	04:30:00 PM	4	Hours	

**Note:** This can be viewed on the employee profile in the “Time Off” tab.

**Example B: Return the employee from the previously entered LOA.**

**Step 1:** Review and confirm that the return date is accurate and enter the return to work request, using the same modified dates that were used in the leave request.

Even though the dates are not accurate, they have to correlate with the LOA request in order for the system to complete the process:

First Day Back at Work

Leaves Returned From 1 item

Select	*Leave	First Day of Leave	Estimated Last Day of Leave	Actual Last Day of Leave
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Paid > FMLA (Use Paid Leave) (01/01/2021)	01/01/2021	01/28/2021	01/28/2021

**Step 2:** Enter a note in the comment section to communicate with Timekeeping.

In the comment, identify the true expected end date for this event and request that the proper timesheet code be entered for the dates not included in the LOA request date range:

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This employee will not return to work until 2/3/21, please code the timesheet with FMLA Intermittent for 1/29, 2/1, and 2/2.

**Step 3:** Monitor the use of the timesheet and ensure that the dates using the FMLA Intermittent time code, align but do overlap with the dates captured in the LOA event.

**Note:** *This can be viewed on the employee profile in the “Time Off” tab.*