Introduction

As described in SAP ONE Support Launchpad – <u>Notification of Legal Changes</u> > <u>Changes in Labor Law-</u> 2021.

The purpose of this KBA is to guide you with examples on possible solutions to adapt your SuccessFactors Employee Central and Employee Central Payroll implementation with the latest labor reforms.

The changes are related to the following topics:

- 1. New types of leaves
- 2. Probation period
- 3. Notice period

1. New Types of Leaves

1. Weekly Rest Day: The worker shall be given a weekly paid rest of not less than one day as agreed by the employment contract or work regulation.

Solution

This can be configured with the Work Schedules, as explained in the KBA <u>3134436 - New</u> Weekend transition for UAE starting from January 1, 2022.

- 2. Maternity leave: Workers are entitled to 60 days' maternity leave as follows:
 - The first 45 days are fully remunerated.
 - 15 days, followed by half pay.

A worker who has exhausted her maternity leave may cease her unpaid work for a period not exceeding **forty-five (45) consecutive or intermittent days** if the interruption is due to illness or injury to her child resulting from pregnancy or childbirth and cannot return to her work.

Solution

This can be achieved by creating two time types: Maternity leave, and Extended Unpaid Maternity Leave.

For Maternity Leave, create a validation business rule to limit leave to a maximum 60 days. For Extended Unpaid Maternity Leave, create an ad-hoc time account and counting method to count calendar days.

Note: Admins must check that employees have taken the maternity leave before applying for extended maternity leave.

How to Create a Validation Business Rule for Number of Days Allowed for Maternity Leave

TO TakeRule ARE Maternityleave (SFCC_TO_TakeRule_ARE_Maternityleave)

Scenario: Basic Change Scenario Basic Information Parameters Name Object Start Date 01/01/1900 System Context Context Rule Type Time Off (TimeOff) Time Off Requests Time Off Requests Description This rule does not allow the employee to submit a Maternity leave request for more than 45 days. **⊎** Variables ∃ If Get Number Of Calendar Days()
Start Date: Time Off Requests.Start Date
End Date: Time Off Requests.End Date Then Raise Message " SFCC_ARE_Maternity_Info " with Info severity As per the law first 45 days of maternity leave are fully paid and the following days will be half paid ∃ Else If Get Number Of Calendar Days()

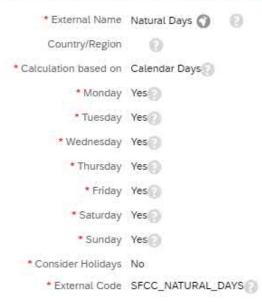
Start Date: Time Off Requests.Start Date
End Date: Time Off Requests.End Date 60 Then Raise Message " SFCC_TO_ARE_Days_LeaveLimit " with Error severity Exceeding the Limit of the Leave.

Time Account Type: ARE_Maternity_Exter	ided (ARE_Maternity_EXT)	
* External Name	ARE_Maternity_Extended	
Unit	Day(s)(2)	
* Account Creation Type	Ad Hoc	
Account Booking Offset [Months]	Ø	
Posting Order	No Selection	
Period-End Processing Rule	SFCC TO PEP_CLOSE (SFCC_TO_PEP_CLOSE)	
* Period-End Processing Automation	Automatic At End Of Booking Period	
Purchase Eligibility	No Selection	
Balance Cannot Fall Below	0	
Country/Region	United Arab Emirates (ARE)	
Interim Account Update Rule	0	
Payout Eligibility	Not Eligible	
* Time Account Snapshots Allowed	No 🕜	
Account Retention Group	0	
Account Detail Retention Group	0	
Time Account Configuration Rule	9	
* External Code	ARE_Maternity_EXT	

Then assign this to time type, making sure it has a counting method that considers calendar days.

How to Create a Counting Method that Considers Calendar Days

Absence Counting Method: Natural Days (SFCC_NATURAL_DAYS)



Time Type: Extended Maternity Leave Unpaid (ARE_MAT_EXT) * External Name Extended Maternity Leave Unpaid 🕥 Workflow Configuration SFCC_MGR(A)_HRADM (SFCC_MGR(A)_HRADM) * Unit Day(s) Country/Region United Arab Emirates (ARE) Classification Absence Permitted Fractions For Unit Day Only full day bookings allowed Permitted Fractions For Unit Hour No Selection Leave of Absence Event Reason (Plan) Leave of Absence Event Reason (Return To Work) Duration Display According To Deduction Quantity Posting Priority Post to time accounts by posting rules only. Activate Cancellation Workflow No Admin Workflow Configuration SFCC_MGR(A)_HRADM (SFCC_MGR(A)_HRADM) Flexible Requesting Allowed No Counting Method Natural Days (SFCC_NATURAL_DAYS) * Absence Class Unspecified ? Undetermined End Date Allowed No 🔝 Requesting on Non-Working Days Allowed No [3] Accrual Recalculation Relevance No Selection Collision Grouping * Balance Calculation Setting Consider bookings until calculation date Absence Retention Group Time Account Posting Rules External Code Time Account Type ARE_Maternity_Extended (ARE_Maternity_EXT) | | | | ARE_Maternity_EXT

<u>Note:</u> Since this is an ad-hoc time account, the process of assigning the 45 days quota must be manually carried out by admins upon request from an employee. With that, admins can also ensure that this type of leave request is applied only after consuming the maternity leave.

3. New mothers of sick infants or infants with special needs are entitled to a 30-day paid leave continuously after completing their initial maternity leave period, renewable for another 30 days without pay.

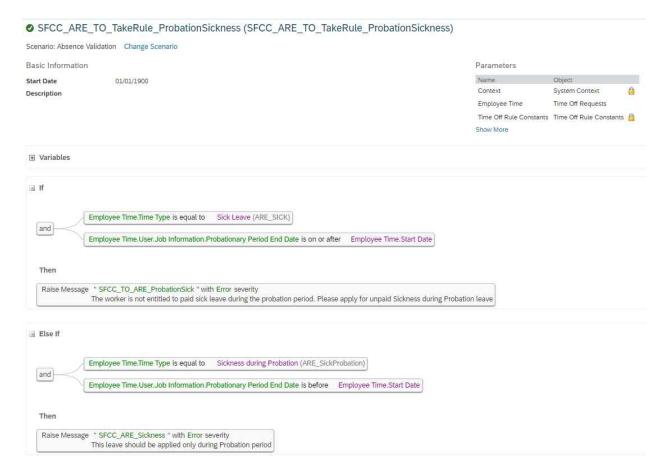
Solution

Create a new time type called "Sick Infants Leave" with field 'attachment' and an ad-hoc time account like the steps provided for Extended Maternity Leave.

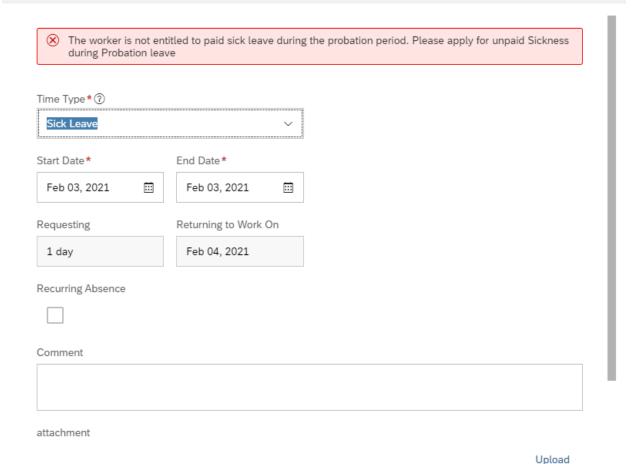
4. Sick leave during probation period: The worker is not entitled to paid sick leave during the probation period; however, the employer may grant them unpaid sick leave, based on a medical report issued by the medical authority that includes the need to grant the leave.

Solution

- 1. Create a new time type called "Sickness During Probation".
- 2. Create a validation rule as below and assign it to both "Sickness Leave" and "Sickness During Probation" time types to check if users apply for the correct leave type.



Create Absence



5. Mourning/Compassionate leave:

- 5 days in the event of the death of a spouse, starting from the date of death.
- **3 days** in the event of the death of a parent, child, sibling, grandchild, or grandparent, starting from the date of death.

Solution

Create a new time type "Compassionate Leave – Spouse" with a custom field "Date of Death" and create a take rule to validate that the leave taken doesn't exceed 5 days.

Create a new time type called "Compassionate Leave - Family" with custom fields "Date of Death" and "Relationship Type".

How to add new custom field in Time-Off request?

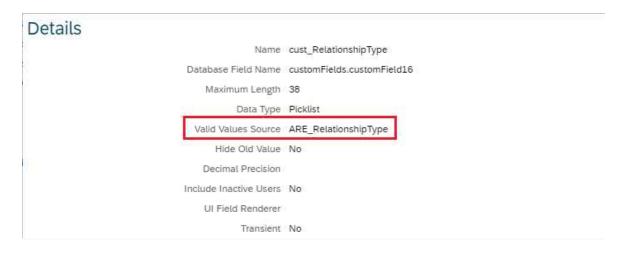
- 1. Go to Admin Center-> Configure Object Definition -> Employee Time.
- 2. Navigate to Take Action -> Make Corrections.
- 3. Add a field cust_dateOfDeath, select the datatype as "date" and choose *Details*.

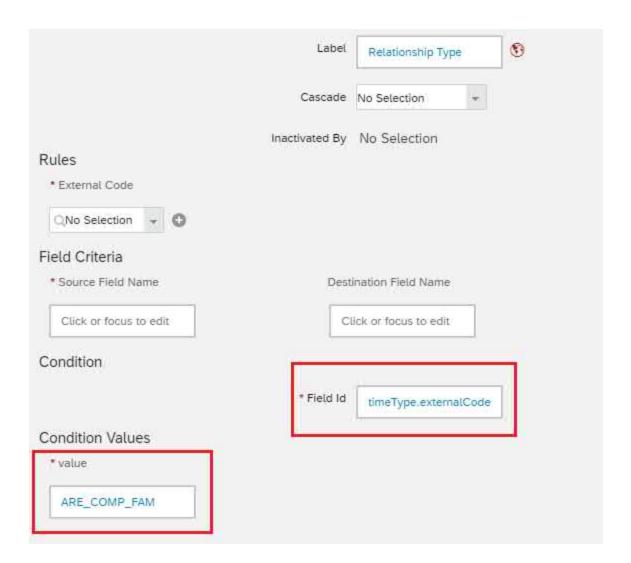
This field must be available only for absence type "Compassionate Leave - Spouse" and "Compassionate Leave - Family", so a condition must be configured for that.

Enter the Field Id as "timeType.externalCode" under the *Condition* section, and *Condition Values* will be the externalCode of "Compassionate Leave - Spouse" and "Compassionate Leave - Family".



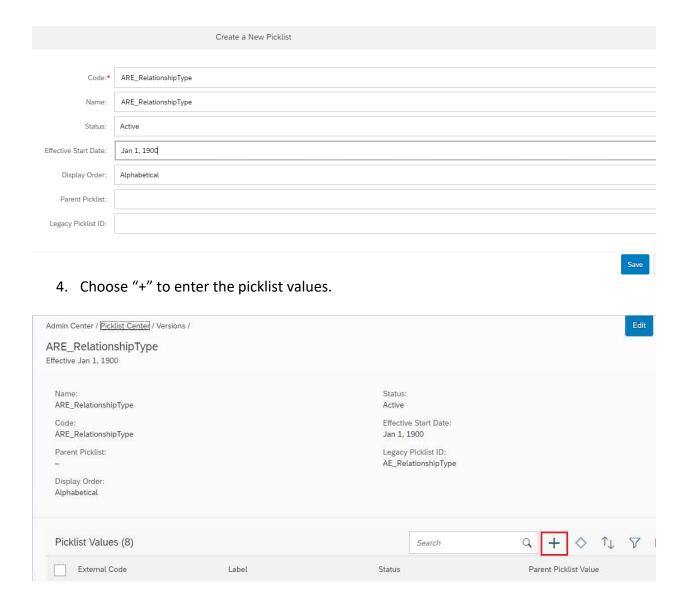
Similarly, create the custom field "Relationship Type" with a picklist of Relationship Type.



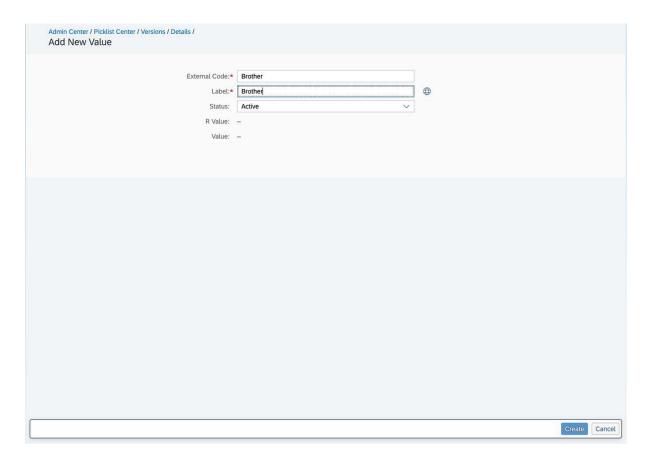


To create the picklist, follow these steps:

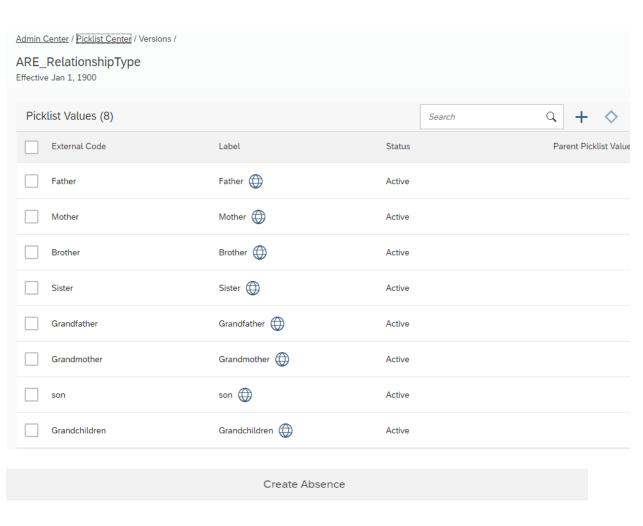
- 1. Go to Admin Center -> Picklist Center and choose "+".
- 2. Enter the picklist name and effective date information.
- 3. Save your entries.

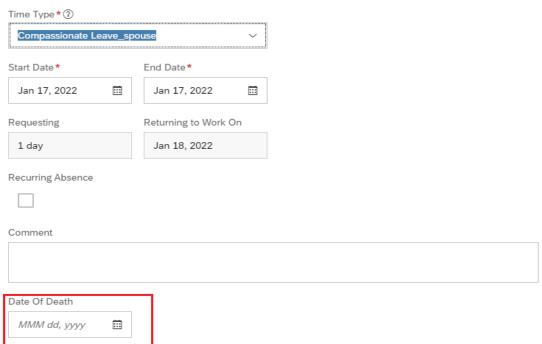


5. Enter the valid values for the picklist and choose *Create*.



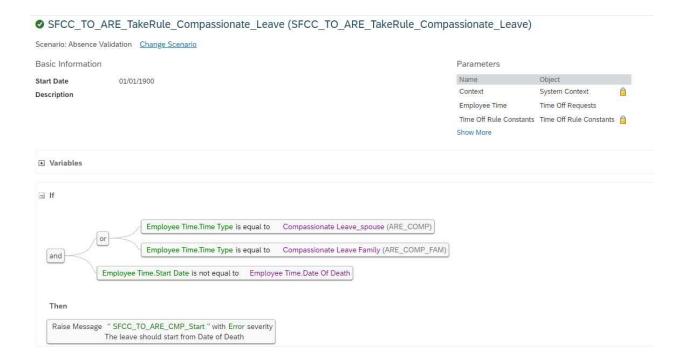
6. Similarly, create values for father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, sons, sister, grandchildren.

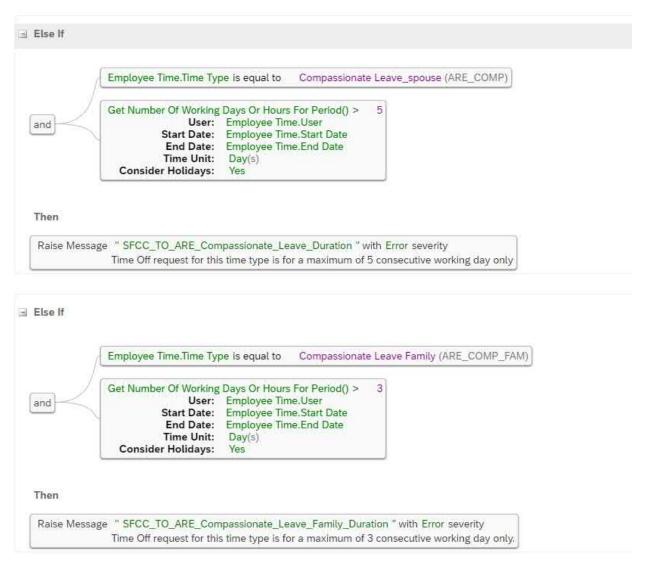




	Create Absence	
Time Type * ⑦		
Compassionate Leave Fa	mily	
Start Date*	End Date*	
Jan 17, 2022	Jan 17, 2022 🖽	
Requesting	Returning to Work On	
1 day	Jan 18, 2022	
Comment		
proceed to stop it with	Relationship Type	
Comment Date Of Death MMM dd, yyyy	Relationship Type No Selection	
Date Of Death		
Date Of Death	No Selection ~	
Date Of Death	No Selection Brother (Brother)	
Date Of Death	No Selection Brother (Brother) Father (Father)	Submit
Date Of Death	No Selection Brother (Brother) Father (Father) Grandchildren (Grandchildren)	Submit

How to Create a Validation Business Rule for Number of Days Allowed for Compassionate Leave



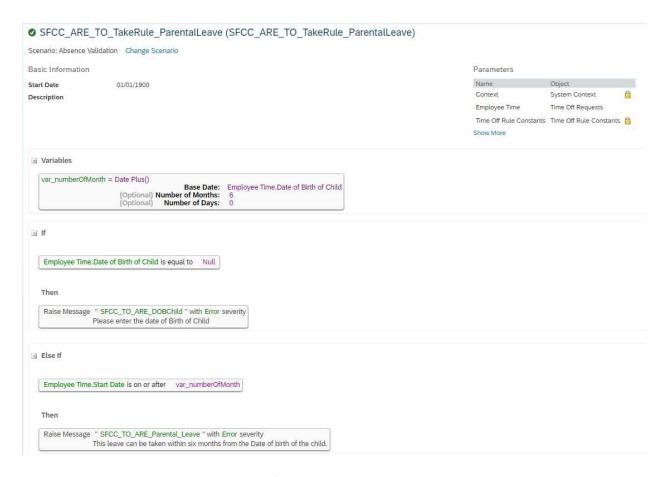


Add the business rule under the take rule for time types.

6. Parental leave: 5 working days of parental leave for a worker (either father or mother) who has a child to care for, to be taken in a continuous or intermittent manner within six months from the birth of the child.

Solution

- 1. Create a new time type for parental leave with a custom field 'Date of Birth' and an ad-hoc time account like you did with Extended Maternity Leave, and admins can assign 5 days to the account, when requested from employees.
- 2. Create a validation rule to check if the leave is applied within 6 months from the date of birth of the child.

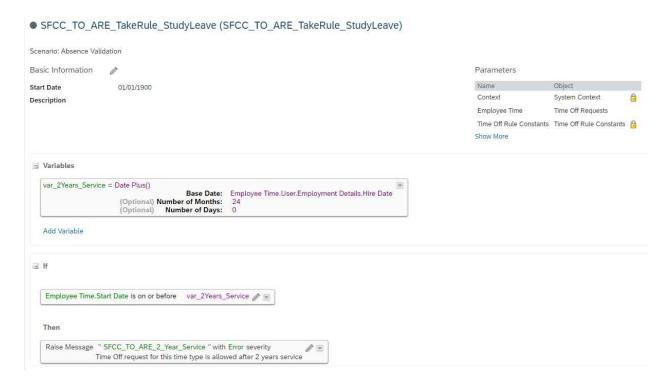


Add the business rule under the take rule for time types.

7. Study leave: An employee may be granted **10 working days** (consecutive or intermittent) per year to attend exams at an accredited educational institution, provided that the employee has a minimum of two years of service.

Solution

- 1. Create a time type "Study Leave" and attach a time account type with accrual of 10 days.
- 2. Create a validation rule to check if the employee has worked for at least 2 years at the company.



Add the business rule under the take rule for time types.

2. Probation Period

Probation period is limited to six months.

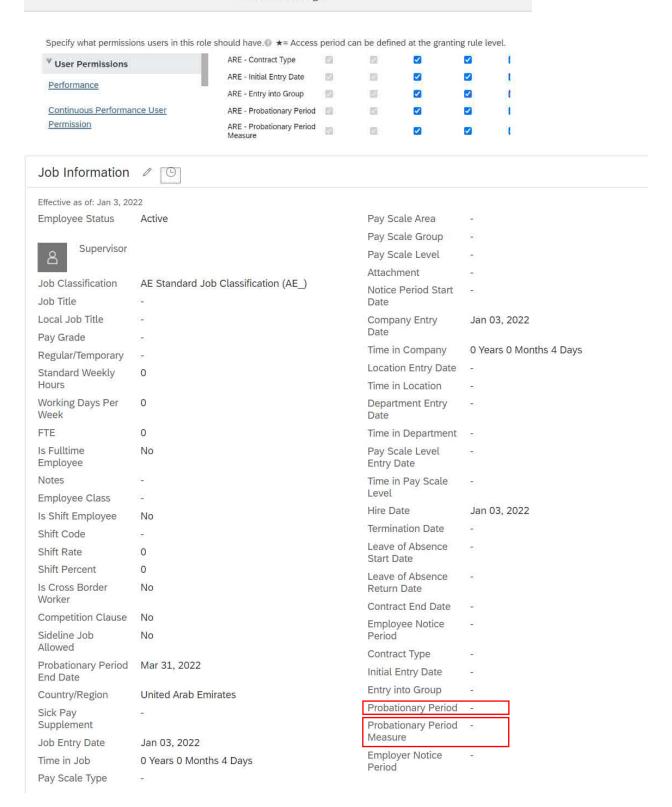
Solution

- 1. Make sure the fields "Probationary Period" and "Probationary Period Measure" are visible in the *Job Information* portlet in Employee Central.
- 2. Create a business rule to validate that probation the period is 6 months.

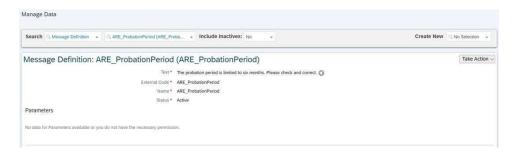
How to create validation business rules for probation period?

- 1. Make the fields under *Job Information > Probationary Period* and *Probationary Period Measure* are visible via *Manage Business Configuration -> Employee Central -> HRIS Elements ->* jobInfo -- > jobinfo_ARE.
- 2. Grant permission to the role via *Manage Permission Roles -> Employee Central Effective Dated Entities ->* check the access.

Permission settings

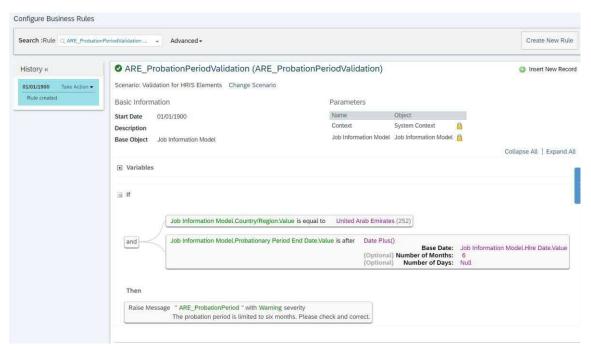


3. Create a message via Manage Data -> Message Definition.



Messages can be translated into local languages by choosing the language 3.

4. Create a validation rule via Configure Business Rules for scenario Employee Central Core -> Validation for HRIS Elements (using the message created in step 3.)
A new rule to limit probationary period can be only 6 months. For your reference only, you may edit your rule based on your actual practice.



5. Assign the new rules to the field "Probation Period" via *Manage Business Configuration -> Employee Central -> HRIS Elements ->* jobInfo -> jobInfo_ARE.



6. Go to Employment Information and check/edit job information for Probation Period.

3. Notice Period

Notice of Termination during Probation period

The probation period is limited to six months, **employers** need to submit a **written 14 days'** notice before terminating the employee.

Employees wishing to change jobs during probation must submit a **one-month** notice. If they want to leave the country during probation, they must submit a **14 days'** notice.

Notice Period of Employment Contract Termination

Either party to the employment contract shall warn in writing and commit to work within the warning period agreed to in the contract, subject to a **minimum of thirty (30) days and not more than ninety (90) days.**

Solution

- 1. Enable the fields "Employee Notice Period", "Employer Notice Period" and "Notice Period Start Date" in *Job Information* portlet in Employee Central.
- 2. "Employee Notice Period" and "Employer Notice Period" will be captured upon hiring.
- 3. Create a new action "Notice Period" in Employee Central with reasons "by employee" or "by employer". "Notice Period Start Date" will be captured with the action.
- 4. The notice period action will be delimited by termination action so that the actual notice period is known (days between notice period action start and end date).
 Note: Another option can be to replicate "Notice Period Start Date" in *Job Information* portlet to infotype 0041 "Date Specification" if you don't want to use an action.
- 5. The calculation of penalty or compensation takes place in Employee Central Payroll based on notice period action reason (that will be replicated from Employee Central), employee/employer notice period, and actual notice period.

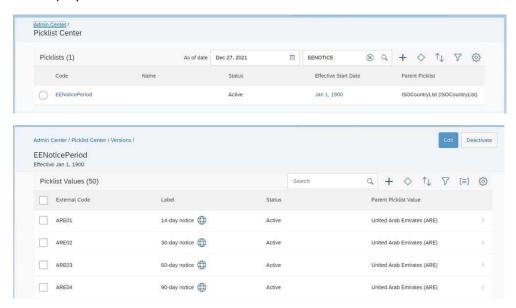
How to Enable "Employee Notice Period", "Employer Notice Period" and "Notice Period Start Date" Fields in Job Information Portlet

The three fields are all job info generic fields.

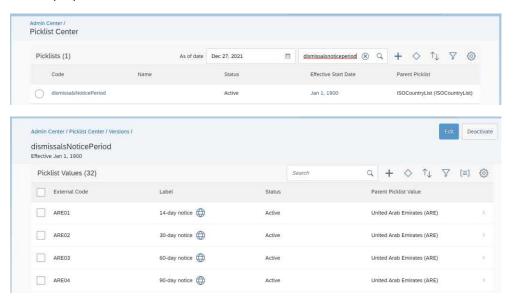
- Employee Notice Period --> hris field id="employee-notice-period"
- Employer Notice Period --> hris-field id="dismissals-notice-period-for-employer"
- Notice Period Start Date --> hris-field id="notice-period-start-date"
- 1. Go to Admin Center -> Manage Data -> Picklist Center.
- 2. Add the parent picklist "ISOCountryList" to the notice period picklist id "EENoticePeriod" and "dismissalsNoticePeriod" for the notice period.
- 3. Add the values "14 days" and "30 days" to the employee "EENoticePeriod" and "30 days" to the employer "dismissalsNoticePeriod" with the parent picklist "ARE".
- 4. Save the information.

Examples:

Employee Notice Period

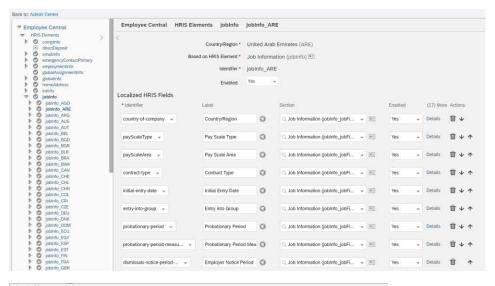


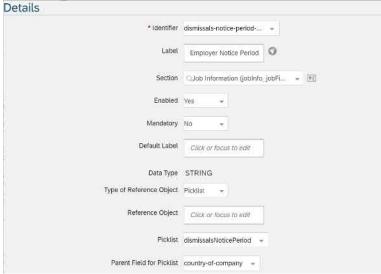
Employer Notice Period



- 5. Go to Admin Center -> Manage Data -> Manage Business Configuration.
- 6. Select jobInfo and the country jobInfo.
- 7. In the HRIS fields, search the field "employee-notice-period".
- 8. Edit the *Label* as 'Employee Notice Period', *Enabled* as 'Yes' and *Mandatory* as Yes / No as per your requirements.
- 9. Select *Details* to modify the other field attributes.
- 10. Assign the picklist "EENoticePeriod" to the field *Picklist*, and enter "country-of-company" in the field *Parent Field for Picklist*.
- 11. Save the information.
- 12. Select jobinfo and the country jobinfo_ARE.
- 13. In the HRIS fields, add the field "dismissals-notice-period-for-employer".

- 14. Add the *Label* as 'Notice Period for Employer', *Enabled* as 'Yes' and *Mandatory* as Yes / No as per your requirements.
- 15. Select *Details* to modify the other field attributes.
- 16. Assign the picklist "dismissalsNoticePeriod" to the field *Picklist*, and enter "country-of-company" in the field *Parent Field for Picklist*.
- 17. Save the information.

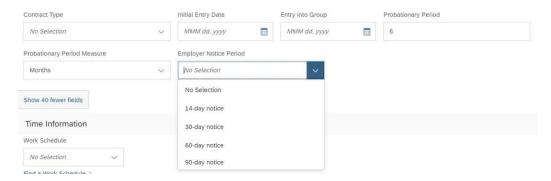




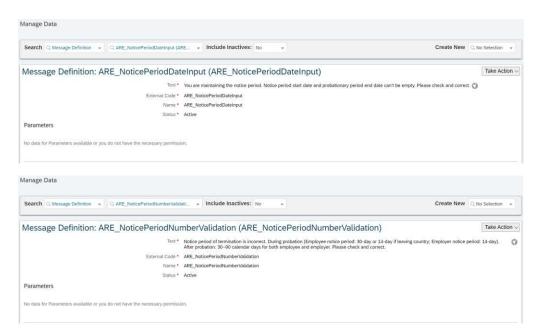
18. Grant permission to the role via *Manage Permission Roles -> Employee Central Effective Dated Entities*.

Permission settings

Specify what permissions users in this role should have. ... *= Access period can be defined at the granting rule level. ARE - Contract Type 153 120 V <sup>
▼</sup> User Permissions ARE - Initial Entry Date 100 V V Performance ARE - Entry into Group V **132** 123 ~ ARE - Probationary Period 13 Continuous Performance User ARE - Probationary Period Permission 122 ~ ARE - Employer Notice Period Succession Planners 12 V **V** Job Information / 🕒 Effective as of: Jan 3, 2022 **Employee Status** Pay Scale Area Active Pay Scale Group Supervisor Pay Scale Level Attachment Job Classification AE Standard Job Classification (AE_) Notice Period Start Job Title Date Local Job Title Company Entry Jan 03, 2022 Date Pay Grade Time in Company 0 Years 0 Months 4 Days Regular/Temporary Location Entry Date Standard Weekly 0 Hours Time in Location Working Days Per 0 Department Entry Week Date 0 FTE Time in Department Is Fulltime No Pay Scale Level Employee Entry Date Notes Time in Pay Scale Level **Employee Class** Hire Date Jan 03, 2022 Is Shift Employee No Termination Date Shift Code Leave of Absence Shift Rate 0 Start Date Shift Percent 0 Leave of Absence Is Cross Border No Return Date Worker Contract End Date Competition Clause No Employee Notice Sideline Job No Period Allowed Contract Type Probationary Period Mar 31, 2022 Initial Entry Date End Date Entry into Group United Arab Emirates Country/Region Probationary Period Sick Pay Supplement Probationary Period Measure Job Entry Date Jan 03, 2022 **Employer Notice** Time in Job 0 Years 0 Months 4 Days Period Pay Scale Type



19. Create a message via Manage Data -> Message Definition.



Messages can be translated into local languages by choosing the language icon **①**.

20. Create a validation rule via Configure Business Rules for scenario Employee Central Core --> Validation for HRIS Elements (using the message created in step 3.)

A new rule to validate the employee/employer notice period based on the notice can be executed during or after probation, which can be determined by comparing *Notice Period Start Date* and *Probationary Period End Date*.

During Probation: Notice period start date is before or on *Probationary Period End Date*. After Probation: Notice period start date is after *Probationary Period End Date*.

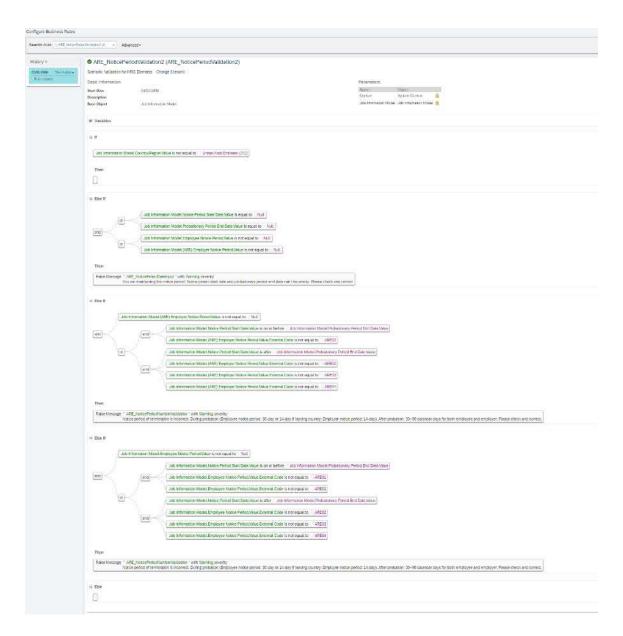
During Probation Period (limited to 6 months)		After Probation
Employer notice period	14-day	30min ~ 90 max calendar days
Employee notice period	one month or 14-day if leaving country	30min ~ 90 max calendar days

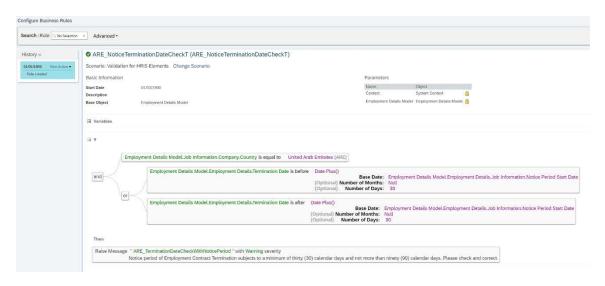
The following business rule is an example for your reference only. You may edit your rule based on your requirements.

During Probation Period (limited to 6 months)

After Probation

Employer notice period 14-day (ARE01) 30-day (ARE02), 60-day (ARE03), 90-day (ARE04) Employee notice period 30-day (ARE02)/14-day (ARE01) if leaving country 30-day (ARE02), 60-day (ARE03), 90-day (ARE04)





21. Assign the new rules to the field *Employer Notice Period* via *Manage Business Configuration --> Employee Central --> HRIS Elements -->* jobInfo.



22. Assign the new rules to the field *Employer Notice Period* via *Manage Business Configuration --> Employee Central --> HRIS Elements -->* employmentInfo.



23. Go to Employment Information and check/edit job information for Employer Notice Period.

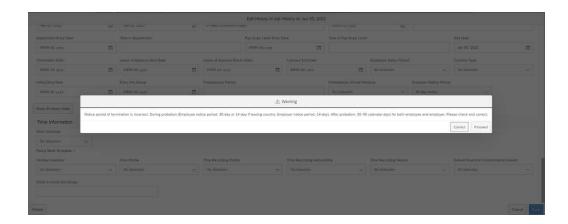
Example:

Hiring date: Jan 3rd, 2022

Probationary period end date: Mar 31st, 2022

Notice period start date: Feb 15th, 2022

Employer notice period: Input 30-day notice then get warning message as below.



When doing "Terminate" action:

Termination date is Feb 25th, 2022, when saving the info, you will get a warning message saying that the termination date is before the notice period end date and asking for a correction. According to the data provided in this example, the valid termination date should be after the notice period, so Feb 15th, 2022 + the 14-day employer notice period (the employee is still in probation).