

Working with COBI.time

What is COBI.time?

COBI.time is an efficient personnel time recording in SAP Business One. It is a time recording system for modern medium-sized companies.

Whether on the move, in the office, on the construction site or when visiting a customer: COBI.time is your lean and modern solution for SAP Business One, which meets all the requirements of Modern working time recording everywhere and anytime.

- Commissioning with a few hours
- Device-independent use e.g. any web browser and Mobile devices
- Multilingual user interface and can be used internationally
- Exclusively for SAP Business One

Purpose and Scope

This document is the User Manual of COBI.time. It is intended to provide all the necessary information to use this software in the process of time recording management. It assists the customer in the use of COBI.time applicable to keep their work time and able to integrate with SAP Business One.

The manual assumes that the readers are familiar with the PC or the Device that COBI.time is installed in. The person who performs COBI.time must have sufficient security clearance and be authorized in accordance with the company's level of status.

Those individuals with access to the use of COBI.time in connection with classified hardware is required to familiarize themselves with and follow the instructions in this manual.

The manual is developed for medium-sized companies and is exclusive for SAP Business One. It contains five major sections including the Introduction:

- **Introduction:** describing the product and its importance, the purpose and scope of this user manual, and the general settings.
- **Employee Time Records:** Describing the process of timekeeping.
- **Administrative Functionality:** Describing the process of manual time records, users set up procedures, attendance control report, and Password setting.
- **Reporting Procedures:** Describing the availability of reports and exporting to Excel file.
- **Summary:** the concluding remarks of the user guide

General Settings

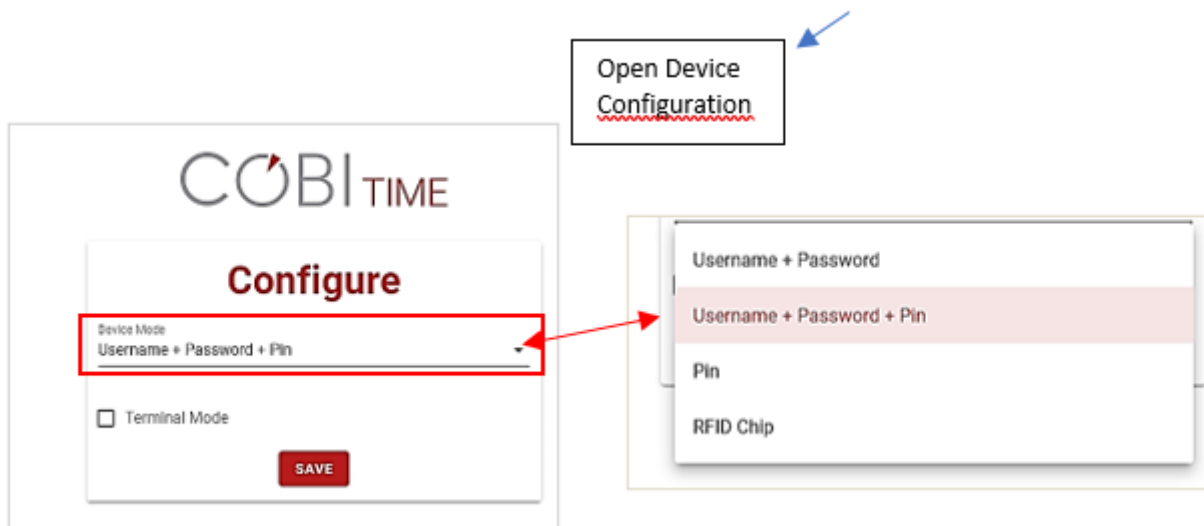
Open device configuration

Configure the device either to a Device mode or Terminal mode. This is how the first log-in window of COBI.time appears. Thus with your choice of preference, you can configure the device and save it for the future. To do this:

Step 1: Main Menu → Open Device Configuration



Step 2: Click Computer Icon to choose from the drop-down lists of the configuration mode.



Step 3: Click on Save

Language Setting

Once you Log-in to COBI.time, the Main Menu Window gets open. At the top right corner of this open Window, you choose your preferential language to work with. For example **German** or **English**.



Employee Time Records (Working with employee time keeping process)

For security and control purposes, an administrator or an authorized individual can have the right to start on COBI.time or automatic start option can be available. Then the system will be ready for use.

Start

Assume all the processes of installation, and Integration with SAP Business One are completed. As an administrator or authorized employee, you can start COBI.time either from the web browser or double click on the icon from the desktop. Then you will get the following window displayed:



User Account log-in

After starting COBI.time, Log-in window displays. Then do this:

- Step 1 Give **user name** and **password**
- Step 2 Click **LOGIN**

Or:

- Step 1 Simply click the **PIN** Button
- Step 2 Give **PIN** Code



COBI.time Main Menu

Menu List

You can display the list of the main menu on the left side of the COBI.time window. You **click** on the **Top Left Corner** of the opened window and see the Menu list:



Change Profile Picture

To change the profile picture, click on the picture box.

If you want to insert another picture, click on the Picture Box and select the required photo from the source and open. Then you get the new picture in its place.



Attendance Status



On the bottom of the Profile picture, it shows Status: **In House**. This indicates the status of the attendance (**In House, Out of House or In Home Office**) during the regular working hours. The status can be depending on the activity or task an employee is engaged in. The activity can be a project (out of office), working from home (in Home Office), present in the office or absent.

Mail Notification

Mail Notification alerts you by displaying an icon in the notification area. Notification behaves exactly as one would expect, it sends a notification message to your inboxes. You want to open the Notification board. Do this:


Click on the Notification board toolbar  on the Right Bottom Corner of the profile picture box. The number **1** indicates the number of messages available in the inbox.



To mark the message status as **Read** or **Unread**, **Select** the respective Message, then **click** on **Mailbox** 

To delete the message, click on **delete** 

To choose the display of as many as the number of rows per page, click on the **Down Arrow**

Rows per page: 10 
 _____ at the bottom of the window.

Note:

If the message box is empty, you cannot take any action. But if you have some available messages under **Notification Window**, you can select or deselect using the **checkbox** right to the message contents.

How Timekeeping works

Timekeeping is a great advantage to your administrative processes. It supports your organization or company in keeping track of the working hours performed by your employees.

As an employee, you **check-in** and **check-out** into COBI.time; thereby, your time for the job performed is recorded. To do this:

Log-in into COBI.time → Main Menu → Timekeeping

or

Simply **click** on the **Timekeeping icon** from the toolbar:



Timekeeping for work Category:

COBI.time enables employees to record working times and assign these to a project or as regular work time. The first step you do is to log-in using either your **PIN Code** or **User name** with a **Password**.

a) Record regular Work Time

Step 1: From the Main Menu Window, Click on **Timekeeping**

Main Menu → Timekeeping

Step 2: Click on **Come** to begin the time record

Main Menu → Timekeeping → Come

Note: In case there exist a Break Time, you stop the time. To do this:

Click on **Pause Start**

When the Break time is finished, click on **Pause End**

Step 3: Work time ends, Click on **Go**

Main Menu → Timekeeping → Go

Step 4: Return back to **Main Menu Window**, Click on **Back arrow**.



Step 5: Leave the Main Menu Window, Click on Back arrow again.



Note: The total time spent in performing the day's job is automatically saved in SAP Business One and included in the month's report.

b) Record Project Time

Project time is the time that an employee performs for a particular project. In this case, COBI.time has an option to record the time spent on a certain project. To do this: To start the project work time, click on **Project Start**

Main Menu → Timekeeping → Project Start






In this case, there are options to choose from the project type such as Projects, Service calls and Finance Projects.

In the projects section, we can see if there exists an ongoing project to select from and then continue as going down to the stage level until we get the required project stage.



Choose a project stage. For example, Hardware Implementation.

Choose Project Stage

 Projects Servicecalls Finance Projects

Hardware Einführung

Aufnahme der offene Themen und Ist-Situation

CANCEL OK

Choose an activity within the project stage. For instance, recording of open issues and current situation.

Zeile nacherfassen

Date

← 28.07.2021 →


Wednesday

Time

← 09:24 →

Status Project Start	Project Hardware Einführung
	Stage Aufnahme der offene Theme

Comment
Project Hardware implementation stage phase one will be carried out



SPEICHERN

Click on save.

The second option is to choose Service calls if available. In our example, there are no existing service

calls.



The third option is the availability of Finance projects from which we have to choose in order to carry out the process.

Choose Financial Project

Projects Servicecalls Finance Projects

Aktion

Hardware-Einführung

IT-Projekt mit Subprojekten

IT-Projekt Intern

Messe

CANCEL OK

Click **ok** to proceed. Then it displays

Zeile nacherfassen

Date 28.07.2021 Time 08:55

Wednesday

Status Project Start Project Hardware-Einführung

Stage

Comment
Finance projects related to the hardware implementation stage

SPEICHERN

Click on Save


To end the project work time, click on **Project End**

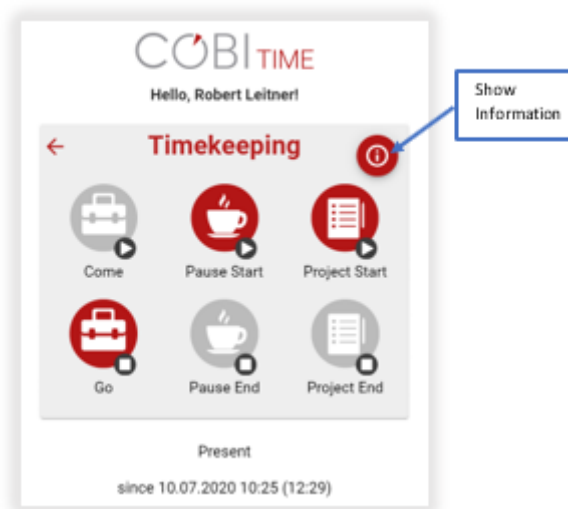
Main Menu → Timekeeping → Project End

View Recorded Data / User Information

The total time an individual spent in performing a certain job is available for you to check. For a particular month or working day, the history view is available. It is also possible to edit the already recorded data. These are available using the show information option. To do this:

Main Menu → Timekeeping → Show Information

From the Top Right Corner of the Timekeeping window, click on **Show Information** button 



Or

Main menu → User Info

Then the display looks like:

Robert Leitner


Present

Today's working hours:
00:58 Hours worked
00:00 Hours Pause
01:00 Hours Pausetime left

Balance: -208:59 Hours

Totalvacation: 15,00 Days

open	:	15,00	planned	:	00,00
taken	:	00,00	unconfirmed	:	01,00

As shown in the figure above, the displayed options are attendance notification (the message status either **present** or **absent** for the current user), the day's working hours, the balance or time report, total vacation status and absence request  options.

Robert Leitner

Present

Today's working hours:
00:32 Hours worked
00:00 Hours Pause
01:00 Hours Pausetime left

Balance: -71:28 Hours

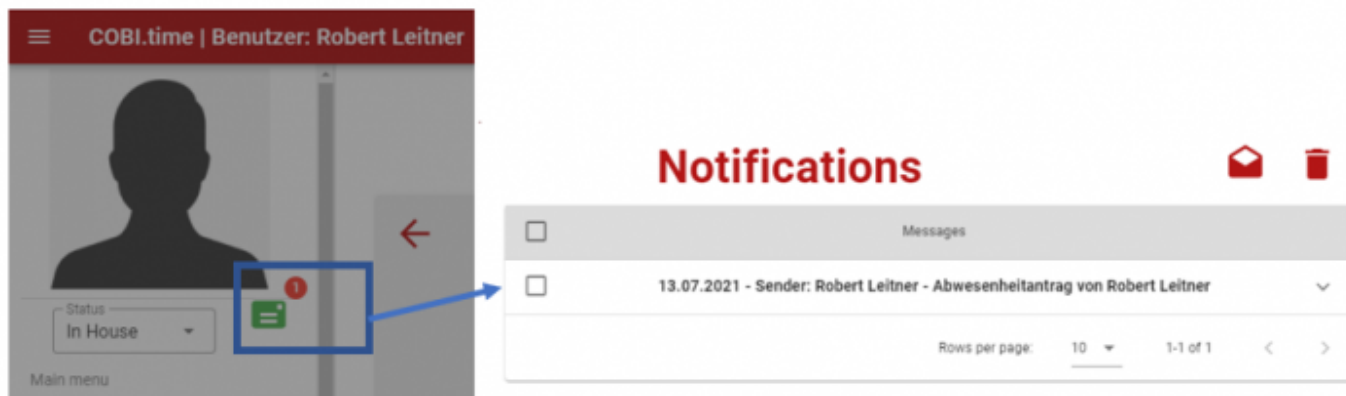
Totalvacation: 15,00 Days

open	:	15,00	planned	:	00,00
taken	:	00,00	unconfirmed	:	01,00

Another information available for you is the total vacation in days, vacation days remained open, planned, taken, and unconfirmed (requested but not yet approved).

Message Status inbox (Notification on the attendance status)

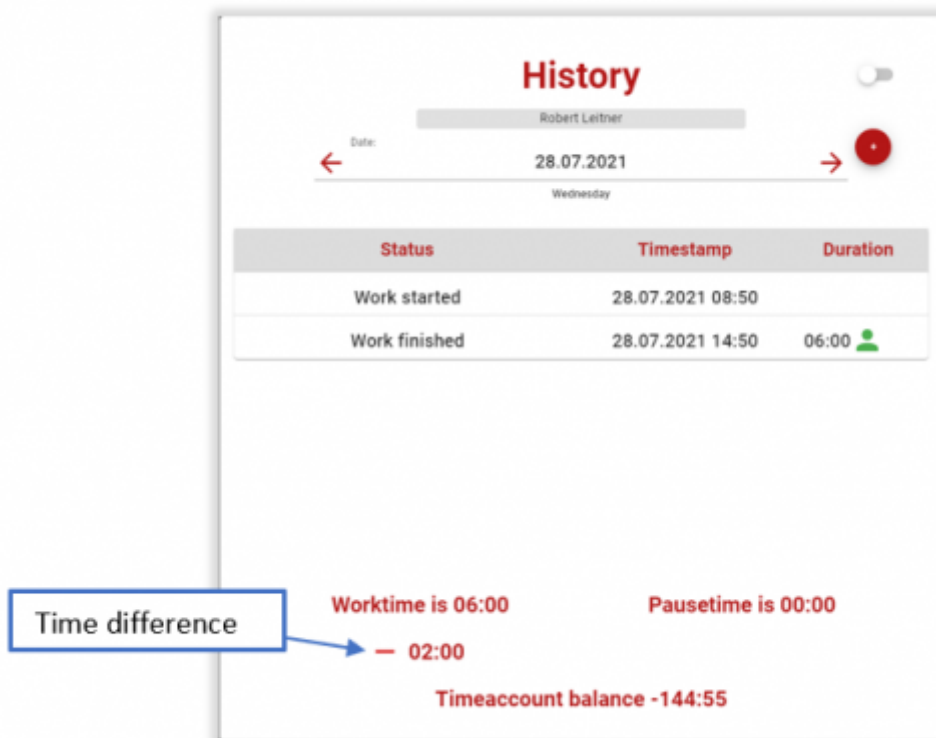
In this case, once we click on the Message status notification inbox  , it displays the messages available for this particular user or employee. The green box indicates the availability of the stored messages and the number, for example 1 in our case, shows one message is available.



Daily History View:

As an individual, you performed a certain job and recorded your work time daily in COBI.time. At the end of the day or being at the current date, you want to view the status. To do this, go to the Main menu as:

Main Menu → Timekeeping → Show information → Today's Working Hours



During the current date, we can see the status of Start and End time, total worked time, difference between daily work time and actual time worked, total break time, and time account balance at a glance.

History

Robert Leitner

Date: 28.07.2021
Wednesday

Status	Timestamp	Duration
Work started	28.07.2021 08:50	
Work finished	28.07.2021 14:50	06:00

Worktime is 06:00 **Pausetime is 00:00**

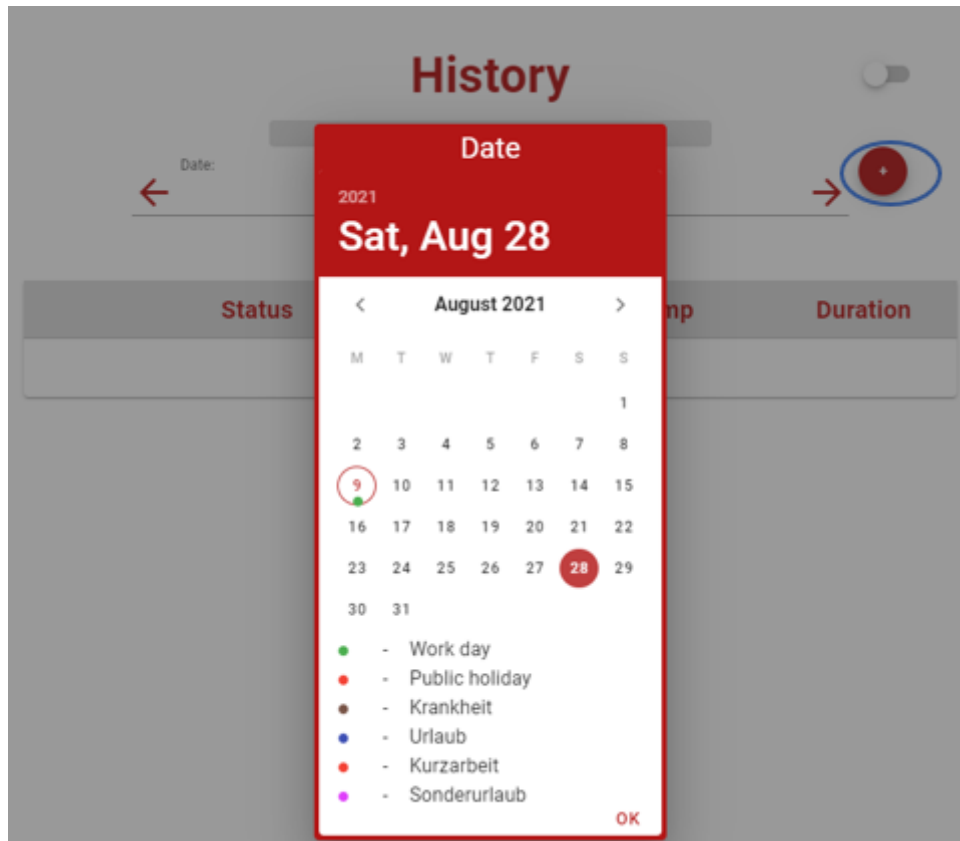
- 02:00

Timeaccount balance -144:55

You can also show and hide the deleted bookings by clicking at the top right corner button in the

history window

Edit History



Step 1: You can also edit history by clicking at the plus button as you can see in the picture to the left.

First, move to the required date on correction using Right and Left arrows. You can also click on the date-line that opens the calendar option to select the required date. Then go to editing.



Step 2: Go to the Status section and select the required option from the drop-down list.

Edit history

Status	Timestamp	Time
Work started	28.07.2021	08:50
Work finished	28.07.2021	17:50
+		00:00

Comment
Work Finished Time was wrongly posted

0 / 400

SAVE

Step 3: Include the required information, for instance, change the work finished time from 14:50 to 17:50. Then click the Save button. Confirm if the changes are correct to be saved. Click on Ok, if you want to save the changes. If no action is required, click outside the edit window to cancel the action.

Note: Include comments since they are mandatory in this case.

Furthermore, please consider the sequence while entering the timely data. They must be in the correct order, otherwise, the line will be marked in red and no further action can be taken. For example, if you try to include work that started at **10:55** and ends at **09:54**. It will be marked in red. See below:


Edit history

Status	Timestamp	Time
Work started	28.07.2021	10:55
Work finished	28.07.2021	09:54
+		00:00

Comment
Work finished time was wrongly put

34 / 400

SAVE

If deemed necessary, use the Trash can  on the right side of each record in order to delete the wrongly put data. Then confirm the deletion.

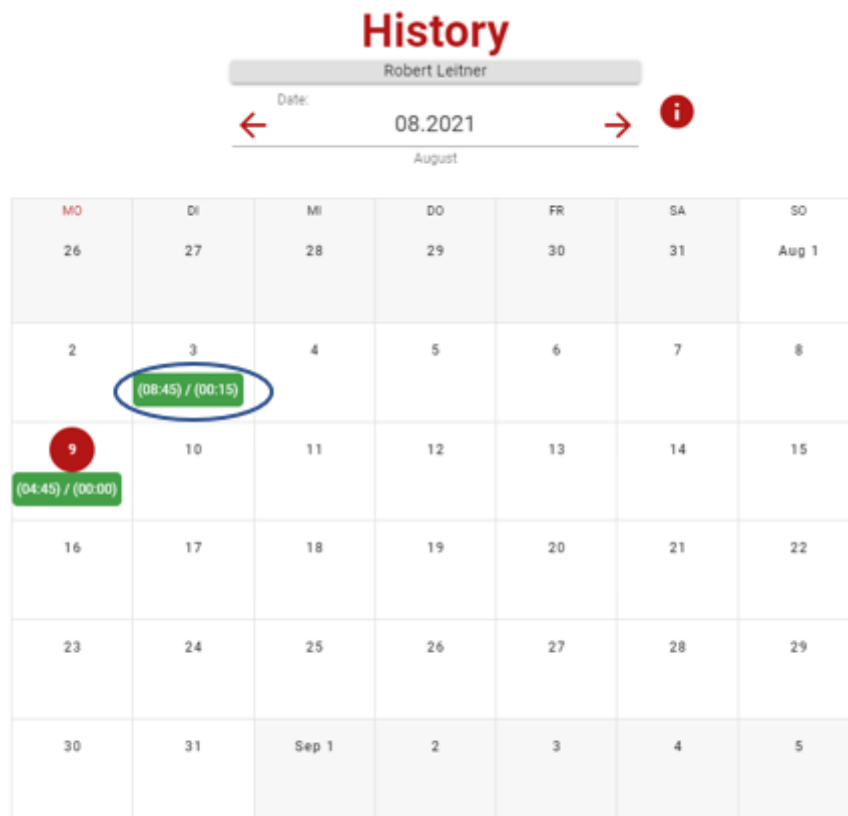
Monthly History View

The total hours spent during the month can also be viewed in COBI.time at a glance. Based on the show information window, you can click on the open monthly history button as shown below.



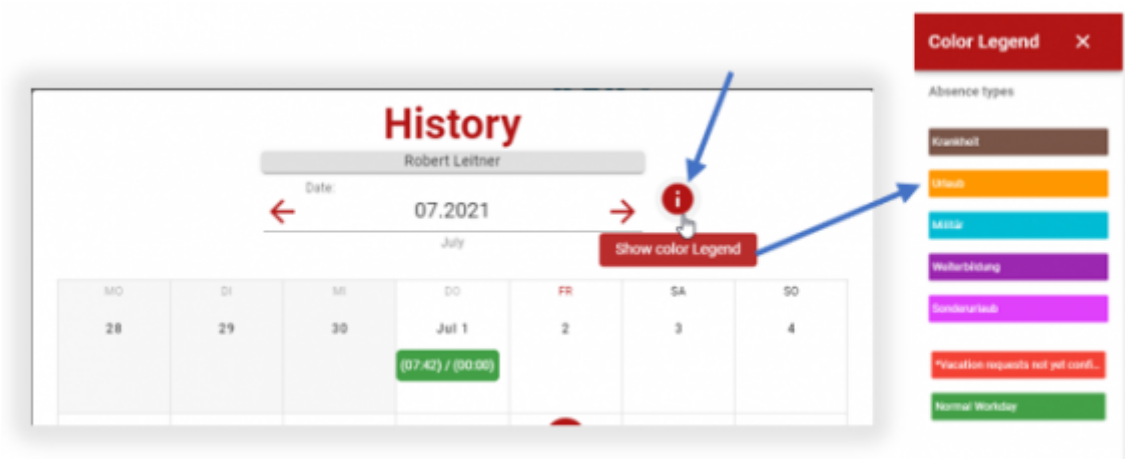
Then the window below opens, and you can view the selected months' time account balance and status of each day-time record in the month.

Edit history: it is available from this section. Click on the respective date that requires editing. For example, select the date July 07, 2021, from the table on the left. Then the records will be ready for editing. (Follow the steps similar to the Edit history section)



Timeaccount balance -195:25

Legend Colour selection: You can also choose the legend color of preference for each status on display.



Monthly time report: Another option available in the show information window is the selection of the monthly time report.

The image shows a user profile for Robert Leitner. It includes a silhouette placeholder for a profile picture, the name 'Robert Leitner', and a status of 'Present'. Below this, it lists 'Today's working hours' with 05:12 hours worked, 00:00 hours pause, and 01:00 hours pause time left. A balance of -194:58 hours is shown. A 'Time Report' button is highlighted with a red circle and a blue arrow. Below the main information, a 'Total vacation: 15,00 Days' section contains four data boxes: 'open : 15,00', 'planned : 00,00', 'taken : 00,00', and 'unconfirmed : 01,00'.

open	:	15,00	planned	:	00,00
taken	:	00,00	unconfirmed	:	01,00

Once you click on the **Time report** button  , automatically the existing month's report is displayed. (See for more details in section Report procedures.)

Absence Overview and Absence Request

In this section, we see how to display absence overviews and request for an absence. The absence reasons could be vacations, sick leave, etc.

Absence Overview

Absence overview can be displayed through **Administration** → **Absence** Overview. The display can be individual or group of employees depending on the specified data for selection. Let's assume we need to display the overview for all employees, then it looks like this:

Absence Overview

Administration ← SELECT USER choose absence type 🗑️ ↺ 📌

<< < 01.08.2021 - 30.08.2021 > >>

Search	1 Su	2 Mo	3 Tu	4 We	5 Th	6 Fr	7 Sa	8 Su	9 Mo	10 Tu	11 We	12 Th	13 Fr	14 Sa
Robert Leitner Remaining Holiday: 15 📌			W						W					
Conrad Lübke		W												
Cathrin Fröhlich Remaining Holiday: 5		W	W	W					W					
Bernhard Heinrich														
George Keeng														
Michael Maier														
Maria Schneider Remaining Holiday: 15														
Kate Milton														
Bill Armstrong														

SAVE

Absence Request

COBI.time | Benutzer: Robert Leitner LOG OUT

Absence Overview

Administration ← SELECT USER choose absence type 🗑️ ↺ 📌

<< < 01.08.2021 - 30.08.2021 > >>

August

Search	1 Su	2 Mo	3 Tu	4 We	5 Th	6 Fr	7 Sa	8 Su	9 Mo	10 Tu	11 We	12 Th	13 Fr	14 Sa	15 Su	16 Mo	17 Tu	18 We	19 Th	20 Fr	21 Sa	22 Su	23 Mo	24 Tu	25 We	26 Th	27 Fr	28 Sa	29 Su	30 Mo		
Robert Leitner Remaining Holiday: 15 📌						W			W																							
Conrad Lübke		W																														
Cathrin Fröhlich Remaining Holiday: 5		W	W	W					W																							
Bernhard Heinrich																																
George Keeng																																
Michael Maier																																
Maria Schneider Remaining Holiday: 15																																
Kate Milton																																
Bill Armstrong																																

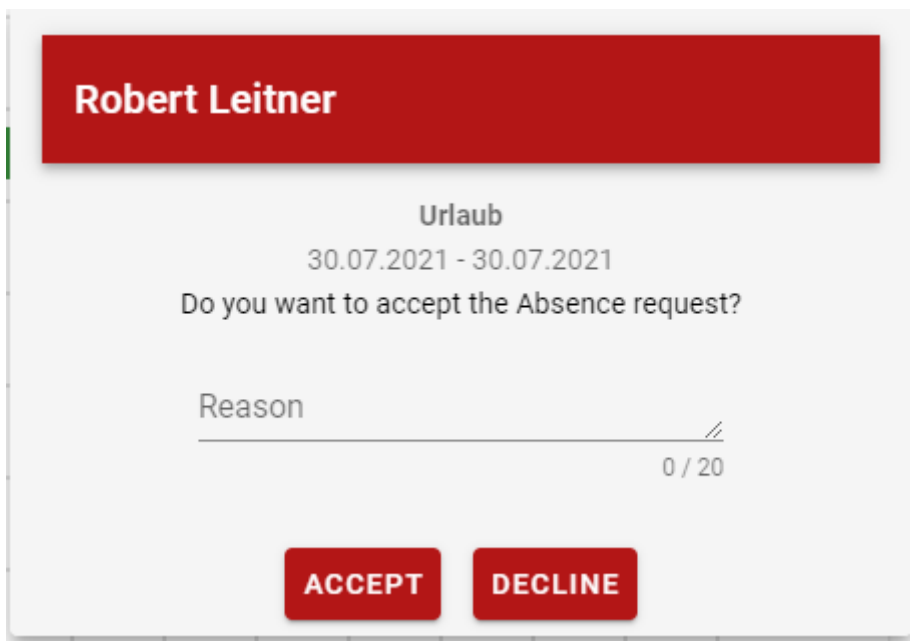
Changes: 0 Added: 2 Deleted: 0 Decline: 0 SAVE

COBI.time Version: 1.0.0

It is also possible to add or remove the absence request from the Absence overview window. Click on the required date to add the absence request. Provide reasons for absence. Then save the changes when required. Before saving, the date column on selection will become half coloured.




Absence request approval procedures can also be carried out from this section. Click on the pending information on absence for approval and confirm the acceptance or rejection of the request.



Then Provide the reason and click on Accept or Decline.

Another procedure for Absence Request goes through the main menu àAbsence Request. The absence status could be for a number of reasons such as Sick leave, vacation, public holidays, reduced time of work, or other. To do this,

Step 1: Click on the display button  on the top left corner of the main window. Then click on

Absence request.  Absence request

Step 2: Provide the reason for the absence from the drop-down list. And also, the date that this absence to be applicable for. Notice that the legend colour for each type of activity is displayed below the calendar table.



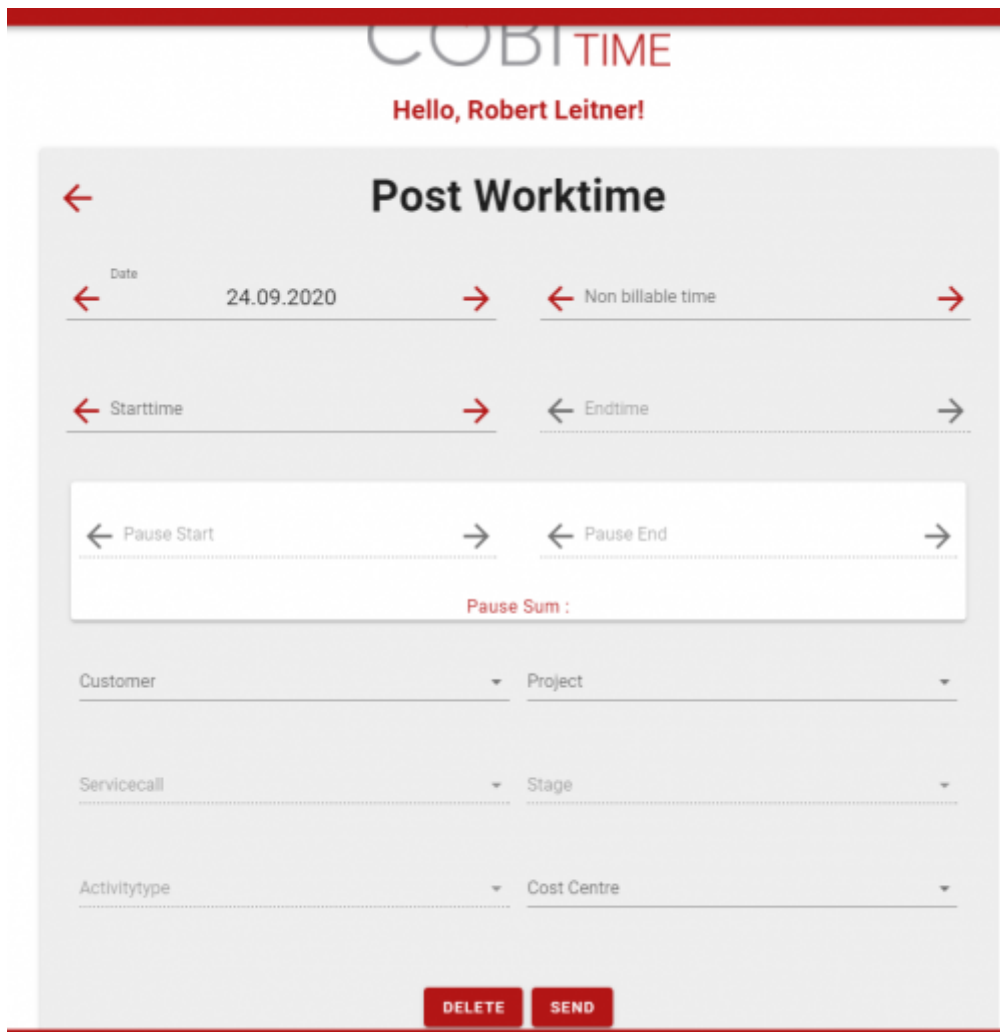
Step 3: Click on **Request Absence**

Note: Once the absence is requested, whoever the manager in COBI.time is or the team leader in the respective department will get the notification. Then the approval decision will be made.

Working with Manual Timekeeping and User Administration

Manual Timekeeping

The Manual Timekeeping process provides detailed information for you to include in order to record work time. Manual timekeeping can flexibly be used especially for teams with flexible schedules. To organize timekeeping with manual entry, use Manual Timekeeping to allow you to log your time expenses with a detailed breakdown of the time spent. The details you are required to include are date, Nonbillable time, Start and End time, Break-time, Customer, Project, Service call, project stage, activity type, and cost centre.



Step 1

Open Manual Timekeeping window

Main Menu → Manual Timekeeping

Step 2

Enter the required information; for instance, Date, Nonbillable time, start time, end time, pause time, customer, project type, Service call, Project stage, Activity type, and cost centre.

Step 3

To complete the process, click on **Send** or if you no longer want the data, click on **Delete**. Note: You can only book manually when there is no existing time block. You cannot book time while you are working or work is in progress. Since service calls and projects are permission tied, you may find the display empty unless there exists an ongoing process. You can add a cost center in this section and nowhere else.

Administration

The application of the Administration section of COBI.time enables account administrators to manage

the individual users and lets them configure a number of settings for each user account. The functionalities in detail are given below:

User Administration

This section displays the available user data in COBI.time. The main user administration screen provides information about SAP Employees Id, Employees Name, SAP User Code, SAP external employee Code, User groups, and Actions.

The screenshot shows the 'Useradministration' screen. On the left is a sidebar with 'Administration' selected. The main area features a search bar and a table of users. The table has columns for selection, SAPEmpID, Name, SAP Usercode, SAP external Employeecode, Usergroups, and Actions. The 'SAP IMPORT' button is visible in the top right corner of the main area.


<input type="checkbox"/>	SAPEmpID	Name	SAP Usercode	SAP external Employeecode	Usergroups	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Robert Leitner	manager		2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Conrad Lübke	conrad		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	Cathrin Fröhlich	cathrin		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	Bernhard Heinrich	bernhard		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	6	George Keeng	george		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	8	Michael Maier	michael		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	9	Maria Schneider	maria		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	10	Kate Milton	kate		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	11	Bill Armstrong	bill		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	7	Vicky Schmidt	vicky		2, 3	

You can manage user account as per your requirements. This, you can manage in: Import SAP user.

Import SAP User

Importing SAP user data is an available function in COBI.time. For data transfer execution, access to SAP users is required. Once you click on SAP Import button from the Top Right Corner of the User Administration screen, then you see the following screen displayed:

Import SAP User

Start password: 

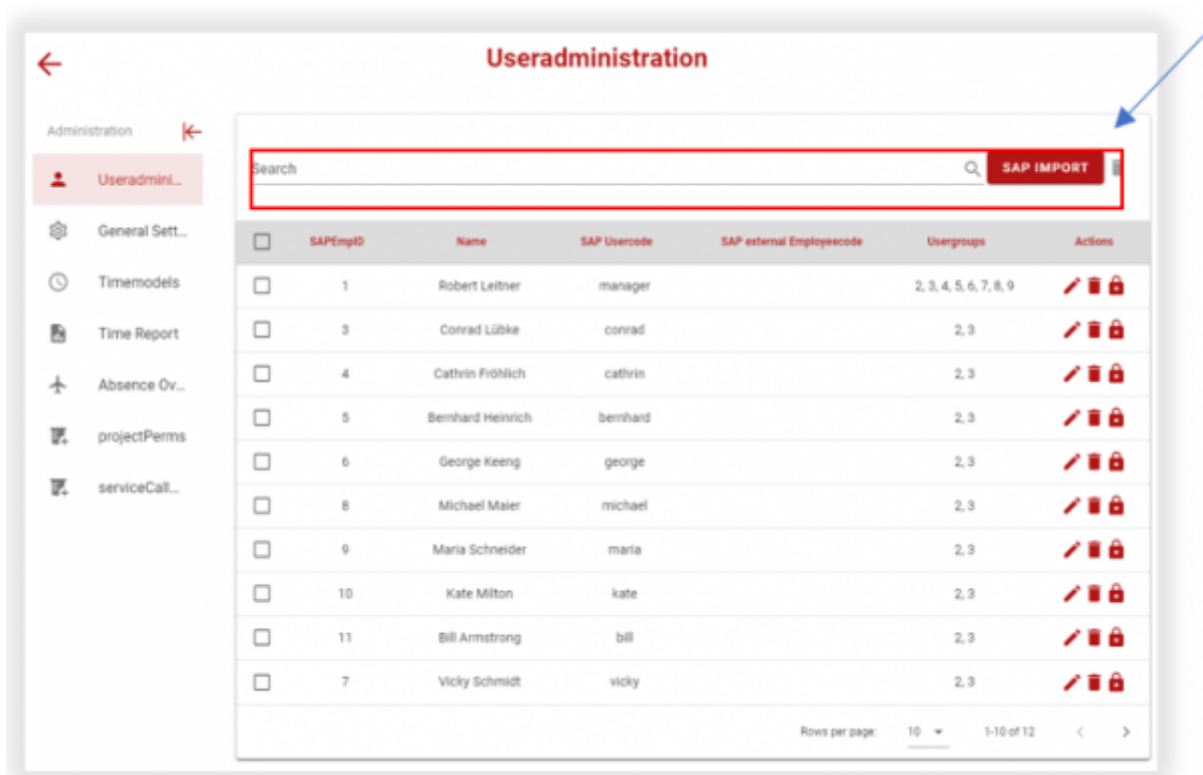
Search

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	SAP Ext. Nr.	SAP Usercode
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	James Chan		james
<input type="checkbox"/>	Julie Bowens		julie
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fred Buyer		fred



Rows per page: 10 1-3 of 3 < >

IMPORT USER



Give a password, search and select the required user data, then click on Import User. To return back or cancel, click outside the import user window.

































Useradministration

Administration  


- Useradmin...
- General Sett...
- Timemodels
- Time Report
- Absence Ov...
- projectPerms
- serviceCall...

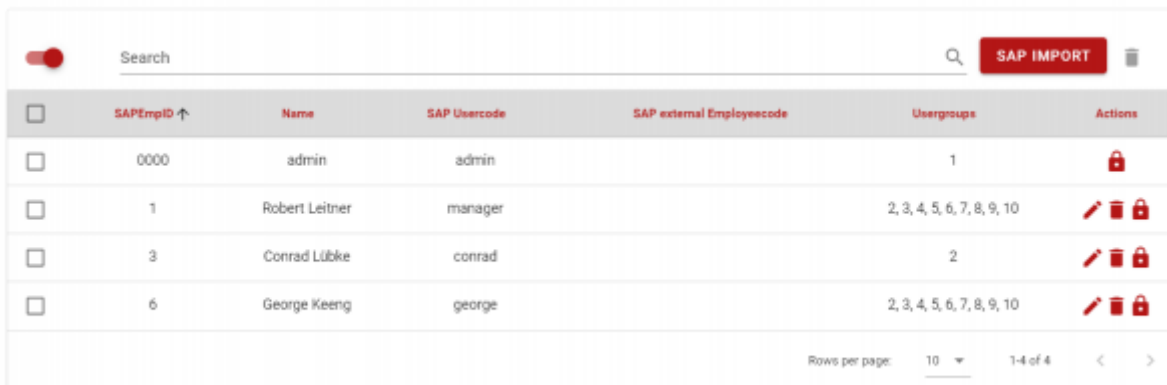
Search  **SAP IMPORT** 

<input type="checkbox"/>	SAPEmpID	Name	SAP Usercode	SAP external Employeecode	Usergroups	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Robert Leitner	manager		2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	  
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Conrad Lübke	conrad		2, 3	  
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	Cathrin Fröhlich	cathrin		2, 3	  
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	Bernhard Heinrich	bernhard		2, 3	  
<input type="checkbox"/>	6	George Keeng	george		2, 3	  
<input type="checkbox"/>	8	Michael Maier	michael		2, 3	  
<input type="checkbox"/>	9	Maria Schneider	maria		2, 3	  
<input type="checkbox"/>	10	Kate Milton	kate		2, 3	  
<input type="checkbox"/>	11	Bill Armstrong	bill		2, 3	  
<input type="checkbox"/>	7	Vicky Schmidt	vicky		2, 3	  

Rows per page: 10 1-10 of 12 < >

How to search user account from the available list, click on the search field and put a keyword to help you in finding the user account. Then, select the relevant user.

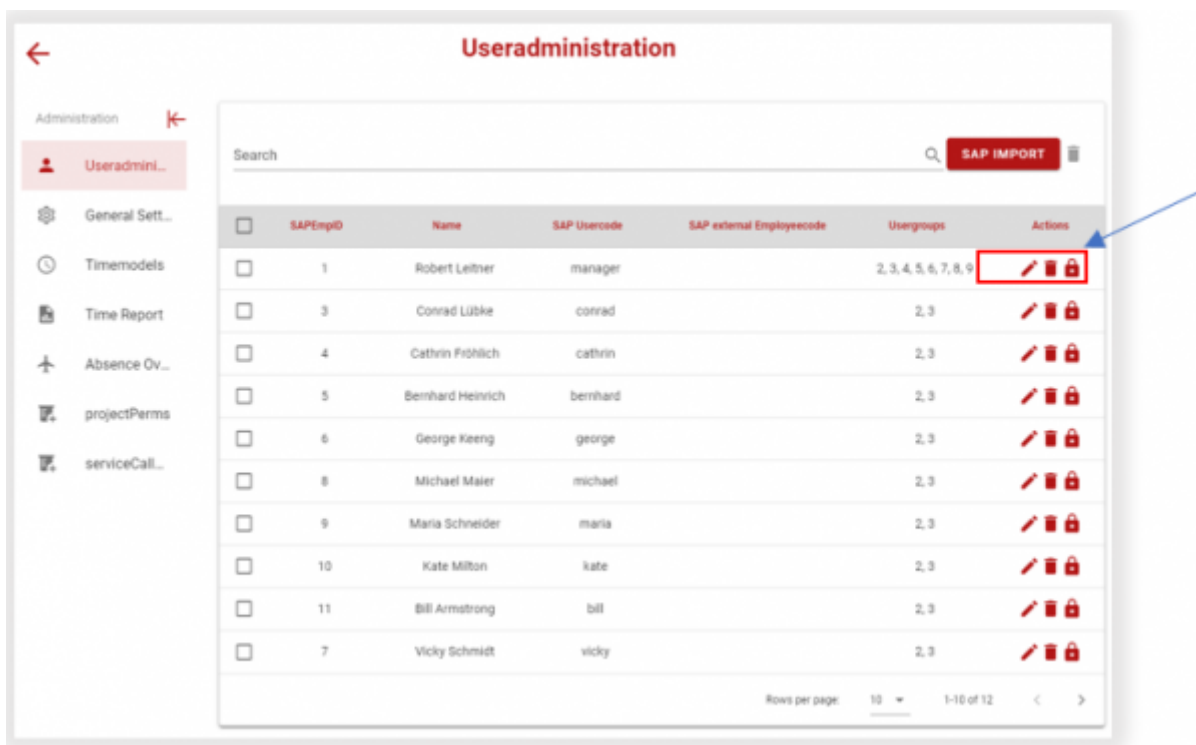
Note: You can also have an option to hide or show inactive users. Click on the icon  left side of the search field.



<input type="checkbox"/>	SAPEmpID ↑	Name	SAP Usercode	SAP external Employeecode	Usergroups	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	0000	admin	admin		1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Robert Leitner	manager		2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Conrad Lübke	conrad		2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	6	George Keeng	george		2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	

Rows per page: 10 1-4 of 4

How to edit, delete, and reset password



<input type="checkbox"/>	SAPEmpID	Name	SAP Usercode	SAP external Employeecode	Usergroups	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Robert Leitner	manager		2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Conrad Lübke	conrad		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	Cathrin Fröhlich	cathrin		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	Bernhard Heinrich	bernhard		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	6	George Keeng	george		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	8	Michael Maier	michael		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	9	Maria Schneider	maria		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	10	Kate Milton	kate		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	11	Bill Armstrong	bill		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	7	Vicky Schmidt	vicky		2, 3	

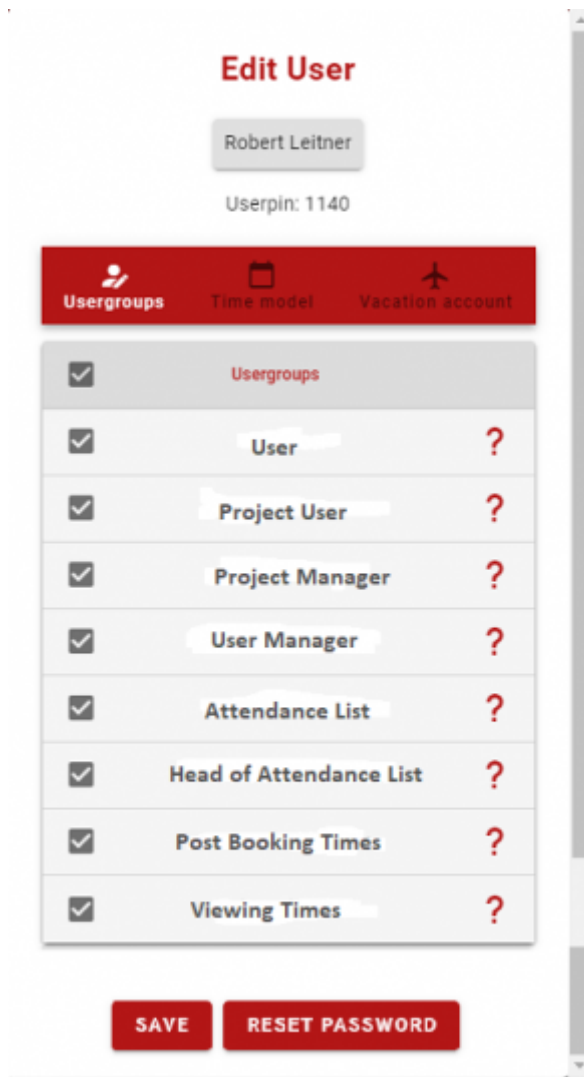
Rows per page: 10 1-10 of 12

Edit

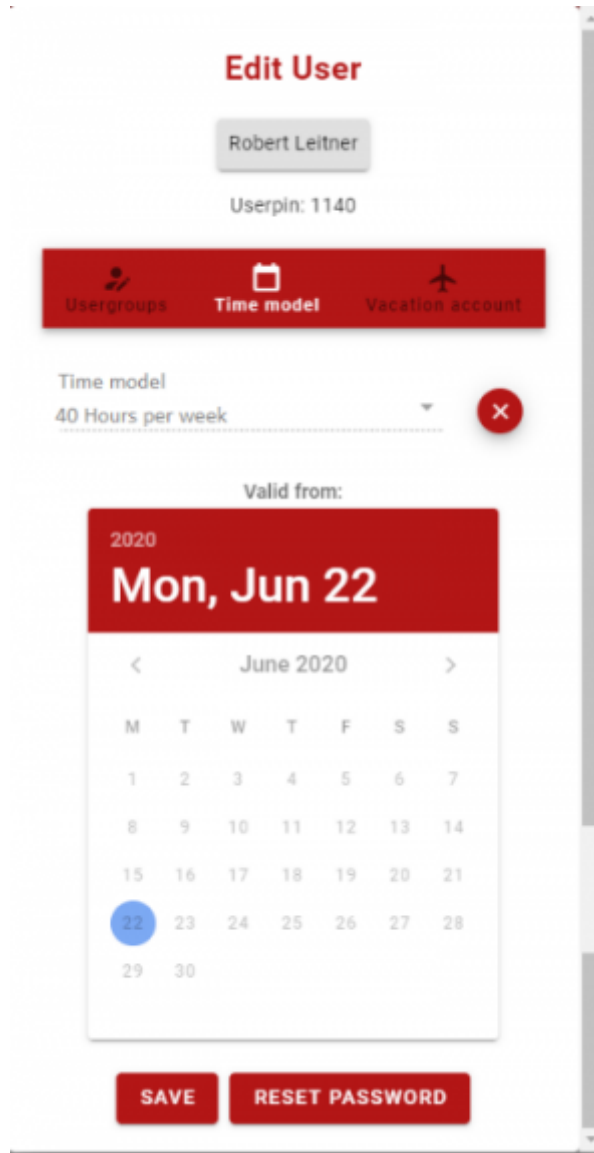
The Edit User screen provides an option to deal with user group identifications. You can select as many user groups as per user depending on the status of each user. Then the user can have access to each relevant group data in COBI.time. You can also view and work on the user required time model and vacation account.

User Group Selection Option:

Select as many user groups as you can depending on the user authorization status. Then the user has access to each selected group data accordingly.



Time Model



Once you click on the Time Model tab of the Edit User window, you can have a time model and validation date displayed.

Note: You have a separate section on time models (section 3.2.3 on page 25) where you can add **daily- and weekly models** as required by your business.

Remove Time Account

Remove Timeaccount

Closing date (At 00:00 O'Clock)

Closing date ✕

Create new Timeaccount

Time model ▼

Start value hours 0

Valid from:

2021

<September 2021>

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

SAVE



You can remove the time account at this level by clicking on the **Time model** button from the **screen above**. Then the screen below displays. You can put the relevant data such as closing date to **remove** and **save**. To create a new time account, select the checkbox **Create new Timeaccount**, include time model per week, type the start value hours, and select validly from the date (year, month, and date) option. Then click on **Save**.

Vacation account

Edit User

Robert Leitner

Userpin: 4668

Status
In House

Usergroups Time model Vacation account

Yearly vacation days
30

Starting holidays
0

Vacation days expire next year

SAVE RESET PASSWORD

You click on the Vacation account tab of the Edit User window, then it displays the number of vacation days per year. When the vacation days expire the following year, tick the **vacation days expire next year checkbox**.

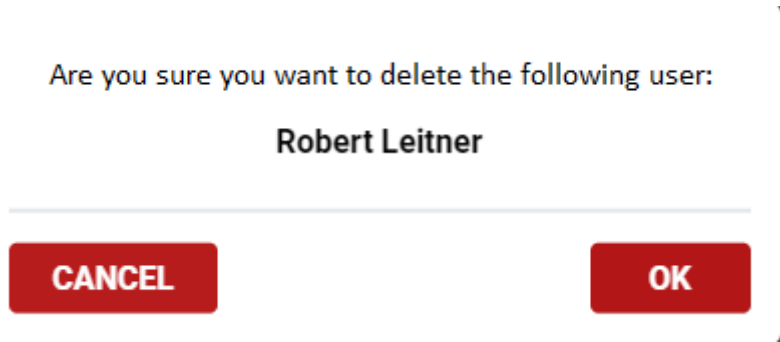
Delete


You want to remove a user account from the list, click on Delete button .

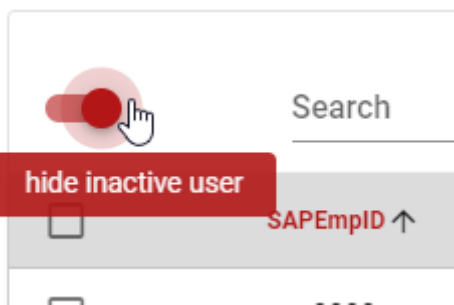
Search SAP IMPORT

<input type="checkbox"/>	SAPEmpID	Name	SAP Usercode	SAP external Employeecode	Usergroups	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Robert Leitner	manager		2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Conrad Lübke	conrad		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	Cathrin Fröhlich	cathrin		2, 3	

A Warning message appears to check whether your decision is correct or not. If it is correct, Click **Ok**.



Note: You cannot delete an employee from the system. COBI.time deletes and hides them. These can be reactivated using hide or show button  from the user administration window.



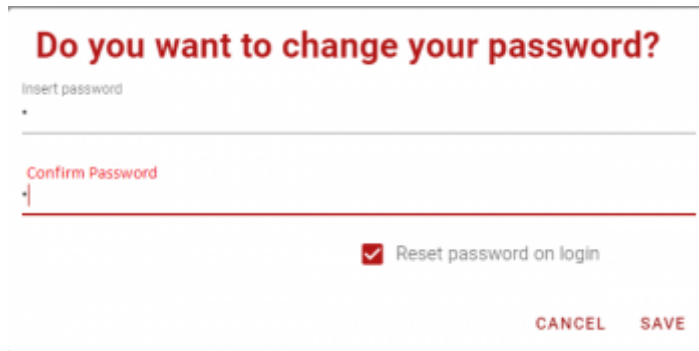
If the employee has a running time account, it first closes the running time account and then deletes it.

Reset/Change Password

Users have an initially assigned password. By first time log in, users can change the **password** and give their own. You can reset or change the password to each user as required. To do this, select the relevant user and click on the Reset password button.

<input type="checkbox"/>	SAPEmpID	Name	SAP Usercode	SAP external Employeecode	Usergroups	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Robert Leitner	manager		2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Conrad Lübke	conrad		2, 3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	Cathrin Fröhlich	cathrin		2, 3	

Insert the preferred password and confirm. Then click on **Save**.



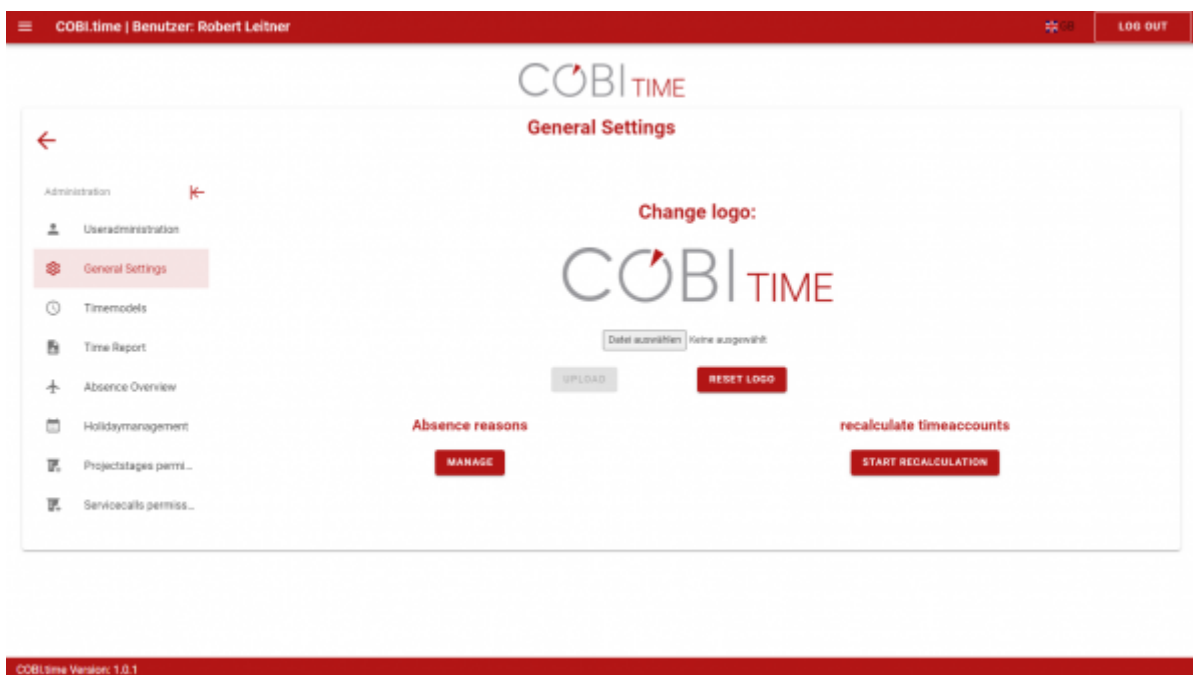
The dialog box has a red header "Do you want to change your password?". Below it are two input fields: "Insert password" and "Confirm Password". A checkbox labeled "Reset password on login" is checked. At the bottom right are "CANCEL" and "SAVE" buttons.

General Setting

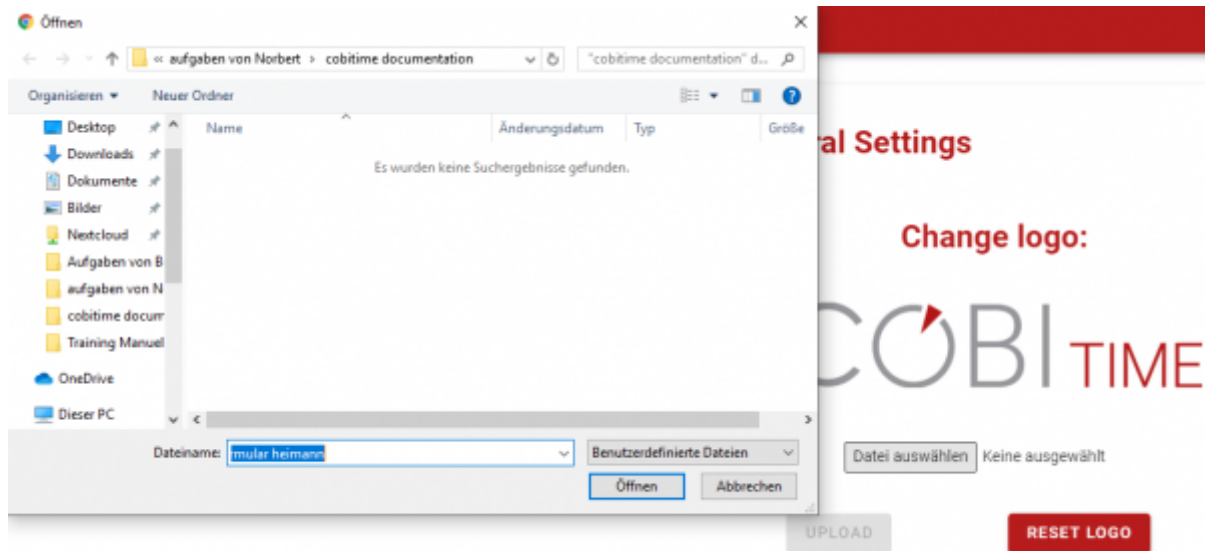
In order to work with the general setting, you need to click General settings from the main menu list.

Main Menu ⇒ Administration ⇒ General Settings

Then the following window displays:



In this section, you can **change the logo** by selecting the **select data** option . Then you can add a new Logo by uploading it. Click on File selection, and **open** the required file name or image from the list of Logos available. In our example, there is no existing Logo to work with.



Reset Logo: This action will be taken to delete the current logo and revert back the original logo.

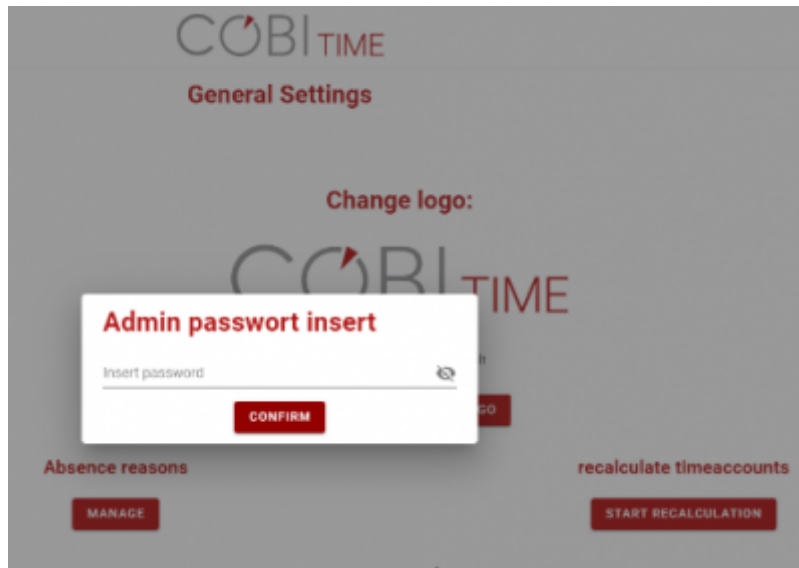
You can also manage Absence reasons by selecting the **Manage** button. Once you click on Manage, the window on the left displays. Then select which reason for absence to be in this context or add a new absence reason by clicking at the plus sign on the top right corner of the screen. Then click on **Save Absence**.

Absence Administration

Requestable	id	Name	Farbcode
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1	Name Krankheit	Farbcode Brown
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2	Name Urlaub	Farbcode Indigo
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	Name Kurzarbeit	Farbcode Red
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4	Name Sonderurlaub	Farbcode Violet

SAVE ABSENCE

Another option available here is to recalculate time accounts. You do this by clicking on the start Recalculation button. However, it requires an admin password to proceed. Give the correct admin password and click on confirm. Then it will recalculate time accounts automatically.

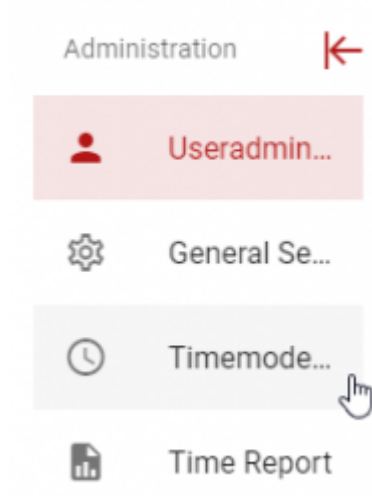


Time models

In the application, you can set the working time account according to your requirements. For instance, how do you want the daily time model or weekly time model to look like and displayed in?

You can open the **Time Models window** from the main menu. To do this,

Main menu ⇒ Administration ⇒ Time Models



Setting Daily Time Model:

For a particular working day, you can **add**, **edit**, or **delete** a Daily model name and the necessary information.

Add New Daily Model

Step 1: Add a new daily model:

Main Menu → Administration → Time models → Add Daily model

Timemodels

ADD DAILYMODEL

id	Name	Bemerkung	Actions
1	8 Stunden Arbeitstag		
2	Arbeitsfrei		

Rows per page: 10 1-2 of 2

ADD WEEKLYMODEL

id	Name	Bemerkung	Actions
1	40 Stunden Woche		

Rows per page: 10 1-1 of 1

Step 2: Include the relevant data such as a daily model name, standard daily work time, start and end work time, Pause (break time) as well as comments in the displayed window.

New Daily Model

Dailymodel name Debit Worktime

0 / 50

Worktime

Come

Go

Pauses

Pause 1 in hours

Remark

0 / 254

ADD DAILYMODEL

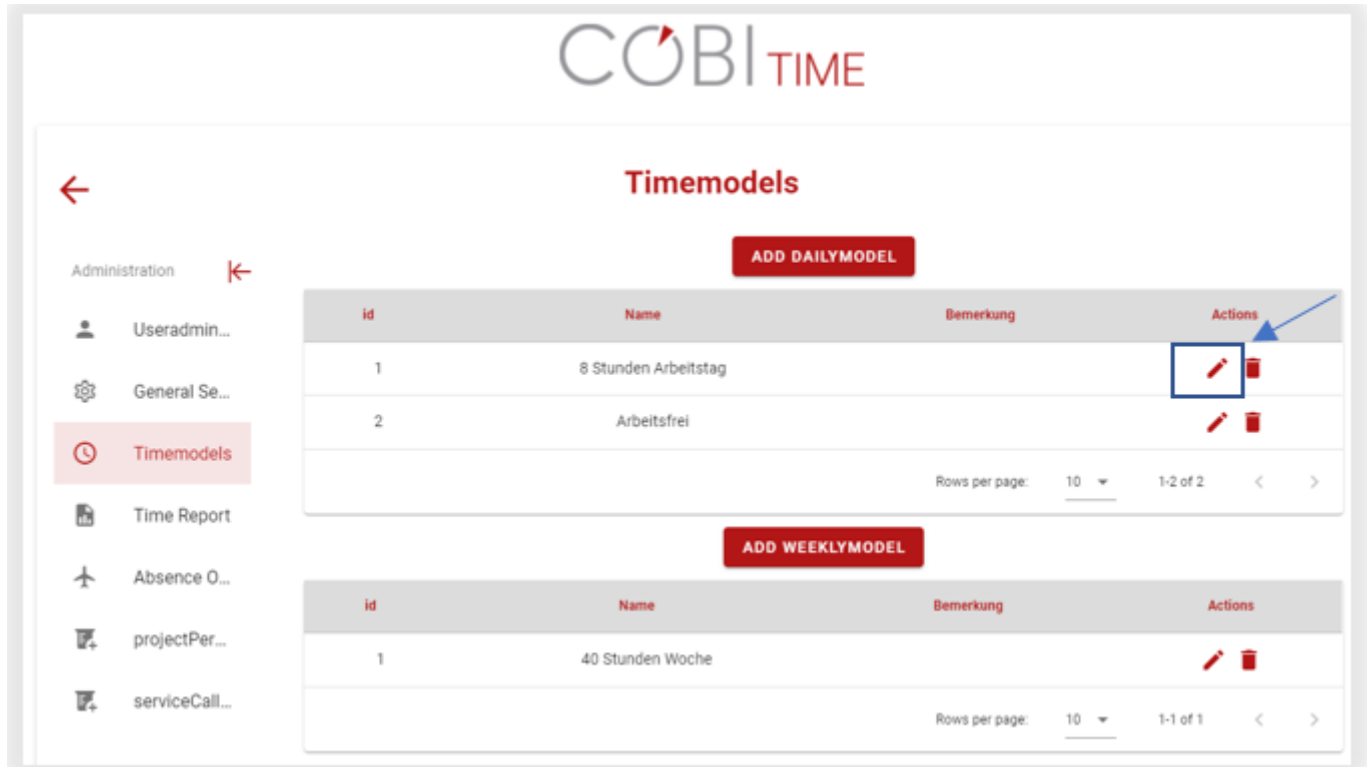
Step 3: Click on Add Daily model button

Note: If no action is required and want to cancel it, click outside the **Time models** window

Edit Daily Model

Editing the daily model of the existing records is applicable in COBI.time. To do this:

Step 1: click on the **Edit button**



Step 2: Take an action to make the necessary changes i.e., editing the data that requires any Change

Edit Daily Model

Daily model name
8 Stunden Arbeitstag

Debit Worktime
08:00

20 / 50

Worktime

Come
08:00

Go
17:00

Pauses

Pause 1 in hours
01:00

Remark

0 / 254

SAVE DAILYMODEL

Step 3: To save changes, click on Save Daily model

Delete Daily Model

Deleting the daily model is possible only if there is no active time account with a weekly model that is connected to this daily model. For those in active time account that requires deletion, use the Delete button to take the action of deletion. To do this:

Step 1: Click on the **Delete button**.

Timemodels

ADD DAILYMODEL

id	Name	Bemerkung	Actions
1	8 Stunden Arbeitstag		
2	Arbeitsfrei		

Rows per page: 10 1-2 of 2

ADD WEEKLYMODEL

id	Name	Bemerkung	Actions
1	40 Stunden Woche		

Rows per page: 10 1-1 of 1

Step 2: Read the message carefully. If the decision is correct, click on **OK** to delete the record. If you are unsure about that, click on **Cancel**.

Do you really want to delet the time model '8 hours working day'?

CANCEL **OK**





Setting weekly Time Model

Similar to the daily time model setting, you can also add, edit or delete the weekly time model. The weekly time gets calculated automatically. This depends on every workday you selected in the daily models. However, when editing is required, do this:

Add New Weekly model



Timemodels

[ADD DAILYMODEL](#)

id	Name	Bemerkung	Actions
1	8 Stunden Arbeitstag		 
2	Arbeitsfrei		 

Rows per page: 10 1-2 of 2 < >

[ADD WEEKLYMODEL](#)

id	Name	Bemerkung	Actions
1	40 Stunden Woche		 

Rows per page: 10 1-1 of 1 < >

Step 1: Main Menu → Administration → Time models → Add weekly model

New Weekly Model

Weeklymodel name: 40 Weeklyworktime: 56:00

2 / 50

Monday	8 Stunden Arbeitstag	X
Tuesday	8 Stunden Arbeitstag	X
Wednesday	8 Stunden Arbeitstag	X
Thursday	8 Stunden Arbeitstag	X
Friday	8 Stunden Arbeitstag	X
Saturday	8 Stunden Arbeitstag	X
Sunday	8 Stunden Arbeitstag	X

Empty the timeaccount to month start (Temporary basis for example.)

Remark

0 / 254

ADD WEEKLYMODEL

Step 2: Include the relevant data such as the weekly model name and weekly work time.

Step 3: For each day of the week, you can select the standard working time or any available data from the list. It could be 8 hours of standard work times or free work time. You can also add remarks if deemed necessary.

New Weekly Model

Weeklymodel name: 40 Weeklyworktime: 08:00

2 / 50

Monday	8 Stunden Arbeitstag	X
--------	----------------------	---

Step 4: Click on Add weekly model button





Edit weekly model

Editing the weekly model of the existing records is also available in COBI.time. To do this:

Step 1: Main Menu → Administration → Time models → then click on the **Edit button** as shown below



Working time account

ADD DAILYMODEL

id	Name	Bemerkung	Actions
1	8 Stunden Arbeitstag		 
2	Arbeitsfrei		 

Rows per page: 10 ▾ 1-2 of 2 < >

ADD WEEKLYMODEL

id	Name	Bemerkung	Actions
1	40 Stunden Woche		 

Rows per page: 10 ▾ 1-1 of 1 < >

Step 2: Take an action to make the necessary changes i.e., editing the data that requires any Change.

New Weekly Model

Weeklymodel name Weeklyworktime

15 / 50

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

Empty the timeaccount to month start (Temporary basis for example.)

Remark

0 / 254

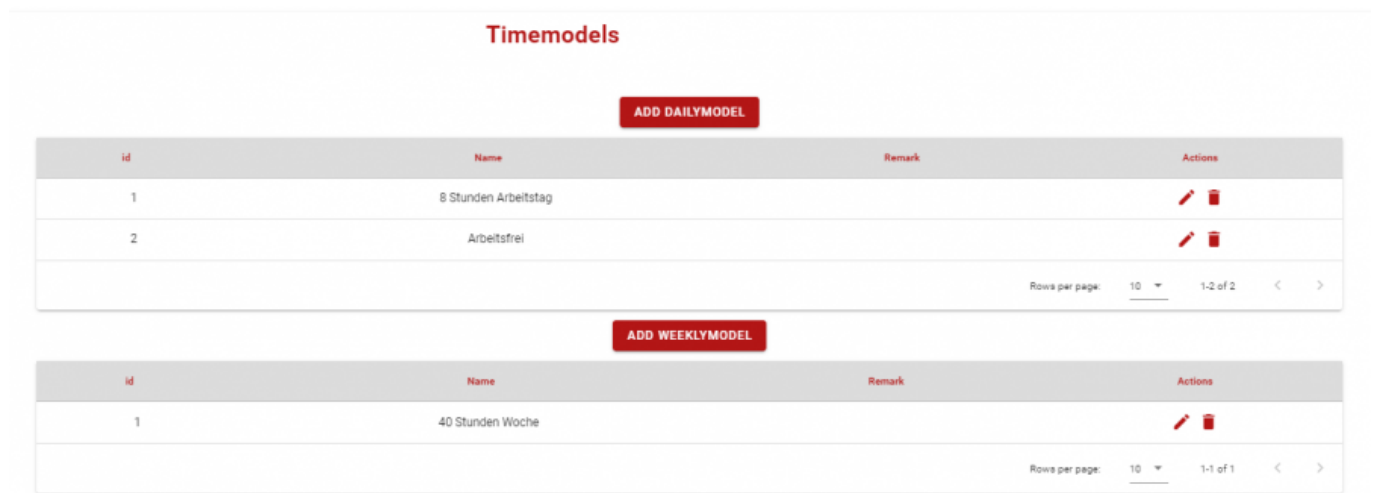
ADD WEEKLYMODEL

Step 3: To save changes, click Save weeklymodel

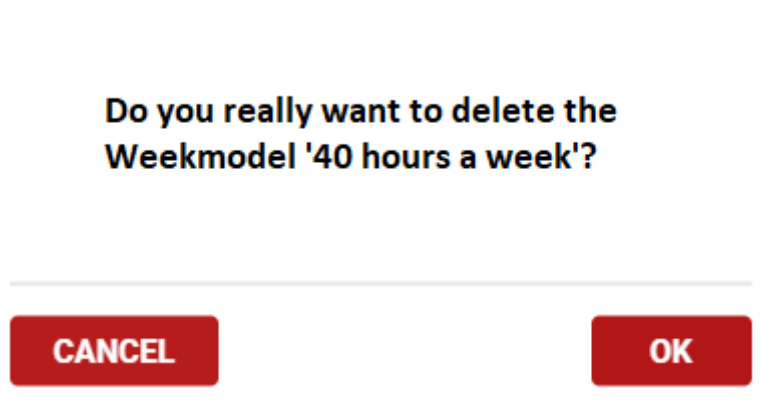
Delete weekly model

Deleting weekly model is possible only if there is no active time account with that weekly model. If deemed necessary therefore, the action will be taken using the **Delete button**. To do this:

Step 1: Click on the **Delete button**.









Step 2: Read the message carefully. If you are sure that you are making the correct decision, click **OK** and the record will be deleted. If you are unsure about that, click **Cancel**.



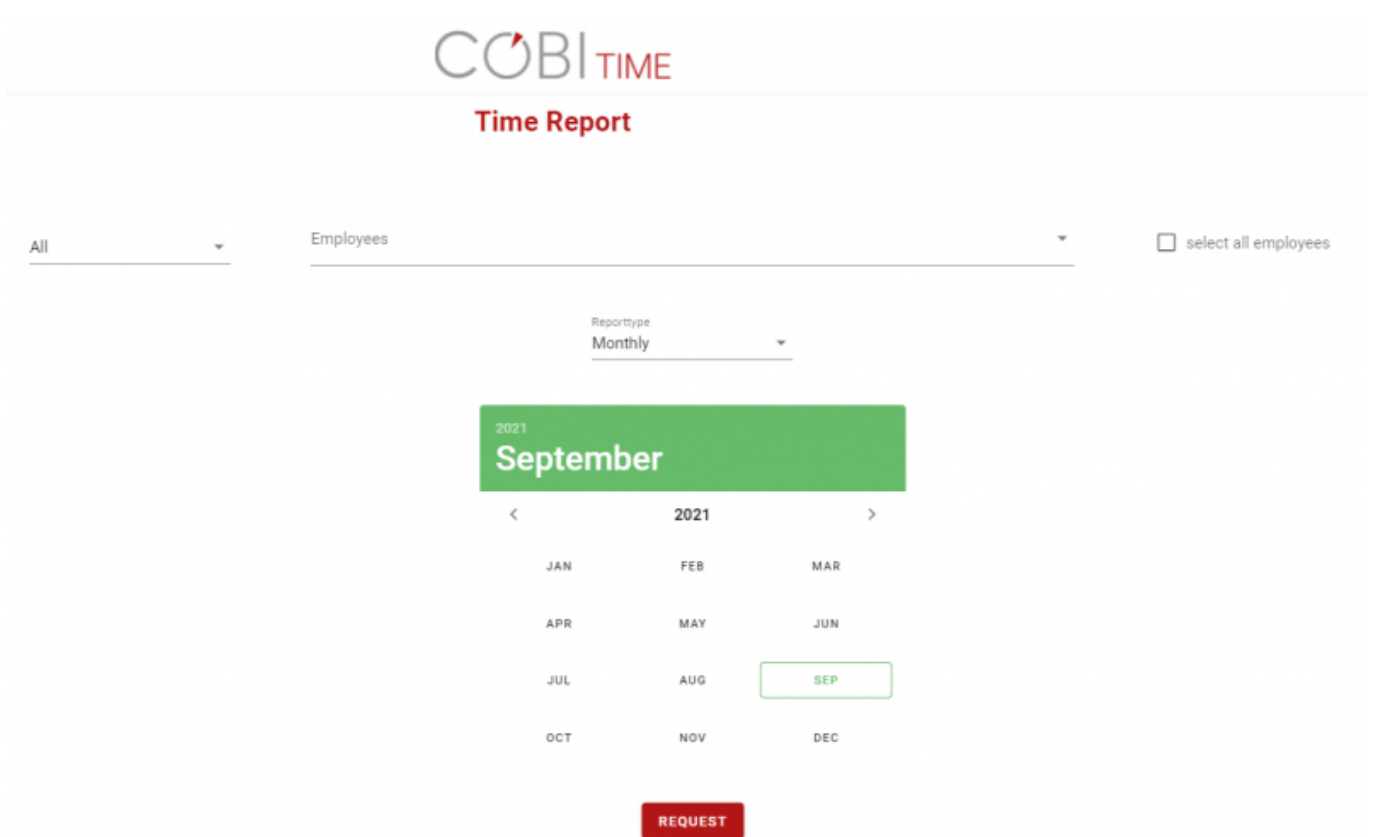
Time Report

In this section, you also have an option to view the time report for a particular period of preference. To open the select time report window, click on the Time report button of the Administration menu.

Main Menu → Administration → Time Report

- Administration 
-  Useradmin...
-  General Se...
-  Timemode...
-  **Time Report**
-  Absence O...

Then it displays:



COBI TIME

Time Report

All Employees select all employees

Reporttype
Monthly

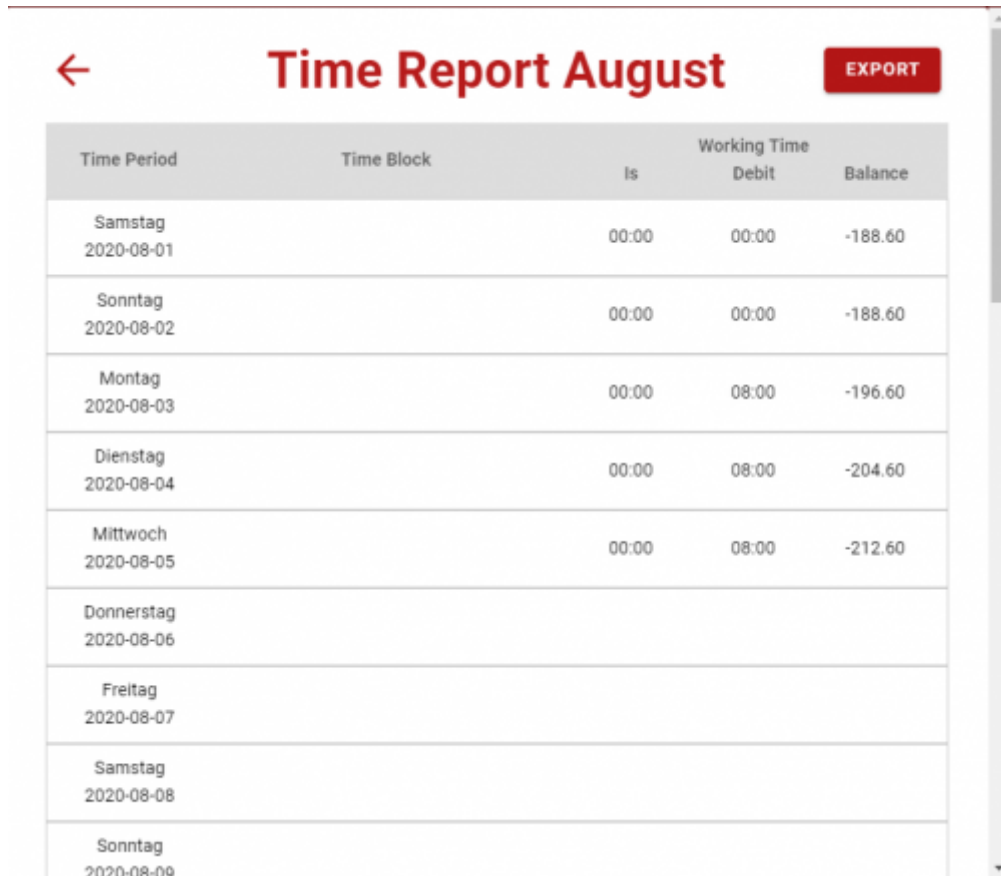
2021
September

< 2021 >

JAN	FEB	MAR
APR	MAY	JUN
JUL	AUG	SEP
OCT	NOV	DEC

REQUEST

Select the relevant user, year, and month for which the report is going to be requested. Then click on **Request**. Finally, you will get the requested period report displayed as:



Time Period	Time Block	Is	Working Time Debit	Balance
Samstag 2020-08-01		00:00	00:00	-188.60
Sonntag 2020-08-02		00:00	00:00	-188.60
Montag 2020-08-03		00:00	08:00	-196.60
Dienstag 2020-08-04		00:00	08:00	-204.60
Mittwoch 2020-08-05		00:00	08:00	-212.60
Donnerstag 2020-08-06				
Freitag 2020-08-07				
Samstag 2020-08-08				
Sonntag 2020-08-09				

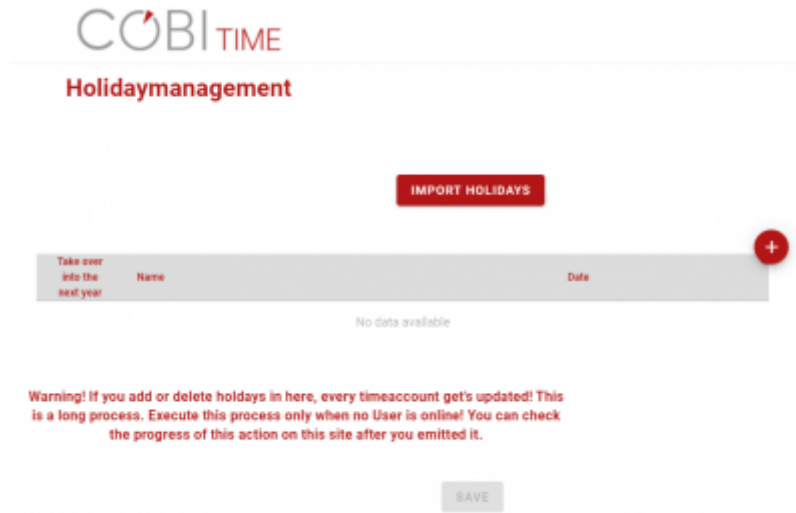
You can produce an Excel file of this report by clicking at the **Export** tab on the top right corner of the opened window.

Holiday Management

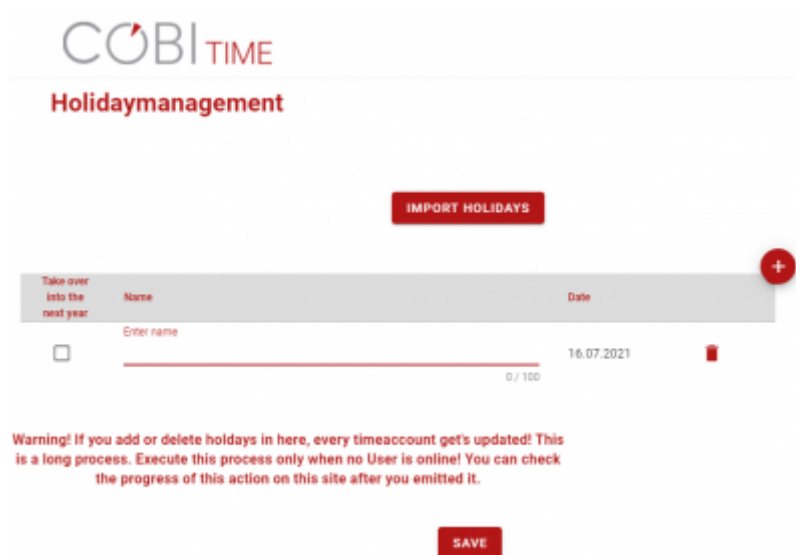
Holiday management is also another available option in COBI.time. You open the Holiday Management window from the main menu as **Administration → Holiday Management**.

Notice:

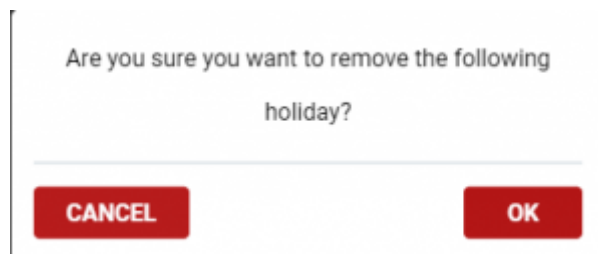
In this section, it is important to notice that ever Time-account gets updated when action on adding or deleting holidays is carried out. Therefore, you have to make sure that no User is online in order to execute the process.



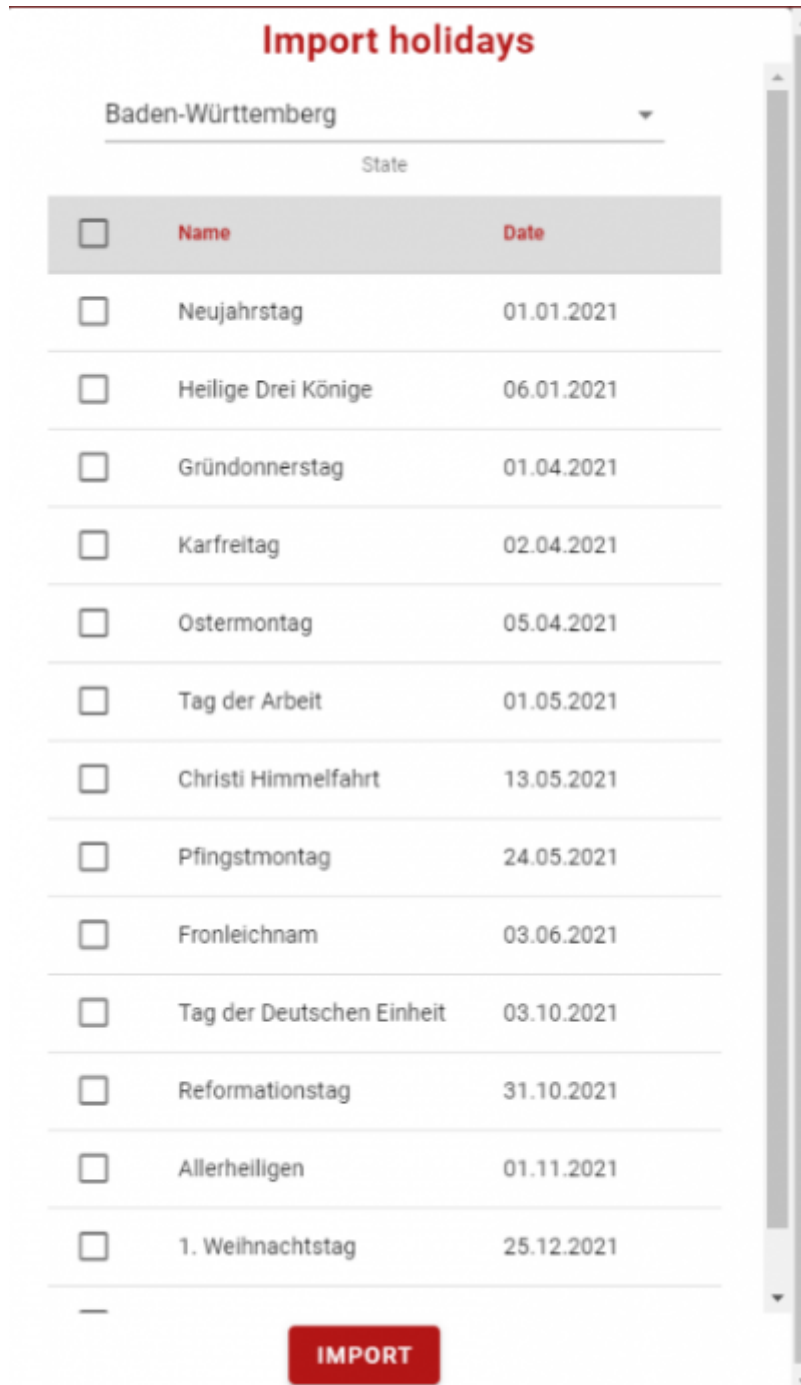
You can create a new holiday by clicking on the plus sign . Include the name and click on **save**. Click on the **Tickbox** if there is a need to take over the holiday name into the next year.



If the holiday name is no more needed, you can remove it by clicking on the Trash button



Click **ok** to confirm the deletion process. If no action is required, click on **Cancel**.



You can also the import Holidays using Import Holidays button . The window on the left displays. Then select from the given list and click on the **Import** button to execute the process.



Note that the yearly holidays depend and created based on the employment starting date.



Annual Holidays 24

Start Holidays 24

In this case, the annual holidays are the number of holiday days an employee gets and assuming that the starting date was January and full holiday days are considered for the current year



Annual Holidays 24

Start Holidays 24

Holiday days expire next year

However, assuming that a new employee started in the middle of the year (in the month of June), then the holiday days for the year will be normally taken as it is 24 days (normally holidays are based on the contract). The employee will have only 12 which are the remaining holidays for the current year. Then in the following year the employee will get the yearly holidays plus the remaining holidays (only if holiday days expire next year option is ticked).



Annual Holidays 24

Start Holidays 12

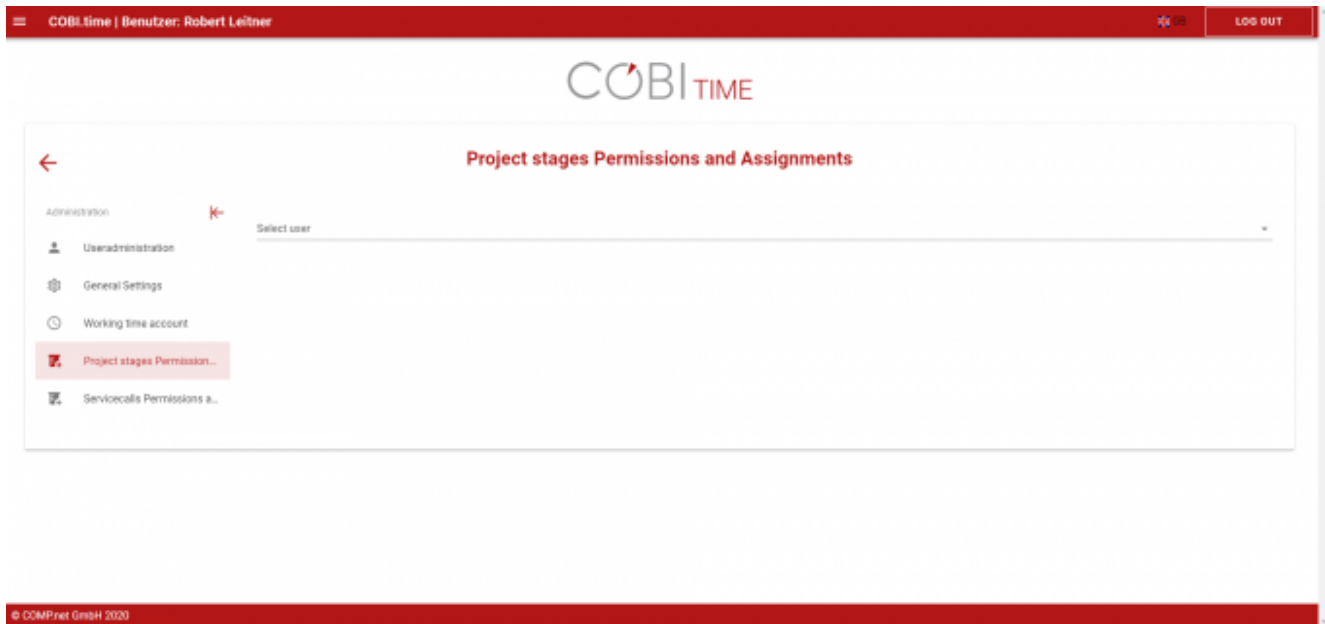
Holiday days expire next year

Then the display will be as

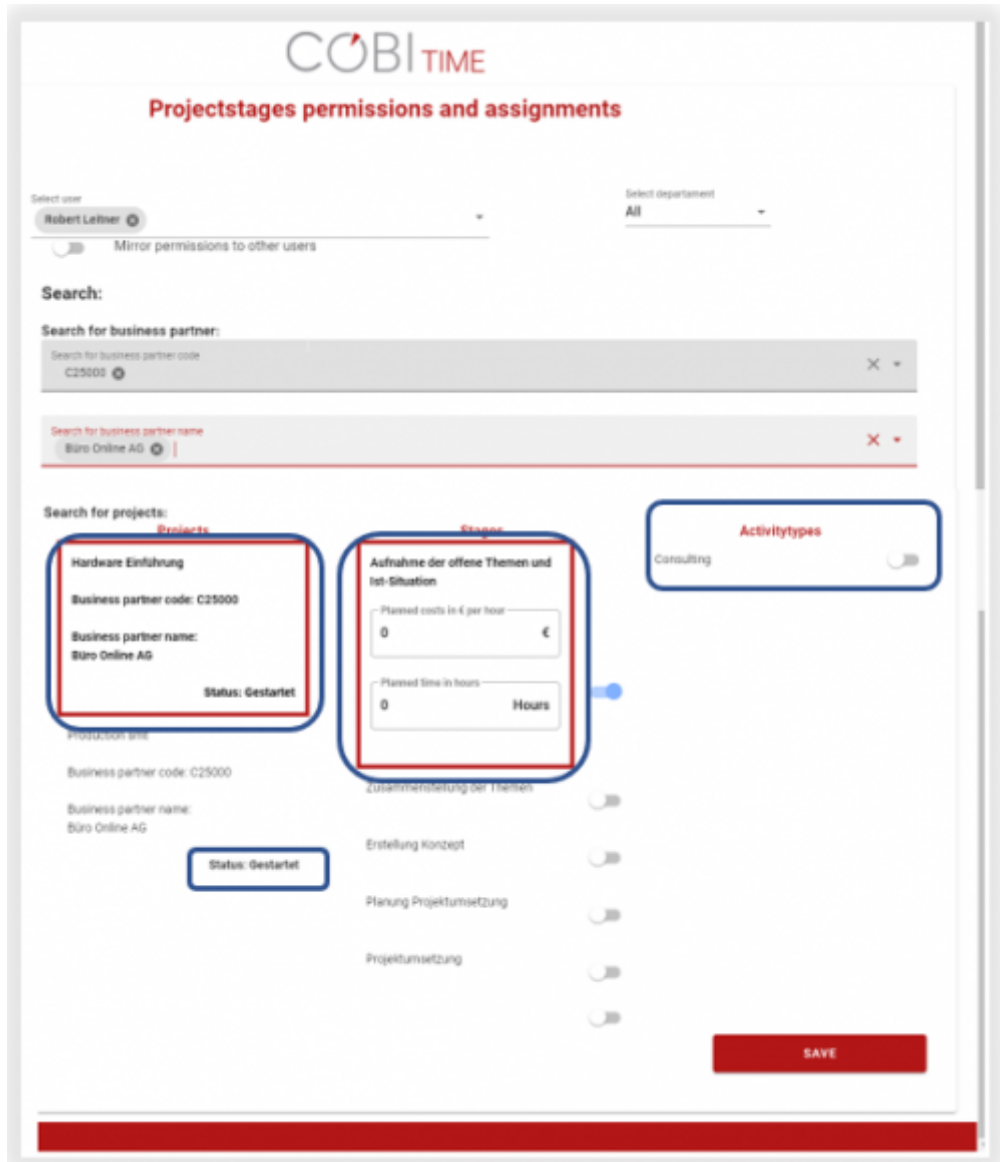
Project Stages Permissions and Assignments

The project stages permissions and assignments section of COBI.time provides an option for you to record the work time for a particular project related to business partners. To select users for action in the project stages permissions and assignments, do this:

Step 1: Main Menu → Administration → Project Stages permissions and assignments → select user

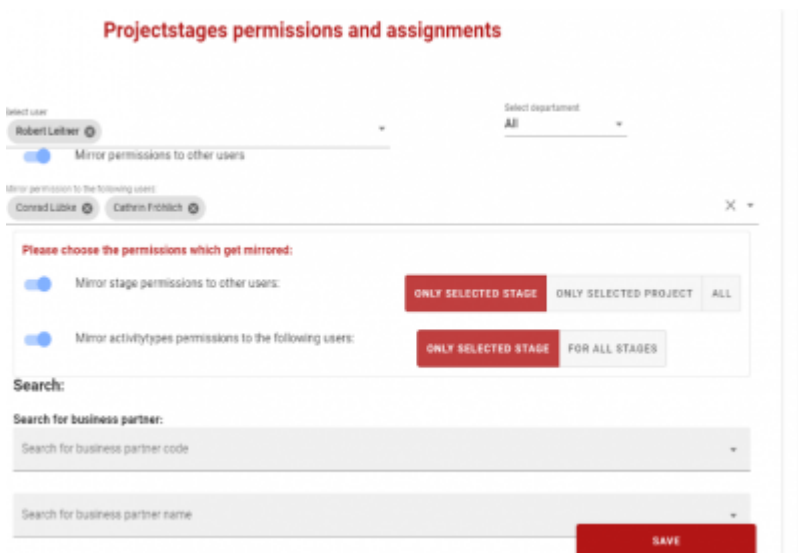


Step 2: Once the user is selected, you can provide relevant information related to Business partners, project type, Activities types, planned cost per stage, planned time per stage, or status.



Step 3: Click on Save

Mirror Permissions



Mirror permissions to other users are also possible in this section. For instance, multiple users can get permission for a project that Robert Leitner has on duty. Click on Mirror Permissions to other users option to become active and select the required users from the drop-down list. Then you have the option to choose the permission which gets mirrored, for example, stage level or activity types, etc. Then **save** the action.

Service Calls Permissions and Assignments

In this section, you can display on and work with the service calls permissions and assignments related to each user. The process displays information about the business partner, service calls and activities. To do this:

Step 1: Main Menu → Administration → Service Calls Permissions and Assignments →select user



Step 2: Once you identify the user from the list, you can have the following information displayed:



Servicecalls Permissions and Assignments

Select user: Robert Leitner

Mirror permissions to other users

Search for business partner:
Search for business partner code
Search for business partner name

Search for Servicecall:
Search for servicecall id
Search for subject of the service call
Search for status of the service call

Business partner	Servicecalls	Activitytypes
Kundenname: PC Welt GmbH & Co.KG Kundencode: C20000	Thema: Call 00003 Serviceabruf ID: 3	Programmierung <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Kundenname: Mikrochips GmbH Kundencode: C23900	Priorität: Hoch Status: Abgeschlossen	Planung <input type="checkbox"/>
Kundenname: Computerhandel Müller Kundencode: C30000	Thema: Call 00012 Serviceabruf ID: 12	Umsetzung <input type="checkbox"/>
Kundenname: Büroausstatter Mayer Kundencode: C40000	Priorität: Hoch Status: Abgeschlossen	
Kundenname: CIT Beratungshaus Kundencode: C42000	Thema: Call 00003 Serviceabruf ID: 23	
Kundenname: INTINT, Inc Kundencode: C50000	Priorität: Hoch Status: Abgeschlossen	
Kundenname: SG Elektronik Kundencode: C60000	Thema: Call 00012 Serviceabruf ID: 32	
Kundenname: Group Inc. Kundencode: C70000	Priorität: Hoch Status: Abgeschlossen	

SAVE

Step 3: To save changes, click Save

Attendance list

Status Show and Change Mode of Attendance List

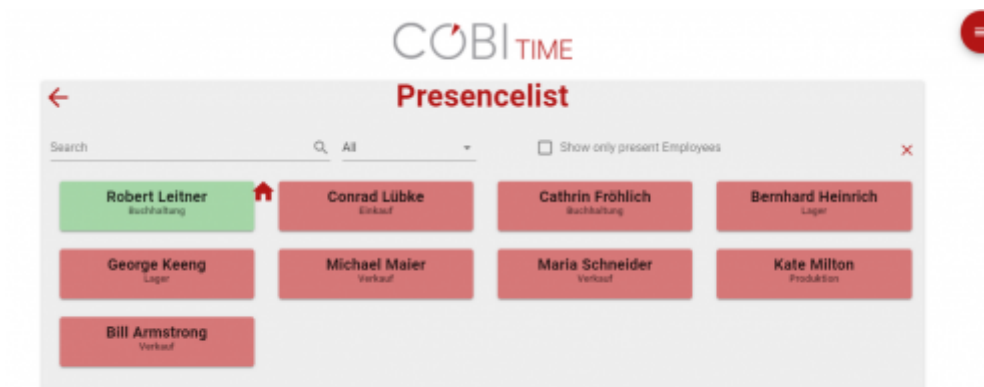
The status of the presence list of employees is available for display in COBI.time. To do this:

Step 1: Main Menu à Presence List or by clicking on the **Presencelist Icon** as displayed below:



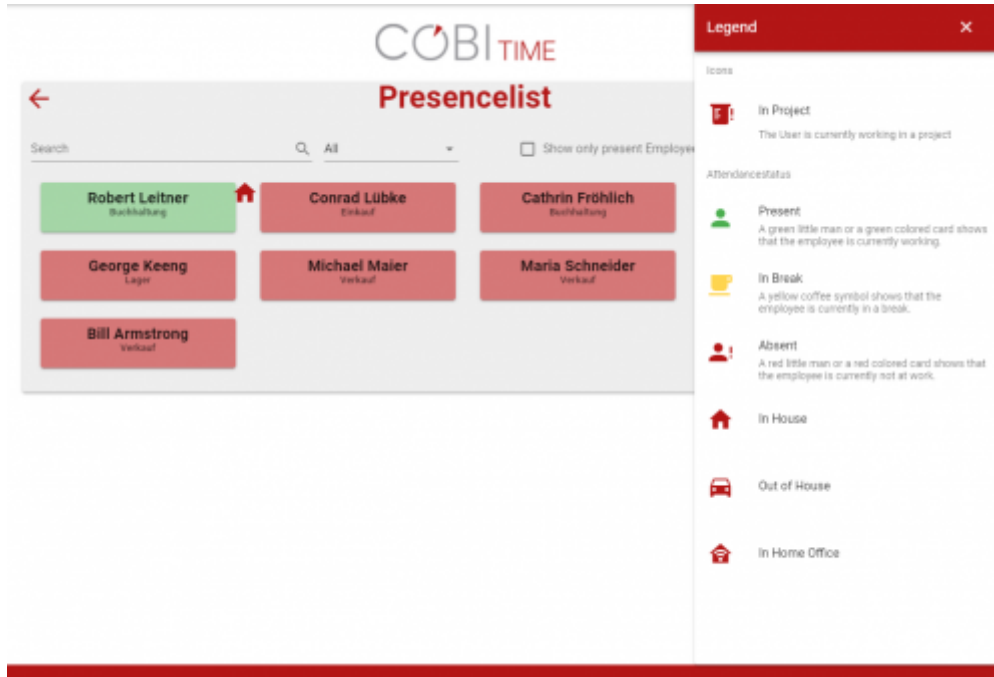
Step 2: Select the relevant search options for the display. Type a user name or department name in the search field to find the required list. You can select the option **All** to display all available lists or select a specific department from the drop-down list to display what belongs to that particular department. If you want to see only those employees who are present, tick on the **checkbox** that stands for **Show only present Employees**.

The following displayed screen is in card mode.



Legend

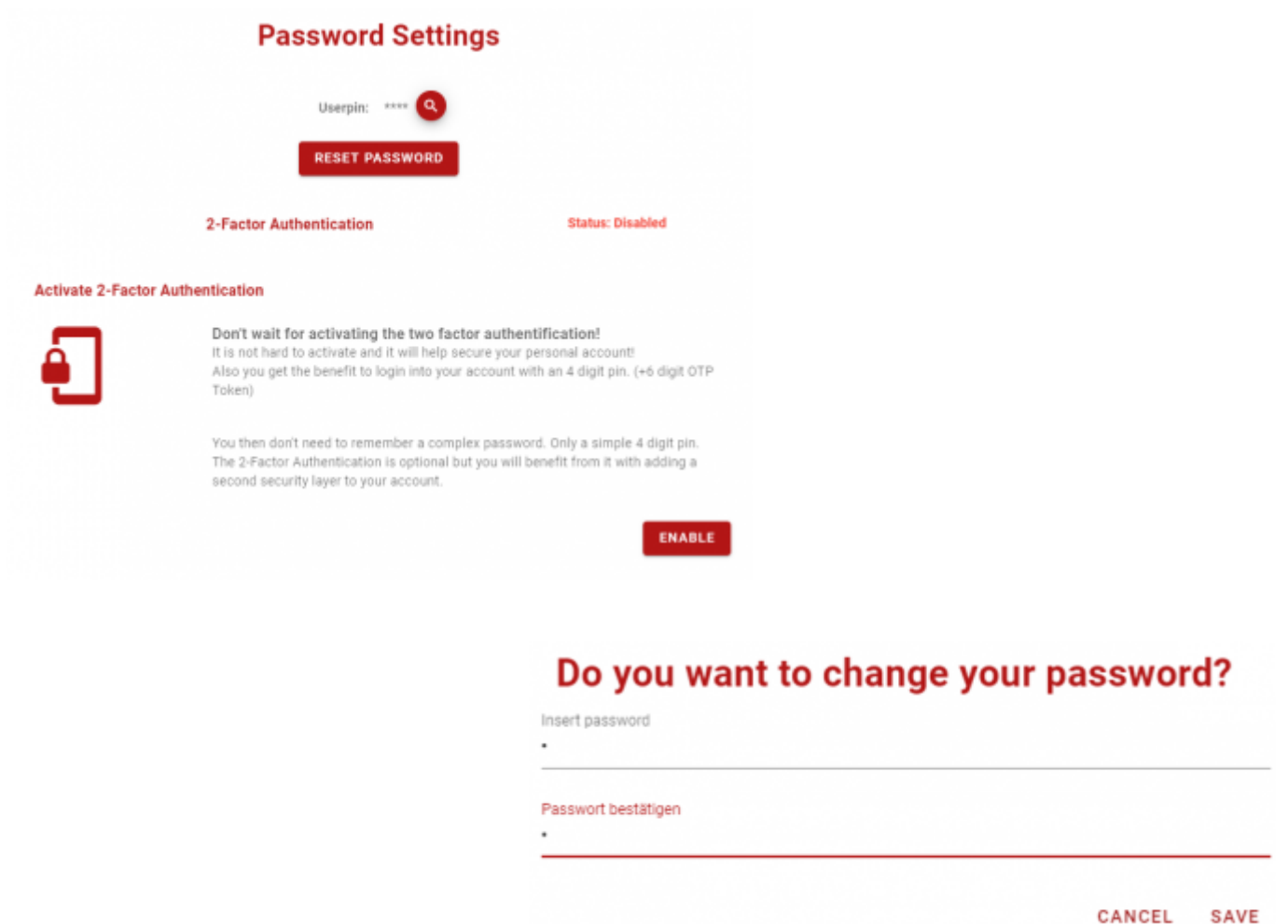
You can see the legend type for each status of the attendance icon such as in project, present, in a break, in-home office, in house, out of the house, and absent. Each of these is represented with an individual icon. To do this: Click on the Show Legend button on the top right corner of the Presencelist screen



Password Settings

In this section, you can set your password as you wish. You can reset, activate, or deactivate your password. To do this:

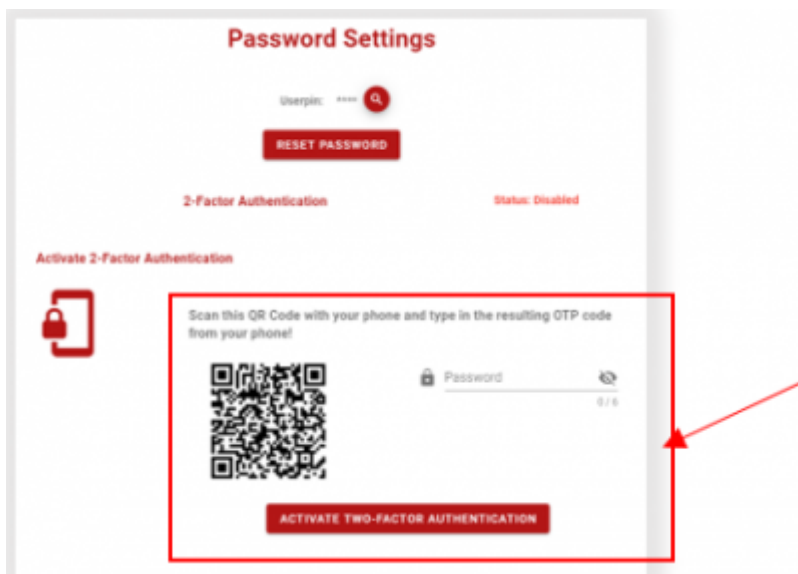
Main Menu → Password Setting Then the following window displayed:



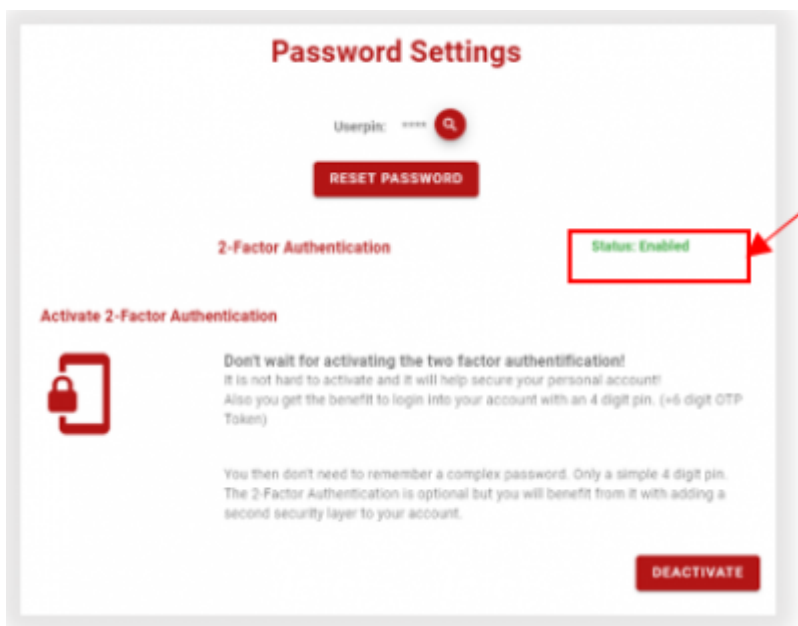
In order to reset/change the password, click on the Reset Password button. Then asking you to confirm.

Insert the preferred password and confirm. Then click on Save. Look at the status of the 2-Factor Authentication. You can enable or disable this status by clicking at the **Enable** or **Disable** button at the bottom right of the Password Settings window. To enable the authentication, click on **Enable** button. You will be asked to activate 2-Factor Authentication. To do this:

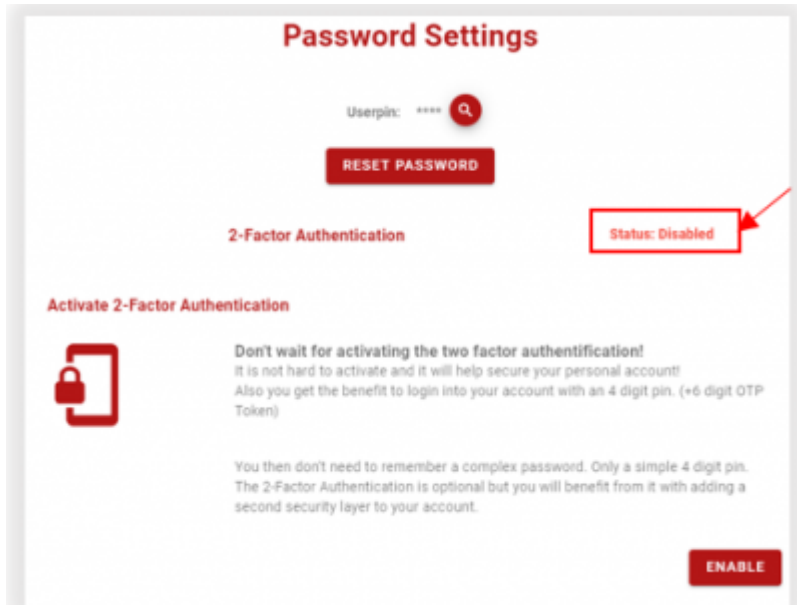
1. Scan the QRCode with your mobile phone
2. Get an OTP code
3. Insert the OTP Code in the Password field
4. Click on Activate 2-Factor Authentication



Then the status is enabled as displayed below:



Deactivating 2-Factor Authentication is simply click on Deactivate Button, then it will automatically be changed to Disabled status.



Why this function is applied is that from the local network, you can log in to COBI.Time via the 4-digit Pin feature. However, this is insecure if COBI.time is reachable from the internet. Therefore, implementation of 2-Factor Authentication is required in order to give the login possibility using 4-digit Pin code keeping the access more secured. So you need the 6 digits temporary token plus the 4 digits Pin code to login.

Note:

Absence request is already covered in section

Reporting Procedures

The reporting may be available on several stages where a monthly time report is required for a relevant year on selection. Then the report can be exported into an Excel file. You can also view the attendance list as one report for all employees or a particular group as you wish. This has been explained based on their relevance in the previous sections. Here below as an example of a time report.

The procedure is:

Step 1: Main Menu → Administration → Time report button

COBI TIME

User Administration

<input type="checkbox"/>	SAPEmpID ↑	Name	SAP Usercode	SAP external Employeecode	Uvergroups	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	0000	admin	admin		1	
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	Robert Leitner	manager		2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	Conrad Lübke	conrad		2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	6	George Keeng	george		2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	

Rows per page: 10 1-4 of 4

Step 2: Select the relevant year and month for which the report is going to be requested.

Select time report

Reporttyp
Monthly

2020
August

< 2020 >

JAN	FEB	MAR
APR	MAY	JUN
JUL	AUG	SEP
OCT	NOV	DEC

Request

Step 3: Click on Request to display the time report

Time Period	Time Block	Is	Working Time Debit	Balance
Samstag 2020-08-01		00:00	00:00	-188.60
Sonntag 2020-08-02		00:00	00:00	-188.60
Montag 2020-08-03		00:00	08:00	-196.60
Dienstag 2020-08-04		00:00	08:00	-204.60
Mittwoch 2020-08-05		00:00	08:00	-212.60
Donnerstag 2020-08-06				
Freitag 2020-08-07				
Samstag 2020-08-08				
Sonntag 2020-08-09				

Step 4: Exporting the report will produce an Excel file for you. To take this action, click on Export tab.

Time Period	Time Block	Is	Debit	Balance
2020-08-01				
2020-08-02				
2020-08-03		00:00	08:00	-08:00
2020-08-04		00:00	08:00	-16:00
2020-08-05		00:00	08:00	-24:00
2020-08-06		00:00	08:00	-32:00
2020-08-07		00:00	08:00	-40:00
2020-08-08		00:00	00:00	-40:00
2020-08-09		00:00	00:00	-40:00
2020-08-10		00:00	08:00	-48:00
2020-08-11		00:00	08:00	-56:00
2020-08-12		00:00	08:00	-64:00
2020-08-13		00:00	08:00	-72:00
2020-08-14		00:00	08:00	-80:00
2020-08-15		00:00	00:00	-80:00
2020-08-16		00:00	00:00	-80:00
2020-08-17		00:00	08:00	-88:00
2020-08-18		00:00	08:00	-96:00
2020-08-19	09:02 - 09:24	03:23	08:00	-100:37
2020-08-20		00:00	08:00	-108:37
2020-08-21		00:00	08:00	-116:37
2020-08-22		00:00	00:00	-116:37
2020-08-23		00:00	00:00	-116:37
2020-08-24		00:00	08:00	-124:37
2020-08-25	12:40 - 14:32	00:02	08:00	-132:35
2020-08-26		00:00	08:00	-140:35
2020-08-27	12:25 - 12:32	00:05	08:00	-148:30

Summary

COBI.time is an efficient personnel time recording in SAP Business One for modern medium-sized

companies. It is a modern solution that meets all the requirements of Modern working time recording everywhere and anytime.

Working with employee time records is one of the great advantages that COBI.time makes easy for you to control in the administration process. You can see the attendance status and the mail notification alerts at a glance once you get the main COBI.time window opened. How do you apply time recording according to work category is also possible in COBI.time. Viewing the history of recorded data as daily time records or monthly time records can be displayed as well.

Whenever you want to process detailed information on employee time records, you can apply manual timekeeping records flexibly.

COBI.time enables account administrators to manage the individual users and configure a number of settings for each user account according to their level of authorizations and responsibilities. For example, importing SAP Users, edit user (user group identification, work on time model, and viewing vacation account), delete a user, Reset Password, Time report, Absence overview are available in this section.

Under the general setting section of COBI.time, inserting a new, changing the existing Logo, or re-setting the default logo is possible. You can also manage the details on absence reasons in the general setting window. Working with work time accounts is also applicable. In the application, set up a working time account according to your preferences and business requirements can easily be made. For instance, how the daily time model or weekly time model should exist in the system are created here.

Recording work time for a particular project related to business partners is also done under the project stages permissions and assignment section of the COBI.time. Working with service calls permissions and assignments related to each user with relevant information about the business partner, service calls, and activities are done on the service calls permissions and assignments section of the user administration tab.

Finally, the status show and change mode of the attendance list as well as the absence request functions of COBI.time is available. In addition, the functionality of the 2-Factor authentication is implemented and covered in COBI.time.

Therefore, COBI.time has a strong functionality in providing a reliable and efficient employee time recording control in the administrative processes of an enterprise.

From:

<https://docs.cobisoft.de/wiki/> - **COBISOFT Documentation**

Permanent link:

https://docs.cobisoft.de/wiki/cobi.time/user_manual?rev=1632378047

Last update: **2021/09/23 08:20**

