

## What's New COATS Visual 2021 Summary

### COATS VISUAL VERSION 14.0.0.0

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## New Features!

### System

#### Taxes

- **OR Paid Leave Added to system.** ORPL Local code available to attach to employees.
- **CO Paid Leave Added to system.** COPL Local code available to attach to employees.
- **WACF code available to attach to employees.** The Premium is documented as starting Mid 2023 year.
- **Review Tax Updates to ensure all other Special Tax considerations are reviewed.**

#### Quarterlies

- **WA Quarterly Adjustment** SOC has been added to the file. This pulls from the Employee Tax window. Users enter the highest SOC that applies for the employee.
- **WV Quarterly Adjustment.** SOC has been added to the file. This pulls from the Employee Tax window. Users enter the highest SOC that applies for the employee.

#### YearEnd

- **1099 MISC is the default form used within COATS.** NEC form options will be available in a future update, please contact COATS support if desired before next update.
- **W2's requires the form to print as the background is not included.** COATS supports Form L4UP for printing W2's.
- **Employee Portal Users please ensure W2's are ready to print from COATS before asking for Query to load to the portal.**

#### ACA

- **\*\* The 1095C's are due by March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 \*\***
- **\*\* The 1094C, electronic file, is due by March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022 \*\***
- Updated ACA forms are available in this version for printing.
- Updated XML filing to meet the 2022 Tax Year specifications are **pending a future update**
- HRA features are available but not programmed to display. If your agency uses an HRA plan, contact COATS asap!

#### Coming Soon

- **XML updates for ACA 2022 Tax Year Reporting**
- **NEC 1099 Form option**
- **OR Quarter Changes for 1<sup>st</sup> quarter reporting changes**
- **TX Quarter Changes for Mid 2023 reporting changes**

### Employees

#### • Search

- Users can search how the employee was **Referred** from the Employee Master Record. (12/5/22)
- Users can search **FUTA SUTA Met**. If the employee met the FUTA or SUTA limit, a check box with show in the Employee Master Record under SEARCH (12/5/22)

- User can add **Last Check Date** to the Employee Search in order to filter by **Last Check date**. (12/21/22)
- **Called Out**
  - Users can now add a default **Called Out** comment related to the assignment when an employee calls out for work. (For example: CALLED OUT OF WORK for Job Title: Assignment#: 30375) (12/16/22)
- **CONT/Called Out**
  - Users can now add a default **Called Out** comment related to the assignment when an employee calls out for work. Notes can be added to the end of the comment if desired. (For example: CALLED OUT OF WORK for Job Title: Assignment#: 30375 Frank said he was sick and unable to come in today.) (12/16/22)

## Clients

- **Search**
  - **Region, Branch and Department** have been added option to add from the Column Chooser within the SEARCH grid. (12/5/22)
- **AR/PO# Update**
  - The user may now update an entire invoice with a PO#. See PO# Update White paper. (12/8/22)

## Reports

- **Called Out Grid**
  - Users can now add a default **Called Out** comment related to the assignment when an employee calls out for work. Notes can be added to the end of the comment if desired. (For example: CALLED OUT OF WORK for Job Title: Assignment#: 30375 Frank said he was sick and unable to come in today.) Under Reports/Called Out the user can pick a date range to pull forward any comments per employee, beginning with CALLED OUT OF WORK. (12/16/22)

## Integrated Solutions

- **Timerack**
  - The user may now access Timerack from the Integrated Solutions menu. (12/15/22)

## DID YOU KNOW

**Resume Parsing – Added feature allows users to create employee records using parsed Employee Resume Docs.**

**Adding new COATS users –** In COATS Visual when adding new users, the new user must access COATS using their user name and password and first click the [set] button to establish their **View** in order to see all approved **Region/Branches/Departments**.



The user can also create multiple custom views by **Region, Branch or Department in this same field**. (03/16/21)

**COATS Users –** The Admin User can mark other users as “INACTIVE”; however a user should never be deleted. The user profile is crucial for records retention, reporting, tracking statistics and financials for historical data. On the grid, the unintentional option allowing a user to be deleted by clicking the minus symbol (“-“), has been removed (12/10/2020)

**Electronic Onboarding –** within the Onboarding platform, the user can go into Employee details and Notify User if the employee didn't receive the email or is they need the email instructions resent.

**Global Cash Card/ADP/Wisely –** If using the # of the physical card, the user should send the **Upload Paycard Data** file under Integrated Solutions. If using the # on the envelope, the account #, the user should send the **Upload Account # Paycard Data** file.

**Custom Skill Screens** – When the user first creates the first **Custom Skills** Screen, they must first click **ADD AN ADDITIONAL SKILL SCREEN**. While the default is blank and will hold text, it isn't adding to the system until a record is first created.

**Vacation or Sick Pay Calculator** – When the user first creates the first templates for either Vacation or Sick, they must first click **ADD A FORMULA**. While the default is blank and will hold text, it isn't adding to the system until a record is first created.

**ACA – ACA Year End Forms and Media** - when the user deletes an employee COATS will sometimes error. Click OK to the error. Log back in. Delete the employee. This error typically only happens once.

**Printing from COATS** – If the client is using Visual and Server 2019, the 'local' default printer is noted when users login to the server, this will be their printer while using COATS. With Server 2019 and COATSql, clients must set the default printer in each session after they login. It only keeps it for that session while they are logged in.

#### Invoices:

**Emailed PDF Invoices** – previously would round the term statement for the %, now list them as exact % within the client file. (05/16/19)

**EPAY Integration** – the **Job Title** in the **Job Order** must be present in COATS for the **Order** and **Assignment** to properly transfer to the EPAY staging database. (12/4/20)

**Maintenance/Users/Function keys**; Should the user choose to use the **Date** feature for a hot key, without using any characters in the field, the user must still type a space in the field, prior, to clicking **Date**, **On** in order for the Function key to work properly. (12/4/20)

**W2, PA** – W2 does not reflect the entire 6 digit PSD code but rather the two digit taxing authority.

## PREVIOUS VERSION UPDATES

- For updates/White paper prior to 2022, please refer to the **What's New COATS Visual 2021 Summary.pdf**

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## New Features!

### System Notes

**Visual Studio.net Update** – COATS Visual Studio (the underlying graphics program) was updated allowing for more API integrations and functionality throughout the system. Users may need to reset the "Look and Feel" theme, grids, and settings to activate all updates.

**SCREEN RESOLUTION** - This varies with monitors, example 1680x1050 OR 1920x1080 or greater and are required in order to view some entire windows.

Users will need to ensure they are on .NET Framework 4.8 or higher. Clients with Custom Programs questions, please contact tech support.

### Employees

- Search**
  - Users can search Minimum Rate from the Employee Master Record.
  - Users can search First Check Date for Anniversary options from the Employee Master Record (11/3/22)
- Tax/Standard Occupational Classification (SOC)**
  - Added field for the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC). This field is for the Federally assigned 6-digit code (not to include the hyphen) that identifies the employee's highest level of work role for the quarter. This code will be used within the quarter reports to meet certain state's Q4 requirements. (11/10/22)
- Photo**

- Users can delete a photo. The users will click Delete, Say OK. Exit. If they returned to the Photo button the image is gone. (09/19/22)
- **Assignments**
  - Users can access an Employee's Assignment with no Assignments and click on Related Assignment information. (09/19/22).

## Clients

- **Search**
  - Last Invoice Date was added to the SEARCH grid. (09/30/22)
  - First Invoice Date (for Anniversary options) was added to the SEARCH grid (11/3/22)
- **AR/Emailing Invoices**
  - Users can now select and send multiple invoices to clients. The users will place a check under the **OK** column or will select **All 10**, or **20** and then click **Email Invoices**. The invoices and attachments will be grouped and sent to the client. (7/12/22)
- **EMPL**
  - Shifts are now an option for column(s) under EMPL. (7/12/22)

## Orders

- **Multi**
  - Colors can be assigned to jobs. This is done by clicking on the title. Reasoning behind the color is determined by the Agency. Users may have to reset the window to appear correctly.

## Integrated Solutions

- **The Work Number**
  - Agencies have the free option to offer Employment verification – coming soon. (11/4/22)
- **Efficient Hire**
  - Users have another option for Electronic New Hire Onboarding with Integrated WOTC – coming soon. (11/4/22)
- **Text Request**
  - Users can add images to text. (09/30/22)

## COATS VISUAL VERSION 12.3.0.0

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## New Features!

### Front Office

- **Callback Calendar**
  - Added **Get All Appointments**. Users with security can see all user appointments and not just their own. (5/18/22)

### Employees

- **Search**
  - Mail Code added to Employee Search (6/17/22)
- **Bonus Paid**
  - The user will need security now to be able to check or uncheck Bonus paid. (4/28/22)
- **Tax/Non Resident Alien**
  - The Non Resident Alien Box was moved to the FICA/Medicare/Pay Cycle area to prevent mistakenly checking or unchecking in the Federal Withholding area. (5/20/22)

## Clients

- **AR/Transfer Details**

- Users can transfer invoice detail transactions from one invoice to another. Users will need access to **Maintenance/Branches/Users/Edit Security Profile/GL/Edit GLTransactions** in order to access the **Transfer Details** under **Client/AR**. (7/8/22)
- **Invoicing**
  - The user cannot check off **Email PDF** unless an email is added in the **To:** address. (4/6/22)
- **EMPL**
  - Invoice Reference is now an option for a column under EMPL. (5/18/22)
- **Dept**
  - Users can add a new Department Contact without having notes listed in comments from other contacts. (6/6/22)

## Payroll

- **Year End/Quarterlies:**
  - 941 for 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2022 available.

## AR

- **Invoices**
  - Users can now group to send invoices by **ALL, 10 or 20** to send in batches of emailed Invoices. This helps to prevent issues with agencies spam filters. (4/6/22)

## GL

- **P&L**
  - Users can now see Region and Branch added to each line item. (6/14/22)

## Reports

- **New Hire Once**
  - The employee will only appear once on the New Hire report, from first CON start date. (7/8/22)
- **New Hire Each**
  - The employee will only each time on the New Hire report, from every new CON start date. (7/8/22)
- **Temp Experience**
  - If there is data entered in TEMP under Employee, data will appear on this report (7/8/22)
- **Temp Experience All**
  - Regardless of TEMP data entered, all employees will appear on the report within the date range. (7/8/22)

## Maintenance

- **Branches/Tree**
  - Users can rename Region, Branch, Departments (6/3/22)
- **Transfer Details**
  - Users will need access to **Maintenance/Branches/Users/Edit Security Profile/GL/Edit GLTransactions** in order to access the **Transfer Details** under **Client/AR**. (7/8/22)
- **Global Preferences/Textrequest**
  - Client API Key field has been added to be entered when client partners with Textrequest (4/6/22)
- **Employees/Bonus Paid**
  - Security added to Bonus paid, users who are able to check bonus paid will need this security.(4/28/22)
- **Callback Calendar/Get All Appointments**
  - With this security access user can see all user appointments, not just their own. (5/18/22)

## Integrations

- **Textrequest**
  - Textrequest has been the chosen vendor to replace Zipwhip. Users will see both a Text Request and Zipwhip logo until a further update. The users can see the sent and received texts in the Employee, Client, Orders, Mass

Employees and Mass Clients. Users can print conversation from sent and received messages by Employee and Clients. (4/62/22)

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## **New Features!**

### **Payroll**

- **Year End/Quarterlies:**
  - 941 for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022 available. This form applies to only 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2022; there will be a new form in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter.
- **ACA Reporting:**
  - Updated ACA Electronic corrected 1095C filing for Tax Year 2021/Filing Year 2022. Previously users whom were correcting their 1095C files were receiving errors.
  - HRA features are available but not programmed to display. If your agency uses an HRA plan, contact COATS asap!

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## **New Features!**

### **Employees:**

- **Search Employee/Check Optional Skills:** The user can search for missing or expired Optional Skills by specific skill. See Employee SEARCH – Optional Skills.doc for more information (1/31/22)

### **Payroll**

- **Paystub:** Default Paystub details updated to include Total Hours and Work Site Header. (8/27/21)  
*DISCLAIMER: When reports are enhanced/ updated, All COATS Clients with customized or adjusted reports need to contact COATS Technical Support to see if these adjustments can be applied to their report*
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  - COATS supports Form 1099 MISC form for printing 1099.
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