Mass Award Update

Overview

Introduction

This guide provides the procedures for a Personnel & Admin (P&A) Office to enter and execute an award for a large group of members who are authorized the same award on the same date (Mass Update) in Direct Access (DA). The user must have the **CG Admin Technician/Supervisor** functional role to enter Mass Award Update entries in DA.

Upon the creation or receipt of the Text file, there are **5 stages** of a Mass Update that **MUST** be completed in order; otherwise, the entire Mass Update process will fail. These stages are: **1)** Define Mass Update, **2)** Load Mass Update, **3)** Create Mass Update, **4)** Manage Mass Update, and **5)** Execute Mass Update.

Important Information

Do NOT run a Mass Award Update during Finalization. Running a Mass Award Update can be a very time consuming process depending on the number of members to be processed. Running the Mass Award Update during Finalization will make this process exponentially longer and may result in errors.

Do NOT run a Mass Award Update while running any other applications in the background. Bouncing between applications while attempting to run a Mass Award Update may result in catastrophic failure, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be completely recreated, including the creation of the Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID.

It is VERY IMPORTANT to pay attention to each step throughout the ENTIRE process of the Mass Update. Failure to enter any of the information indicated throughout this guide will result in a catastrophic error, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be completely restarted. This includes creating a new Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID to be entered in the Define Mass Update stage.

Before You Begin

It is important to obtain the award code for the award being entered through the Mass Update. If the award code is unknown, it can be found by using the lookup function in <u>Honors and Awards</u> (in DA from the Person Profile pagelet: select Person Profiles > Qualifications tab > Add New Honors and Awards > Honors and Awards lookup).

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Data Source File

Processing a Mass Update requires a **Text file**. The Text file may be created from scratch or converted from an Excel spreadsheet. Regardless of how the Text file is created, it is important to follow the formatting guidelines to prevent catastrophic errors when executing the Mass Update.

- To create a Text file from scratch, see <u>Creating a Text File</u> to ensure specific formatting requirements are met.
- To create a Text file by converting an excel spreadsheet, see Converting a Text File to ensure duplicate or invalid Emplids are removed from the file prior to conversion and the specific formatting requirements are met.

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Creating a Text File for Mass Update

Introduction

This section of the guide provides the procedures for creating and properly formatting a Text file from scratch for a Mass Award Update.

Important Information

It is **extremely important** to ensure the format of the Text file is correct. If the Mass Award Update process fails, the Text file will need to be recreated from scratch. A NEW Text file, Header name, and Mass Update ID will need to be created. For example, if the original Mass Update ID and Text file were named CGAWD1234567C, an **entirely new Text document** would need to be created with the File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID of CGAWD1234567D.

In addition, do **NOT** duplicate or reuse File names, Header names, or Mass Update IDs. While the Text document may be different, Direct Access will view the file as a duplicate and will not process. The **ONLY** way to correct this, is to create an **entirely new Text document** with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID.

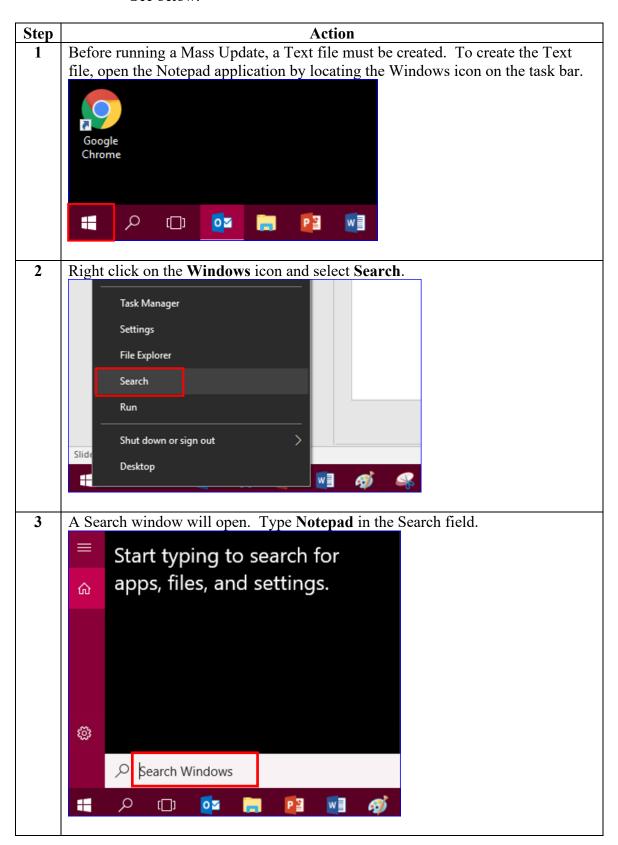
Things to Note when creating the Text file

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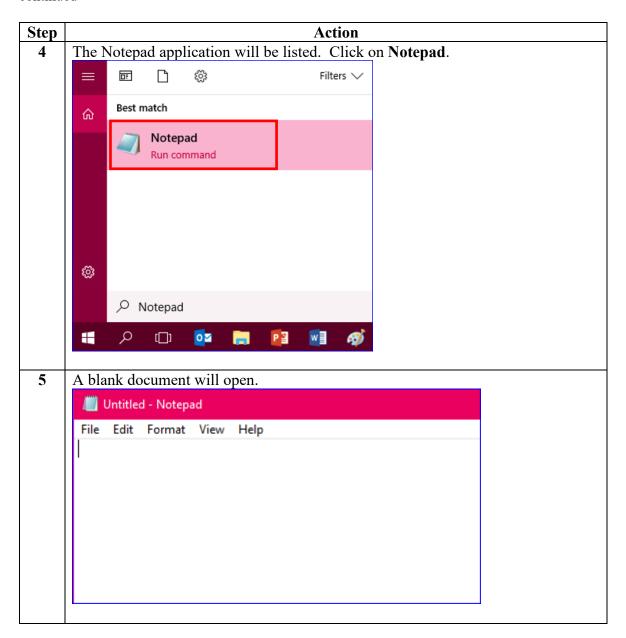
- A Header row (this will be the File name and Mass Update ID)
- A CG row
- Valid Emplids
- No Civilian or Auxiliarist Emplids (see Exception below)
- Properly formatted Emplids
- No duplicate Emplids
- No added spaces after Header row, CG row, or each Emplid
- No added lines after last Emplid

Exception: Some Civilian employees may have two profiles within Direct Access (employee is also a CG Reservist or CG Retiree). In these cases, if the employee is authorized an award for their service as a Reservist or a Retiree, their Emplid may be entered into the Text file for the Mass Update. The Mass Award Update will update the employee's Reserve or Retiree profile with the award.

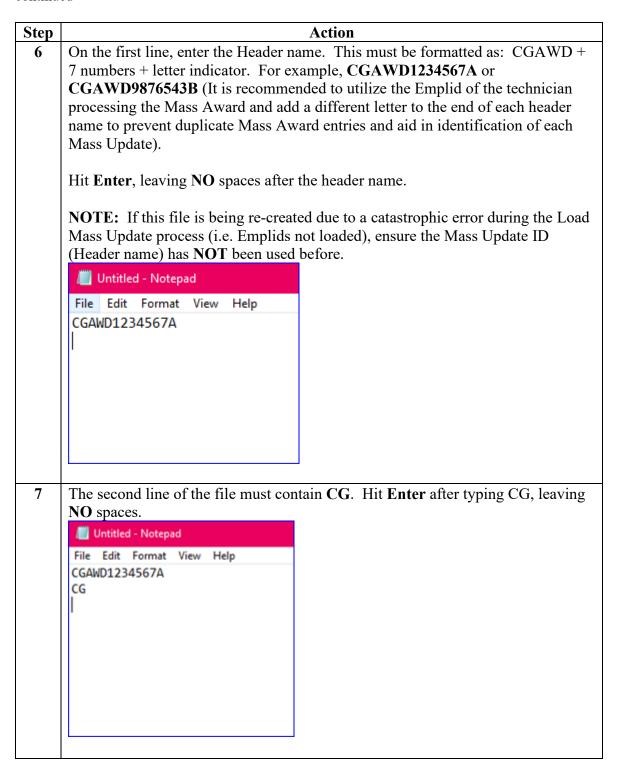
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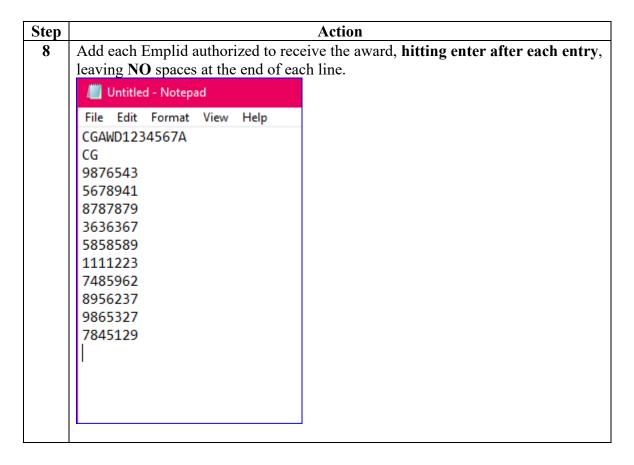
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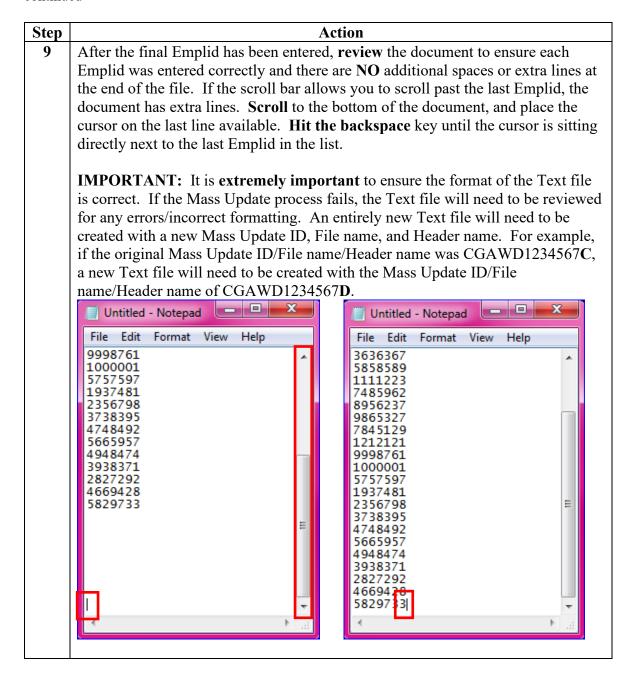
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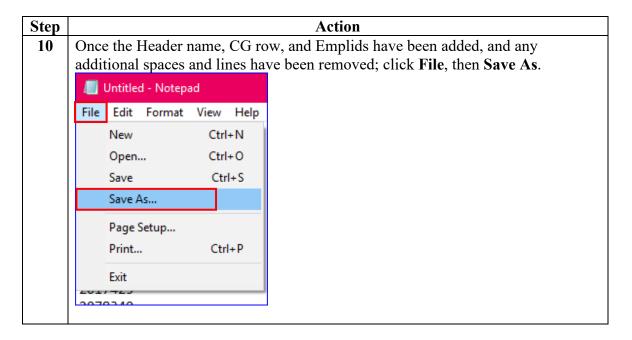
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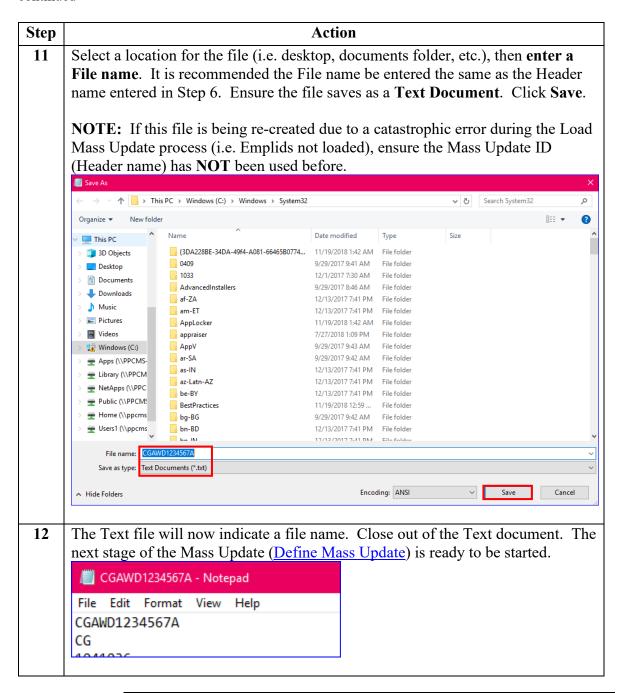
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Introduction

This section of the guide provides the procedures to convert an Excel spreadsheet to a Text file required for a Mass Award Update. It also provides guidance on removing duplicate and invalid Emplids from the file.

IMPORTANT

It is important to create the text file from a **NEW** Excel spreadsheet. It has been found that if the information from the original Excel spreadsheet received by the requestor is copied and pasted into a Text file incorrectly, without clearing the background formatting, it interferes with the Mass Update process and leads to catastrophic errors.

Please follow the procedures provided in this section to ensure all formatting requirements are met. If an error is incurred during the Mass Update process, a new Text file will need to be created with a new Mass Update ID and Header name with each Emplid manually entered into the Text file (see Creating a Text File for Mass Update).

Things to Note when Creating a Text File

The Text file must contain:

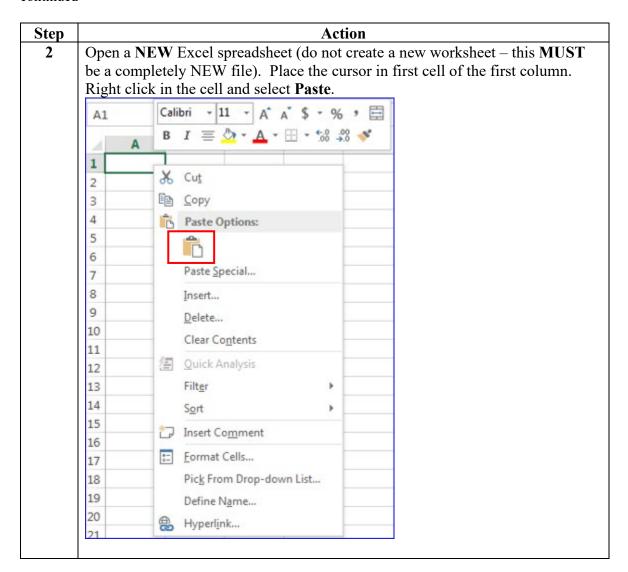
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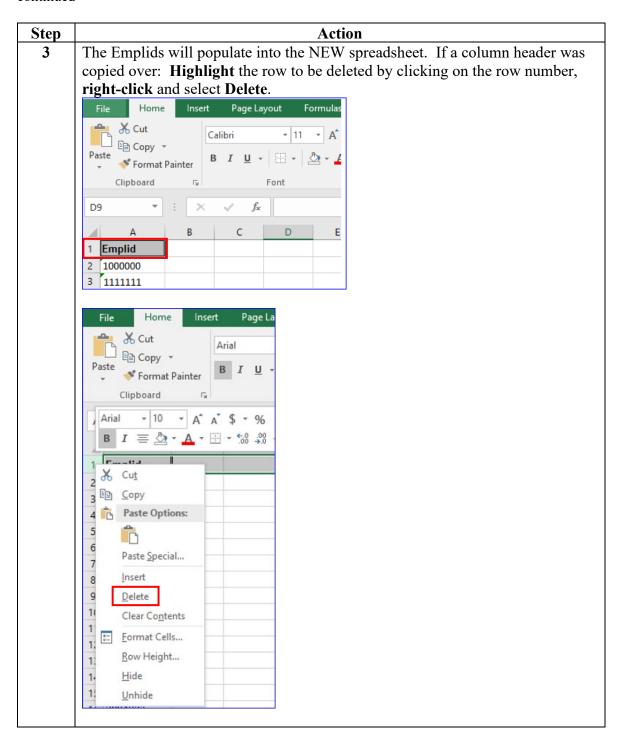
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However, the P&A Office receives the list of members authorized the mass award (DA generated roster, unit roster, etc.), each member's Emplid will need to be entered into a new Excel spreadsheet. Review the roster/spreadsheet and remove all Auxiliarist and Civilian Emplids. The roster/spreadsheet should only include those members who are current or prior Active Duty or Reserve (see the Exception on previous page). Once any invalid Emplids have been removed, right click on the column containing the Emplids and select Copy. The more reserve page Layout formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. Paste Copy Paste Format Painter Page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout Formulas Data Review View Acrobat Tell me what you want to be copy. The more reserve page Layout F)						Ac	tion						
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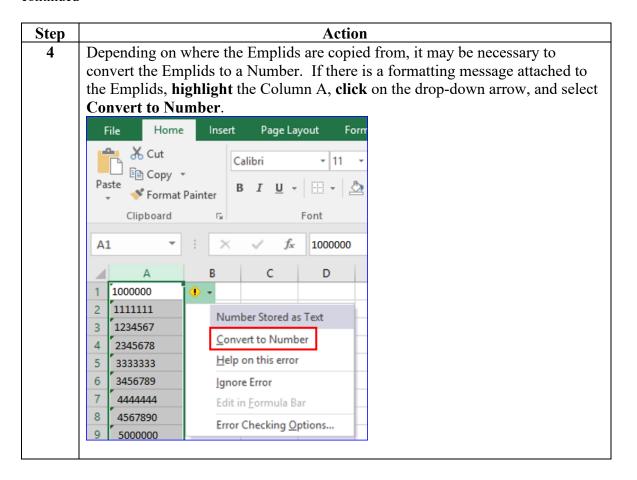
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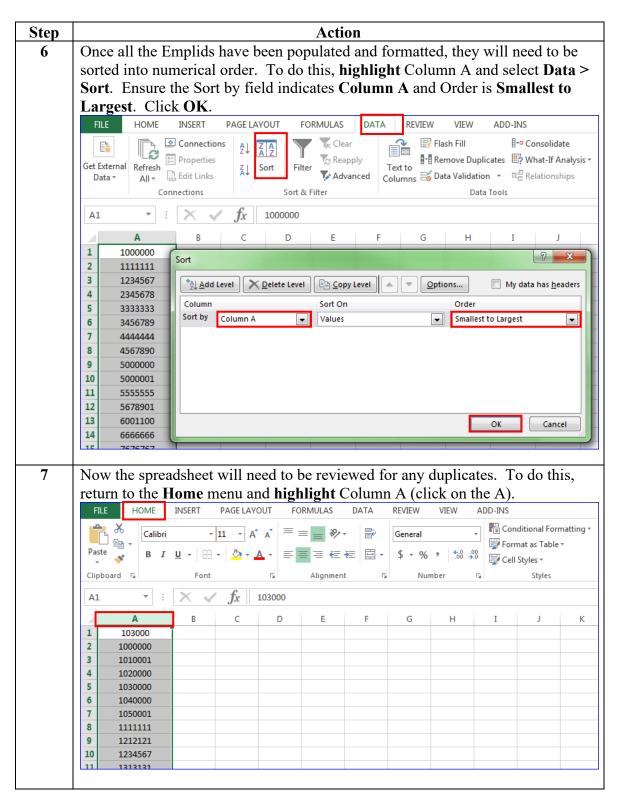
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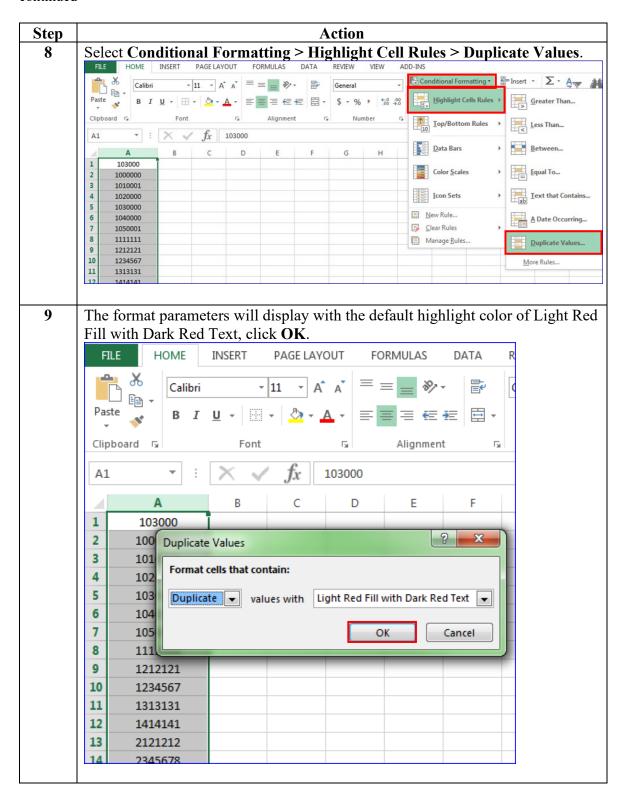
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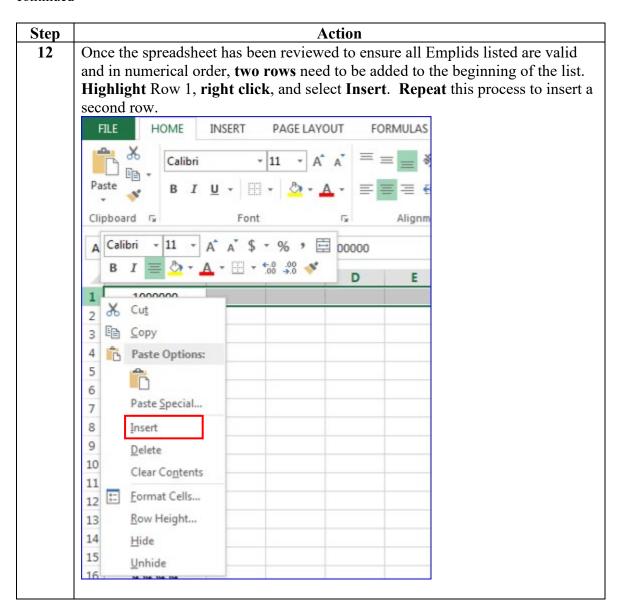
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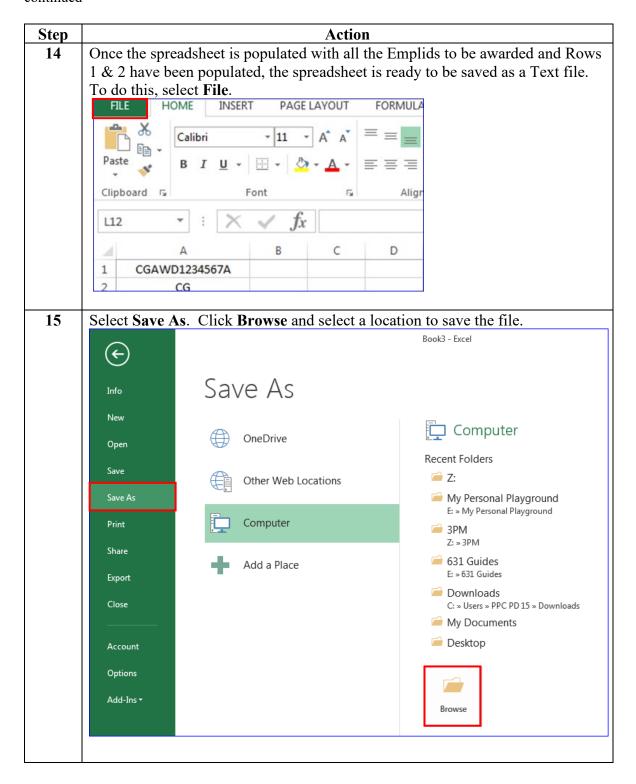
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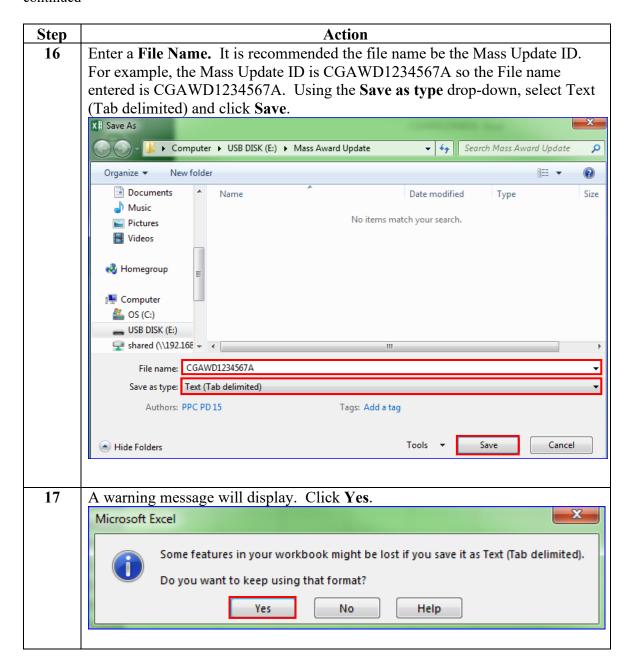
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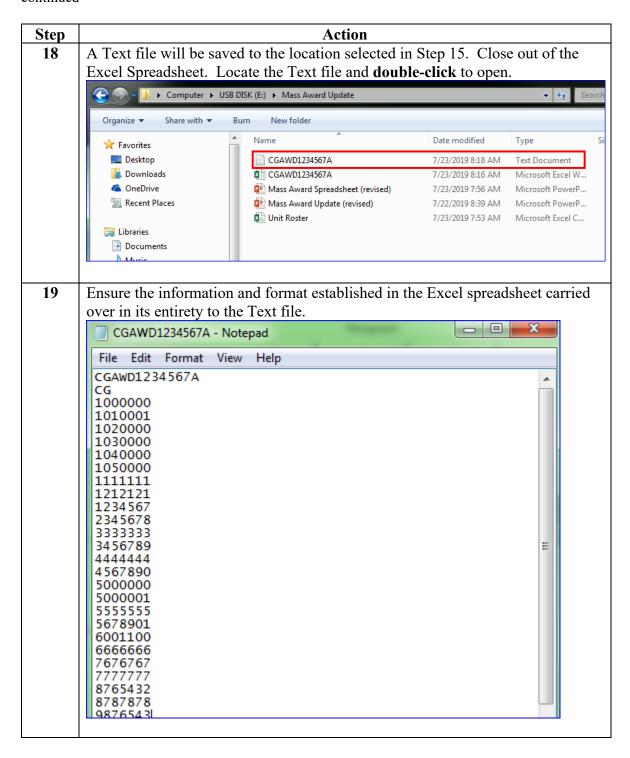
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19 (cont.)	While the procedures directed in Step 3 should've ensured all background formatting and extra spaces were removed, it is always best to review the Text file for any formatting errors prior to moving onto the next phase of the Mass Update. One way to ensure there are no extra spaces in the Text file: Highlight the entire list of Emplids, then scroll through the list to ensure there are no extra spaces at the end of each row. Delete any extra spaces found (there should be a hard return after each Emplid except the last Emplid). The cursor should sit directly next to the last Emplid in the list (see Step 9 of Creating a Text File for					
	Mass Update for proper formatting of a Text file). IMPORTANT: It is extremely important to ensure the format of the Text file is correct. If the Mass Update process fails, the Text file will need to be reviewed for any errors/incorrect formatting. A NEW Mass Update ID/Header name and Text file name will need to be created. For example, if the original Mass Update ID/Header/Text file name was CGAWD1234567C, the new Mass Update ID/Header/Text file name will be CGAWD1234567D. CGAWD1234567A - Notepad					
	File Edit Format View Help					
	CG					
20	Save any changes made and exit out of the Text file. The next stage of the Mass Update (Define Mass Update) is ready to be started.					

Define Mass Update

Introduction

This section of the guide provides the procedures for a P&A Office to define the parameters for a Mass Update in Direct Access (DA). This is the **first stage** of the Mass Update process.

Important Information

Do NOT run a Mass Award Update during Finalization. Running a Mass Award Update can be a very time consuming process depending on the number of members to be processed. Running the Mass Award Update during Finalization will make this process exponentially longer and may result in errors.

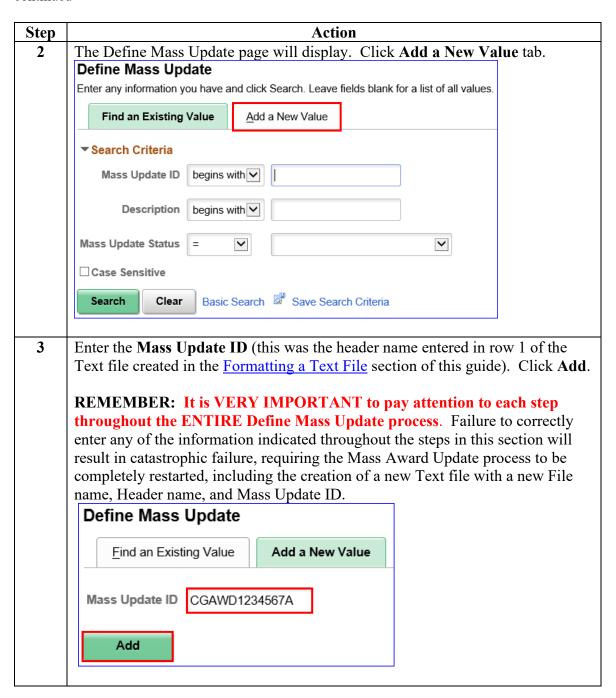
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It is VERY IMPORTANT to pay attention to each step throughout the ENTIRE process of the Mass Update. Failure to enter any of the information indicated throughout this guide will result in a catastrophic error, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be completely restarted. This includes creating a new Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID to be entered in the Define Mass Update stage.

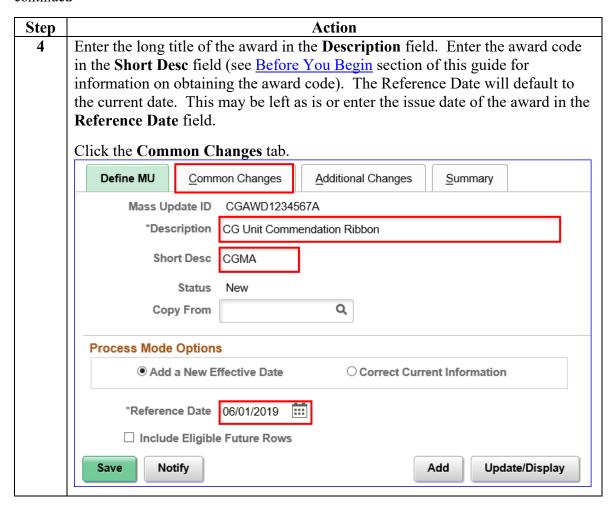
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Step		Action
1	Click on the Mass Upda	ites tile.
	Mass Updates	
1.5	Select the Define Mass	Update option.
	Define Mass Update	
	Create Mass Updates	
	Report Mass Updates	
	Manage Mass Updates	
	Execute Mass Updates	
	Delete Mass Updates	
	Load Mass Updates	

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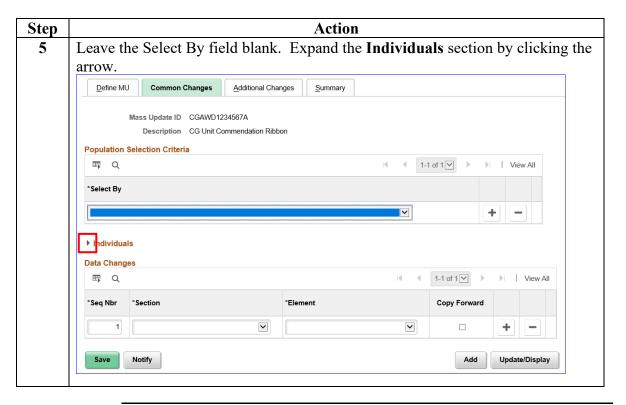


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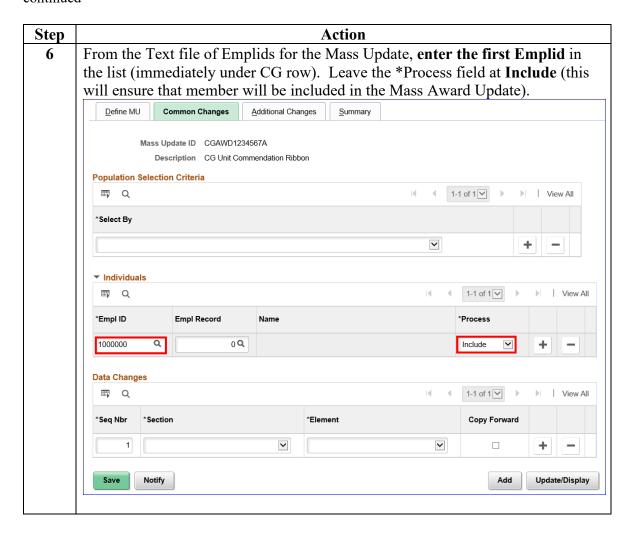


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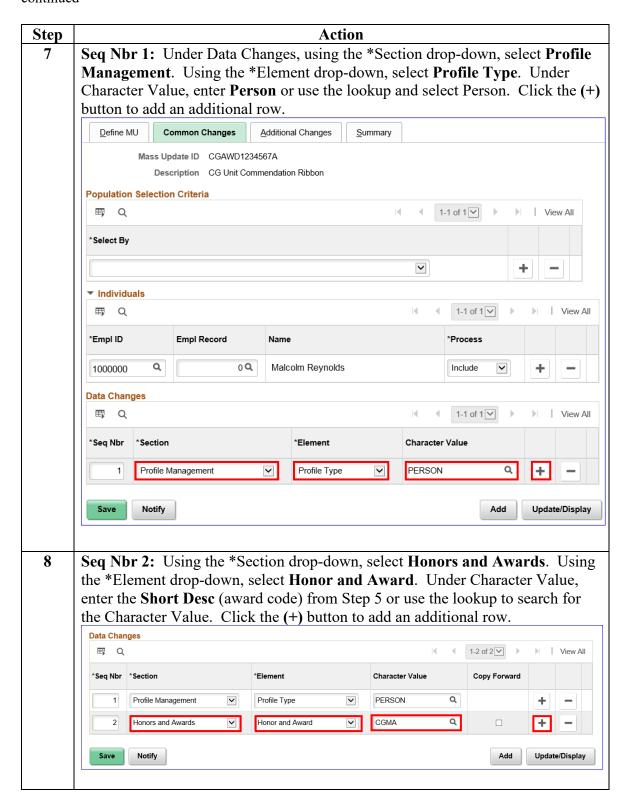
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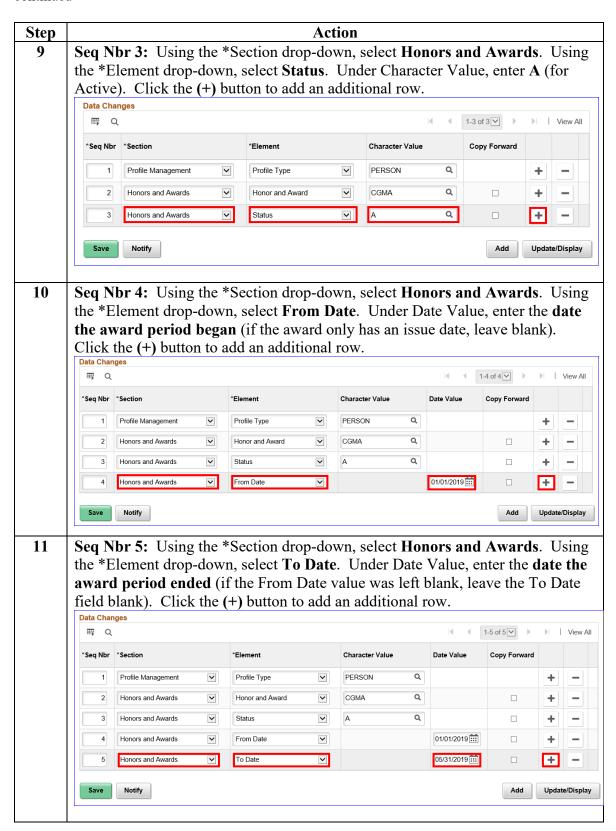
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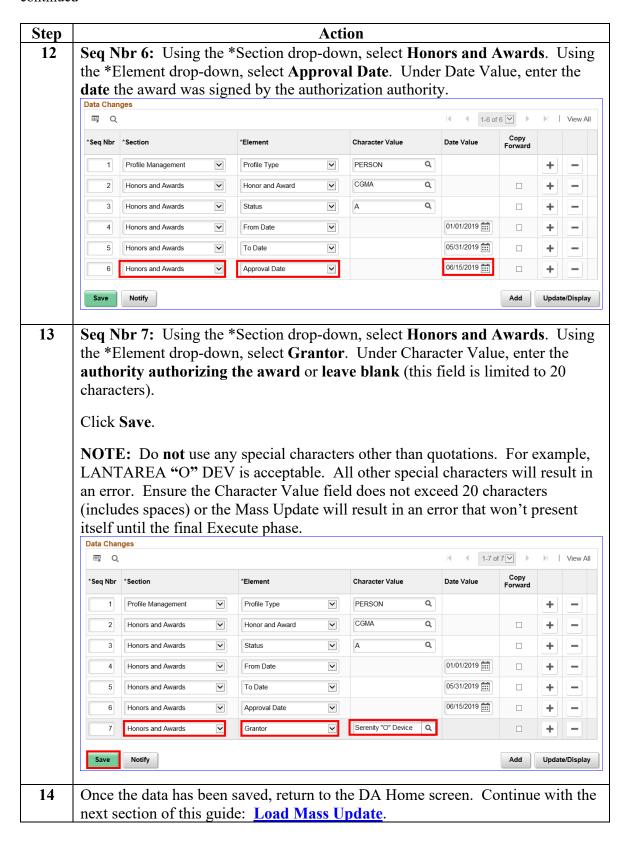
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Load Mass Update

Introduction

This section of the guide provides the procedures for a P&A Office to run the **second stage** of the Mass Update in Direct Access (DA). This stage loads the Text file of Emplids for the Mass Award Update.

Important Information

Do NOT run a Mass Award Update during Finalization. Running a Mass Award Update can be a very time consuming process depending on the number of members to be processed. Running the Mass Award Update during Finalization will make this process exponentially longer and may result in errors.

Do NOT run a Mass Award Update while running any other applications in the background. Bouncing between applications while attempting to run a Mass Award Update may result in catastrophic failure, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be completely recreated, including the creation of the Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID.

It is VERY IMPORTANT to pay attention to each step throughout the ENTIRE process of the Mass Update. Failure to enter any of the information indicated throughout this guide will result in a catastrophic error, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be completely restarted. This includes creating a new Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID to be entered in the Define Mass Update stage.

Procedures See below.

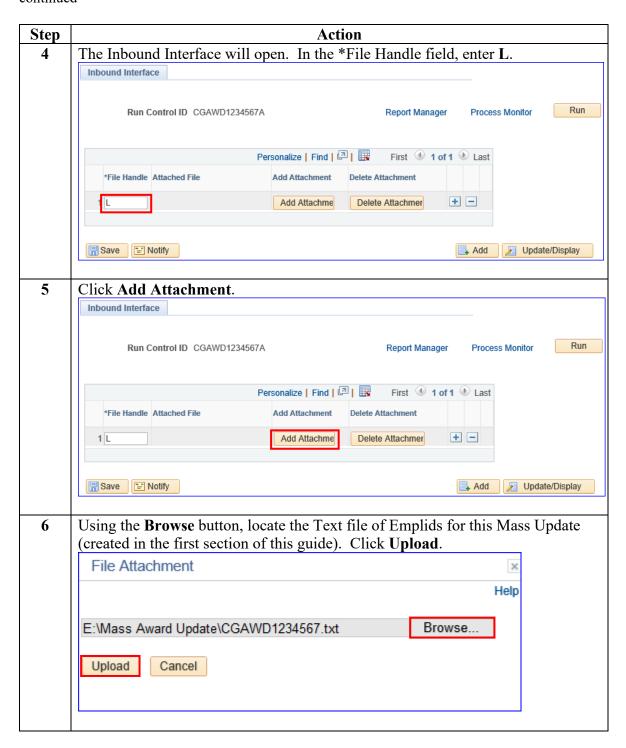
Step		Action
1	Click on the Mass Upda	tes tile.
	Mass Updates	
1.5	Select the Load Mass U	pdates option.
	Define Mass Update	
	Create Mass Updates	
	Report Mass Updates	
	Manage Mass Updates	
	Execute Mass Updates	
	Delete Mass Updates	
	E Load Mass Updates	

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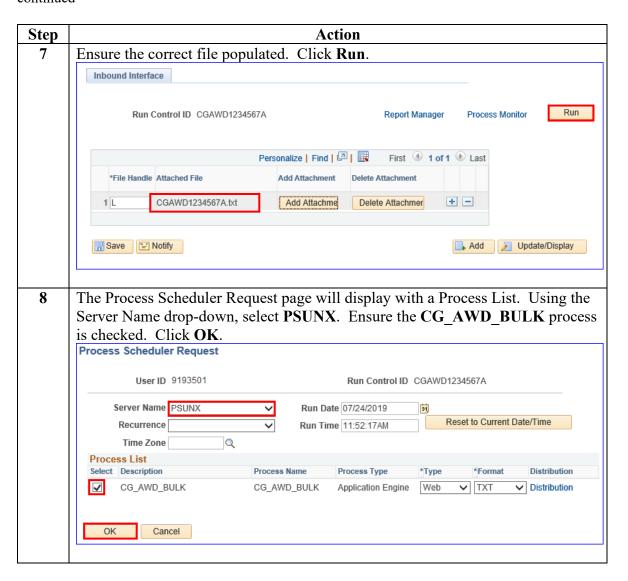
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Step	Action
2	The Load Mass Updates page will display. Select the Add a New Value tab.
	Load Mass Updates
	Enter any information you have and click Search. Leave fields blank for a list of all values.
	Find an Existing Value Add a New Value
	▼ Search Criteria
	V Search Chieffa
	Search by: Run Control ID begins with
	☐ Case Sensitive
	Court Advanced Court
	Search Advanced Search
3	Enter a Run Control ID (this will be the Mass Update ID used during the Define
	Mass Update process and established in the Text file). Click Add .
	REMEMBER: It is VERY IMPORTANT to pay attention to each step
	throughout the ENTIRE Load Mass Update process. Failure to correctly
	enter any of the information indicated throughout the steps in this section will
	result in catastrophic failure, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be
	completely restarted at the Define Mass Update stage, including the creation of a
	new Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID.
	Load Mass Updates
	Find an Existing Value Add a New Value
	Run Control ID CGAWD1234567A
	Add
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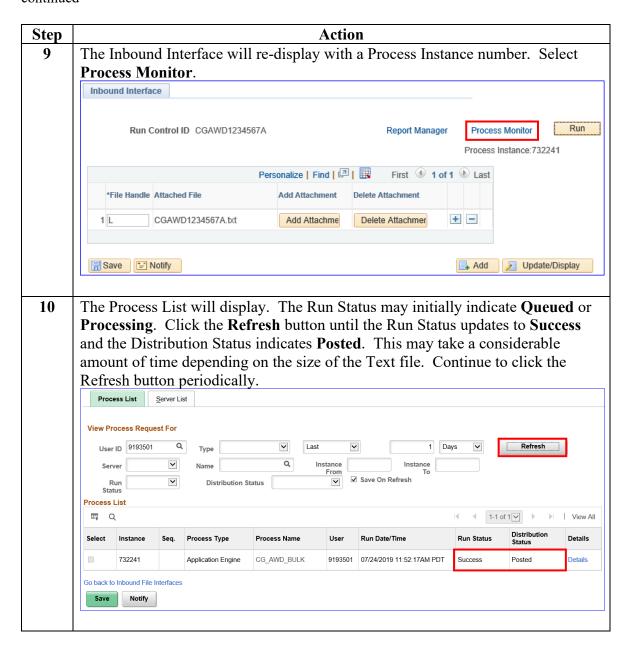
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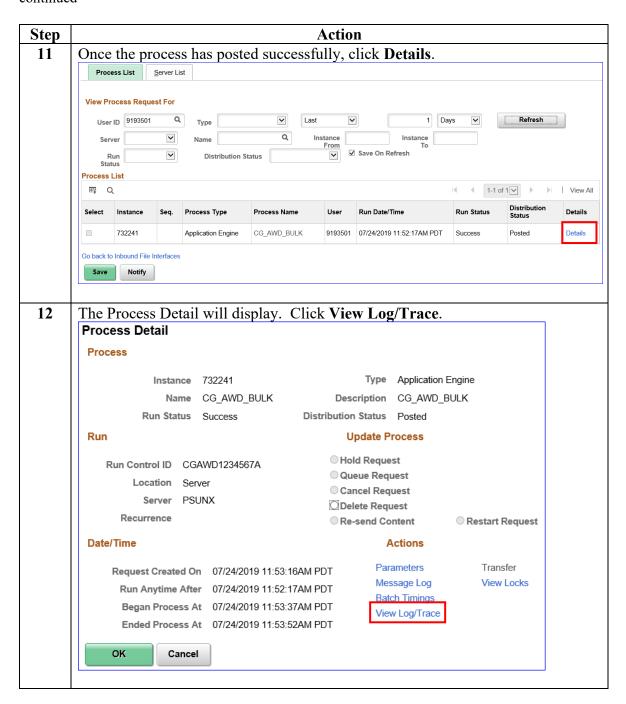
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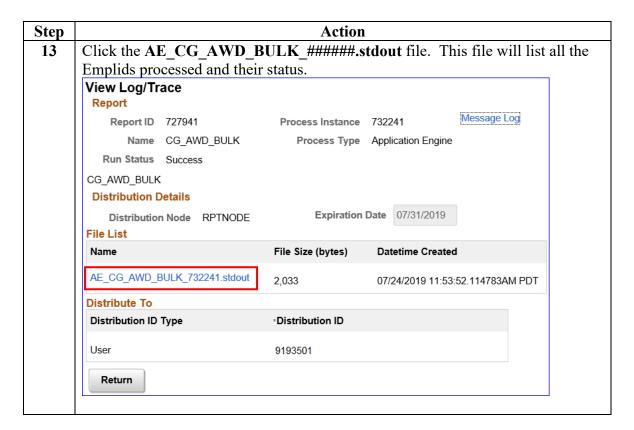
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Step	Action						
14	The file will open in a new window. Review the list to determine if any Emplids failed to process. All 'failed' Emplid(s) will need to be researched for validity. If the 'failed' Emplid(s) is determined to be valid, it will need to be entered into DA individually using the Honors and Awards guide. Make a note of all 'failed' Emplids and 'X' out of page to return to DA.						
	IMPORTANT: When the Award Bulk Load runs correctly, the first Emplid (entered in Step 6 of the <u>Define Mass Update</u> stage, pulled from the Text file) will state 'Insert Failed'. However, the Emplid should appear in numerical order within the list of Emplids ready for execution in the <u>Manage Mass Update</u> stage.						
	Reasons an Emplid will fail:						
	Emplid is a duplicate entry						
	• Emplid is formatted incorrectly						
	• Emplid does not exist						
	• Emplid belongs to a Civilian/Auxilliarist/Retiree PeopleTools 8.56.12 - Application Engine Server Copyright (c) 1988-2019 Oracle and/or its affiliates. All Rights Reserved						
	PSAESRV started service request at 11.53.37 2019-07-24 Award Bulk Load Process Started - 2019-07-24-11.53.38.000000 (0,0)						
	Insert Failed for - 1000000 (0,0) See IMPORTANT						
	1010001 - Loaded (0,0)						
	1020000 - Loaded (0,0)						
	1030000 - Loaded (0,0)						
	1040000 - Loaded (0,0)						
	1050000 - Loaded (0,0)						
	1111111 - Loaded (0,0)						
	Emplid does not exist in the system - 1212121 (0,0)						
	1234567 - Loaded (0,0)						
	2345678 - Loaded (0,0)						
	8787878 - Loaded (0,0)						
	9876543 - Loaded (0,0) Application Engine program CG_AWD_BULK ended normally						
	PSAESRV completed service request at 11.53.38 2019-07-24						
15	Return to the Home page and continue with the next section of this guide: <u>Create Mass Update</u> .						

Create Mass Update

Introduction

This section of the guide provides the procedures for the P&A Office to create a Mass Update in Direct Access (DA) using the parameters outlined in the Create Mass Update and Load Mass Update sections of this guide. This is the **third stage** of the Mass Update process.

Important Information

Do NOT run a Mass Award Update during Finalization. Running a Mass Award Update can be a very time consuming process depending on the number of members to be processed. Running the Mass Award Update during Finalization will make this process exponentially longer and may result in errors.

Do NOT run a Mass Award Update while running any other applications in the background. Bouncing between applications while attempting to run a Mass Award Update may result in catastrophic failure, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be completely recreated, including the creation of the Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID.

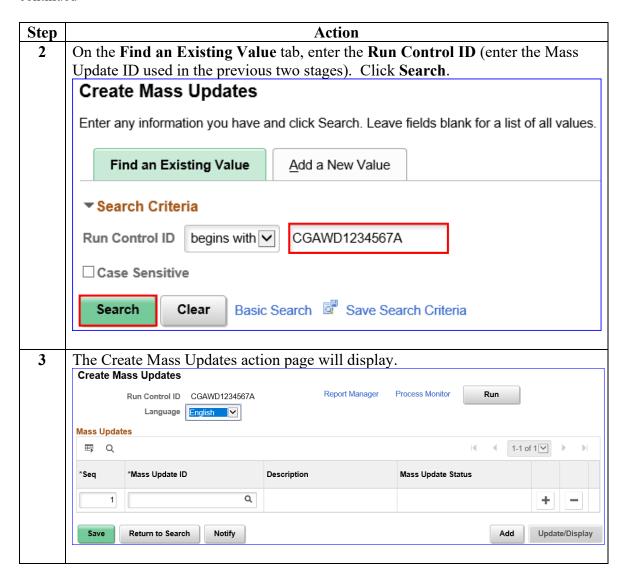
It is VERY IMPORTANT to pay attention to each step throughout the ENTIRE process of the Mass Update. Failure to enter any of the information indicated throughout this guide will result in a catastrophic error, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be completely restarted. This includes creating a new Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID to be entered in the Define Mass Update stage.

Procedures See below.

Step	Action					
1	Click on the Mass Updates tile.					
	Mass Updates					
1.5	Select the Create Mass Updates option.					
	☐ Define Mass Update					
	Create Mass Updates					
	Report Mass Updates					
	Manage Mass Updates					
	Execute Mass Updates					
	☐ Delete Mass Updates					
	Coad Mass Updates					

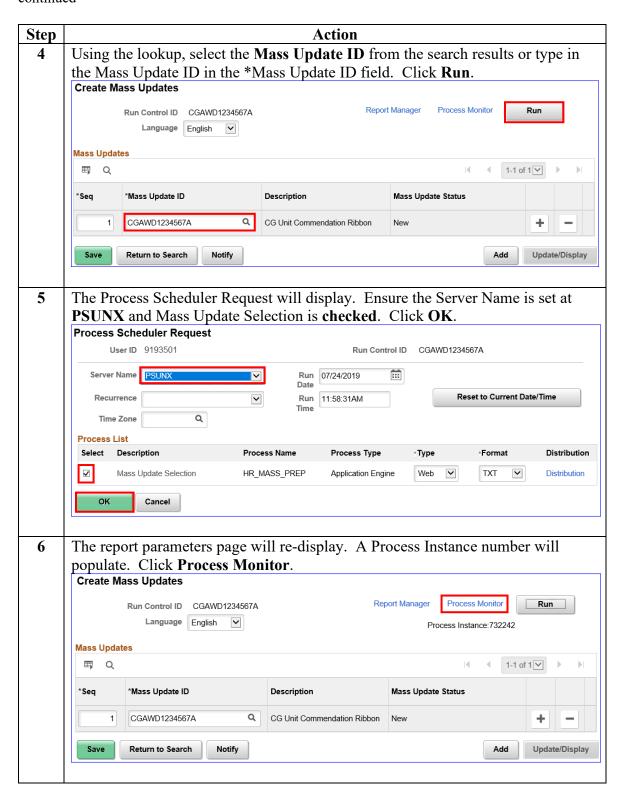
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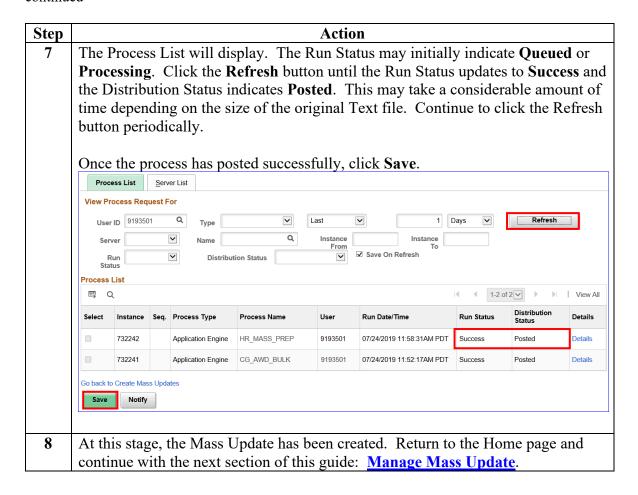


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Manage Mass Update

Introduction

This section of the guide provides the procedures for a P&A Office to manage the Mass Update in Direct Access (DA) to ensure it has loaded correctly. This is the **fourth stage** of the Mass Update process.

Important Information

Do NOT run a Mass Award Update during Finalization. Running a Mass Award Update can be a very time consuming process depending on the number of members to be processed. Running the Mass Award Update during Finalization will make this process exponentially longer and may result in errors.

Do NOT run a Mass Award Update while running any other applications in the background. Bouncing between applications while attempting to run a Mass Award Update may result in catastrophic failure, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be completely recreated, including the creation of the Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID.

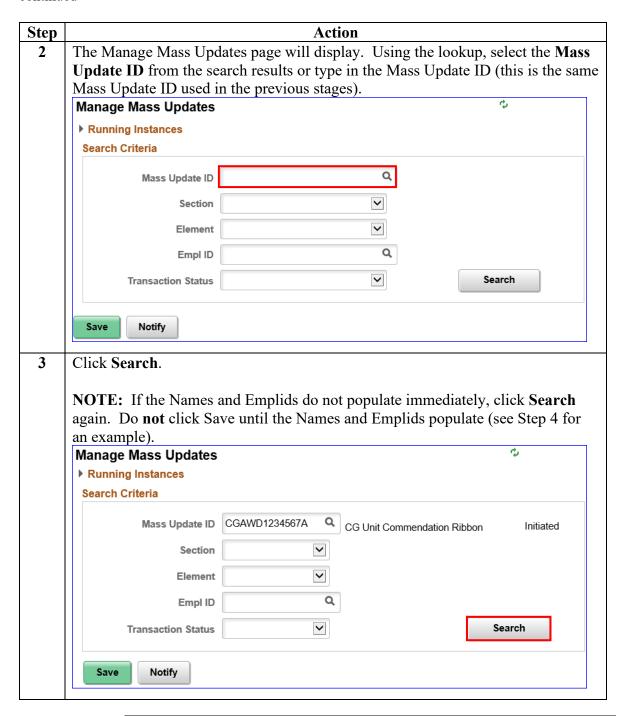
It is VERY IMPORTANT to pay attention to each step throughout the ENTIRE process of the Mass Update. Failure to enter any of the information indicated throughout this guide will result in a catastrophic error, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be completely restarted. This includes creating a new Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID to be entered in the Define Mass Update stage.

Procedures See below.

Step	Action				
1	Click on the Mass Updates tile.				
	Mass Updates				
1.5	Select the Manage Mass Updates option.				
	Define Mass Update				
	Create Mass Updates				
	Report Mass Updates				
	Manage Mass Updates				
	Execute Mass Updates				
	□ Delete Mass Updates				
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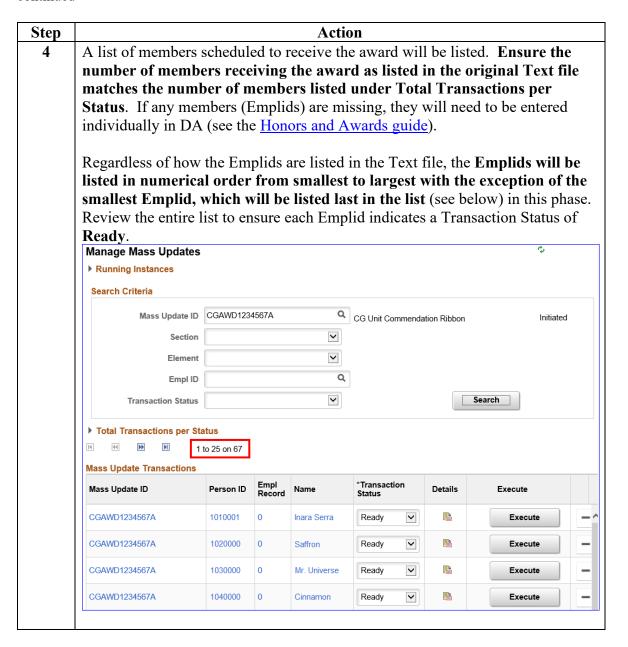
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Step				Actio	n			
4	IMPORTANT:	When	the Ma	ss Update 1	runs correct	tly, the	first Emplid	
(cont.)	(entered in Step 6 of the <u>Define Mass Update</u> stage) will state 'Insert Failed' in							
	the review conducted at the end of the Load Mass Update stage, Step 15.							
	However, the Emplid should appear last within the list of Emplids ready							
	for execution in this stage.							
	For example: This Mass Update processed 67 members. The Emplid, '1000000' (entered in Step 6 of the Define Mass Update stage and indicated 'Insert Failed' in the Load Mass Update review Step 15) processed correctly when reviewing the Emplids in this stage. After review is complete, click Save. NOTE: If it is discovered a member is ineligible for the award prior to the completion of the final phase, click the (-) button for that Emplid and it will be removed from the Mass Update. Total Transactions per Status Total Transactions per Status							
	Mass Update Transactions Mass Update ID	Person ID	Empl Record	Name	*Transaction Status	Details	Execute	
	CGAWD1234567A	8787878	0	Badger	Ready	1	Execute	
	CGAWD1234567A	9876543	0	The Operative	Ready	1 	Execute	
	CGAWD1234567A	1000000	0	Malcolm Reynolds	Ready	1	Execute	_~
	Save Notify							
5	Upon saving, the page and continu			•				

Execute Mass Update

Introduction

This section of the guide provides the procedures for a P&A Office to execute a Mass Update in Direct Access (DA) which will apply the award to each member's Person Profile. This is the **final stage** of the Mass Update process.

Important Information

Do NOT run a Mass Award Update during Finalization. Running a Mass Award Update can be a very time consuming process depending on the number of members to be processed. Running the Mass Award Update during Finalization will make this process exponentially longer and may result in errors.

Do NOT run a Mass Award Update while running any other applications in the background. Bouncing between applications while attempting to run a Mass Award Update may result in catastrophic failure, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be completely recreated, including the creation of the Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID.

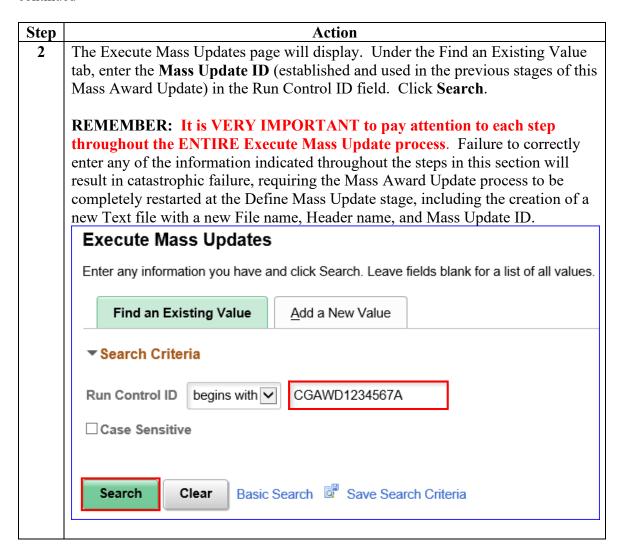
It is VERY IMPORTANT to pay attention to each step throughout the ENTIRE process of the Mass Update. Failure to enter any of the information indicated throughout this guide will result in a catastrophic error, requiring the Mass Award Update process to be completely restarted. This includes creating a new Text file with a new File name, Header name, and Mass Update ID to be entered in the Define Mass Update stage.

Procedures See below.

Step	Action						
1	Click on the Mass Updates tile.						
	Mass Updates						
1.5	Select the Execute Mass Updates option.						
	☐ Define Mass Update						
	Create Mass Updates						
	Report Mass Updates						
	Manage Mass Updates						
	Execute Mass Updates						
	☐ Delete Mass Updates						
	Coad Mass Updates						

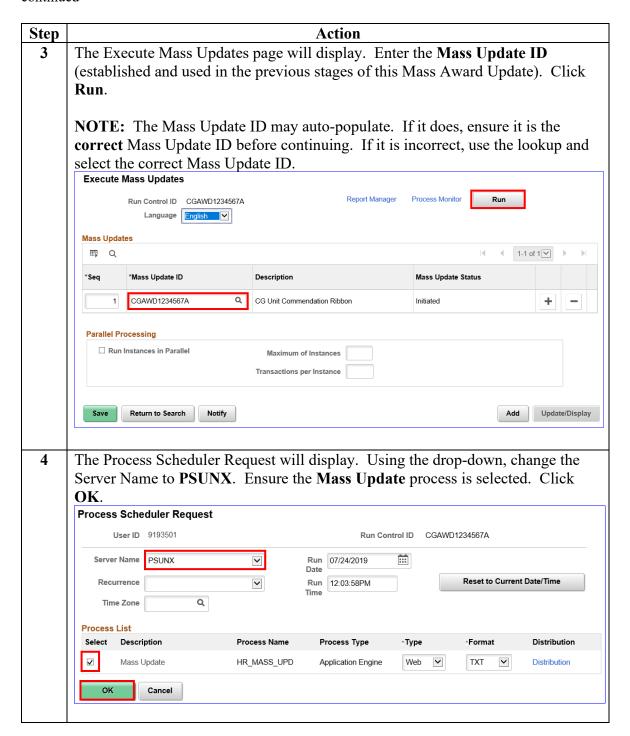
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