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How to Delete an Expense in Muhasib ERP

Overview

Muhasib ERP allows authorized users to permanently delete Expense Entries that were created by mistake or are no longer required. Deleting incorrect or duplicate expenses helps maintain accurate accounting records and improves the quality of financial reporting.

Before deleting an Expense Entry, ensure that it is no longer required for business operations and is not associated with completed payment records or approval workflows within your organization.

> **ℹ Example**
> Suppose an Electricity Bill expense was entered twice by mistake. Instead of keeping duplicate records, you can delete the unnecessary Expense Entry to maintain accurate financial records.

Before You Begin

Before deleting an Expense Entry, ensure the following requirements are met.

Requirement	Description
Permissions	You have permission to manage Expense Entries.
Existing Expense	The Expense Entry you want to delete already exists.
Expense Payments	Ensure that no Expense Payments are associated with the selected Expense Entry.

> **□□ Tip**
> Instead of deleting an Expense Entry, consider updating it if only minor corrections are required.

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Step 1: Open Expense Entry

Navigate to: **Expenses & Vouchers → Transactions → New Expense**

The Expense Entry window will open.

Step 2: Open Expense Inquiry

Click the **Enquiry** button from the left panel.

The **Expense Inquiry** window appears and displays all available Expense Entries.

> **i Note**
> Expense Inquiry helps you quickly locate an existing Expense Entry before deleting it.

Step 3: Search the Expense

Locate the Expense Entry using one of the available search options.

Search Option	**Description**
Filter by Keyword	Search by Expense ID, Short Description or other available keywords.
Date Range	Filter expenses between specific dates.

Step 4: Select the Expense Entry

Select the required Expense Entry from the Expense Records list.

Click **View Record**.

The selected Expense Entry will be loaded into the Expense Entry window.

> **Ready for Deletion**
> The selected Expense Entry is now available for review before deleting.

Step 5: Verify the Expense Information

Before deleting the Expense Entry, verify the following information.

Field	Description
Short Description	Confirm the selected Expense Entry.
Expense Type	Verify the assigned Expense Type.
Amount	Confirm the expense amount before deletion.
Expense Date	Verify the transaction date.

> **Important**
> Deleting an Expense Entry permanently removes it from the system. This action cannot be undone.

Step 6: Delete the Expense Entry

After verifying the Expense Entry, click the **Delete** button from the left panel.

If a confirmation dialog appears, click **Yes** to proceed with the deletion.

After the Expense Entry is deleted successfully, Muhasib ERP displays the following confirmation message:

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Record has been deleted successfully.
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> **Success**
> The selected Expense Entry has been deleted successfully.

Step 7: Verify Deletion

Open the **Expense Inquiry** window again and verify that the deleted Expense Entry no longer appears in the Expense Records list.

> **Tip**
> Always verify the deleted record before creating a replacement Expense Entry to avoid duplicate expense transactions.

Step 8: Close the Window

Close the Expense Entry window or continue deleting additional Expense Entries as required.

Result

Expense Deleted Successfully

- The selected Expense Entry has been permanently removed.
- The deleted Expense Entry will no longer appear in Expense Inquiry or Expense Reports.
- Your expense records remain clean and organized.
- Financial reports will automatically reflect the deletion.

Best Practices

- Delete only incorrect or duplicate Expense Entries.
- Verify that no Expense Payments are associated with the Expense before deleting it.
- Review the Expense information carefully before confirming deletion.
- Update an Expense instead of deleting it whenever only minor corrections are required.
- Periodically review expense records to remove duplicate or invalid entries.

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I delete any Expense Entry?

Yes, provided that the Expense Entry is not associated with any Expense Payments and you have the required permissions.

Can I recover a deleted Expense Entry?

No. Once an Expense Entry has been deleted, it cannot be restored. You must create a new Expense Entry if required.

Why can't I delete an Expense Entry?

Expense Entries that have one or more associated Expense Payments cannot be deleted until all linked payment records are removed.

Should I update an Expense instead of deleting it?

Yes. If only the amount, description, Expense Type, or date needs correction, updating the Expense Entry is the recommended approach.

Will deleting an Expense affect reports?

Yes. Deleted Expense Entries are automatically removed from reports and financial summaries generated by Muhasib ERP.

How can I verify that an Expense has been deleted?

Open the Expense Inquiry window and search for the Expense Entry. If it no longer appears, the deletion was successful.

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