

Re: Sorting Dates

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=Iif([Outpost],2,1), Ascending with a header and a footer (first sort)
Class No, Asc, with a header and footer
Total hours, Asc with a header
SeniorityDate,Asc with a header
Thanks for all the time you have looked at this, but I still can not get the dates to sort properly.

"Duane Hookom" wrote:

Sorting in your query is practically worthless. Please provide the sorting and grouping expressions used in your report design view. This is the only place that I trust any sorting in a report.

--
Duane Hookom
Microsoft Access MVP

"Melinda" wrote:

I believe I have the viewing and sorting correct, but I thought I would post my SQL and maybe you would see something wrong in that.

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SELECT [Total Query].Outpost, [Total Query].ClassNo, [Total  
Query].EmployeeName, tblEmployees.SeniorityDate,  
tblEmployees.HomePhone,  
tblEmployees.CellPhone, tblEmployees.Pagers, odotqry.[Total Hours]  
FROM ([Total Query] INNER JOIN tblEmployees ON [Total  
Query].Tmsemployeeno =  
tblEmployees.Tmsemployeeno) INNER JOIN odotqry ON  
tblEmployees.Tmsemployeeno  
= odotqry.Tmsemployeeno  
ORDER BY tblEmployees.SeniorityDate;
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"KARL DEWEY" wrote:

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Open your report in design view, click on menu VIEW –
Sorting And Grouping.
Select the overtime hours totals field and Descending order
That is if you
want the one with the most overtime). Then below that select
the 'seniority
date' field.

--
KARL DEWEY
Build a little – Test a little

"Melinda" wrote:

It is in the query, I misspoke. Just can't
figure how to make it sort with
the most senior (seniority date) first when
they have the same total year to
date hours.

Duane Hookom" wrote:

Regarding the seniority
date, you stated "because it
is not in the query".
Your report can't sort on a
field that isn't displayed in
the report's field
list.

--
Duane Hookom
Microsoft Access MVP

"Melinda" wrote:

OK, I went
back into
the
tblEmployees
field and
typed in
4/21 and I
get an
error, it

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does not
change the
field to the
date of
4/21/2008. I
took out
the input
mask and
now I can
type 4-21
and it
populates
the rest of
the
field. I went
back and
looked at
my report
and it still
has the 3
employees
who have a
total of 16.4
ytd
overtime
hours sorted
incorrectly.
First
seniority
date
05-30-2000,
second
seniority
date
06-18-1990
and third
seniority
date of
06-23-1986.
It should be
reporting
the dates the
opposite.
Should I
possibly put
in the
"Orderby"
of the
report,
(Format[Senioritydate[,
"yyyy")

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Would
something
like that
work?

"KARL
DEWEY"
wrote:

A
fast
simple
test
of
your
date
field
is
to
type
4/21
and
press
ENTER.
If
the
Access
field
is
DateTime
datatype
it
will
change
the
4/21
to
4/21/2008.
If
it
is
a
text
field
it
will
remain
4/21.
--
KARL

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a
little
-
Test
a
little

"Melinda"
wrote:

Sorry,
but
I
am
a
bit
confused.
Back
in
the
table
I
have
the
Seniority
Date
as
a
Date/Time
field,
and
the
format
at
the
bottom
is
Short
Date.
When
I
wrote
the
report
I
have
the

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seniority
date
coming
from
tblEmployees,
is
that
possibly
where
the
problem
is
because
it
is
not
in
the
query?
I
have
checked
and
rechecked
everything
you
guys
have
said,
but
if
I
am
looking
at
it
correct
it
appears
that
I
have
everything
ok.
Anything
else
I
can
check?

"Duane

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Hookom"
wrote:

Fredg
is
correct
as
usual.
Your
statement
"I
also
have
it
set
up
as
a
short
date"
raises
a
red
flag.
You
don't
normally
provide
a
format
to
a
numeric
or
date
value
you
want
sort
on.
Leave
it
alone.

Also,
are
you
sure
the
Total

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Hours
doesn't
include
more
decimal
places
that
aren't
displayed?

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Duane
Hookom
Microsoft
Access
MVP

"Melinda"
wrote:

I
do
have
it
as
a
"Date
Datatype".
I
am
sorting
in
the
report,
I
am
first
sorting
by
a
ClassNo,
2nd,
Total
Hours,
and
3rd
SeniorityDate.
I
have
the

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SeniorityDate
set
up
as
Date
field
in
the
table
and
that
is
where
I
am
bringing
into
the
report
from.
I
didn't
know
if
I
could
go
into
the
record
source
from
the
actual
report
and
type
descending
or
something
of
that
sort.
I
also
have
it
set
up
as
a

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short
date.

"fredg"
wrote:

On
Fri,
18
Apr
2008
10:25:00
-0700,
Melinda
wrote:

I
have
looked
through
all
the
postings,
but
don't
see
one
that
quite
fits
what
I
am
doing,
and
have
failed
at
all
the
attempts
I
have
made.
I
am
sorting
Seniority
Dates

in
a
total
overtime
report.
When
3
employees
have
the
same
year
to
date
total
hours
of
overtime,
I
need
it
to
then
sort
by
seniority,
with
the
most
senior
person
being
called
in
to
work
first.
I
have
three
employees
with
16.4
hours
of
overtime,
and
their
seniority
dates
are

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05-13-2000,
06-14-1990,
and
06-28-1986.

I
see
that
it
is
sorting
on
the
month
and
then
the
date,
but
I
need
the
most
senior
person
being
listed
first.
How
do
I
change
my
sort?

What
is
the
actual
datatype
of
the
Seniority
Date
field?
Is
it
Text
datatype
or
is

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it
Date
datatype.?
Where
are
you
doing
the
sorting?
In
the
query
or
in
the
Report?

1)
The
Seniority
Date
field
should
be
Date
datatype
(I
suspect
yours
is
Text).

2)
Any
sorting
you
do
in
the
query
is
irrelevant
to
the
sorting
in
the
report.
To
sort
the
report,

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use
the
Report's
Sorting
and
Grouping
dialog...
Click
on
View
+
Sorting
and
Grouping.

If
the
[SeniorityDate]
is
actually
a
Date
datatype
.....
In
the
Field/Expression
column
write:
[SeniorityDate]
on
the
top
line.
In
the
Sort
column
write
Ascending

If
the
[SeniorityDate]
is
actually
a
Text
datatype
.....

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In
the
Field/Expression
column
write:
=CDate([SeniorityDate])
on
the
top
line
In
the
Sort
Column,
write
Ascending

The
report
should
now
sort
according
to
Seniority.

--
Fred
Please
respond
only
to
this
newsgroup.
I
do
not
reply
to
personal
e-mail