Allow Existing Schedule Assignment

Preference Overview

This preference allows you to try and keep consecutive trips, including operator scheduled overlaps. Doing this carries a cost expressed by a penalty.

> **Note** There are two preference templates available only one of which may be used and then only as a single instance.

Templates Available from Optibus

Table 1-1: Templates Summary

Template Name	Purpose	Reference
Allow Existing Schedule Assignment by Route Group	Maintain consecutive trips, including operator scheduled overlaps for a nominated Route Group.	**Allow Existing Schedule Assignment by Route Group**
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Allow Existing Schedule Assignment by Route Group

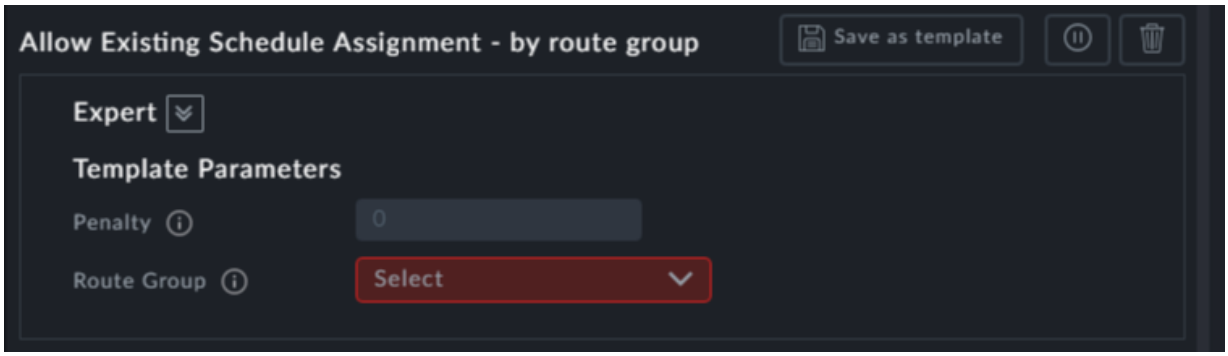
Purpose:

Maintain conscutive trips, including operator scheduled overlaps for a nominated Route Group.

Prerequisites: You should have already defined your route groups. See Miscellaneous Assignments, **Route Groups**.

This template can only be used once, so you might need to set up a special Route Group containing all of the routes needed for this purpose.

Opening Dialog:



Points to note:

- **Route Group**: The **Route Group** field is mandatory
- This preference may be strict by leaving the penalty at zero the or may be made flexible by assigning a non-zero penalty

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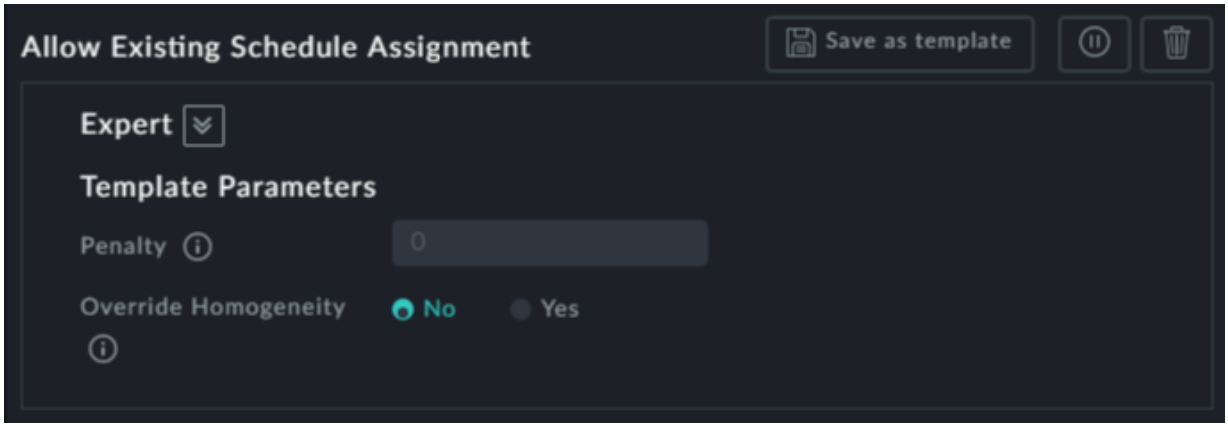
Maintain conscutive trips, including operator scheduled overlaps.

Prerequisites: None.

Opening Dialog:



Points to note:

- **Override Homogeneity**: Where the Operator has manually implemented homogeneity, you can allow the optimization to **Override Homogeneity**, but at a cost set by the Penalty
- This preference may be strict by leaving the penalty at zero the or may be made flexible by assigning a non-zero penalty