Complete Documentation and Configuration Guide

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Executive Summary

This document provides comprehensive documentation for the ServiceNow Family Expenses Management System, including table structures, business rules, relationships, and form configurations. The system is designed to track and manage family expenditures with automated number generation and expense aggregation capabilities.

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System Overview

The Family Expenses Management System consists of two primary tables:

• Family expenses (u_family_expenses) - Master table for family member information

• Daily expenses (u_daily_expenses) - Detail table for individual expense records

The system implements a parent-child relationship where family members can have multiple daily expense entries, with automated expense aggregation and number generation.

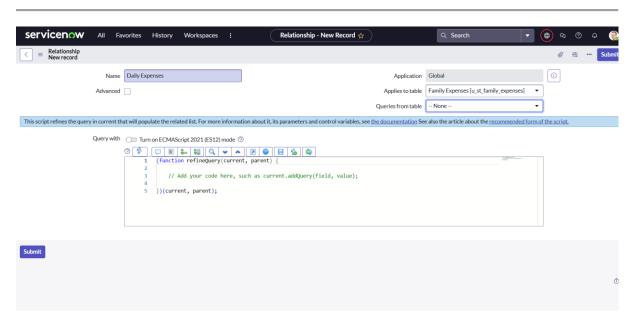


Table Structures

1. Family Expenses Table (u_family_expenses)

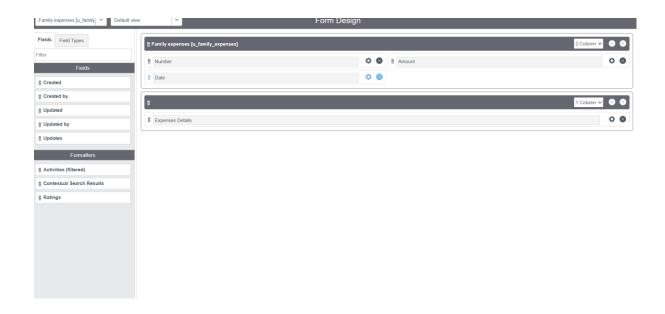
Purpose: Master table containing family member information and aggregated expense data.

Key Fields:

- Number (String) Auto-generated identifier using MFE prefix
- Date (Date) Record creation date
- Amount (Integer) Aggregated total of all related daily expenses
- Expenses Details (String) Concatenated details of all related expenses
- Family member name (Reference) Links to family member records
- Comments (String) Additional notes and comments

System Fields:

- Sys ID (GUID)
- Created (Date/Time)
- Updated by (String)
- Updates (Integer)
- Updated (Date/Time)
- Created by (String)



2. Daily Expenses Table (u_daily_expenses)

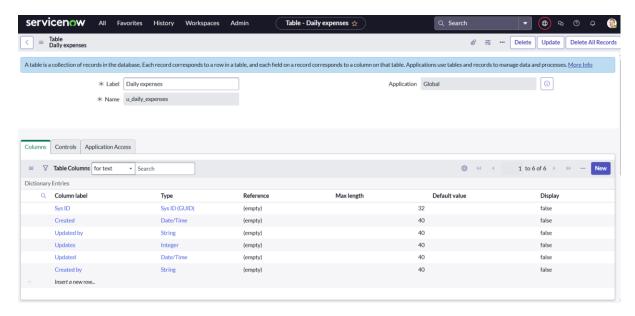
Purpose: Detail table for individual expense entries linked to family members.

Key Fields:

- Number (String) Auto-generated expense record identifier
- Date (Date) Expense transaction date
- Expenses (Integer) Individual expense amount
- Comments (String) Expense description and notes
- Family member name (Reference) Links to u_family_expenses table

System Fields:

• Standard ServiceNow audit fields (Created, Updated, etc.)



Form Configurations

Family Expenses Form Layout

The form is configured with a **2-column layout** containing:

Top Section (2 columns):

- Number field (left column)
- Amount field (right column)
- Date field (spans across)
- Expenses Details field (full width)

Bottom Section (1 column):

Comments field (full width)

Daily Expenses Form Layout

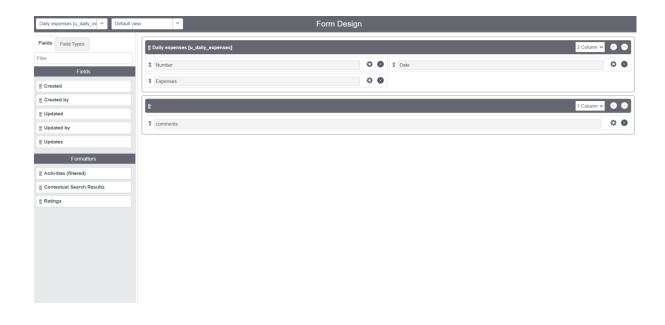
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Top Section (2 columns):

- Number field (left column)
- Date field (right column)
- Expenses field (spans across)

Bottom Section (1 column):

• Comments field (full width)



Business Rules

Family Expenses Business Rule (Family expenses BR)

Configuration:

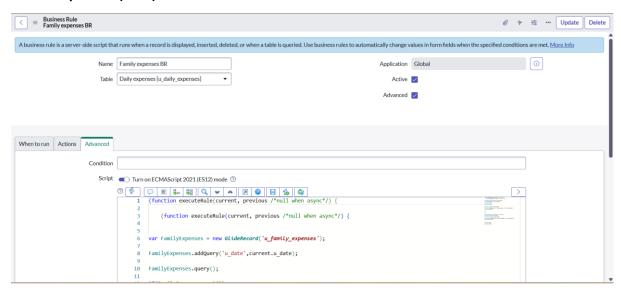
Name: Family expenses BR

Table: Daily expenses [u_daily_expenses]

Active: Yes

• Advanced: Yes

• ECMAScript 2021 (ES12) mode: Enabled



Script Logic:

javascript

(function executeRule(current, previous /*null when async*/) {

```
// Initialize GlideRecord for Family expenses table
  var FamilyExpenses = new GlideRecord('u_family_expenses');
  // Query for matching date records
  FamilyExpenses.addQuery('u_date', current.u_date);
  FamilyExpenses.query();
  // If matching record exists, update it
  if (FamilyExpenses.next()) {
     // Aggregate expense amount
     FamilyExpenses.u_amount += current.u_expense;
     // Concatenate expense details
     FamilyExpenses.u_expense_details += ">" + current.u_comments + ":" + "Rs." +
current.u_expense + "/-";
     // Update the record
     FamilyExpenses.update();
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                     (function executeRule(current, previous /*null when async*/) {
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                            FamilyExpenses.u_expense_details += ">"+current.u_comments+":"+"Rs."+current.u_expense+"/-";
                            FamilyExpenses.update();
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Related Links
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})(current, previous);

Functionality:

1. Automatically aggregates daily expenses into family expense totals

- 2. Concatenates expense details with formatting
- 3. Updates parent records when child records are created/modified
- 4. Maintains data consistency between related tables

Relationships

Daily Expenses Relationship

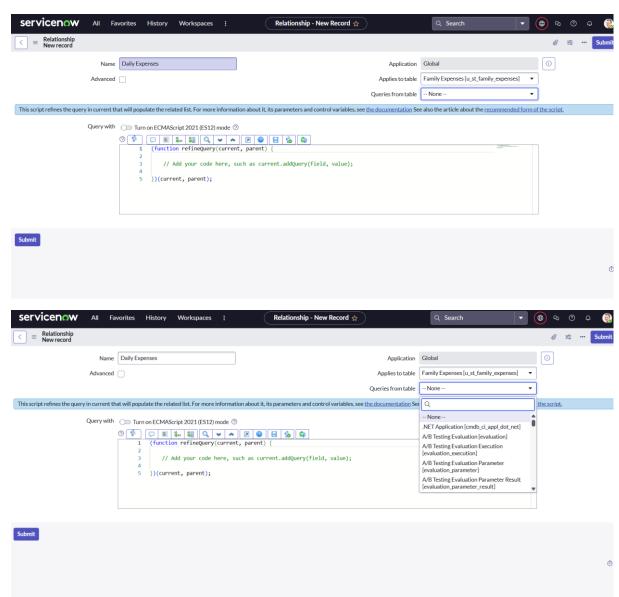
Configuration:

• Name: Daily expenses

• Applies to table: Family expenses [u_family_expenses]

• Queries from table: Daily expenses [u_daily_expenses]

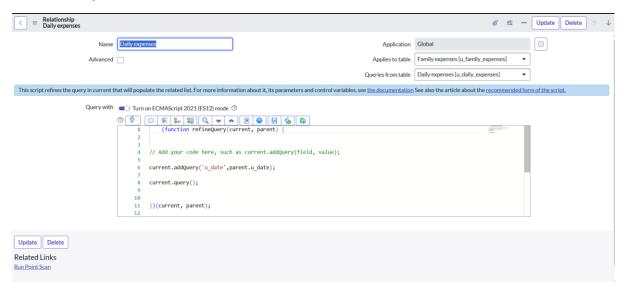
Advanced: No



Query Script:

```
javascript
(function refineQuery(current, parent) {
    // Add date-based query condition
    current.addQuery('u_date', parent.u_date);
    current.query();
})(current, parent);
```

Purpose: Links daily expense records to their corresponding family expense parent records based on date matching.



Number Management

Number Generation Configuration (Number - MFE)

Settings:

• **Table**: Family expenses

• Prefix: MFE

• Number: 1,000 (starting number)

• Application: Global

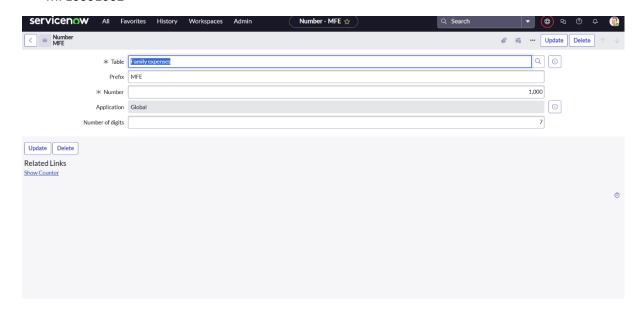
Number of digits: 7

Format: MFExxxxxxx (where x represents sequential digits)

Examples:

- MFE0001000
- MFE0001001

MFE0001002



Related Lists Configuration

Family Expenses Form Related Lists

Configuration Interface:

Available Lists: Attachments

Selected Lists: Daily expenses

View name: Default view

The related list displays all daily expense records associated with the current family expense record, providing a comprehensive view of individual transactions that contribute to the total family expense amount.

Technical Implementation

Database Schema

Primary Keys:

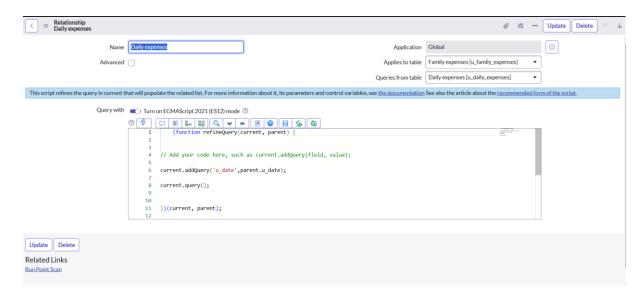
- Both tables use ServiceNow's standard Sys ID (GUID) as primary keys
- Number fields serve as user-friendly identifiers

Relationships:

- One-to-Many relationship between Family expenses and Daily expenses
- Foreign key relationship maintained through reference fields

Data Types:

• String: Text fields, comments, references



• Integer: Numeric amounts and counters

Date: Date fields for temporal tracking

• **Date/Time**: System audit timestamps

Automation Features

1. Automatic Number Generation: Sequential numbering for both tables

2. Real-time Aggregation: Business rules update totals immediately

3. **Dynamic Detail Concatenation**: Expense details automatically formatted

4. Audit Trail: Complete tracking of all changes and updates

Performance Considerations

- Indexed fields on date columns for efficient querying
- Business rule optimization for minimal database calls
- Efficient relationship queries using proper filtering

System Benefits

For Users

- Simplified Data Entry: Easy expense tracking interface
- Automatic Calculations: No manual total calculations required
- Comprehensive Reporting: Complete expense visibility
- Audit Capabilities: Full transaction history

For Administrators

- Configurable Forms: Flexible layout options
- Automated Workflows: Reduced manual processing

- Data Integrity: Business rules ensure consistency
- Scalable Architecture: Easy to extend and modify

Maintenance and Support

Regular Maintenance Tasks

- 1. Monitor business rule performance
- 2. Review and optimize database queries
- 3. Validate data integrity periodically
- 4. Update number sequences as needed

Troubleshooting Common Issues

- Missing Aggregations: Check business rule execution
- Number Generation Failures: Verify number configuration
- Relationship Issues: Confirm reference field mappings
- Form Display Problems: Review form layout settings

Conclusion

The ServiceNow Family Expenses Management System provides a robust, automated solution for tracking family expenditures. With its comprehensive business rules, efficient relationships, and user-friendly forms, the system ensures accurate expense management while minimizing manual effort.

The implementation demonstrates best practices in ServiceNow development, including proper table design, effective business rule implementation, and intuitive user interface configuration.