

# **Timesheet User Guide**

This is a basic usage guide that will show you how to work with Timesheet.

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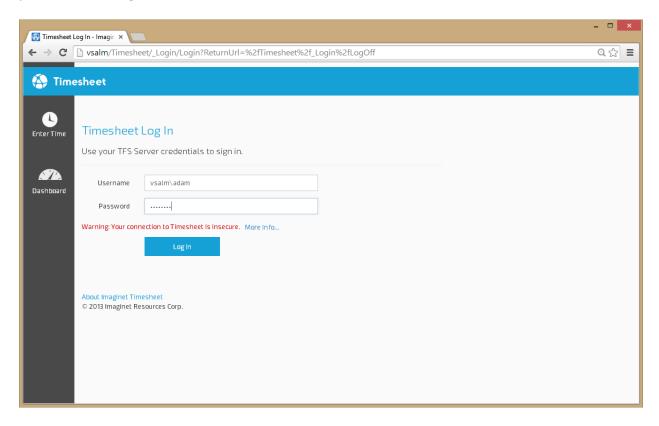
## **Using Timesheet**

#### **Entering Time**

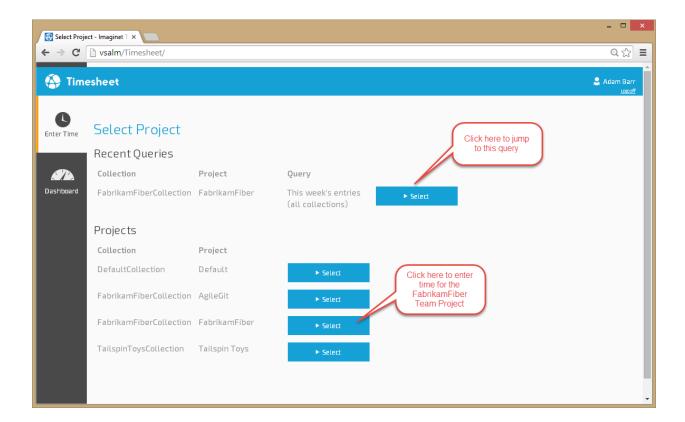
To enter time in a Timesheet, you'll have to select a date (a week for work) as well as a Work Item Query. Any work item query you see in TFS Web Access – either personal queries in the My Queries folder or shared queries – is visible within Timesheet.

#### Logging in

To access Timesheet, open a browser and enter the URL of your Timesheet site. You'll be presented with the Login page. Use your TFS credentials - enter your username (using domain\username) and password. Click Login.



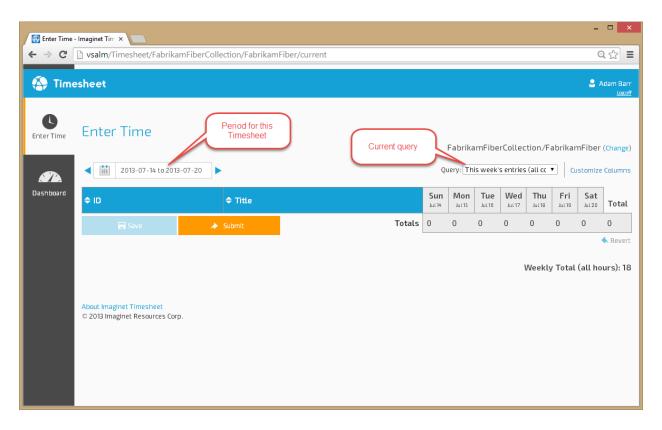
Once you've logged in, you'll see the "Select Project" page. This page shows the last 3 queries you used within Timesheet (so that you can jump to those queries quickly) as well as a list of Team Projects. Click on a Team Project's "Select" button to start entering time.



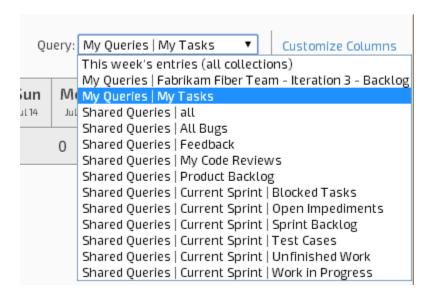
#### Selecting a Query

Once you've selected a Team Project, you'll see the Timesheet grid. The date for the current timesheet is displayed in the upper left corner. If you have not entered any time for any work items for this period, the grid will contain no rows.

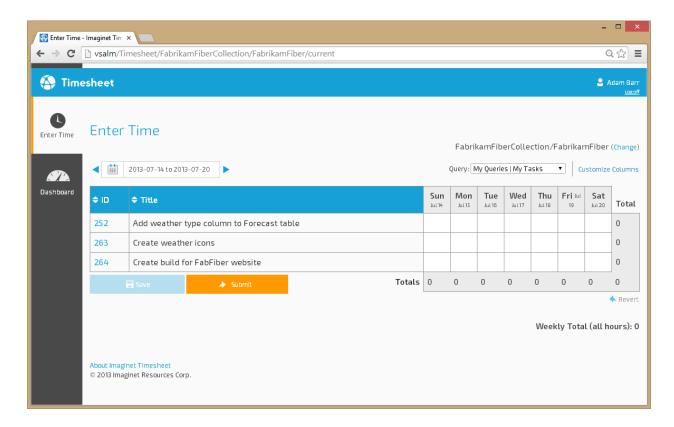
You can click on the calendar icon ( $\stackrel{\text{\tiny (iii)}}{}$ ) to select an arbitrary week. Also clicking on the  $\stackrel{\text{\tiny (iiii)}}{}$  icons will navigate you to the previous or next week respectively.



The Query selected in the dropdown shows the current query for this Timesheet. To select a new query, expand the dropdown and select a query.

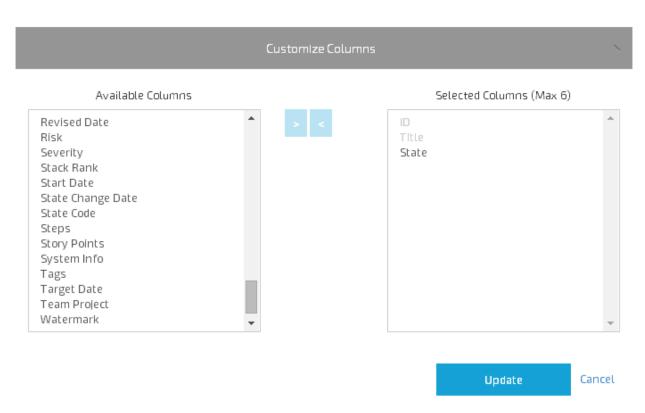


For this example, let's select the "My Queries | My Tasks" query. This will create a row per work item that is returned when running this query in TFS.

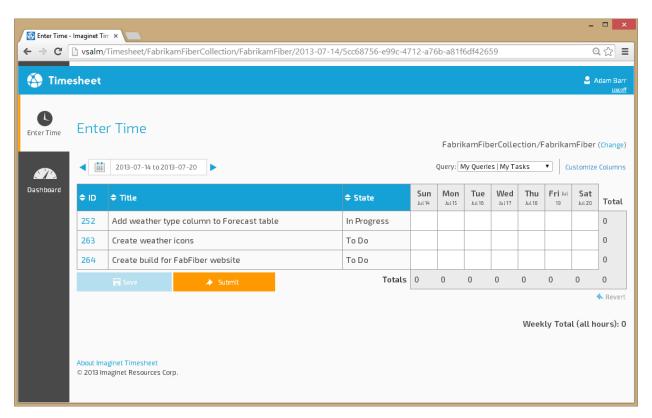


#### Customizing the Columns

You'll notice that only the ID and Title of the work items is shown in the grid. Let's imagine that you want to see the State field as well. Click the "Customize Columns" link just above and to the right of the grid. Then select the State column and move it to the Selected Columns on the right. ID and Title cannot be removed from the selected columns, and you can select up to 6 columns in total.

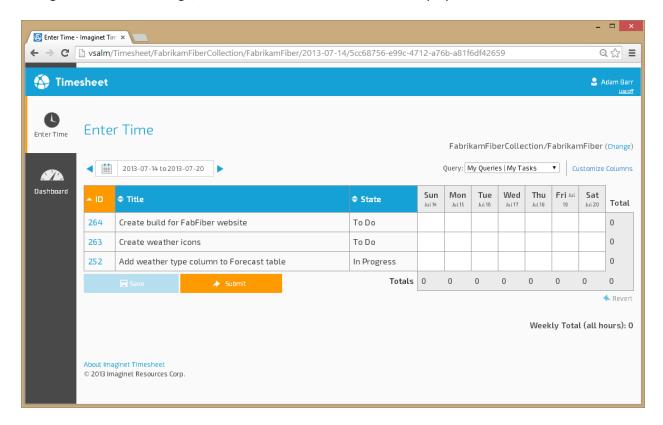


When you've selected your columns, click "Update". You'll see that the State column now appears in the grid.



#### Sorting the Grid by Column

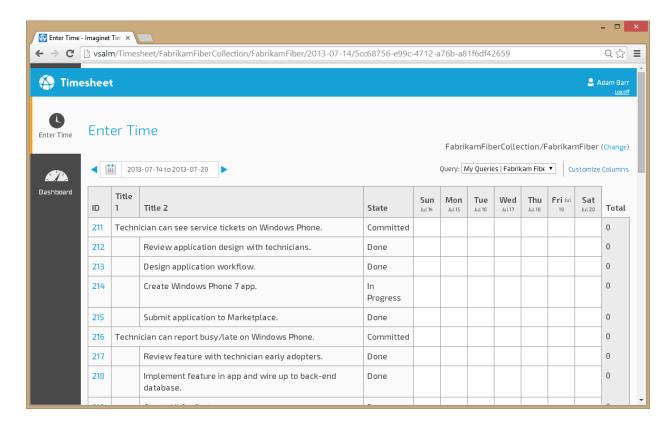
If you've selected a flat query, then you will be able to sort the columns. Clicking the ID column header will sort the rows by ID ascending. Clicking it again will sort by ID descending. The sort column header changes from blue to orange, and the direction of the sort it also displayed.



Clicking on the ID of the work item will open the work item in Web Access.

#### **Hierarchical Queries**

Timesheet supports hierarchical queries. Let's select the Iteration Backlog query:

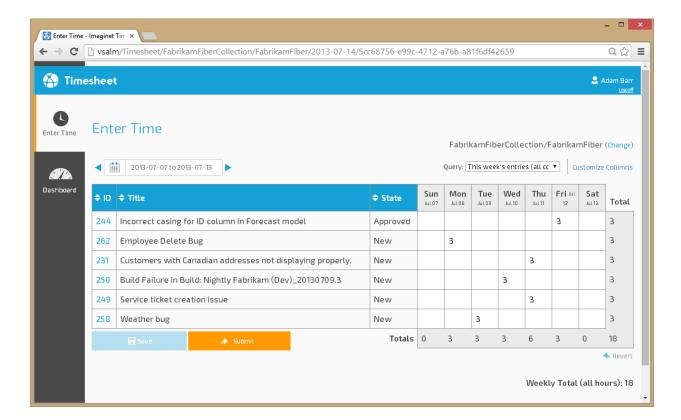


You'll see that the "parent items" have their title in the Title 1 columns, while "child items" are indented by 1 column and have their Titles in the Title 2 column. You cannot sort the grid when viewing a Hierarchical query.

#### The "This week's entries" Query

There may be times when work items don't appear in a query any longer. For example, you may have a query that shows Active Tasks, which you enter time against. If any of the Tasks transition to the "Done" state, they won't appear in the grid any longer because they won't appear in the TFS query.

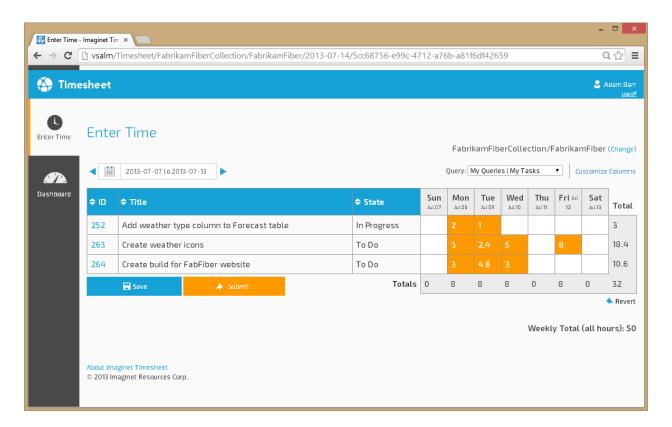
If you want to see which work items you've entered Time for for a given week, irrespective of query, you can select a special query called "This week's entries (all collections)". This will display a grid of all the work items that you have entered time for.



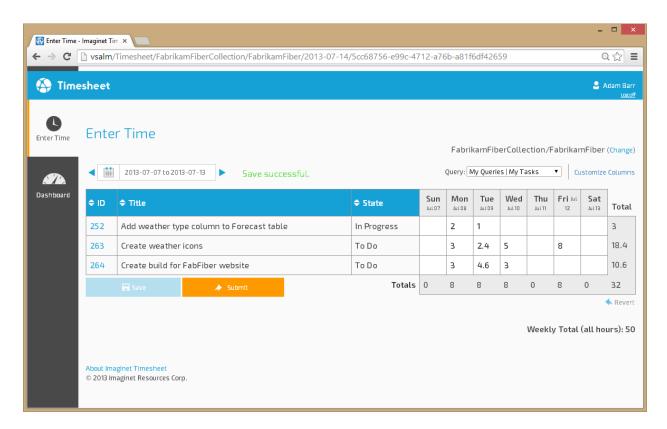
#### **Entering Time**

To enter time, simply add the hours that you worked for a work item in the grid for the corresponding day that you worked.

You can enter part-hours using a period. Edited cells are shown in orange. As you type in time, the column and row totals are updated automatically.

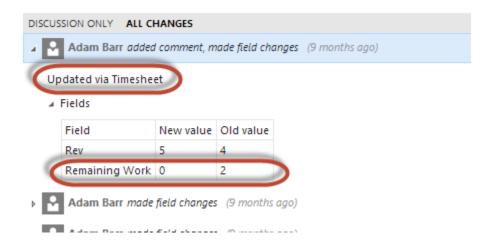


When you've finished entering time, click the blue Save button just below the grid. This saves your edits to the Timesheet database, and also subtracts the total time entered from the remaining work field for each work item. Of course remaining work can never go below 0.



You'll see a green "Save successful" message just above the grid when the save is completed. Your numbers are no longer orange in the grid.

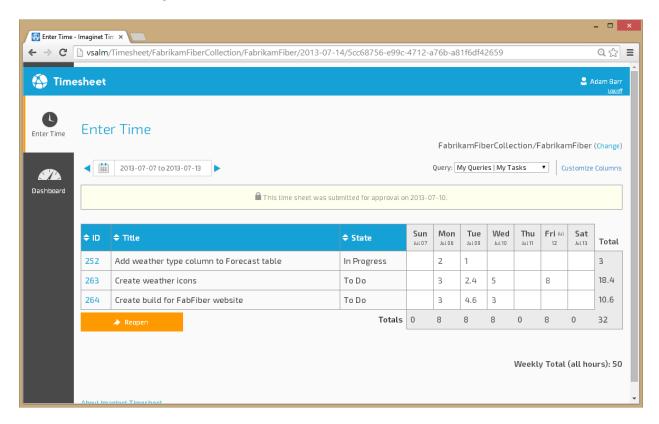
If you check the history of a work item, you'll see a "Modified by Timesheet" message as well as the changed fields for the work item.



#### Submitting a Timesheet

Saving time for a Timesheet saves your entries to the Timesheet database. If you need a mechanism of signaling a "completed" Timesheet, then you can optionally Submit a Timesheet. In this version of Timesheet there is no approval workflow or notification mechanism – Submitting simply changes the status of the hours in the Timesheet database. You'll see the reports will show Saved/Submitted hours.

Once you've Submitted a Timesheet, the Timesheet is locked. When a Timesheet is locked, values cannot be edited in the grid.

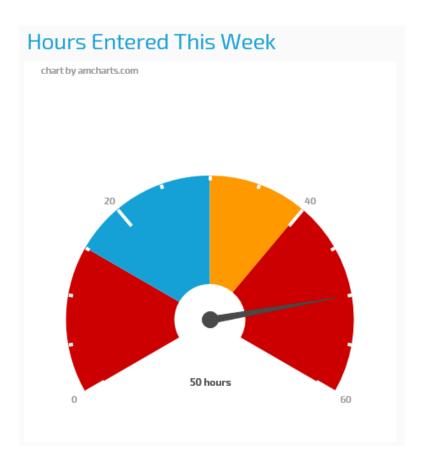


You can unlock a Timesheet by clicking "Reopen". This will allow you to reopen a Timesheet (you'll need to supply a reason for doing so that is saved into the database). Only then can you edit the Timesheet.

#### Using the Dashboard

Clicking on the Dashboard icon in the left hand bar will open the Dashboard. The dashboard is a quick visualization of your recent Timesheets.

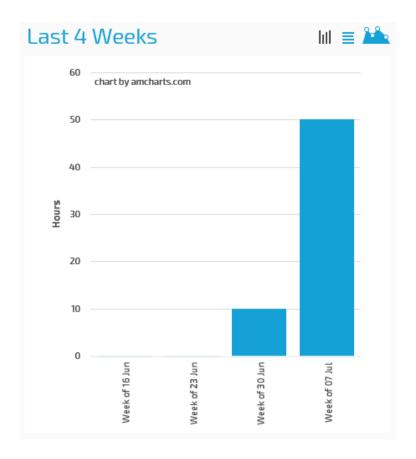
Hours Entered This Week shows a gauge of hours entered this week.



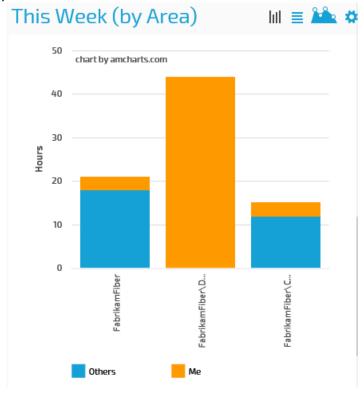
The Last 5 Work Items chart shows the last 5 work items you entered time for. You can change this to a bar, column or area graph using the style buttons in the top-right corner of the chart.



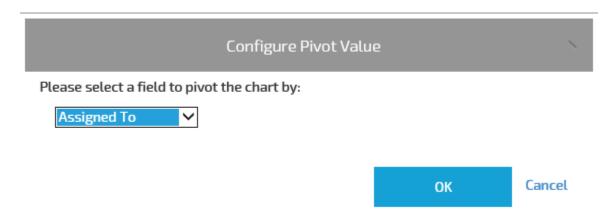
The Last 4 Weeks chart shows a sum of the hours you've entered for the last 4 weeks.



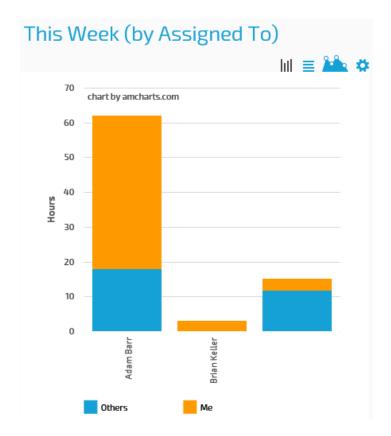
The This Week chart shows the sum of hours (yours and other team members) for a particular pivot. The chart pivots by Area by default.



To change the pivot field, click the icon in the top right corner, select a field to pivot by and click OK.

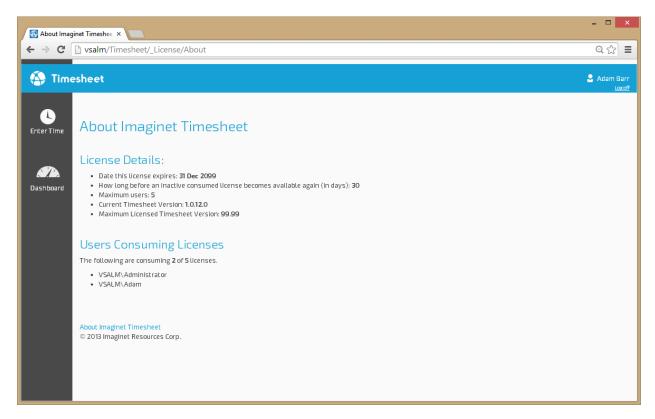


This changes the value of the pivot.



### **Checking Licensing Information**

To check licensing information for Timesheet, click the "About Imaginet Timesheet" link at the bottom left of any page.



The License Details section shows the license expiry date, maximum users, current Timesheet version as well as maximum licensed version. It also displays the aging period (in days). If you license a user, and that user is dormant for this period, then that user's license becomes available again.

The Users Consuming Licenses sections shows all users that are currently consuming lincenses.