

Grace periods (tab16) and overdue jobs

- **Product:** Aleph
 - **Product Version:** 20, 21, 22, 23
 - **Relevant for Installation Type:** Dedicated-Direct, Direct, Local, Total Care
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Question

Do the overdue notices (p_cir_50, p_cir_51 and p_cir_52) consider the grace periods defined in tab16 (col. 7 and col. 10)?

Answer

No, the grace days and hours (col. 7 and col. 10 from tab16) are only relevant for calculation of the late return fine defined in col. 14 of tab16. The overdue letter mechanism (p_cir_50, p_cir_51 and p_cir_52) configured in tab32 does not check grace days and hours in tab16 and therefore ignores the grace period.

Additional Information

Therefore - in case you want to send overdue letters only for late items that *would* generate a late return fine when the patron immediately after receiving the letter *would* return/renew the late item - we recommend to take this into consideration when defining tab32. For example if you configure 4 grace days in tab16 you may want to send the 1st overdue notice only after 4 days since the due date.

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