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Odoo Accounting Hack



mass set Journal
Entries to draft

As an accountant, there are several occasions where you might want to set journal entries back to draft status:

- 1** to fix mistakes in a journal entry
- 2** to add missing information
- 3** to adhere the approval process
- 4** to comply with changed accounting standards

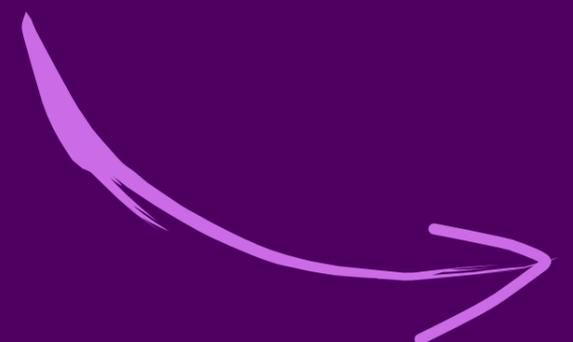
In Odoo you have the button **Reset to Draft** on the Journal Entry View.

You can reset entries to draft 1 by 1.
Which can be tedious.

But you can't reset many entries to draft from the list view.

YET.

Here's how you make it possible



1. Activate Developer Mode

The screenshot shows the Settings application interface. At the top left, the word "Settings" is displayed. To its right is a search bar with the placeholder text "Search...". Below the title bar are two buttons: "SAVE" (highlighted in teal) and "DISCARD". A dark grey sidebar on the left contains three menu items: "General Settings" (with a gear icon), "Accounting" (with a document icon), and "Documents" (with a folder icon). The main content area is divided into sections. The first section is titled "Profiling enabled until" and contains the text "Enable the profiling tool. Profiling may impact perfor" followed by a horizontal line. The second section is titled "Developer Tools" and contains three items: "Activate the developer mode (with assets)", "Activate the developer mode (with tests assets)", and "Deactivate the developer mode". The first item in the "Developer Tools" section is circled in purple.

Settings Search...

SAVE DISCARD

General Settings

Accounting

Documents

Profiling enabled until

Enable the profiling tool. Profiling may impact perfor

Developer Tools

Activate the developer mode (with assets)

Activate the developer mode (with tests assets)

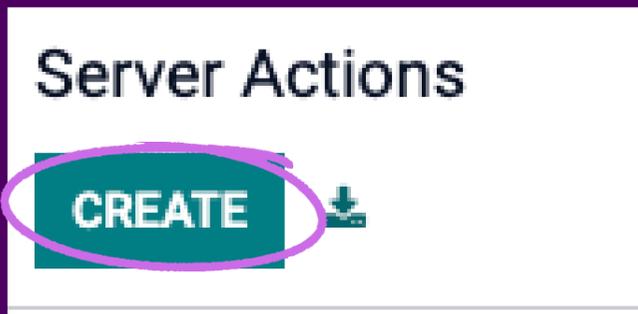
Deactivate the developer mode

2. Navigate to Server Actions

In **Settings** navigate to **Technical** followed by **Server Actions**.

Translations	Technical	
	Phone Blacklist	
	Actions	
	Actions	
	Reports	
	Window Actions	
	Server Actions	

3. Create a new Server Action



7 click Save

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6 click create contextual action

CREATE CONTEXTUAL ACTION

2 assign a name

Action Name
Reset to Draft Button (only in emergencies) EN

3 choose Journal Entry

Model Journal Entry

Action To Do Execute Python Code

4 choose Execute Python Code

Python Code Security Help

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1 for record in records:  
2  
3     record.button_draft()
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5 copy & paste this code here

for record in records:

record.button_draft()

4. Find your new Server Action

Tickmark several Journal entries and click on **Action**. You will see your new Server Action as a **button**.

The screenshot displays a software interface with a list of journal entries. At the top, there is a header bar with a gear icon (labeled '2'), a page indicator '1-80 / 23120', and navigation arrows. The main area contains a table with columns for 'Date' and 'Status'. The 'Date' column has a header row with an unchecked checkbox (labeled '1') and seven rows below it, each with a checked checkbox. The 'Status' column shows 'Posted ...' for each entry. A context menu is open over the table, listing several actions: Export, Delete, Reverse, Post entries, Resequence, Share, Register Payment, Send Bills for digitalization, Send & print, and Reset to Draft Button (only in emergencies) (labeled '3').

<input type="checkbox"/>	Date	Status
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	Posted ...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	Posted ...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	Posted ...
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- Export
- Delete
- Reverse
- Post entries
- Resequence
- Share
- Register Payment
- Send Bills for digitalization
- Send & print
- Reset to Draft Button (only in emergencies)

5. Set entries to draft in list view

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Before

<input type="checkbox"/>	Date	Number	Total	Status
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ/2	153.31	Posted
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ/2	23.45	Posted
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ/2	8.10	Posted
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ/2	8.10	Posted
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ/2	22.52	Posted
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ/2	27.00	Posted
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ/2	581.04	Posted

- Export
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After

<input type="checkbox"/>	Date	Number	Journal	Total	Status
<input type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ		153.31	Draft
<input type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ		23.45	Draft
<input type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ		8.10	Draft
<input type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ		8.10	Draft
<input type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ		22.52	Draft
<input type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ		27.00	Draft
<input type="checkbox"/>	31/03/2023	STJ		581.04	Draft

Warning

This should only be done in emergencies.

Usually you use the **revert entry** function to have an audit trail.

Thanks for Reading!

Questions?

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