

SmarterControls4Smartsheet -Smarter Formula Loader

Enabling formula restricted datatypes to be controlled by formulas!



Do you know that there are a number of columns that have restricted formula use?

Yes, we do too, which is why our SBP developers have created this feature as part of our **Smarter Apps Platform. Smarter Formula Loader** provides us with a solution for populating formulae results into a formula restricted column!

Which columns are restricted from Formula Use? (Causing us a headache!)

- 1. Contact List columns; System columns; Default columns
- 2. Columns being used for Dependencies such as Start Date, End Date, Duration, Predecessors
- 3. Columns being used for Resource Management % Complete or % Allocation



How does Smarter Formula Loader help?



By using keywords in column names, the feature will copy results into adjacent "restricted" columns, thus allowing sheet creators to effectively set a value in a restricted column using a formula! Simple and effective!

Example Scenario

You want to set your Duration value within a Project sheet by using the following formula: =([End Date]1 – [Start Date]1)*[% Allocation]1 so Smarter Formula Loader is required due to Duration being a restricted column where formulas are not allowed.

Task Name	Start Date	End Date	%Allocation	Duration-ToCopy	Duration	Assigned To
123	07/04/19	12/04/19	20%	1	1d	Jacques Guitard
124	07/04/19	12/04/19	50%	3	3d	etienne_mermillo(
125	07/04/19	12/04/19	100%	5	5d	James Rezin Dev
	07/04/19	12/04/19	100%	=([End Date]4 - [Start Date]4) * [%Allocation]4		

From this screen shot, you can see an extra column has been added to the Project Sheet called [Duration-ToCopy]. This column contains the required formula showing in row 4, and you can see that the result from the formula (in rows 1-3) have been copied to the original [Duration] column; thus enabling the restricted column Duration to be updated from a formula. – Yes this is great isn't it!?

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