

## Redmine - Defect #13250

### Status change refresh problem - cannot write fields writeable in a given status

2013-02-22 11:16 - Sándor Dombora

<b>Status:</b>	New	<b>Start date:</b>	
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Assignee:</b>		<b>% Done:</b>	0%
<b>Category:</b>	Issues permissions	<b>Estimated time:</b>	0.00 hour
<b>Target version:</b>		<b>Affected version:</b>	2.2.1
<b>Resolution:</b>			
<b>Description</b>			
The problem: cannot write fields writeable			
Example:			
We have users Martin, John and Steve			
We have the following statuses: "new", "to be approved", "in progress", "to be tested", "resolved"			
We have some fields: A			
Martin can add new issues, and change status to "to be approved". He can change the issue and its content until John approves it i.e. places the issue to status "in progress".			
John can approve issues, so changes status from "to be approved" to "in progress".			
Steve gets the issue in status "in progress" and can place it in status "to be tested".			
Only John has write access to the field A in status "to be approved" as it is connected to the approval of the issue. He should not have access the issue, he approved it as the work begins on the issue.			
1. Martin adds a new issue and set the status to "to be approved"			
2. John approves the task, would place a values in field A.			
3. By placing the issue in status "in progress" the field "A" becomes read only, so he cannot place value in it.			
Environment:			
Redmine version	2.2.1.stable		
Ruby version	1.8.7 (x86_64-linux)		
Rails version	3.2.11		
Environment	production		
Database adapter	PostgreSQL		
Redmine plugins:			
no plugin installed			
<b>Related issues:</b>			
Related to Redmine - Defect #13172: Changing assignee then tracker or status ...			<b>Confirmed</b>

## History

### #1 - 2013-02-22 18:02 - Etienne Massip

How is your workflow configured?

### #2 - 2013-02-26 10:21 - Sándor Dombora

The workflow is huge, so I am going to write here only those parts which are relevant to the issue.

There problem occurs because we apply high security settings.

For example. The developer gets the issue in Assigned status, when he starts the work on it changes the status to In progress.

These two statuses are reserved to developers no one can change attributes of the issue, only comments are allowed.

When the developer finishes his work, changes the status to Testing and fills in the Solution field. This is the place where one of the problems occur, because the Solution field is read only for all others, and the only status when the Solutions field is writable is "In progress", otherwise the developer could change the solution - during the testing phase which should not occur.

The configuration for this scenario:

Developer role:

- can change issue status
- from Assigned to In progress
- from In progress to Testing
- from In progress to Ask for information
- write custom field Solution while the issue is In progress status

- if we allow developer to update the Solution field while the issue is in Testing status, he could change the Solution field during testing phase

The problem is, when the issue status is changed on the form, the Solution field is hidden, and it is not saved. However in In progress status this field should be writeable for the developer.

I understand the other side of the problem, when there are required fields in Testing phase - these should be filled in before placing the issue to Testing, but there are again security issues - to enable writing of fields, which are supposed to be read only in other statuses, for different roles.

Best regards,  
Sándor, ITIL Expert, CISA, CISM

P.S. I see a lot of things to be done on database side of the project (a lot of constraints to be added - which provides more security - I could help in this part of the development). Because Redmine is a great product I'd like to help its improvement.

**#3 - 2013-03-20 17:53 - Sándor Dombora**

Are there any news regarding this issue?

**#4 - 2016-04-04 18:10 - @ go2null**

The issue is that changing the status applies the new status, which it should not do as the new status is just a change, like any other other change done.

That is the new status permissions should NOT be enforced/triggered when in the input form.

Duplicate issue: Defect [#13172](#)

**#5 - 2016-05-04 06:06 - Toshi MARUYAMA**

- Related to Defect #13172: Changing assignee then tracker or status reverts unsaved assignee change (during issue edit/update) added

**#6 - 2016-05-04 06:08 - Toshi MARUYAMA**

- Description updated