

Tech Tip Tuesday—September 24, 2013

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USE OF COLORS

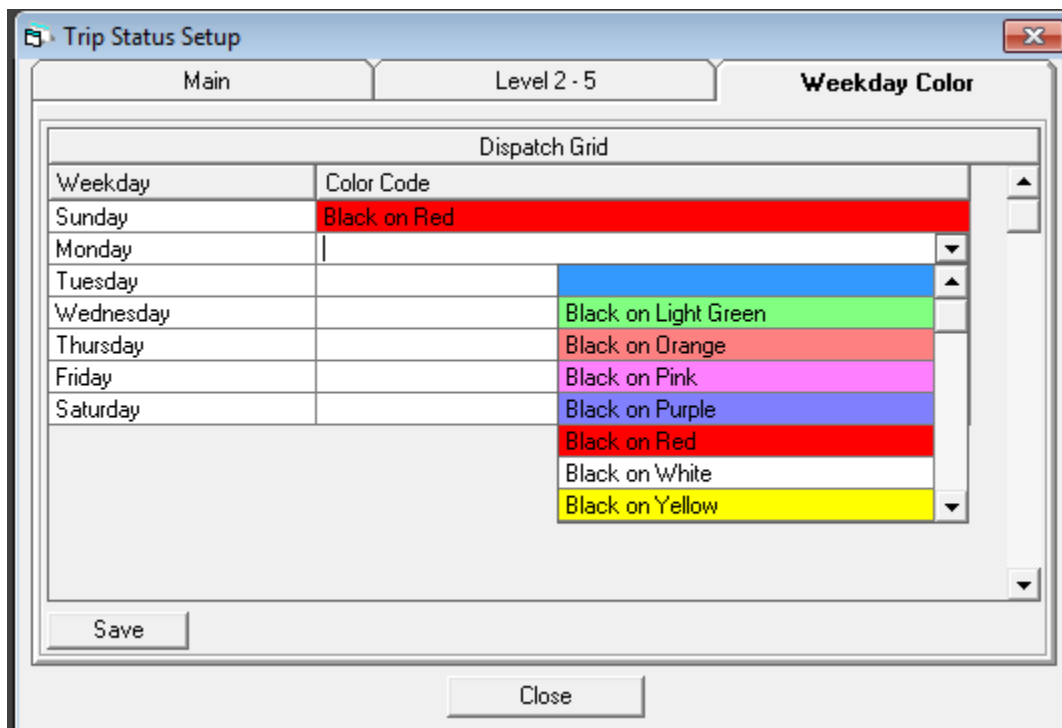
Last week we talked about how to set up Colors in Livery Coach Maintenance.

This week, we'll discuss a few places you can use those colors.

First of all, you can color the days of the week in your dispatch grid. By doing so, it makes it much easier when you are looking at more than one day at a time on the grid to see when the day changes.

To get there, go in Maintenance to Maintain...Trip Status Setup.

Then select the Weekday Color tab. Click on the Color Code cell that corresponds to the day of the week for which you want to select a color, and a down arrow will appear. Click on that down arrow and the color codes you set up last week will be available for selecting.



Note that while you can pick any color combination for any day of the week, if you pick the same color for two consecutive days (e.g. Saturday and Sunday) you will not be able to distinguish the days on the grid. Since I don't like to reinvent the wheel, I did some research on colors of the Days of the Week, and discovered that the Thai culture already has assigned each weekday its own color. So if you are trying to figure out what colors to use for each day, that's one suggestion (they certainly put more thought into it

than I ever have). The colors are shown below...note that since purple is relatively dark, they used a white font for the text ("Foreground color") rather than black.

Day	Color of the day	Celestial Body	God of the day
Sunday	red	Sun	Surya
Monday	yellow	Moon	Chandra
Tuesday	pink	Mars	Mangala
Wednesday	green	Mercury	Budha
Thursday	orange	Jupiter	Brihaspati
Friday	light blue	Venus	Shukra
Saturday	purple	Saturn	Shani

A final note about the days of the week colors in the dispatch grid...the colors only affect the P/U time and Local Time columns of the dispatch grid (which could, of course, be different colors if the local time is a different day than the pickup).

ANOTHER PLACE you can use your colors is in Maintain...Occasions. This will only change the color in the Dispatch Grid (Occasion column)...not the Occasion Color in the trip itself.

