



Install and Upgrade Guide for Reckon Accounts 2019 Tax Update

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Reckon Accounts 2019 Tax Update Introduction

The purpose of this document, **Install and Upgrade Guide for Reckon Accounts 2019 Tax Update**, is to provide you with information on all the relevant changes which will occur as a result of you installing this Service Pack. It is important that you read it before installing the Service Pack.

The Reckon Accounts 2019 Tax Update Service Pack addresses the following:

- PAYG Tax Tables for 2019/20 financial year
- NSW State Payroll Tax Threshold Update
- Single Touch Payroll: Finalise Year

PAYG Tax Tables for 2019/20 Financial Year*

Although the Federal Budget had no overall major PAYG changes, HELP and SFSS Tax Tables are merged into single Study and Training Support Loans rates and thresholds Tax Table. Their thresholds have been adjusted. As a result, new PAYG tax tables apply to Reckon Accounts.

Installing Service Pack 1 will ensure that the correct taxation is applied to salaries and wages in the new financial year from 1 July 2019.

For more information on the new tax tables, visit the following ATO

link: <https://www.ato.gov.au/Rates/Tax-tables/>

**At the time of writing, proposed tax cuts from the budget has not been passed and have not been included in this release*

NSW State Payroll Tax Threshold Update

As part of the 2018 NSW Budget, the payroll tax threshold has gone up.

Tax year	Threshold
1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019	\$850,000
1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020	\$900,000

Single Touch Payroll enhancements

Single Touch Payroll: Enabled by default

Since Single Touch Payroll is mandatory for every business from 1st July 2019, STP is enabled by default in Reckon Accounts 2019 R2 and the ability to turn STP on/off has been removed.

The on/off option was available in Reckon Accounts 2018 R2 and 2019 R1.

The screenshot shows the 'Preferences' dialog box with the 'Company Preferences' tab selected. The 'Payroll & Employees' category is highlighted in the left-hand navigation pane. The main area is divided into two sections: 'Reckon Accounts Payroll Features' and 'Pay Slip and Voucher Printing'. In the 'Reckon Accounts Payroll Features' section, the 'Full payroll' radio button is selected, and 'No payroll' is unselected. Below this are several checkboxes: 'Cash Pays Rounding' (unchecked), 'Copy earnings details from previous pay cheque' (unchecked), 'Recall quantity field on pay cheques' (checked), 'Recall hour field on pay cheques' (checked), and 'Job Costing and Item tracking for paycheque expenses' (checked). An 'Employee Defaults...' button is located to the right of the 'Recall quantity field' checkbox. The 'Pay Slip and Voucher Printing' section contains a 'Printing Preferences' button. A warning message states: 'Changing the employee name display preferences will cause all Reckon Accounts windows to close. Please finish paying your employees before you do this.' Below the warning, there are two sections: 'Display Employee List by:' with 'First Name' (unchecked) and 'Last Name' (checked) radio buttons, and 'Other Leave Names' with two input fields labeled 'Other 1' and 'Other 2'. At the bottom, there are two more checkboxes: 'Mark new employees as sales reps' (unchecked), 'Calculate RESC difference for SA and/or CA payroll items' (unchecked), and 'Super Payment Date on Payslip' (unchecked). On the right side of the dialog, there are buttons for 'OK', 'Cancel', 'Help', and 'Default', along with an 'Also See: General' link.

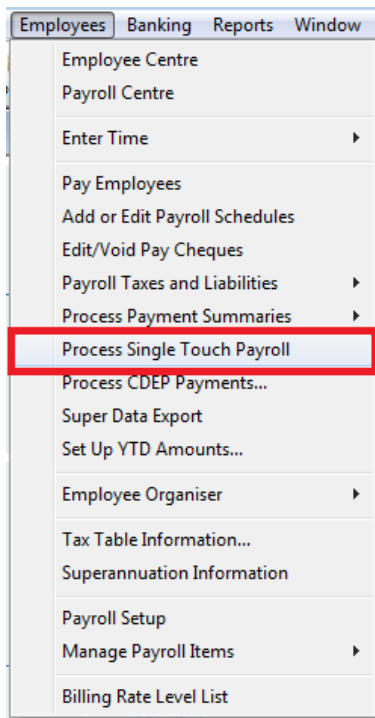
Single Touch Payroll: Finalise Year

From 1 July 2019, Single Touch Payroll is mandatory for every employer in Australia.

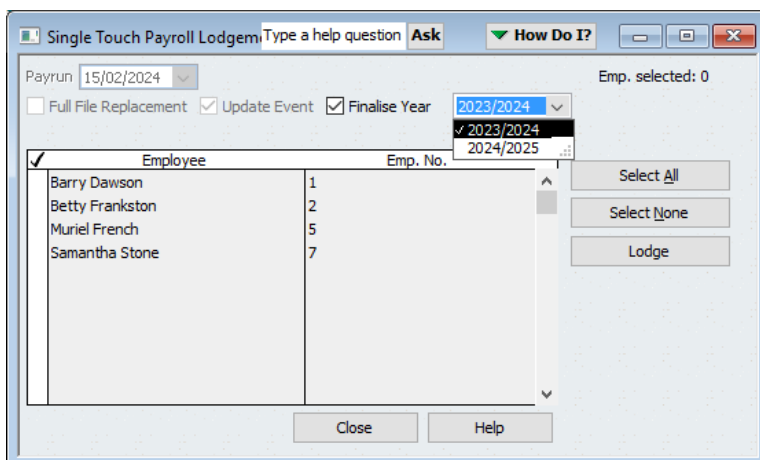
For more information on Single Touch Payroll see <https://www.ato.gov.au/Business/Single-Touch-Payroll/>

You will have access to **Reckon GovConnect Single Touch Payroll**, a Reckon developed gateway which has been built to allow you to submit your Single Touch Payroll information to the ATO as well as keeping track of responses from the ATO and having an audit of all data which has been submitted.

To access Single Touch Payroll, you will see the below Menu Entry under the Employees Menu



Clicking on this Menu Entry will launch the below Single Touch Payroll window.



On this window, you can select the Pay that you are exporting to the ATO, as well as the Employees that you are exporting.

In Reckon Accounts 2019 R2, **Final Pay Event** tick box has been replaced with **Finalise Year**. Ticking this option will show the Financial Year (FY) option, selecting one will show all the employees paid in the chosen FY.

Users should use this option after the last pay of the FY has been lodged via Reckon GovConnect. Once lodged, tick this option and you will be able to export final YTD of every employee paid in the chosen FY and it will mark the YTD amount as “Final” for the chosen FY.

Also, if you have joined STP mid-year (between 2018-2019 FY) and had casuals or employees that were terminated prior to submitting your first STP report, **Finalise Year** option lets you submit their YTD. When you upload this STP file in Reckon GovConnect, please ensure you choose “Update Event” option.

You can finalise the payroll of 2018/19 Financial Year using Reckon Accounts 2019 R2, but, please do not update any of the pays from 2018-19 FY by opening them within Reckon Accounts 2019 R2 because this version includes the latest tax table (as of June 2019) for 2019-20 FY, which might alter the pay run’s Tax amount.

As per strict instructions from ATO, users are requested to not use both Empdupe and STP to lodge same employee's data as it doubles up the pay details at ATO's end. If you have used STP for any employee, then it is recommended to use STP (Finalise year option) to lodge final pay details of all employees to ATO.

Please see the Single Touch Payroll Help portal for further info on the lodgement process at the below links:

- <https://help.reckon.com/ID2020385>
- <https://help.reckon.com/ID2236485>

Installation Guide

Reckon Accounts 2019 Tax Table Update is an update for Reckon Accounts 2019 customers. It includes tax tables for the 2019/20 Financial Year.

Who needs to install this Update?

This update is for ALL versions of Reckon Accounts 2019. If you currently use Reckon Accounts 2019 Plus, Premier and Enterprise Payroll Functionality, you **MUST** install this update to be compliant for the 2019/20 Financial Year.

Products Affected

The following Reckon Accounts products are affected:

1. Reckon Accounts Enterprise 2019
2. Reckon Accounts Premier 2019
3. Reckon Accounts Plus 2019
4. Reckon Accounts Accounting 2019

Countries Applicable

Australia

Name of Download

Reckon Accounts_2019_TaxUpdate.exe

Installing Reckon Accounts Tax Table Update

WARNING!

This product contains tax tables for 2019/20 Financial Year that take effect from 1st July 2019.

You must process employee pays for the 2018/19 Financial Year prior to installing this update. Otherwise your 2018/19 pay calculations may not be correct.

Payment Summaries, Empdupes and STP export for the 2018/19 Financial year can be exported in Reckon Accounts 2019 R1 or Reckon Accounts 2019 R2

Once you have installed this update, Reckon Accounts will use the 2019/20 tax tables to calculate pays.

Steps BEFORE Installing Tax Table Update

1. Process all pays for the 2018/19 financial year;
2. Rebuild your Reckon Accounts 2019 Company file(s);
3. Create a backup of your Reckon Accounts 2019 company file(s);
4. Exit from Reckon Accounts 2019;

Steps for Installing Tax Table Update

5. Download the **Reckon Accounts_2019_TaxTableUpdate.exe** file and save it to a location on your hard drive (For example, C:\[temp] or the Desktop);
6. You must reboot your PC and ensure that Reckon Accounts remains closed during the update process;
7. After rebooting the PC you may need to stop the following Reckon Accounts services:
 - a) QBCFMonitorService or Database Manager Service &
 - b) QuickBooksDB28;

To do this:

- a) Click on Start then enter services.msc in the search programs... or Run box;
 - b) Find Database Server Manager or QBCF Monitor Service, right-click and select Properties;
 - c) Click on the Stop button.
8. Use Windows Explorer to locate the **Reckon Accounts_2019_TaxTableUpdate.exe**, the file you just saved, and double-click it to run the setup program.
[Windows 7 and Windows Vista users only] Prior to installing the update ensure that you have UAC turned on and you are logged in as an Administrator;

Note: UAC is User Account Control. Go to the Control Panel, click User Accounts.

For all Windows Server installations, the installation must be started via the Add/Remove feature with the Control Panels Add or Remove programs.

9. Follow the on-screen instructions to install Reckon Accounts 2019 Tax Table Update. After installing the update successfully, you can delete the **Reckon Accounts_2019_TaxTableUpdate.exe** file. Alternatively, save it to a safe location in case you need to re-install Reckon Accounts and this update at a later date;
10. To check that Reckon Accounts 2019 Tax Table Update has been installed correctly, press Ctrl+1 on your keyboard. Your Reckon Accounts product information should be **Reckon Accounts 2019 Release R2P**. Reckon Accounts 2019 Plus, Premier and Enterprise customers can also verify by checking the tax table version. To do this, go to the Employees Menu and select Tax Table Information. If your tax table version matches **1920282**, it indicates that you have installed the update successfully;

Note: If you are using Reckon Accounts 2019 in a multi-user environment, you need to install this update on all workstations accessing your company file. You cannot use a company file in a multi-user environment unless all installations are updated to the same version. Please note that in network environments where you are using the Database Manager on a standalone server, the database manager DOES NOT require this upgrade.