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Paying tax by credit card after the ATO's 2027 deadline



The ATO has extended the transition period for taxpayers who use credit cards to pay tax. Although an earlier notice said direct credit card payments would stop after 30 November 2026, the ATO now says it will continue accepting them until 30 June 2027. That gives taxpayers more time to plan, but the end date is still worth putting in the diary.

This doesn't necessarily mean card payments disappear completely after that date. The ATO says taxpayers may use third-party payment providers, and pay.com.au advertises payments to the ATO using credit cards, as well as rewards points. Before choosing a provider, check its fees, how long payments take to reach the ATO, whether your card issuer charges extra, and verify the provider's credentials. Points or a cash-flow window may be useful, but compare them with the total cost.

Review any ATO payment plan linked to a credit card and ask your registered tax professional what option suits your situation. This is general information only, not personal tax or financial advice. Read the ATO's latest transition update and pay.com.au for more information.

In Other Bookkeeping_BAS News...

Can I Claim the GST on That page updated: Some new information has been updated in relation to burns products, sunscreen products and waterproof bedding.

Next BAS due date: The next quarterly BAS for **July to Sept 2026**, is due by **28th Oct 2026 if lodging by paper. I**f lodging via online services or your tax agent, then the due date is **25th Nov 2026.**

Next IAS due date: The Oct 2026 Business Activity Statement is due by **21st Nov 2026.**

Fuel Tax Rates July 2026 to 30 June 2027: Check the fuel tax credit rates for business from 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027 here.

PayDay Super Resources: Find some resources from the ATO to help you get ready for Payday Super here.

FY27 Car Thresholds: Here are the car thresholds for FY27.

$20K IAWO: The $20K instant asset write-off has been made permanent from 1 July 2026.

New working from home rules - Clerks Award: From 26 October 2026, an employee can make a request to their employer for working from home arrangements under the award.

Card Surcharge Ban: From 1 October 2026, businesses will not be able to apply a surcharge when customers pay by eftpos, Mastercard, Visa or American Express.

Credit card payments for tax - date extended: The ATO has extended the cut-off date from which they won't accept payments for tax by credit card to 30 June 2027.

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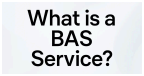
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Some businesses report GST (and other connected taxes) quarterly and some report monthly. In some circumstances, a business may only report annually. There are various reasons for the reporting cycle differences. In this blog, I will explain why a business may be directed to report monthly.



Payday Super Resources Dashboard

This dashboard has been created to provide employers with resources and insights to help them understand Payday Super and prepare for its impact. Use the dashboard to navigate Payday Super rules and prepare your business for the transition.

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