BAS PREPARATION CHECKLIST

BUSINESS NAME	
CLIENT CONTACT	
ACCOUNTANT CONTACT	
PERIOD ENDING	
SOFTWARE PLATFORM	
ACCRUAL OR CASH	

END OF PERIOD CHECKLIST	Done	Notes
Back up company file. Label "Client_Date_Before		
Period End Month_Review" (if using QuickBooks or		
MYOB desktop versions).		
Restore new company file (QuickBooks or MYOB).		
Complete all data entry (if not already done).		
Clear out any contra/clearing/suspense accounts		
to zero.		
Check all bank & credit card accounts are		
reconciled to bank statements as at end of period.		
If not, process reconciliations.		
Reconcile Petty Cash Account.		
Reconcile accounts receivable with General Ledger		
(GL)		
Reconcile accounts payable with GL		
Reconcile inventory account with GL		
Print out all reconciliation reports and attach to		
bank statement copies.		
Print previous period reports (Balance Sheet, Profit		
& Loss, GST) to screen and compare these reports		
to previous reports. Check for discrepancies,		
misdated entries and new entries. Make		
adjustments where required. Print out reports		
after corrections made (if any made).		
Print out this period end balance sheet, profit and		
loss and trial balance to screen and review. Make		
any adjustments required. Print reports for file.		

Print out GST summary and detail reports and tax	
code exceptions report (GST audit report in Xero)	
to screen. Check for any errors and correct as	
needed. Note, to check the amount in liability	
accounts if preparing on a cash basis, these will	
vary by 1/11th	
of Trade Debtors/Creditors.	
Check for personal use of motor vehicles,	
telephone, electricity, gas etc and if GST has been	
allocated in error to these expenses.	
Check GST Free Sales and print all relevant reports	
Check capital purchases treated correctly and	
shown at G10. Print GST reports for file.	
Print payroll summary and detail reports for	
previous period to screen. Compare these to	
copies of reports filed. Check for discrepancies and	
errors. Make adjustments and corrections where	
required. Print out reports after corrections made	
(if any).	
Print payroll summary and detail reports for this	
period end to screen and review. Review gross and	
PAYG tax figures. Make corrections where required	
and print report for file.	
Review superannuation for period concerned.	
Check for errors and omissions – correct as	
required. Print out summary report and report of	
any unpaid superannuation as at period end date.	
Check wages and gross wages are not included	
at G11	
Check all gross wages are included at W1	
Prepare draft BAS & send to client for his review.	
Prepare Authority to Lodge BAS form and send to	
client for signing.	
Lock period end in software.	
Lodge BAS in your preferred electronic portal.	
Copy lodged BAS for client's file. Also send copy of BAS to client and/or client's accountant with	
BAS to client and/or client's accountant with instructions on how much to pay and when	
payment is due. Also send ICA Statement to client.	
Back up company file as "Client Date After Period	
End Month Review" (if using QuickBooks or	
MYOB).	

Return source documents to client along with copy	
of period end reports.	
File all reports and company files in client's file,	
labelling them as "Client Period Ending 20_".	
If the client's accountant is lodging the BAS, create	
a file folder to send to accountant for period	
end/BAS processing (see below).	

REPORTS/ITEMS FOR ACCOUNTANT'S PERIOD	Done	Notes
END FOLDER		
Copy of Company File – Label with client's name		
and version of software (for QuickBooks & MYOB)		
Trial Balance as at period end date		
Bank Reconciliation and Statement as at period		
end date		
Draft Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet as at		
period end date		
Receivables Reconciliation and Debtors		
Outstanding as at period end date		
Payables Reconciliation and Creditors Owing as at		
period end date		
GST Summary Reports as at period end date		
Inventory Reconciliation as at period end date		
Payroll Summary as at period end date		
Superannuation Summary as at period end date.		
Unpaid superannuation as at period end date		
Information on capital purchases for asset		
register and depreciation purposes (if any)		
Disposal of Assets (if any)		
Interest paid and received summaries		
Draft BAS		