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# STP (Single Touch Payroll) and Tax news

#### Hi [%first\_name | there%]

We're extremely proud to be one of the first payroll providers to complete the arduous STP integration and verification process.

We completed integration with SuperChoice's API some months ago and thought the remaining steps would be a breeze - boy, were we in for a surprise. But finally we're there and have received ATO's blessing to release our STP-enabled edition of SmoothPay.

Some of you have been involved in our testing processes (a big thank you to those who volunteered). If your data was selected for testing with ATO you are now transitioned into Single Touch Payroll. Thank you!

Sites having 20+ staff will be automatically "opted-in" to STP, and all other sites can opt-in now if they wish (*all sites will be automatically opted-in anyway from June 2019*).

Opting in to STP early removes the need to send in TFN Declarations, produce payment summaries or submit your annual EMPDUPE - quite a time-saver (as long as you start reporting now and finalise before 14 July, though there is a deferral period until August during STP introduction)

For those wondering what it's all about and how to get started with STP then please refer to the links and guides below.

READ THE STP GUIDE

# Tax update

The 2018-19 tax rules are included in the latest update, along with numerous enhancements and feature requests.

SmoothPay Gold desktop payroll users will need to install the latest update NOW!

goPayroll online is of course already up to date!





#### SuperChoice is our digital services partner

SuperChoice provides our employers with a portal to monitor submissions and allows us to make STP and SuperStream essentially a one-click exercise.

A SuperChoice enrolment is required to use STP from SmoothPay (and strongly recommended for SuperStream too)

**ENROL NOW** 

### Desktop payroll update

We urge clients using SmoothPay Gold desktop payroll to update immediately! Please do not wait until July!

It is critical that you keep your desktop payroll software up to date (especially at this time of year) and we strongly advise updating at least once per month.

**UPDATE NOW** 

## Subscription price increase

For some time we have been absorbing the extra costs involved in developing government "initiatives" to cater for SuperStream (and now STP), as well as the transaction charges made by SuperChoice for providing their part of the digital services now required by payroll.

Due to these increased costs, and considering we haven't moved subscription prices for a few years, we will be increasing subscription charges for SmoothPay by approximately 15% from August onwards.



### Training and product support

Just a reminder that training and product support is covered by your subscription!

Staff come and go, and there's often a lot of knowledge lost in the process. Don't struggle to work out how to do things - help is only a call or email away.

Phone: 1800 940 739

helpdesk@smoothpaygold.com

## Referrals are good for business

We often receive great feedback from our customers for prompt support, great features and reasonable pricing and we'd like you to share that with others. What helps our business grow and evolve is good for ourselves as well as our customers.

SmoothPay is aimed at SME's and if you know of anyone struggling with their payroll, or have deferred STP because their provider isn't ready (*that's most payroll providers*), then please let them know about SmoothPay.

We would certainly appreciate growing our customer base in Australia. Thank you.



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