BAS Preparation Checklist



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Check for Following in BAS Period	
Purchase and / or trade in of vehicle (check if luxury car)	
Purchase of equipment or property	
Overseas purchases and customs invoices	
 Insurances claims and refunds (including Workcover) 	
Any fuel tax credits (if applicable)	
Hire purchase / financial agreements	
Payroll terminations - tax calculations	
■ Directors/owners loans	
Government grants	
Review all Data Entered and Accounts Reconciled	
All banks, credit cards and loans are reconciled	
Bank	
Credit card	
All purchases are entered	
Cash expenses are entered	
Petty cash/cash drawer are reconciled	
Outstanding debtors and creditors are correct	
■ Electronic and payroll clearing accounts (justify why not zero?)	
Clear suspense and POS clearing (justify why not zero?)	
Undeposited / cash funds (justify why not zero?)	
Reconcile PAYGW liability and ATO Accounts	
Complete data file auditing process for your software	
Check different reports against each other	
Check private usage journals are entered if needed	
Review and Check Tax Codes	
Run and Review GST Summary Report for prior BAS to ensure no changes have been made to affect the result of the prior BAS.	
Clear QUERY Tax Codes	

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Reconcile GST with Reports
■ For Cash: Reconcile GST Reports with income from P&L report
■ For Accrual: Reconcile GST Reports with balance sheet accounts i.e. banks, GST collected and paid
Prepare BAS
Run and review GST detail report and check all tax code allocations are correct
■ Print and / or save GST cash or accrual Detail report for BAS period and keep copy
Run and review GST summary report and save copy
■ If deferred GST scheme, check that liability has been added and is correct
■ If FBT, WET or fuel tax – fill in amounts
■ Reconcile all accounts as per above
Lock Period to ensure no changes are made to data for BAS preparation
■ If PAYG"W" reportable-print and/or save payroll summary for BAS period and keep copy
■ If PAYG"I" reportable-print and/or save profit and loss accrual for the BAS period and keep copy
■ Prepare BAS and check all balances equal to reports
■ Print BAS transaction report (If applicable)
■ Fill in BAS and copy original completed BAS and keep a copy
■ Backup file and store labelled correctly, e.g., 'CompanyNameJun20XXBAS'
■ If lodging BAS, obtain signed authority from client and save to client file
If lodging electronically, ensure copy of lodgement and receipt is emailed to client and yourself
Enter BAS Payment
■ Enter the payment using the full values from GST reports and allocating the rounding to bank charges or allocated rounding account
■ Check that the remaining balances on the balance sheet are either zero if Accrual or if Cash the tax amounts on the receivables and payables summary of tax report