

Australian Government

Australian Taxation Office

Pre-lodgment compliance review

Guidance on information requests and taxpayer discussions

This timeline indicates key points in the pre-lodgment compliance review (PCR) cycle. Potential meeting points and subjects are shown, as well as information sources the taxpayer should have available at that point. Information collected at these points assists risk identification and assessment for your lodgment.

This timeline also indicates other potential sources of information that could be obtained from the ATO and other regulators.

	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Quarter 5	Quarter 6	Quarter 7	Quarter 8
Key Points	• TAX YEAR BEGINS			TAX YEAR ENDS		FINAL PAYMENT •	• TAX RETURN LODGMENT	
Typical meeting points	 Taxpayer businesses and financial updates Taxpayer disclosures PCR framework including PCR intent, communication protocols and information gathering 	 Taxpayer businesses and financial updates Taxpayer disclosures PCR framework updates 	 Taxpayer businesses and financial updates Taxpayer disclosures PCR framework updates 	 Taxpayer businesses and financial updates Taxpayer disclosures PCR framework updates 	 Taxpayer businesses and financial updates Taxpayer disclosures PCR framework updates 	 Taxpayer businesses and financial updates Taxpayer disclosures PCR framework updates The return and schedules being prepared 	 Final return and schedules and any issues Potential amendments PCR framework updates 	 Final return and schedules and any issues Potential amendments
Potential information sources available from taxpayers	Documentation for disclosures made	 Documentation for disclosures made Tax effect accounting processes and documents Tax return preparation and review process documents 	 Documentation for disclosures made Half-year financial statements and tax effect working papers Tax income calculations Deferred tax assets Deferred tax liabilities Tax notes Market disclosures 	Documentation for disclosures made	 Documentation for disclosures made Full-year financial statements and tax effect working papers Tax income calculations Franking account Year end adjustment entries Deferred tax assets Deferred tax liabilities Tax notes Market disclosures 	Documentation for disclosures made	 Tax returns and all schedules Reportable tax position schedule CbC reporting (where available) Detailed statement of taxable income Supporting working papers Documentation for disclosures made 	
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Other taxpayer reporting to ATO	Activity statementsPAYG payments	Activity statementsPAYG payments	Activity statementsPAYG paymentsFBT return	Activity statementsPAYG payments	Activity statementsPAYG payments	Activity statementsPAYG payments	Activity statementsPAYG payments	Activity statementsPAYG paymentsCbC lodgment
Other taxpayer reporting to regulators		 ASIC/APRA/ASX Lodgments, analyst presentations and announcements on half year accounts 			 ASIC/APRA/ASX Lodgments, analyst presentations and announcements on half year accounts 			
Government material and potential discussion points	 Recent and anticipated tax legislative program 		 Mid-year economic fiscal outlook 	Budget tax announcements	 Recent and anticipated tax legislative program 		 Mid-year economic fiscal outlook 	Budget tax announcements
ATO provided information	Image:							
		Tax compliance program information	 Tax return instructions/changes 	Tax compliance program information		Tax return instructions/changes		
	Developments in law and administration of relevance to taxpayer (for example, public rulings program, advance pricing arrangement program, industry issues, key ATO speeches, consultative forum news, etc.)							n news, etc.)
	Image: Second strategy updates							