

Key Outcomes – Practitioner lodgment service working group

Venue: MS Teams
Date: 26 March 2024
Start: 1.00pm AEDT **Finish:** 1.30pm AEDT
Chair and facilitator: Sonya Summers
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Attendees:

Sonya Summers, Felicity-Ann Stokes, Sangitha Sivayogaraj, Katrena Cawthorne, Chanara Fraser

Guest Speakers:

Stephen Dodshon, Ingrid Simon

Apologies:

Agenda item 1 – Welcome

Sonya opened the meeting and welcomed the group.

Agenda item 2 – Action item updates

There is 1 open [action item](#). There are no further updates to provide on the BIC code action item. It will remain on pause until Tax Time so we can see if the updates have improved the experience.

Agenda item 3 – Tax time related documentation

We continue to upload Tax time forms and instructions to the DSP Hub as they become available. To view recently published documentation, visit the [2024 Tax Time documentation page](#).

A number of forms were moved from final to draft as we received advice further updates were necessary. Final forms and schedules will continue to be published as soon as they are available.

The review of the [Tax Time - rates and thresholds](#) table in the DSP Hub is now complete, with information current as of 22 March 2024.

[MTAS Q&A page](#) has been published which contains some of the questions submitted by DSPs over the duration of the initiative.

Draft mapping of the Tax statement labels to the Trust income schedule - [draft AMMA mapping](#) published today.

Agenda item 4 - Update on general matters and Tax time delivery

Reminder to please lodge a [ticket](#) in Online Services for DSPs if you wish to be whitelisted for 2024 FBT service. We are expecting to whitelist DSPs who have passed PVT end of March/beginning of April 2024.

Please also log a [ticket](#) in Online Services for DSPs if you have any further questions or feedback regarding the MTAS webinar that was held on 21 March 2024.

Agenda item 5 – Update on the Legislation for Changes to International Dealings Schedule

Changes to International Dealings Schedule (IDS) is set to be debated in the Senate today.

If the bill passes amendment, the changes that have been circulated will come into effect and an updated Change advice will be issued and published on the DSP Hub.

Otherwise, if there is some level of change or no certainty today, we would have to consider some types of contingencies, and the ATO will put a mitigation strategy in place.

This will be communicated as soon as possible to DSPs to ensure the least amount of disruption.

Agenda item 6 – Updates to company tax return fields to allow for large dollar values.

[Large dollar values for Company tax return 2024](#) Change advice has been recently published outlining the updates to the 2024 CTR form.

The digit limitation has been previously addressed with a datatype of NumChar, however this datatype is not compatible for calculation labels and results in downstream issues with processing amendments, calculating PAYG and issuing correspondence.

To resolve this issue, a new datatype has been created to increase the maximum number of digits from 11 to 15.

Changes to the service will be in the May EVTE release, for more details please review the published Change advice.

Agenda item 7 – Delivery update

As discussed in IDS update, Thin Cap measure is being discussed today in Parliament, once a decision has been made, we will come back to the group to provide an update. At this stage we are anticipating the changes will be addressed in the April EVTE release.

There has been a delay from business stakeholders for LCMSF release of the artefacts. We anticipate that they will be published end of May to allow for an MST and Validation Rule (VR) review. Lodgements for this service will be available from 1 Jan 2025.

Recap of the discussion at yesterday's Activity Statement (AS) service meeting:

2 Options were presented to the group. Business will be providing a list of issues and impacts for both options, including timeframes and changes. This will be provided to those who develop the Activity Statement service for feedback and comment.

1. Continue addressing the issues in the current service and make amendments, or
2. Rewrite the service from scratch.

Lodgment list and AS lodgement list decommissioning has been delayed. These services will stay in deprecated state.

DWIS intend on using any DSP feedback on these activity statement-related issues with a holistic view across all services that we apply a deprecation and decommissioning timeframe to.

Agenda item 8 – Agent online environment update

There have been several draft Business Implementation Guide's (BIGs) published on SBR.gov.au and some are still awaiting sign off from business. The common BIG is gone out to stakeholders for a review.

Drafts published
2024 IITR Prefill
2024 PTR
2019 LDG get

Under review
2024 CTR
2024 FITR
2024 AMIT

Agenda item 9 – DSP communications update

The newsletter will issue on Wednesday as usual.

Key updates from the latest DSP newsletters:

- Annual DSP Experience Survey, closes Tuesday 2 April 2024
- [Check your DSP profile to improve communication.](#)
- [MTAS Q&A](#) published in DSP Hub

Agenda item 10 – DSP feedback

DSPs with open MTAS related enquiries have requested a follow up with the MTAS business and technical teams. DPO will follow up these items.