



Key Outcomes – Practitioner lodgment service working group

Venue: MS Teams
Date: 23 June 2026
Start: 1.00pm AEDT **Finish:** 1.30pm AEDT
Chair and facilitator: Julie Seiver
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ATO Attendees:

Sonia Lark, Julie Seiver, Felicity-Ann Stokes, Adrian Romano, Bhumi Mandalia, Carl Bennett, Craig Willox

ATO Guest Speaker:

Apologies:

Kelly Collins



Agenda item 1 – Welcome

The chair opened the meeting and welcomed the group.

An update was provided on the most recent MTAS phase 2 working group meeting, held on 2 June, which discussed the introduction of 2 new rateable reduction labels being introduced in tax time 2027.

The meeting covered:

- the new validation rules which will be added to support rateable reductions being reported correctly, and
- the calculation process and how this feeds into the statement of distribution labels.

The EOI process for this year's DSP tax time event is now open. This is a face-to-face event in Canberra and will be held on 15-16 September. If you're interested in joining us, please [raise an EOI ticket](#) in the DSP service desk.

The following answers were provided to questions raised at the last PLSWG meeting:

- The [2026-2027 GDP uplift factor](#) has now been published and is available on the Software Developer Website.
- Regarding the query on whether code V for CCIV trust should be removed, the business area has confirmed that the Table 1 Trust Code is used for more than just label 8Z. It's also required for completing the 'Type of trust' label on page 2 of the Trust tax return.
- We sought confirmation on whether electronic service address providers are required to register through the Super Product Register, and it was confirmed that this is not required.
- A query was raised about when the indexation of personal transfer balance caps will be updated in myGov and Online services for agents. The business area has confirmed that while indexation takes effect from 1 July 2026, updated personal transfer balance caps are not expected to display in myGov and Online services for agents until 13 July 2026.

Agenda item 2 – Action item

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There were no open action items.

Agenda item 3 – Tax time related documentation

All ATO forms and instructions are now available on the ATO website, as a result, there will be no further publishing of 2026 tax time forms and instructions to the DSP Hub.

The [Tax Time rates and thresholds](#) table in the DSP hub has had a number of updates.

In particular, it shows the [2026 Business industry codes](#) were updated on data.gov.au on 16 June 2026. The *changes* file has been updated to reflect that a number of new codes have been added and one has been removed.

Agenda item 4 – Update on general matters and tax time delivery

NITR whitelisting occurred on 22 June, with most tickets received. Remaining tickets will be whitelisted shortly. IITR whitelisting will proceed as planned with all tickets received. A reminder that separate tickets are required for NITR and IITR.

Upcoming [PLS FAQ](#) updates include:

- IITR 2026 – reinstating 2 incorrectly removed labels (INCDTLS 231 and INCDTLS 232), this will be fixed in July
- TRT 2026 (Item 58 in the Statement of distribution) – further detail on questions raised in relation to B1, B2 and B3

Agenda item 5 – Delivery update

- IITR bug fixes
 - Spouse Gender label was incorrectly removed. This was reinstated and deployed/published on the 22 June. MST and Validation rule impacts have been reflected in the latest PCN.
 - Early stage offset fields were incorrectly removed and will be reinstated. This is planned to be deployed/published on 18 July once ATO code freeze period is over.

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- Client Account (CLNTACC) Response schema
 - The schema that has been published is missing a 'T' in the namespace. This was incorrectly published previously and will be republished with the correct namespace in our July EVTE release
- ELS Tags in MSTs
 - We are looking to remove the ELS tag column in MSTs for services that no longer use this or repurpose this column to call out the paperform label section (For reference – if applicable). We are wanting to know if any DSPs are still using this column for their software or if we can look into its removal or repurpose it for informational means.
- DSPs advised that they would confirm with their developers whether the ELS Tags are still being used. However, the discussion indicated ELS tags are generally no longer in active use with most feedback supporting the removal or repurposing of the column.

Agenda item 6 – Agent online environment

It was noted that there are no significant updates, with systems performing as expected. The primary focus in recent days has been resolving the whitelisting issue affecting individual returns, with no other concerns raised.

Agenda item 7 – DSP communications

Information about the following topics can be found in [issue 23](#) of the DSP newsletter:

- Time is running out! The ATO's SBSCH closes soon
- Annual DSP Tax Time Event
- QE reporting now live in production
- STP: Avoid YTD Finalisation Errors
- Draft Ruling SGR 2026/D1 consultation

Information about the following topics can be found in [issue 24](#) of the DSP newsletter:

- It's nearly time! Payday Super is fast approaching
- Supporting employers with STP-enabled products and faster super payments



- Super guarantee charge changes for employers

For previous editions of the DSP newsletter:

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Agenda item 8 – Platform update

It was noted that a recent SBR2 production issue caused system instability and a subsequent outage on Friday afternoon. This was fully restored with no residual issues. A separate SBR1 EVTE outage occurred earlier in the day due to underlying network issues and was resolved during the meeting. All systems are now back to full capacity and full processing, with monitoring in place as tax time begins.

Agenda item 9 – DSP feedback/issues

A question was raised regarding how many attendees each DSP can send to the tax time event. It was advised that attendance is at each organisations discretion. There will only be caps if the numbers are exceedingly high per DSP and we will contact DSPs to advise if this occurs.

Agenda item 10 – Close

The next PLS working group meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday 7 July at 1.00pm AEDT**.