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We would urge everyone to send in tax information as early as possible in the new tax season, to prepare for the quarterly filing regime which the government have announced will be implemented in 2019 (for VAT).

Information provided at the last minute may be incomplete and in some cases may mean that the correct amount of tax is not paid, which may lead to fines. Under the new Revenue penalty system they may say you are "negligent" if your return is missing any of the required information and consequently they may add a penalty to any tax due.

For this tax season we suggest you start to get all of your information together immediately after the tax year-ends on 5 April.

30 October is our advised latest due date for sending all of the relevant information to us for the previous tax year so that we can make sure the data is processed in good time. Information sent in after this date may not be processed.

If any information at all is still outstanding at December we will not be able to file your Return on time and it will be filed as soon as possible after the January deadline.

In the following pages we have compiled a handy checklist of the main items you will need to assemble soon after the year-end. This is a general guide and is not exhaustive.







April 2017:

Main documents required for completing a tax return

a) Income and other receipts

Item	Action	Due date in this tax year	√ Obtained
The tax year-end		5 April	
Interest received	Contact your bank or building society and obtain details of any interest on your own or join account.	6 April	Ħ
Dividends	Obtain details of all dividends received from 6 April to 5 April from all sources. This includes stock dividends if you have any.	6 April	
Accounts/self employment *	If you have any self employment in the period, you will need to assemble your books and records for the period to 5 April.	6 April	
Employment income	Relevant form P60 for the year-ended 5 April		
Forms P11D	If you are employed and have benefits provided by the employer.	These forms P11D should be with you by 6 July each year.	
Chargeable gains	Assemble details of disposals during the tax year. This may be obtained from your bank, broker or solicitor.	, ,	

Please note from 2019 all VAT registered traders must keep these records in digital format.





b) Payments and other deductions you can claim

Item	Action	Due date in this tax year	Obtained
Pension contributions	If you have made pension contributions personally in the period, please contact your provider and have them send a confirmation of payments made.	This is normally available from your pension provider by 6 April each year.	
Loan interest paid	If you are paying interest on a qualifying loan obtain the interest certificate from the bank.	This is normally available from your lender by 6 April each year.	Ц
Gift Aid payments made to Charities	Obtain details of payments made to registered charities in the period including their registered number.		Ш
Second tax payment on account	Second payment on account due	31 July	
High income child benefit charge	See income and expenses box below. This is relevant if your income is over £50,000.		
Student Loan repayments	If applicable please obtain details.		





c) Special Deductions

Item	Action	Obtained
	Obtain details of subscriptions and EIS Forms from the Company Secretary.	
EIS/VCT Investments	It is advisable to cross check EIS forms issued with the relevant company Annual Return on a regular basis to ensure the two correspond.	
Other sources	You may have other sources of income such as Trust or Estates. Contact your solicitor or financial adviser for details.	Ш
Other loans	You may have qualifying loans for tax purposes. Please obtain these from your bank.	

Notes

It is advisable to cross check EIS forms issued with the relevant company Annual Return on a regular basis to ensure the two correspond.

Please note we require all information to be received in our office by **30 October**. Information received after this date may cause the tax return to be processed late. You may incur a fine if your Return is submitted after the deadline of **31 January**.



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Thank you for using our Tax Return checklist, we hope you found it useful.

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