

MYOB Advanced

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Introduction

Welcome to the 2018.1.8 release of MYOB Advanced.

What's New in this Release?

The 2018.1.8 release contains updates for the Payroll module, including compliance updates for the 2019–2020 financial year.

Installing this Release

The 2018.1.8 release is automatically deployed to all production accounts.

Note: An updated licence is required to enable configuration options for the new features. While accounts in our managed environment will have their licences updated automatically, a local installation must be updated manually by navigating to the Licence Maintenance (SM.20.15.10) form and clicking the **Update Licence** button.

New Features

Payroll Updates

Tax Compliance Updates

Australia only

This release includes compliance updates to the Payroll module that affect the current and upcoming Australian financial years. These include:

- Updates to the tax tables for student loans (see below)
- Updates to Superannuation Guarantee thresholds

Student Loan Updates

The Higher Education Loan Programme (HELP) and Student Financial Supplement Scheme (SFSS) tax tables have been replaced by the new Study and Training Support Loans tax table (STSL).

The existing student loan options on the Taxation tab of the Pay Details screen (MPPP2310) remain—selecting any of these options will result in a single student loan deduction being transacted in a pay run, as per the new STSL table.

TFN Declarations via STP

Australia only

Employees' TFN declarations are now submitted as part of Single Touch Payroll batches. When a user selects **Submit TFN Declaration** from the **TFN Declaration** dropdown on the Taxation tab of the Pay Details screen (MPPP2310), the **TFN Declaration Status** changes to "Awaiting pay run". The STP batch that the declaration is included in is displayed.

The screenshot shows the 'Pay Details' screen for employee 'Nash Clark Aladdin, Dr.' with Employee ID 'APAUS0002'. The 'Taxation' tab is active, displaying a 'Tax Declaration Summary' table. The 'TFN Declaration Status' is 'Awaiting pay run'. A yellow callout box states: 'The TFN Declaration will be included in the STP reporting of the employee's next pay run.' The summary table includes fields for Tax File Number (TFN), Residency, Tax-free threshold (TFT), Special Tax Offsets, Medicare Levy, Children, Study Debt, Tax Scale, and Withholding Variation.

Tax Declaration Summary			
Tax File Number (TFN):	37 118 660	Special Tax Offsets:	Has claimed \$0.00 special Tax Offsets
Residency:	Australian resident	Medicare Levy:	Has not claimed Medicare Levy variation
Tax-free threshold (TFT):	Claimed	Children:	Has not claimed dependent children
TFN Declaration Status:	Awaiting pay run	Study Debt:	HELP & SFSS
STP Status:		Tax Scale:	2
		Withholding Variation:	No withholding variation

Once the STP batch is successfully submitted, the TFN Declaration Status changes to "Submission successful".

Note: If the employee's Contract Type is "Contractor", the **Submit TFN Declaration** action is unavailable, as a TFN declaration is not required for contractors.

TFN Declarations in STP Batches

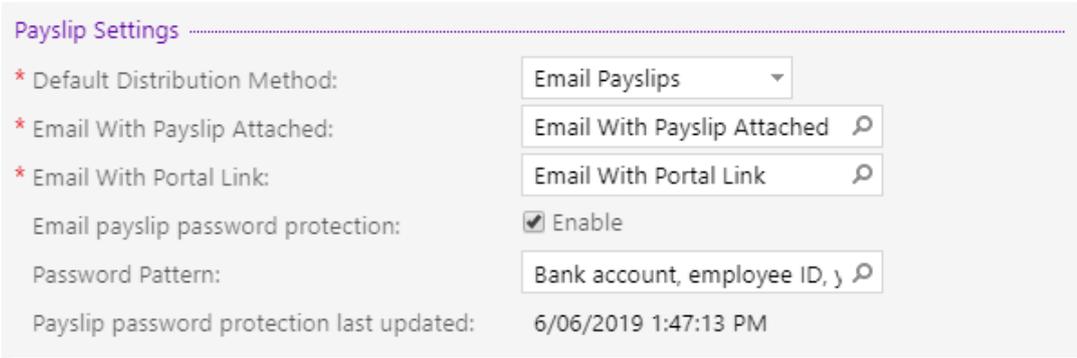
A new TFN Declaration tab is available on the Manage STP Submissions screen (MPPP5019). This tab displays the details of any TFN declarations that are included in the batch.

Externally Submitted TFN Declarations

If an employee's TFN declaration has already been submitted outside MYOB Advanced, e.g. on a previous system before the organisation moved to Advanced, they do not need to submit the declaration from within Advanced. However, the system does not that their declaration has been submitted externally—to account for these cases, a new **Mark as externally submitted** option has been added to the **TFN Declaration** dropdown. When this option is selected, the **TFN Declaration Status** changes to "Externally submitted" and the system will no longer display warnings about the employee's TFN declaration.

Payslip Password Protection

This release adds the ability to password-protect employees' payslips. New options to configure payslip passwords have been added to the General Settings tab of the Payroll Preferences screen (MPPP1100):



Payslip Settings	
* Default Distribution Method:	Email Payslips
* Email With Payslip Attached:	Email With Payslip Attached
* Email With Portal Link:	Email With Portal Link
Email payslip password protection:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enable
Password Pattern:	Bank account, employee ID, y
Payslip password protection last updated:	6/06/2019 1:47:13 PM

Tick the **Email payslip password protection** checkbox to enable payslip passwords. Passwords are generated according to the option selected for the **Password Pattern**. Two options are available:

- Employee bank account + employee ID + last two digits of calendar year
- Employee date of birth in the format DDMMYY + last four digits of employee tax number (TFN or IRD) + last two digits of calendar year

Note: If no TFN or IRD number is recorded for the employee, the password will contain 0000 for that segment. The calendar year is based on the business date selected at the top of every screen.

The **Payslip password protection last updated** field displays the last time that either the **Email payslip password protection** or **Password Pattern** settings were changed.

Note: Changing a password protection setting affects all payslips generated from that point in time onward—it does not affect the passwords on any payslips that have already been generated.

Enhancement to Reducing Balance Deductions

Reducing balance deductions can now be reused. This allows for cases where an employee takes out a staff loan, then some time later takes out another one—the same deduction pay item can now be used for both.

A **New Amount** button now appears in the footer of the Standard Pay tab on the Pay Details screen (MPPP2310) when a reducing balance deduction pay item is selected. Clicking this button sets the **Amount to Recover** field, the **Recovered to Date** field, and the amount on the pay item to zero. You can then enter a new amount to recover.

Reducing Balance:	Yes	New Amount
Amount To Recover:	<input type="text" value="500.00"/>	Last Reset Date: 6/06/2019 11:59:59 PM
Recovered To Date:	<input type="text" value="200.00"/>	
* Payslip label:	<input type="text" value="Staff Loan"/>	

Note: If the full amount has not been recovered, a warning will be displayed—you may want to add the unrecovered amount to the new amount to recover.

The **New Amount** button cannot be used if the pay item is currently included in an open pay. Once the reducing balance has been reset in this way, the changes will appear in new pay runs opened after the change was made.

Resolved Issues

The following tables detail the issues that are addressed by this release.

Payroll

Problem ID	Description
170344066957 170214952952 171726041551	When adding a state on the Payroll Tax screen (MPPP3020), the ABN column would not be populated if a branch was selected, rather than a company. This has been resolved.
165402702942 165106970350	The error "Entitlement failed to update Standard Pay" could appear after making changes on the Accrued from tab of the Entitlement screen (MP.PP.33.00) and saving the entitlement record. This has been resolved.
171758734563 171725953601	In some cases, the error message "Cannot find the serialization constructor" appeared when attempting to regenerate pay slips for a pay. This has been resolved.
-	The label "Disbursements" was misspelled on employee payslips. This has been resolved.

Known Issues

The following known issues and breaking changes have been identified in this release.

Partner users visible on some forms

User accounts with the licence type MYOB_Partner and the Admin account used exclusively by MYOB are hidden from all other users; they do not appear on user selection lists. However, these user accounts will appear in selection lists on the following forms:

- Event > Attendees (CR.30.60.30)
- Role List (SM.65.10.00)

Switching between tenants with different UIs

When switching tenants from the User dropdown at the top right of the screen, the system retains the UI (classic vs. new) of the first tenant, i.e. if a user switches from a tenant where they use the new UI to a tenant where they use the classic UI, the second tenant will still display the new UI.

Error message when a my.MYOB login is required

Certain actions, such as submitting an STP batch in the Payroll module, require that the current user is logged in with a my.MYOB/Secure Authentication account—if this is not the case, an error message will appear. To avoid the error message, the user must log out, then log in again using their my.MYOB/Secure Authentication login and perform the action again.

Secure Authentication signin button unavailable

If a user logs in with a Secure Authentication account that has not been associated with an MYOB Advanced login, they will be redirected to the MYOB Advanced login screen, where a message informs them that they must log in with their Advanced details so that the two accounts can be associated with each other. At this point, the **Sign in with Secure Authentication** button cannot be used—clicking it just redirects back to the Advanced login screen. In the rare case that another user who uses the same Secure Authentication account tries to log in on the same PC, the **Sign in with Secure Authentication** button will not work for them either.

ANZ Transactive bank feeds not available

Bank feeds are not currently available for ANZ Transactive accounts—these accounts are not currently compatible with MYOB bank feeds.

Expired links in onboarding emails to Partner Support users

The first time a user is assigned the Partner_Support licence type, the onboarding email sent to them contains an expired link. An administrator must use the **Resend Onboarding Email** button on the Users form to generate a new email. Any subsequent onboarding emails sent to this user or any other users will contain working links.