

# MYOB Advanced

## Release Notes

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# Introduction

Welcome to the 2017.1.7 release of MYOB Advanced.

## What's New in this Release?

The 2017.1.7 release features enhancements to several areas on the MYOB Advanced system, including remittance advice and support for version 3.0.0 of the electronic TFN Declaration. This release also includes fixes to issues identified in previous versions.

## Installing this Release

The 2017.1.7 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

## Employee Remittances

The 2017.1.6 release added the ability to send remittance advice to employees in the same way that it can be sent to suppliers—this release adds enhancements to this feature.

A Mailing Settings tab has been added to the Employee Classes form (EP.20.20.00):

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Apply Payroll Settings

Class ID:  Description:

General Settings | Attributes | Payroll Settings | Membership | **Mailing Settings**

**Mailings**

Mailing ID	Branch	Email Account	Report	Notification Template	Form	Activ
EP REMITTANCE ADVICE	AKL	admin@somewhere.con	MB.AP.60.00	EmployeeRemittanceAdviceNotification	PDF	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Recipients**

Contact Type	Contact ID	Form	Activ	Bcc
> Primary		PDF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

This tab functions in the same way as the Mailing Settings tab on the Supplier Classes form (AP.20.10.00).

The Mailing table on this tab lets you set up the mailings that will be used by default for employees of the class. At present, only the *EP REMITTANCE ADVICE* pre-defined mailing is available for employees. An *EmployeeRemittanceAdviceNotification* template is available for remittance advice to employees—this template can be edited on the Notification Templates form (SM.20.40.03).

The Recipients table lets you set up a list of default recipients for mailings. This list can be used to provide default contact types for employee classes, or specify an employee to receive emails on behalf of all employees of the class.

# Payroll Updates

This release includes the following updates to the Payroll module.

## Pay History Performance Enhancement

The Pay History form (MP.PP.41.20) has been optimised to improve the time to load. This includes no longer automatically loading all available data, so the user can now make filter selections to load only the data they are interested in.

## TFN Declaration Update

### *Australia only*

This release adds support for version 3.0.0 of the electronic TFN Declaration, which comes into effect on 30 September 2017. The payroll module has been updated to use the new TFN Declaration format from 30 September.

The Taxation tab of the Pay Details form (MP.PP.23.10) has been updated to make it easier to read and use:

The screenshot shows the 'Taxation' tab of the 'Pay Details' form for Employee ID EP00000004 - Sheridan Matthew, M. P. The form is divided into two main sections: 'Tax Declaration Summary' and 'Tax File Number and Withholding Declaration'.

**Tax Declaration Summary:**

Tax File Number (TFN):	565051603	Medicare Levy:	Has not claimed Medicare Levy variation
Residency:	Australian resident	Children:	Has not claimed dependent children
Tax-free threshold (TFT):	Claimed	Study Debt:	Nil
Special Tax Offsets:	No special Tax Offsets claimed	Tax Scale:	2
TFN Declaration Status:	Never Submitted	Withholding Variation:	No withholding variation

TFN Last Submitted Date: [Red X icon]

**Tax File Number and Withholding Declaration:**

Tax File Number (TFN): 565051603

Previous Last Name: [Empty field]

Employment Basis: [Dropdown menu]

Residency?:  Australian  Foreign  Working Holiday Maker

Claim Tax-free threshold?:  Yes  No

Claim Seniors tax offset?:  Yes  No

Claim zone / special tax offset?:  Single  Illness-separated couple  Couple

Yes  No

Total Tax Offset (\$): 0.00

Dependant spouse?:  Yes  No

Overseas forces?:  Yes  No

Parent spouse or invalid relative?:  Yes  No

HELP?:  Yes  No

The Tax Declaration Summary section has a new **Withholding Variation** field, which indicates whether or not an upwards withholding variation has been specified, and the variation amount or percentage (see “Deducting Extra Tax” on page 4).

The Tax File Number Declaration section is now the Tax File Number and Withholding Declaration section, removing the need for duplicated questions on this tab.

## Deducting Extra Tax

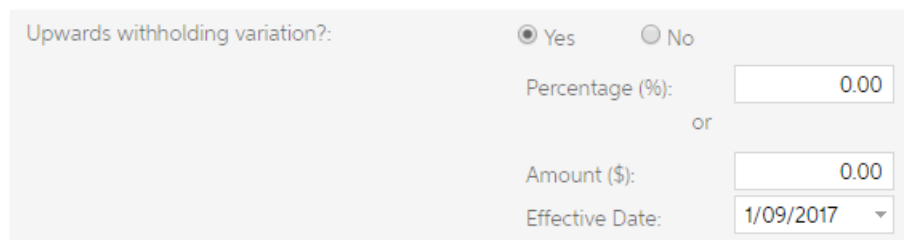
### Australia only

This release adds several methods for deducting extra withholding tax from employees' earnings.

**Note:** The additional withholding will be excluded from PAYG when calculating Protected Net Earnings for Child Support, as guided by the Department of Human Services

### Per Employee

Extra tax can be set up for an individual employee, if they want extra tax on all their earnings i.e. over and above their configured tax scale. To enable this, select **Yes** for the **Upwards withholding variation?** question on the Taxation tab of the Pay Details form (MP.PP.23.10):



You can set a percentage or a dollar amount to deduct. If an upwards withholding variation has been specified, this will be indicated in the Tax Declaration Summary section at the top of the form (see page 3).

### Per Pay Group

Extra tax can also be set up the pay group level, for employees who want extra tax deducted from some but not all of their earnings. For example, they may want to deduct extra tax from their normal pay but not their bonuses or commissions.

To set up extra tax in this scenario, set up a pay item with the following properties:

- Set the **Type** to "Deduction".
- Set **Taxation** option to "Not taxed: Normal after-tax deduction".
- On the Additional Info tab, set the **Deduction Category** to "PAYG". This will hide the **GL Purpose**, **Supplier ID**, and **Payment Method** fields, as these will be set in the background.
- Configure the Calculation Method tab as required.

You can then add the pay item to the employee's Standard or Current Pay for the relevant pay group. This will deduct extra tax for all items in that pay group for that employee.

## Per Pay Item

Extra tax can also be deducted from an individual pay item, if there is a unique scenario where the per employee and per pay group scenarios are not appropriate.

To do this, set the pay item's **Taxation** option to "Taxable: Custom rate" or "Taxable: Custom amount", then set the custom rate/amount as appropriate:

- For a custom rate, set the rate in the pay item's header
- For a custom amount, enter the amount in the footer when the pay item is added to an employee's Standard or Current Pay.

## Superannuation Batch Validation

### *Australia only*

In previous versions, when a superannuation batch was created, the system would validate that the batch's super fund was open and valid. As of this release, the system performs the same validation check when a batch is authorised—this helps to avoid sending batches to clearing houses for funds that have closed.

# Resolved Issues

The following table details the issues that are addressed by this release.

Problem ID	Description
<b>Organisation</b>	
148398509925 148199082551	Error messages could appear when saving an employee record after ticking the <b>Send Remittances by Email</b> or <b>Print Remittances</b> options, and the changes to these options were not retained. This has been resolved.
<b>Finance</b>	
132735830708 132713694612	The error message "lost connection to MySQL server during query" could appear when running the Fixed Assets Net Value report (FA.61.30.00). This has been resolved.
141115041395 141044988981	In some cases, values were calculated incorrectly on the Cash Flow Report. This has been resolved.
138059422616 137999514041	Scheduled GL journals appeared incorrectly on the Reconciliation Statements form (CA.30.20.00). This has been resolved.
-	If a user deleted the <i>AP REMITTANCE ADVICE</i> line on the Mailing Settings tab of the Accounts Payable Preferences form (AP.10.10.00), it was not possible to add it back. This has been resolved.
<b>Distribution</b>	
-	When creating a 1-step transfer on the Transfers form (IN.30.40.00), a journal is now created. The journal shows the transaction from one warehouse to another, with the in-transit as a go-between with a \$0 journal still. This reflects that there is a net \$0 involvement, but the transactions are still moving from one location to another.
<b>System and Platform</b>	
145909063602 145467985631	The error message "An error occurred during processing of the field User Type" could occur when attempting to add a new company. This has been resolved.
148460075764 148081820871	The error "There is no active notification source to process the operation" could appear when trying to send remittance advice to employees on the Print / Email AP Remittance Advice form (MB.AP.50.53). This has been resolved.
135709327927 135472679946	Auditing logs did not record when an authoriser took a bill off hold. This has been resolved.
137804956089 137743315801	In some cases, Import Scenarios could generate errors when updating existing items. This has been resolved.



Problem ID	Description
<b>Payroll</b>	
<b>147138831003</b> 147095114051	It was possible to delete employee records that had payroll information associated with them, which could cause errors in the Payroll module. This has been resolved; employee records can now be deleted only if a record for the employee does not exist in the Payroll module. This will still allow deletion during initial implementation activities, but not once payroll-related records have been created.
<b>146814430188</b> 146736889445	It was not possible to release and post journals generated by reversal pays. This has been resolved.
<b>148500011314</b> 148404160651	A reinstated employee remained inactive in the Payroll module, so could not be added to pay runs. This has been resolved.
-	Snapshots that were meant to be settings-only could contain transactional data from the Payroll module, which caused problems during implementations. This has been resolved; data and settings for the Payroll module are now correctly separated.

# 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)