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AAT Master Class on RTI and Automatic enrolment

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Real Time Information





On or Before

- FPS required each time you pay employees
- Easements
 - Ad hoc payments
 - Difficult to report at time
 - Small employers

http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/payerti/on-or-before.pdf

■ What to report?

- Data to be included on a FPS
- Data Alignment process
- Offering payroll services what must you consider?



Adding a new starter

- In date P45 received
 - Employer selects starter statement
- Old P45 received
 - Must obtain full starter declaration
- No P45 received
 - Must obtain full starter declaration



Adding a new starter continued

- Starter declaration received after first FPS
 - Tax code received from HMRC
 - Tax code not yet received
- P45 received after first FPS
 - Tax code received from HMRC
 - Tax code not yet received



Construction Industry

- CIS132 form updated
 - What does this mean?



RTI the latest.....

- Issues and concerns
 - Tax codes
 - Reconciliation
- Guidance



EPS and the L&P Viewer

- How does it work?
 - More than one EPS in a tax month



Non-Standard PAYE Schemes

- Will still fall under RTI from 2013 for example:
 - Tronc
 - NICs only liability
- Others from 2014 for example:
 - Electoral payments
 - Examination Fees

Non-Standard PAYE Schemes

- Will not operate in real time
 - Taxed Award Scheme
 - Offshore Protocol
 - Contractor only (no employees)
 - Nil EPS issue
 - Self-Employed



Quarterly and Annual Schemes

- No payments this period; what should I do?
- Annual scheme criteria
 - all the employees are paid annually
 - all the employees are paid at the same time/same date
 - the employer is only required to pay HMRC annually



Payroll Adjustments

- Employee personal details
- Start date incorrect
- Leaving date incorrect
- FPS shows a leaver but employee stays



Payroll Adjustments continued

- Error found before FPS submitted
 - Correct Year to Date figures or
 - Show adjustment by submitting separate FPS
- Additional FPS submitted
 - "in this pay period" must be difference only
 - Update Year to Date figures
 - Ensure shows payment date



Payroll Adjustments continued

- Discovery of error after an earlier FPS submission
- Error after employee leaves
- Error for National Insurance Category
- Error on Employer Payment Summary
- Final payment indicator omitted on final FPS



Common Questions

- What about advances for Statutory Payments?
- All employees below the tax allowance?
- Hire, resign and re-hire; what happens?
- What if I report no activity and then there is?



Common Questions continued

- What and when do I use Earlier Year Updates?
- Adjustments of tax; in-year or end of year?
- Excess CIS deductions; can I have a refund?
- What date of leaving should be shown?



Common Questions Continued

- New scheme reference not received in time for first FPS; what do I do?
- Payroll ID; what is it?
- I have a PAYE scheme but no payments to make?



Making RTI payments

- Payment dates and paying in full
- Checking your PAYE record
- No submissions sent to HMRC



= RTI Penalties

- Late filing
- Inaccurate returns
- Late payment
- Underpayments
- Other considerations



Penalties

- 2012/13
 - Late filing of in-year submissions
 - Incorrect submissions
 - Risk based approach being adopted now



Penalties

- 2013/14
 - Late filing of FPS
 - Incorrect submissions
 - Risk based approach adopted



Penalties

- April 2014
 - Automated monthly late filing penalty
 - Automated monthly late payment penalty
 - Inaccurate return manual penalty
 - Risk based still adopted



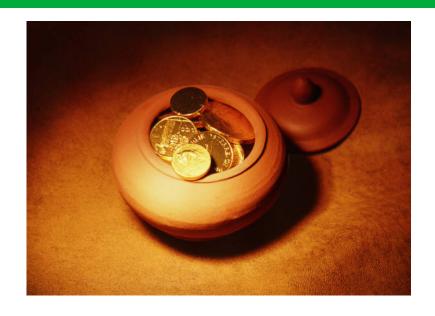
Penalty charges

- Late payment as now but amendments to allow for in-year
- Late filing
 - On or before rules
 - Only one penalty per month
 - One chance per year
 - PAYE scheme size £100 to £400

= RTI Survey

- Make sure you complete it.....
 - http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/news/have-your-say-rti.htm
 - Open until 20 September 2013

Automatic Enrolment





Why Automatic Enrolment?

- Estimated 7 million not saving for retirement
- 2009/10 pension savings fell by £2 billion
- Working people v pensioners
- 100 years young



Legislation

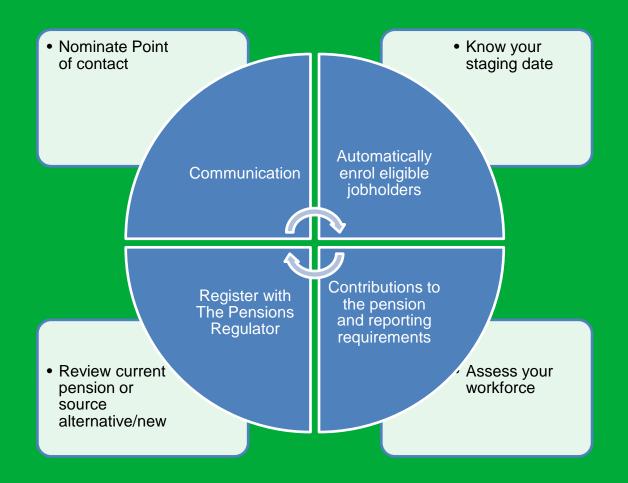
- 2006 the DWP publish White Paper
- Pensions Act 2008
 - Many consultations since
- Pensions Act 2011
 - April 2012 two consultations outstanding
 - Staging dates for SMEs
 - Career Averaging Schemes



What Will Employers Actually Need To Know?

- Workforce make-up
 - Who is in, who should be in, who could want in?
- Qualifying earnings trigger
 - Entitled v non eligible v eligible
- Age trigger i.e. 22yrs
- Postponement end date
- Re-enrolment data collection







HR, Payroll, Pension Provider, Third Party

- Staging Date
- Assessment of the work force
- Automatic enrolment for all?
 - Non eligible & entitled worker
- Postponement?
- Communications
- Refunds
- Re-enrolment

Staging Dates

- 1 October 2012 120,000 or more
- 1 January 2013 30,000 to 49,000
- 1 January 2014 350 to 499



Assessment of Workers

- Different types of workers such as:
 - Self-Employed/Consultants
 - Casual workers/fluctuating earners
 - Multiple jobs
 - Mergers and Acquisitions



Categories relative to age and earnings

Age (inclusive) ====================================	16 to 21	22 to SPA	SPA to 74
Under lower earnings threshold (£5,668)	Entitled worker		
Between £5,668 and £9,440	Non-eligible jobholder		
Over earnings trigger for automatic enrolment (£9,440)	Non-eligible jobholder	Eligible jobholder	Non-eligible jobholder



Employer duties per category of worker

- Eligible jobholder
 - automatically enrol and make contributions
 - if using postponement, provide a notification to the eligible jobholder
 - process any opt-out notice
 - automatically re-enrol approximately every 3 years
 - keep records of the automatic enrolment process



Employer duties per category of worker

- Non-eligible jobholder
 - has the right to opt in and the employer must arrange pension scheme membership, if the noneligible jobholder does decide to opt in and make contributions
 - provide information about the right to opt in, unless using postponement
 - if using postponement, the employer must provide a notification to the non-eligible jobholder
 - process any opt-out notice
 - keep records of the enrolment process



Employer duties per category of worker

- Entitled worker
 - has the right to join and the employer must arrange pension scheme membership, if the entitled worker does decide to join
 - provide information about the right to join, unless using postponement
 - if using postponement, must provide a notification to the entitled worker
 - keep records of the joining process



Common assessment dates

- Dates on which an employer will have to assess a worker:
 - the employer's staging date, for a worker already in employment on that date
 - the first day of employment, for a worker who starts employment after the employer's staging date
 - the date of the worker's 22nd birthday, where this occurs after the employer's staging date
 - the date of the worker's 16th birthday, where this occurs after the employer's staging date



Qualifying earnings

- Qualifying earnings includes any of these components of pay due to be paid to the worker:
 - salary
 - wages
 - commission
 - bonuses
 - overtime
 - statutory sick pay
 - statutory maternity pay
 - ordinary or additional statutory paternity pay
 - statutory adoption pay

Automatic Enrolment rates = Automati 2013/14

Automatic enrolment rates 2013/14						
	1 week	2 weeks	4 weeks	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months
Automatic enrolment Earnings trigger £9,440	£182	£364	£727	£787	£2,360	£4,720
Qualifying earnings band lower limit £5,668	£109	£218	£436	£473	£1,417	£2,834
Qualifying earnings band upper limit £41,450 pa	£797	£1,594	£3,188	£3,454	£10,363	£20,725

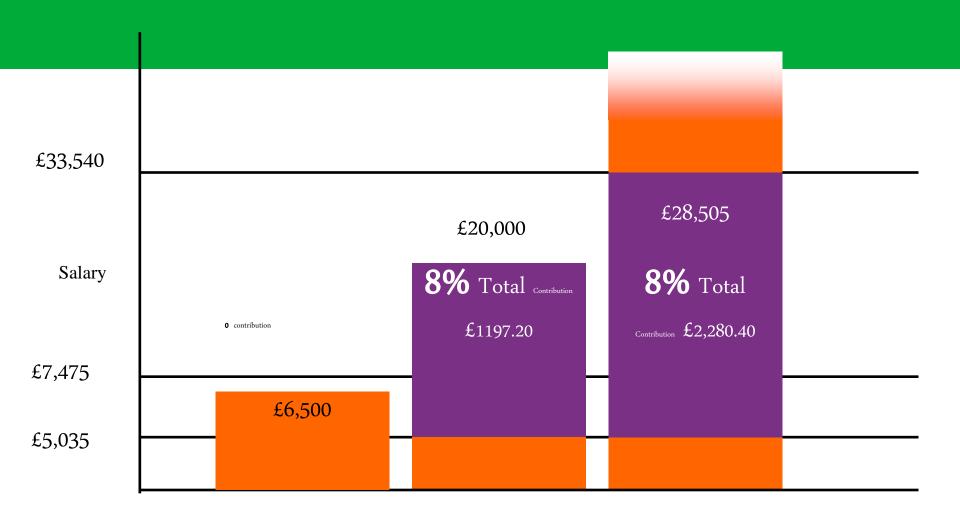


Process for assessing earnings

- all potential eligible jobholders
- all hourly paid and zero-hour contract workers
- all workers with fluctuating earnings
- A: Identify the relevant pay reference period.
- B: Identify what is due to be paid in that period.
- C: Compare what is due to be paid with the lower level of qualifying earnings and the earnings trigger for automatic enrolment.



How the numbers work...







Automatic enrolment

- Automatic enrolment date
- 1 month window
- Postponement of automatic enrolment
 - 3 month window (under consultation)
- Re-enrol every 3 years



Employer duties and safeguards

- All employers with at least 1 worker, regardless of their age or earnings, must:
 - register with The Pensions Regulator
 - provide all their workers with certain information, if using postponement
 - adhere to the safeguards



Opting in and joining

- Non-eligible jobholder opt in notice
 - Follow automatic rules
- Entitled worker joining notice
 - Arrange to join pension scheme



Opting out

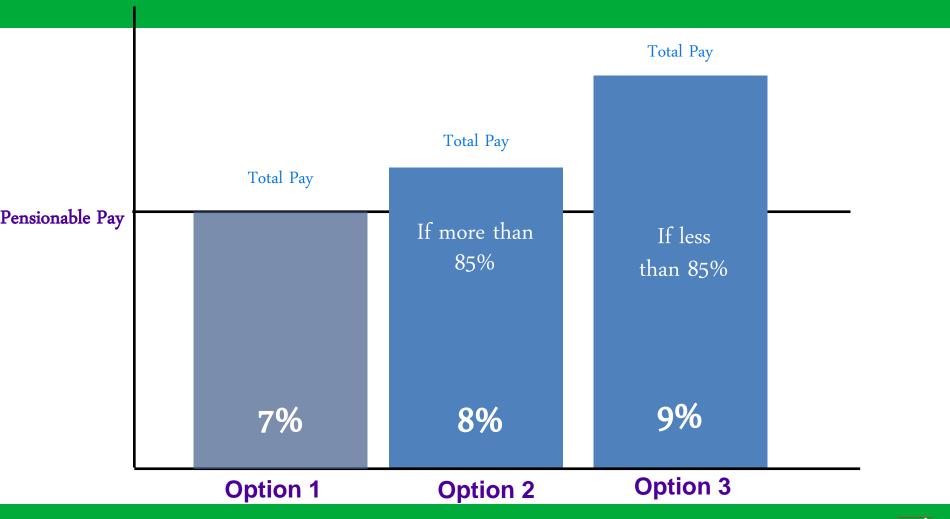
- Opt-out period
- Opt-out notice
- Validity
- Refunds
- Ceasing active membership



Qualifying schemes

- Automatic enrolment criteria
- Qualifying criteria
- Minimum requirements
- Certification
- Test scheme standard
- Self certification

Simpler 'certification'



= NEST

- National Employment Savings Trust
 - New
 - National
 - Simple and low cost for all who want in

How Could NEST Be Used?

- Sole scheme
- Associate scheme
- Entry level/probation scheme
- Base scheme

Investment Funds

- Default
 - Age Related
- Other types
 - Ethical
 - Sharia
 - High risk

So how will you do this?

- Planning
- Systems
- Payroll considerations
- Business considerations



To do list

- Know your staging date
- Project leader
- Qualifying pension scheme in place?
 - Do you have one?
 - Will your current pension provider take all your workforce?
- What does your workforce look like?
- Systems and tools available
- Resource available
- Financial impact





To do list continued

- Knowledge requirements
- Communications
- Payroll requirements
 - System
 - Resource
 - Pensionable pay V qualifying earnings V Tier
 - Pay Reference Periods
 - Enrol workers
 - Postponement?
 - Opt out process
 - Refunds
 - Re-enrolment



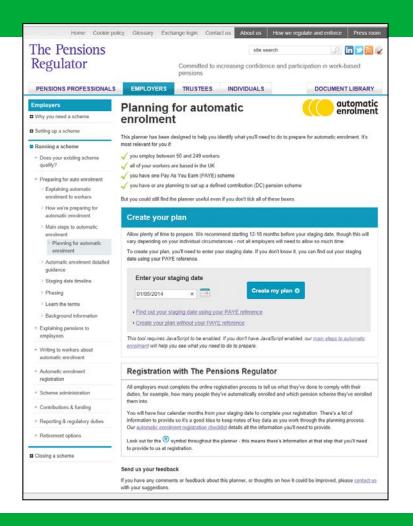


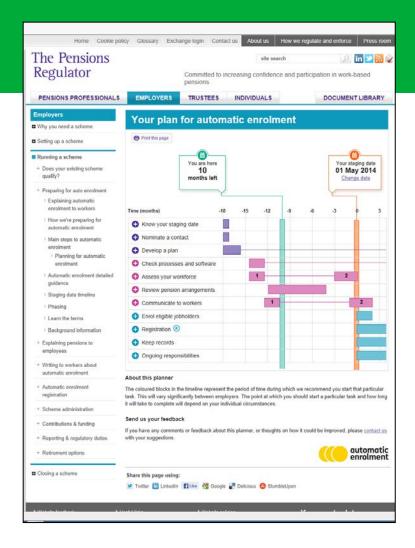


Know your staging date

- The Pensions Regulator stipulates
 - 1 April 2012
 - TPR communication
 - TPR help and guidance

Staging date









Project Leader

- Who payroll, HR, finance, pension provider, IT, third party consultant?
 - CIPP research shows nearly 70% have a project team
 - CIPP research shows a third believe payroll should lead, a third believe it should be HR



Project Leader

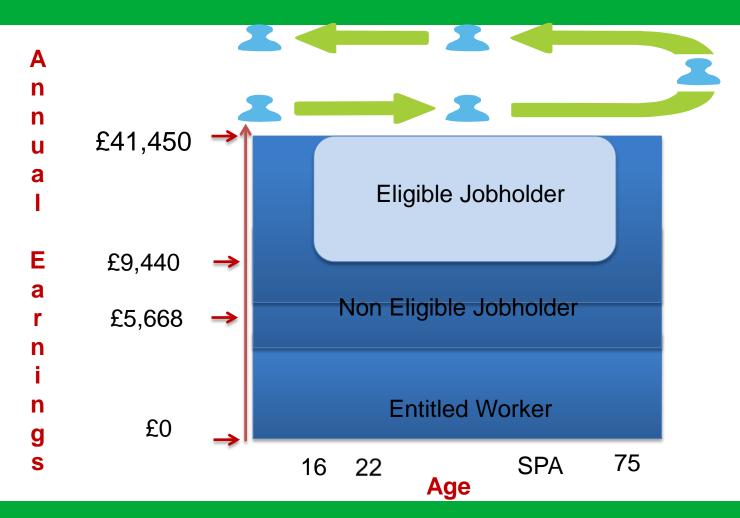
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What does your workforce look like?



■ Worker status reminder





■ What must the employer do?

Eligible

- Automatically enrol into a workplace pension scheme
- Make and deduct pension contributions
- Process opt outs and then re-enrol every 3 years
- Keep records of automatic enrolment process

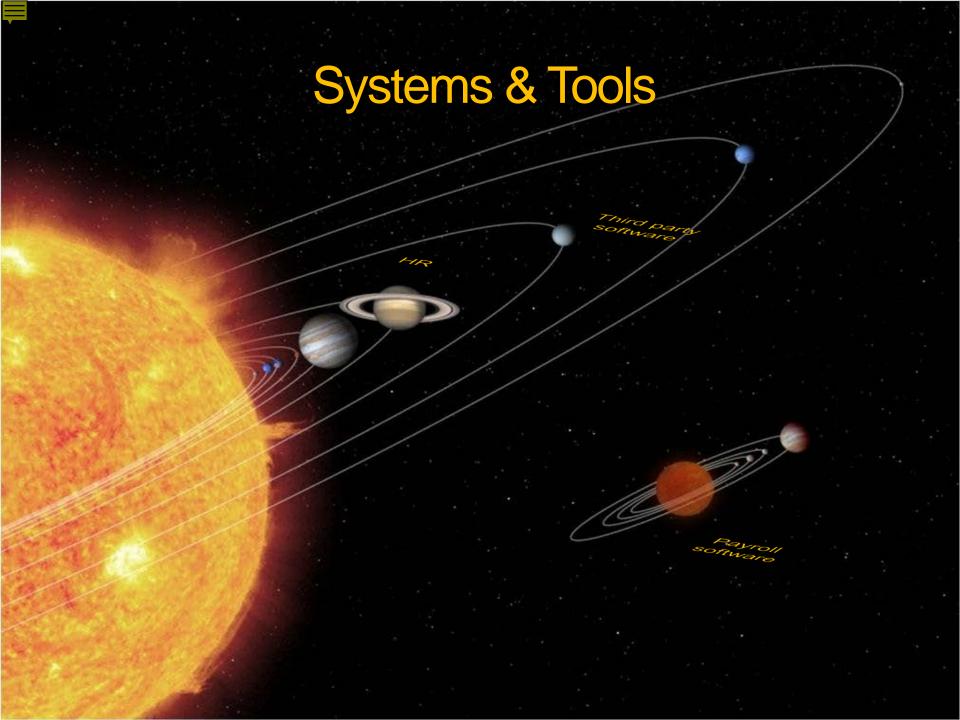
Non Eligible

- Right to opt in and then all eligible jobholder conditions and processes apply
- Must provide communication of right to opt in
- Keep records of the opt in process

Entitled

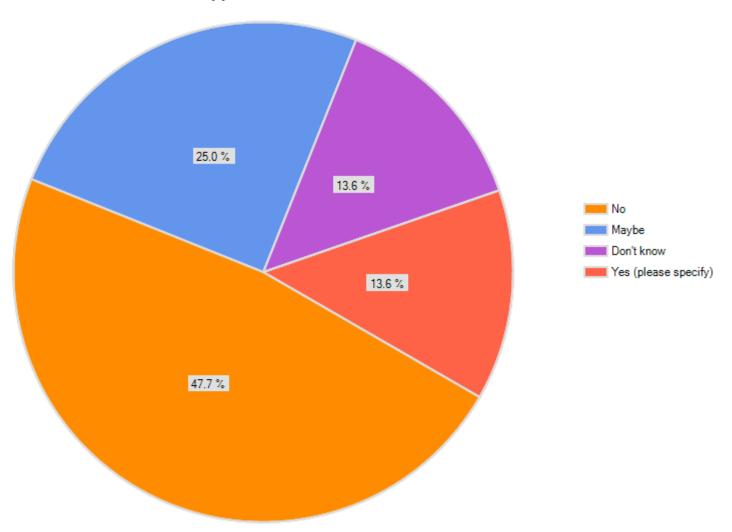
- Right to join a pension scheme does not need to be a qualifying scheme
- Must provide communication of right to join





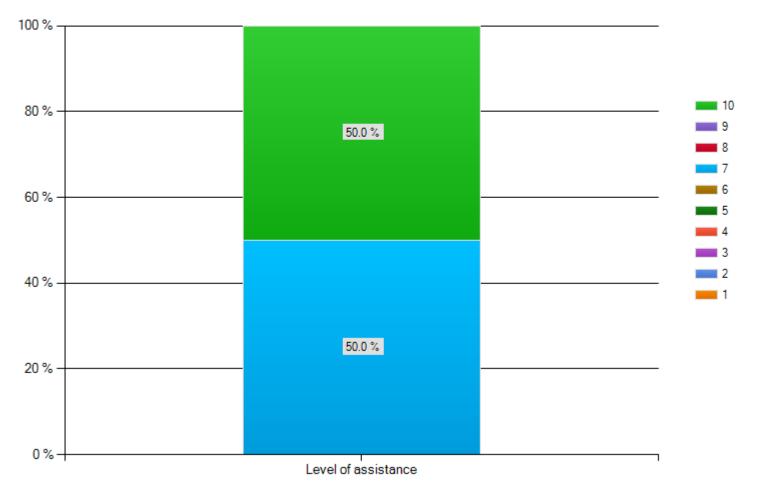


Will you require other software products in addition to payroll software to support automatic enrolment?





Will / does your software offer the basic legislative requirements for the deduction of pension contributions, or will/does it provide a fully tailored suite of tools to ensure the employer can meet all their obligations under automatic enrolment. Please answer this question based on what your final product does or will provide using the scale of 1 to 10. 1 being basic requirements and 10 being a full suite.





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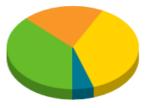
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CONTENT MANAGEMENT

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Auto-Enrolment Employee Summary

Workforce Assessment Scheme Allocation Scheme Membership



- Eligible jobholder
- Entitled worker Non-eligible jobholder
- Not assessed
- Worker
- Total number of Employees

Auto-Enrolment Employee Processes

Use the options below if you wish to manually run any of the Auto-Enrolment processes.

- Calculates the auto-enrolment worker category for 1 - Employee Assessment each employee. Sets the scheme that employees may be enrolled into. based on their job title and/or roles. This allows the 2 - Scheme Allocation system to determine future employee and employer contributions. It does not affect employees that are already assigned to an auto-enrolment scheme.
- Enrol any employees that should be automatically 3 - Enrol Employees enrolled, or who have opted-into, their auto-enrolment scheme.
- Update all the employees who have requested that 4 - Process Opt Ins they are opted-in to an auto-enrolment scheme.
 - Update all the employees who have confirmed that they have asked to opt-out of their auto-enrolment scheme. To confirm an opt-out you will need to upload 5 - Process Opt Outs the dates on which the confirmation notices were received. This step must be done manually before running this process.



Auto-Enrolment Employee Summary





Auto-Enrolment Employee Summary Workforce Assessment Scheme Allocation Scheme Membership 15 Aviva GPP 20 Not in a scheme 5 Pru Legacy 40 Total number of Employees

uto-Enrolment Scheme Setup

You must ensure that one pension scheme meets the minimum requirements set out by the government to be used for Automatic Enrolment. Please add the pension schemes below and we will make an assessment as to whether you can use any of your schemes for Automatic Enrolment.

Pension Name	Provider	Туре	Qualifies	Qualifies for AE	
Pru Legacy	Pru	Stakeholder/ Group Personal Pension (GPP)	<u> </u>	8	Open Delete
Aviva GPP	Aviva	Stakeholder/ Group Personal Pension (GPP)	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	Open Delete

Eligibility Check Results: Aviva GPP								
Date	UK Tax Exempt	Contributions	Waiting Period	Age Range	Pensionable Salary	Open to New Employees	Qualifies	Qualifies for AE
01/10/2012	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	Ø	②	Ø
01/10/2017	②	8	②	②	②	②	€3	8
01/10/2018	Ø	8	Ø	②	②	②	8	8



The following dates will be used when checking scheme eligibility:

Your company staging date

01/10/2012 - Pension regulator phasing date

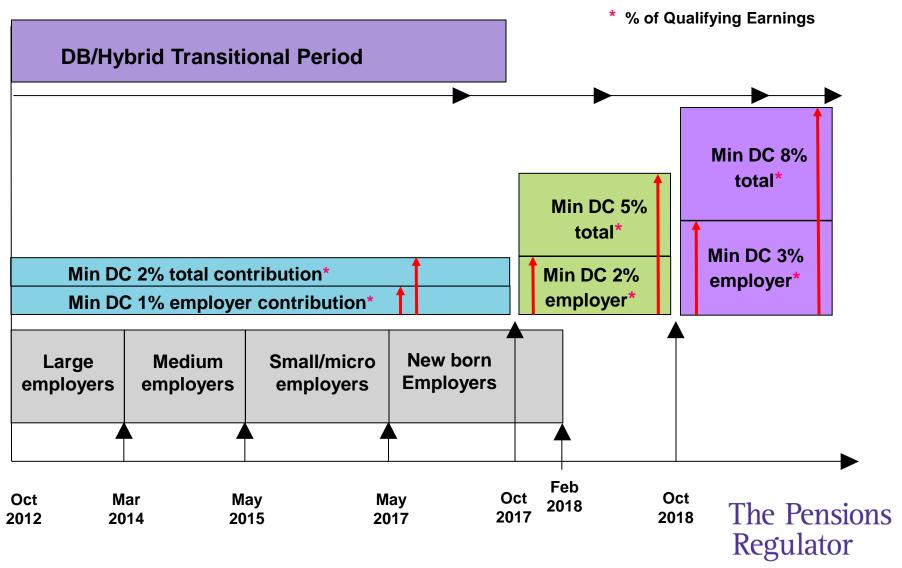
01/10/2017 - Pension regulator phasing date

01/10/2018 - Pension regulator phasing date

Assess scheme eligibility



DC Phasing / DB Transitional Period / Staging



Payroll Considerations

Description	Considerations
System	What will it do for you? Do you need to upgrade or purchase additional modules?
Pensionable pay v qualifying earnings	Are they the same? What has the business decided in respect of the different tiers for contribution levels?
Age and earnings criteria	Can you confirm how old your employees are and what they are earning in any one pay reference period?
Postponement	Will you use this option – part months?



Payroll Considerations Continued

Description	Considerations
Opt –out process	How will you do this – electronically to help with timescales?
Refunds	Will payroll hold onto contributions until opt out period has elapsed?
Re-enrolment	Every three years for those eligible workers who opted out – how will you diarise these?
Pay Reference Periods	And the minefield begins!

Qualifying Earnings

- 2 purposes
 - Assessment to determine worker category
 - Definition of pensionable earnings to assess if scheme qualifying or not!



Qualifying Earnings Reminder

- Qualifying Earnings is defined as all of the following items paid to a worker:
 - salary
 - wages
 - commission
 - bonuses
 - overtime
 - statutory sick pay
 - statutory maternity pay
 - ordinary or additional statutory paternity pay
 - statutory adoption pay; and
 - any pay element which could be considered as any of the above.

Pay Reference Periods



■ What is it?

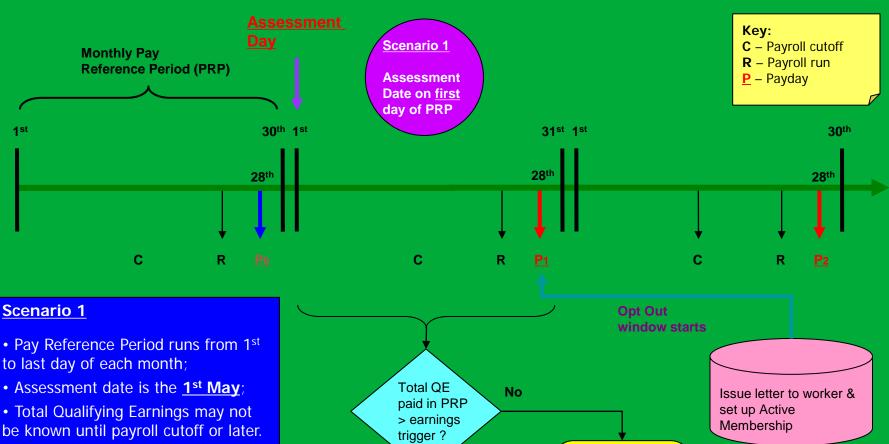
- Period of time by reference to which the employer pays the worker their regular wage or salary
 - It may be different to the pay frequency



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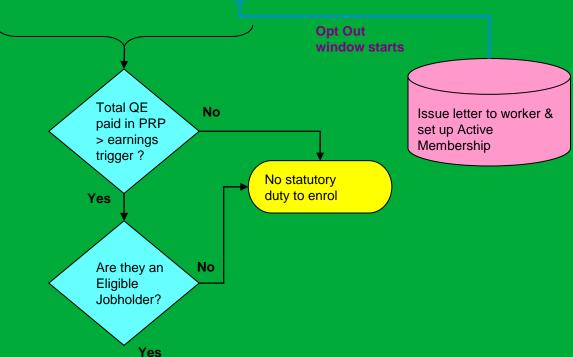
- Calculate the period for which the worker's earnings are assessed
- Calculate the amount of contributions to be deducted
 - it is what is paid in that pay reference period e.g. bonus for sales in January but paid in the March PRP then it is March that is used



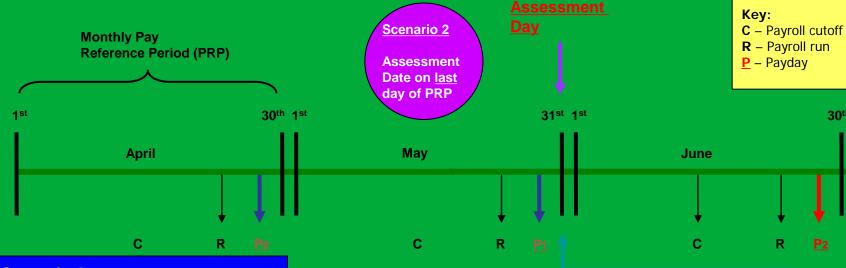


If the worker needs to be automatically enrolled:

- First deduction needs to made in payday P1 on 28th May;
- Opt Out window may not start until after deduction taken;
- Scheme contribution based on 100% of May pensionable pay.







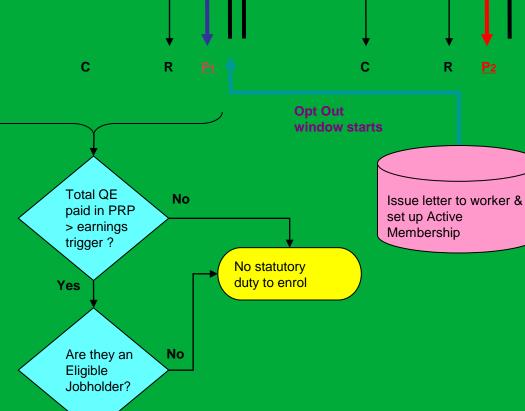
Yes

Scenario 2

- Pay Reference Period runs from 1st to last day of each month;
- Assessment date on 31st May is the last day of the Pay Reference Period and is after the May payday on 28th;
- Total Qualifying Earnings will already be known.

If the worker needs to be automatically enrolled:

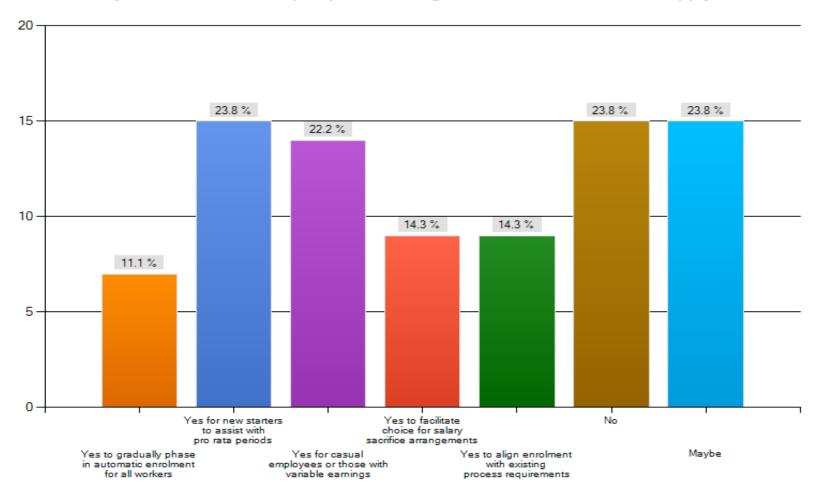
- First deduction needs to made in the next payday - P2 on 28th June;
- Opt Out window will start before first deduction taken;
- Contribution based on 100% of June pensionable pay + 1/31 of May pay



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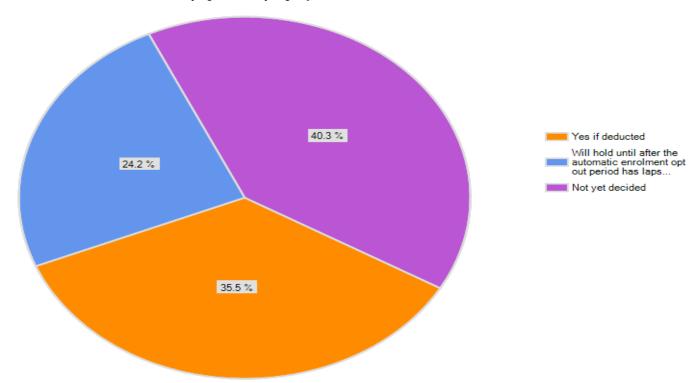
Do you intend to use the postponement legislation? Please tick all that apply.





Refunds – will you withhold?

When a worker is enrolled will you pay the pension contributions to the pension provider during the opt out period? (You might withhold in case the worker opts out as then the pension provider would need to repay the employer)







Qualifying pension scheme

Do you have a scheme in place?

YES	NO / Don't know
Does it meet the automatic enrolment legislation requirements?	Where and how will you source one?
Will it accept all your workforce?	NEST has a public service obligation
Have you spoken with your provider?	Time is of the essence!

Thresholds v Pay Reference Periods (PRP) 2013-14

Pay Reference Period †	Lower level of qualifying earnings	Earnings trigger for automatic enrolment
Annual	£5,668 pa	£9,440 pa
Bi-annual	£2,834.00	£4,720.00
1 quarter	£1,417.00	£2,360.00
1 month	£473.00	£787.00
4 weeks	£436.00	£727.00
Fortnight	£218.00	£364.00
1 week	£109.00	£182.00

[†] For other PRP durations, multiply the number of weeks in the PRP by the weekly amount (i.e. £182.00) or number of months by the monthly amount (i.e. £787.00) etc - or pro-rata if not an exact multiple of any of the above.

N.B. The Secretary of State will review these figures each tax year.

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Important business considerations

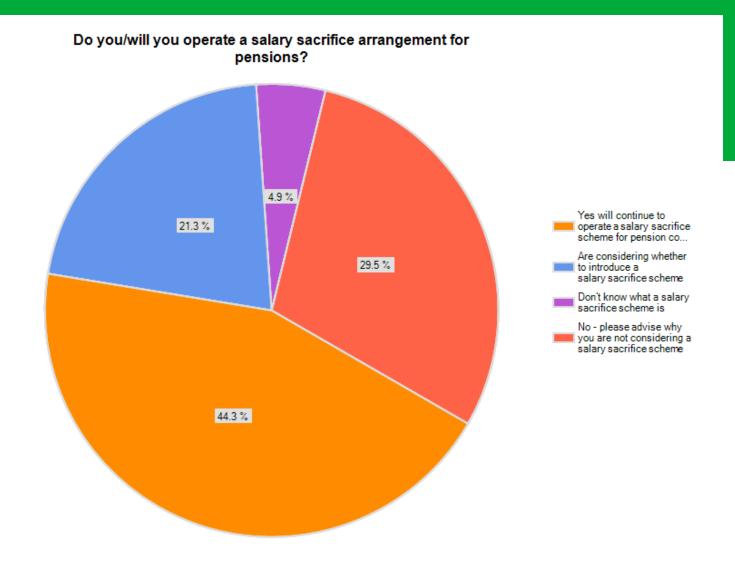
Resource

- Do you have enough people to implement this legislation and continue to process it?
- Finance
 - How much will it cost you contributions and systems?
- Knowledge
 - Do your staff need training?
- Communications
 - How will you communicate?



Continued

- Contractual enrolment
 - Caution but acceptable
- Salary sacrifice
 - Caution but acceptable
- Outsourced
 - What will your provider do for you?
- Provider
 - What will you deliver for your clients?

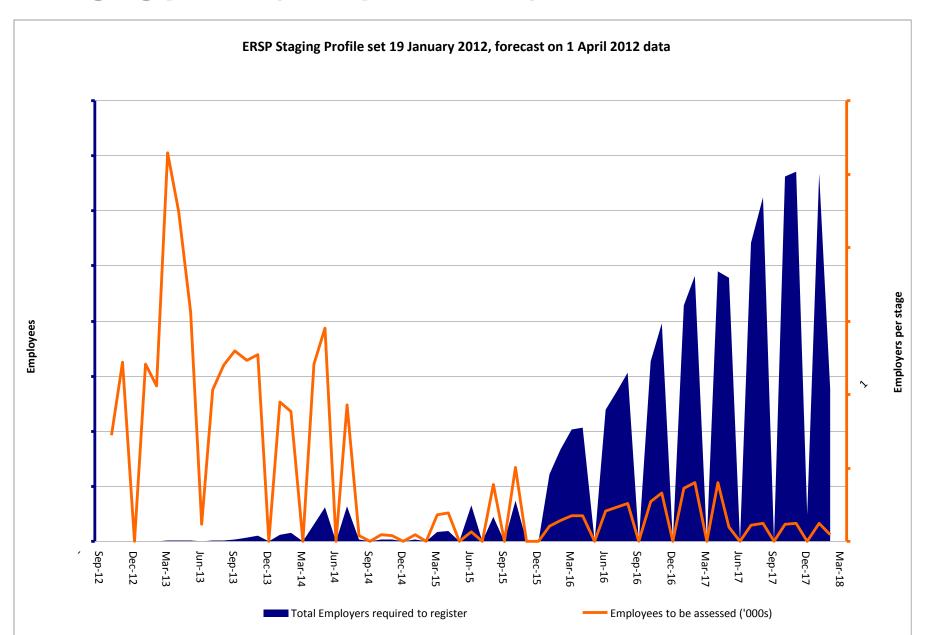






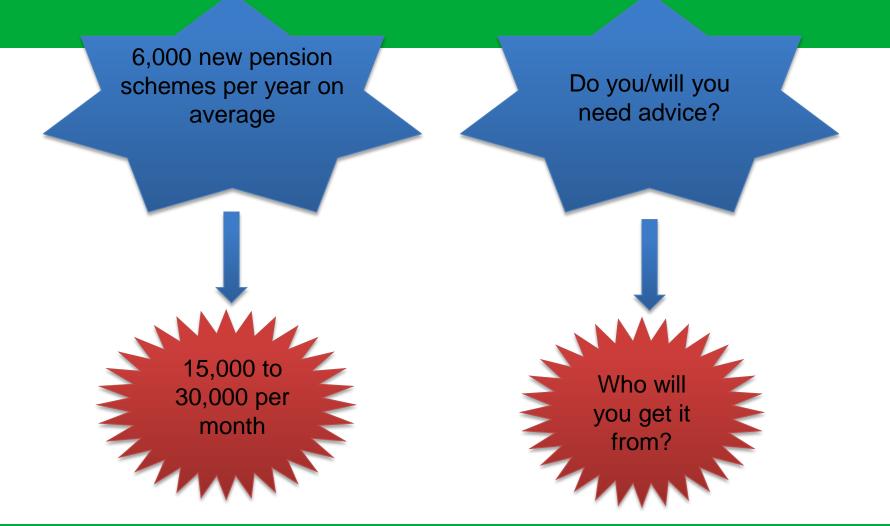


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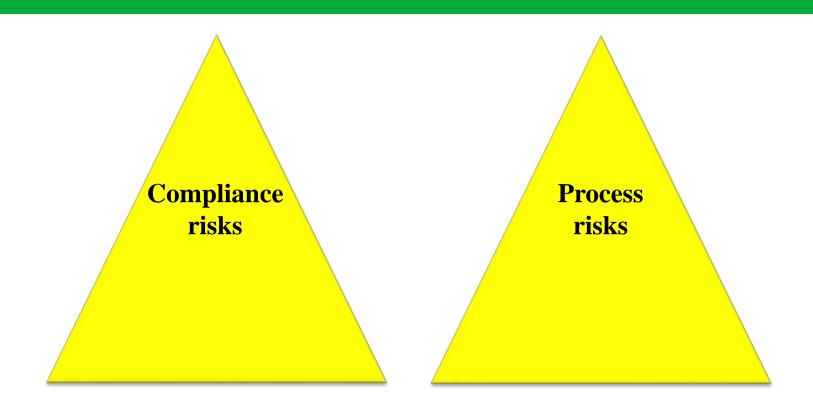


Thinking about that timeline!



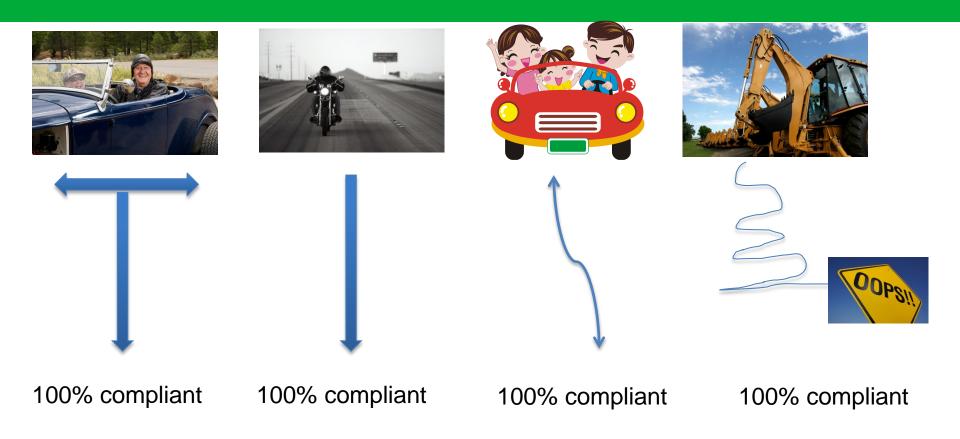


Thinking about that timeline!





■ Which route will you take?



Penalties

- Warning compliance /unpaid contribution notice
- 2. Wake up call fixed penalty £400
- 3. Serious/persistent offender
 - Employer size:
 - 500+ employees = £10,000
 - 250-499 = £5,000
 - 50-249 = £2,500
 - 5-49 = £500
 - 1-4 = £50





In Summary





And be aware that the DWP are.....

- Consulting on complexities
 - Making assessment of the workforce easier
 - Making it easier for money purchase schemes to show they meet the scheme quality requirements
 - Exempt employees?
 - Pay reference periods



Help and support

- The Pensions Regulator guidance and online tools
 - News alert <u>www.tpr.gov.uk/news</u>
- www.pensionsadvisoryservice.org.uk
- www.gov.net.uk
- www.unbiased.co.uk IFA

= Questions?





Thank you for listening....



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