

FY27 CHECKLIST

13 things to check before 30 June 2027

A lot changed for small business on 1 July 2026. Tick off what's already sorted. Anything you can't tick is where your money, or your risk, is sitting.

Payroll & super IF YOU PAY EVEN ONE EMPLOYEE

- ☐ **Super lands within 7 business days of every payday.**
Payday Super started 1 July 2026. Quarterly super is gone, and paying late means the Super Guarantee Charge, which isn't tax-deductible.
 - ☐ **You've replaced the ATO Small Business Super Clearing House.**
It closed on 1 July 2026. Check your payroll software or new clearing house actually pays on payday.
 - ☐ **Super is at 12% of ordinary time earnings in payroll.**
Check every employee's pay item, including anyone on a contractor-style arrangement who may count as an employee for super.
 - ☐ **Your cash flow forecast shows super going out every payday.**
It's no longer three months of cash you can hold onto.
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Vehicles IF YOU DRIVE FOR WORK

- ☐ **You're claiming car costs at the right rate.**
The cents-per-kilometre rate is 91c for 2026–27, capped at 5,000 km (\$4,550). Drive more than that for work? The logbook method will usually give you more.
 - ☐ **You have a 12-week logbook that's less than 5 years old.**
A phone app is fine. "Roughly 80% business use" doesn't hold up if the ATO asks.
 - ☐ **Your records match what the ATO already knows.**
The ATO is data-matching vehicle purchases over \$10,000 from state registries against tax returns.
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Assets IF YOU'RE BUYING EQUIPMENT

☐ **You know how the \$20,000 instant asset write-off works.**

It's now permanent for businesses with turnover under \$10 million. Each asset must cost less than \$20,000 and be used, or ready to use, by 30 June to claim it this year.

☐ **You're buying because the business needs it.**

A deduction only gives back your tax rate. Spending \$10,000 to save about \$2,500 in tax is still a \$7,500 cost.

Company & admin IF YOU RUN A COMPANY

☐ **Your ASIC annual review date is in the calendar.**

ASIC fees rose on 1 July 2026. The annual review fee for a proprietary company is now \$342, and late fees apply.

☐ **Your books are reconciled monthly, not just at BAS time.**

Clean monthly books make every item on this list easier and stop surprises in June.

Your own tax FOR YOU AS THE OWNER

☐ **You've planned your super contributions for the year.**

The concessional cap is \$32,500 for 2026–27. Personal contributions can be deductible, but you must lodge a notice of intent with your fund first.

☐ **Your PAYG instalments still match what you're actually earning.**

If your income has changed this year, you may be paying too much, or building up a bill.

Couldn't tick them all?

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