



Making Tax Digital: Where we are now and what to focus on next

With the first round of quarterly submissions now underway, Making Tax Digital (MTD) is no longer approaching—it's here. For those within scope, the priority now is making sure processes are working smoothly and building a routine that will carry through the rest of the year.



Where things stand

Right now

- ✓ Quarterly submissions are in motion
- ✓ Digital record-keeping is essential
- ✓ Early submissions are helping establish practical processes

What's next?

- ➔ Ongoing quarterly updates throughout the rest of the tax year
- ➔ Gradual expansion to more businesses and landlords next tax year
- ➔ Ongoing refinement of internal processes, supported by digital tools

MTD timeline at a glance

2026 — Businesses and individuals earning over £50,000 per year are required to report their tax digitally.



MTD is being phased in gradually, giving businesses and individuals time to adapt and refine their approach.

How to stay on track with MTD



Keep records up to date

Maintaining accurate, timely records will make each submission far more straightforward and reduce the need for last-minute adjustments.



Build a routine

Treat quarterly updates as part of your regular admin cycle—whether monthly check-ins or scheduled reviews—rather than a one-off task.



Make the most of your software

Using your system consistently and correctly is key. Small gaps now can create bigger issues at submission points.



Stay connected with your adviser

Regular check-ins can help identify improvements early and keep everything running smoothly as requirements continue to evolve.

Common questions

What if my first submission didn't go as planned?

That's not unusual. Early submissions are an opportunity to refine your processes and make future updates more straightforward.

Will this get easier over time?

Yes - once you have a routine in place and your systems are working for you, MTD becomes part of normal day-to-day operations.

Do I need to do anything differently now?

The focus is consistency - keeping records updated, maintaining good habits, and staying on top of submission deadlines to make the final declaration as simple as possible.

Useful resoruces:

We have additional information on MTD available on our website, including client scenarios we have supporting businesses and individuals with.

Visit our website



Do you need guidance on Making Tax Digital?

If you'd like to sense-check your current approach or prepare for upcoming submissions, our team is here to help.

Contact our MTD champions

