

## **Ledger Integration**

This Factsheet covers the setting up of **SmoothPay** to permit the transfer of *payroll costing information* to Accounting or Costing Systems. Specific Factsheets are available on our website for MoneyWorks, MYOB, Concept, NZHO Pro/Astarla, Pastel and Xero systems.

A set of *Quick Instructions* is provided for those already familiar with **SmoothPay** followed by fully *Detailed Instructions* for new Users.

## **Quick Instructions**

### **Setting your Ledger Type**

- Choose the Company you wish to work with from SmoothPay's Control Centre, then select Company Setup
- Select Options tab, tick the "Analyse earnings by Account and/or Job. Link to General Ledger" checkbox, and/or simply click on the Ledger Setup button.
- Choose the required Accounting system from the Ledger Type options drop down box.
- You will probably need to edit the Account Costing File name as well as setting the Default Account Code, Payroll Holding/Net Pays Account Code and Accounting Year Begins In – (enter the month from the drop down box - optional). If you do not set these items correctly, your costing transfer may not operate correctly.

## **Generating Costing Information**

- The Costing File you specified in Ledger Setup is automatically generated when you print the Standard Reports after Pay Input.
- GL Account Costing Analysis MUST be included in the Standard Reports selected, otherwise the latest Costing File will not be generated).
- Once satisfied that all your *Standard Reports* are correct, then any time (up until the next pay is processed) you can import the *payroll costing batch file* into your *Ledger*.
- Costing Files may also be produced at any time for any processed pay period from Reports...Costing Reports.

### Importing the Costing File of your Ledger

Most modern Accounting Systems (and all those supported by **SmoothPay**) provide for the import of *general ledger journal transactions* from a *batch file*.

The procedure generally is:

- Start your Ledger and log on to the appropriate Company.
- Choose the appropriate File Import utility and import the file produced by SmoothPay.
- If any errors are reported when the journal batch is checked, you will need to repair or enter the batch manually, and rectify the cause of the problem so it does not occur in future (wrong or missing Account Codes are usually the main culprits).

Please check that the correct batch has been loaded. An old batch could be imported, if you have not produced the latest *GL Account Costing Analysis Report* from *Standard Reports*, from *Reports...Costing Reports*.

The data imported is summarised by *Account Number* (and *Cost Code* if used) and provides *costing journal debiting expense codes* and crediting the *Payroll Control Account Code*. All payments to Employees, disbursements to IRD etc should then be made from the specific *Payroll Control Account* you have established in **SmoothPay's** *Ledger Setup*. When all disbursements have been made, your *Payroll Control Account* balance should be *zero*.

### **Detailed Instructions**

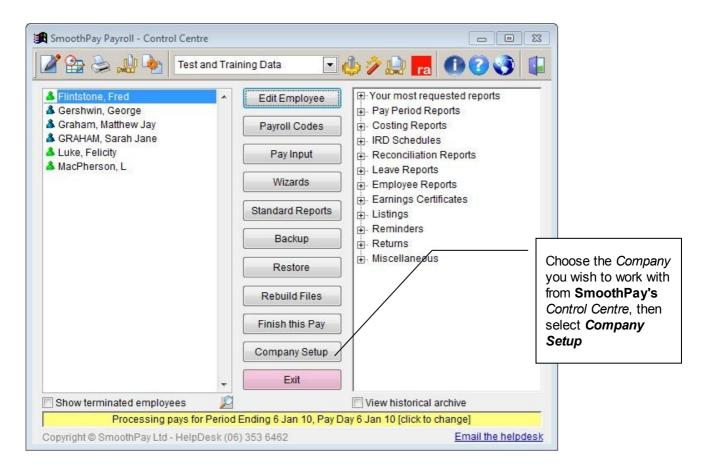
#### Setting your Ledger Type from within SmoothPay

In order for **SmoothPay** to know what type of Costing File to produce, you must tell it the type of accounting system that you are using. **SmoothPay** can "talk" to a number of different accounting packages, but for the purposes of this Factsheet we are dealing with *MYOB*.

It is assumed you know how to use your Computer and the Software, although you should be able to successfully complete this task by closely following these instructions.

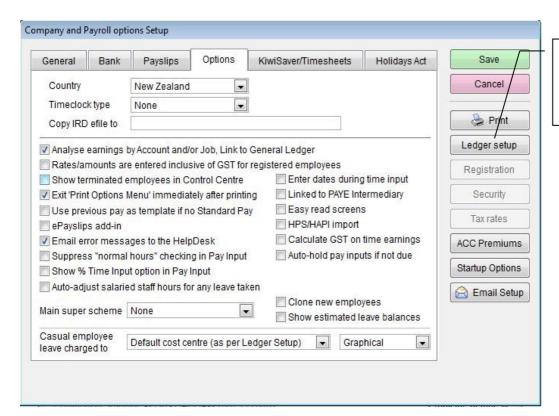
If not, then you are welcome to call the **SmoothPay HelpDesk** on (06) 353 6462 for assistance.

When you start SmoothPay, the Control Centre is displayed:

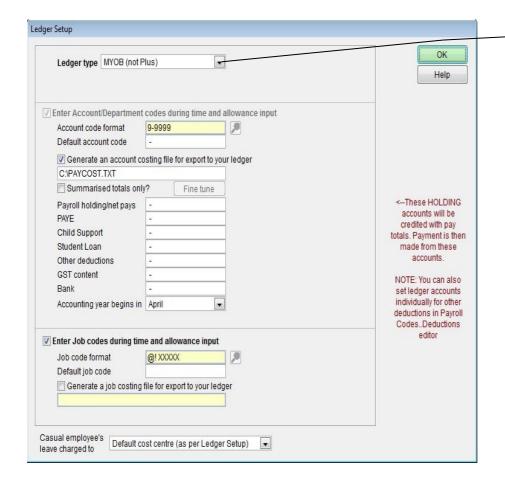




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Tick the "Analyse earnings..." checkbox, and/or simply select **Ledger Setup** 



Choose MYOB from the Ledger Type drop down box then enter any additional settings.

This is an example only, so choose the *Ledger Type* that suits your business.

You may need to edit the Costing File name. You also need to set the *Default Account Code* (used during *Time Input*), the *Payroll Holding/Net Pays Account Code* and *Accounting Year Begins In* – (enter the *month* from the drop down box - optional).

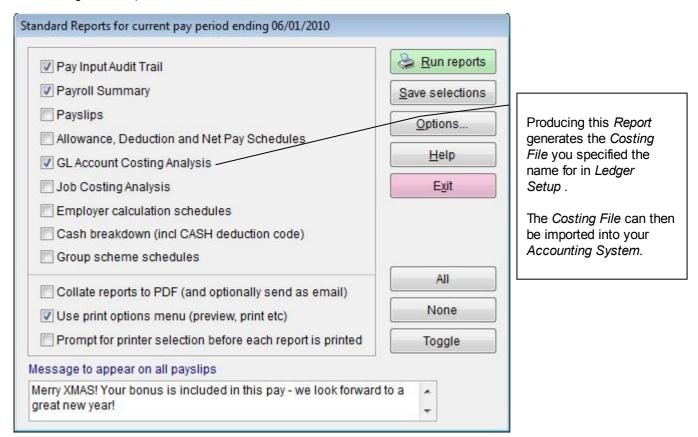
**WARNING**: If you do not set these items correctly, your *costing transfer* may not operate correctly.

Choose OK, then Save to keep your Ledger Settings.

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The Costing File you specified in your *Ledger Setup* is automatically generated when you print the *Standard Reports* after *Pay Input*.

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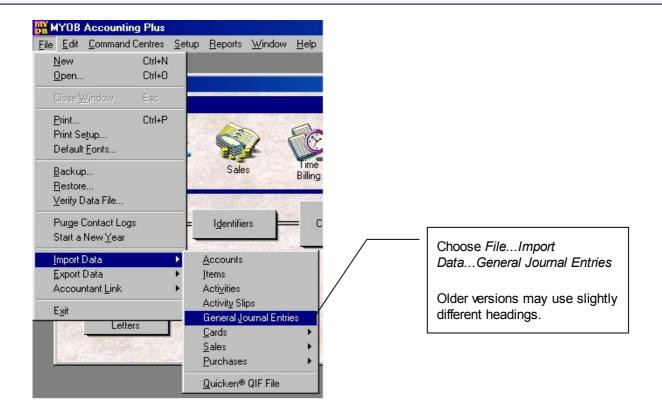
Once satisfied that all your *Standard Reports* are correct and you have produced an up to date *GL Account Analysis Report*, the Costing File is ready to be imported into your *Accounting System* (in this example we are using MYOB).

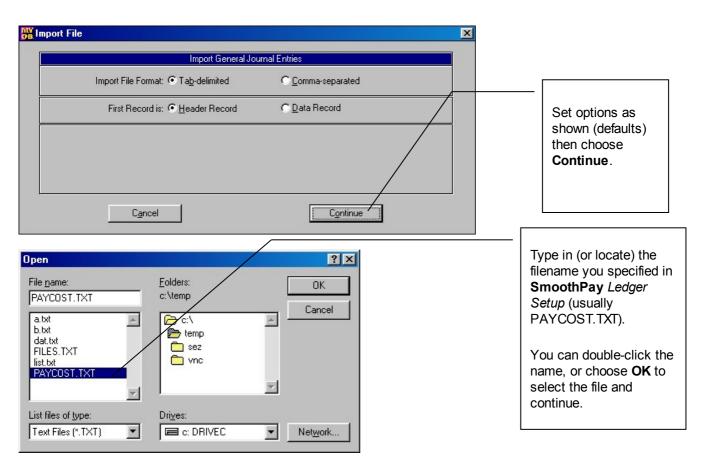
## **Importing the Costing File to your Accounting System**

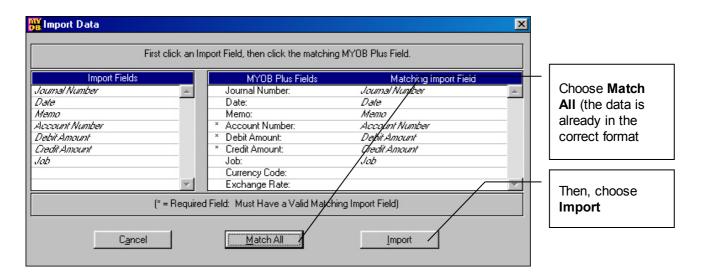
- Start your Accounting System (in this example we are using MYOB)
- Log on to the appropriate Company (the examples shown are for the SAMPLE MYOB Company importing a MYOB formatted file).

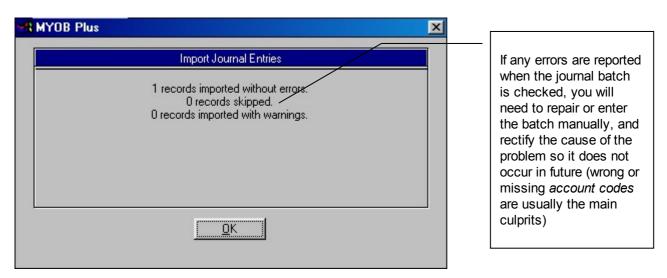


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MYOB will scan and if everything checks out OK (all account numbers are OK etc) the Batch will be imported without further dialog. If any errors are reported, an *Error Log File* will be generated and you will be advised by the program.

The data imported is summarised by *Account Number*, and *Cost Code* if used, and provides *costing journal debiting expense codes* and crediting the *Payroll Control Account*. All payments to Employees, disbursements to IRD etc should then be made from the appropriate *Payroll Control Account*.

When all disbursements have been made, your Payroll Control Account balances should be zero.

## Help, I'm stuck!

Please refer to the *Factsheets* available on our website for more detailed information about most of the supported Accounting Systems.

We hope you enjoy using **SmoothPay** and the easy (once you get the hang of it) costing transfers provided for your Accounting System.

If you need assistance with SmoothPay at any time, please call the HelpDesk on (06) 353 6462.

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