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Greetings!

The IRD have requested that we notify our clients who are "topping up" employer contributions to the maximum amount claimable as Employer tax Credit (ETC), and who are receiving letters regarding ETC overclaiming and incorrect ESCT (super tax) to IGNORE THEM.

IRD have advised that their systems are incorrectly processing returns containing ESCT, and maximised ETC claims, and that currently they have no control over the automated process that generates these letters.

Helen Huaki, the IRD's KiwiSaver liason officer, is personally assisting our clients to resolve any issues they have and is overseeing efforts to urgently correct IRD's processing systems to prevent these problems in future.

If you would like to speak to Helen regarding any problems you're having with KiwiSaver related issues, please contact her directly on: (07) 959 6725, or by email Helen.Huaki@ird.govt.nz (PLEASE quote your company IRD number!)

If you require assistance with dealing with the IRD, or have any suggestions or questions - just let us know and we'll assist in any way we can.

Cheers, *Matt & the SmoothPay support team.*

Are your staff missing out on \$750 per year?

Give your employee a bit extra for their kiwisaver fund - for free!

Instead of merely complying with the minimum 1% CEC, why not provide your employee the benefit of saving the full \$88.57 (possibly less ESCT) per tax month?

We estimate (conservatively) that KiwiSaver's are missing out on an average of \$750 each per year - an astonishing \$500 million for all KiwiSavers!

[read more...](#)**New Feature - Quick Timesheets**

A new feature in SmoothPay is the quick TimeSheet entry which lets you enter daily totals in a single "calendar" screen.

Simply click the employee's name in the Control Centre, then press CTRL+T (hold down the Ctrl key and tap T once).

Quick-timesheet for L MacPherson, 1 week ending 11/04/2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	8.00	6.00	8.00	5.50	4.00	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	1	2	3

Ordinary time total

Fill in the hours, or edit the hours currently shown then Save to create dated entries for your pay input.

This makes it much easier and quicker to comply with Holidays Act legislation where employee's Relevant Daily Pay (RDP) needs to be calculated for a day off.

To make best use of this facility, you'll also need to tick the **Enter dates during time input** option in *Company Setup..Options*. Note that if you haven't used dated input before that it will take at least 4 weeks for the daily averages to come right, so use a little discretion when selecting appropriate RDP pay rates.

TIP: We've also added a shortcut to view an employee's current payslip (CTRL+P).

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We've negotiated a special discount for you on selected payroll books (there's only a few left, so be in quick).

NZ Payroll Practitioners Association (NZPPA) membership is also available at a discount for SmoothPay users - get your payroll career on-track and participate in the online forums and up-to-date payroll resources.

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Contact us if you have any questions or suggestions, and we'll do whatever we can to assist.

Regards,

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