# List of Employees: Guidelines for Employers

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**Note:** references to employments in this document also refer to pensions unless specifically mentioned. Similarly, references to employers also refer to pension providers.

## 1. Background

In preparation for PAYE Modernisation, Revenue is asking employers to submit a List of Employees to Revenue through Revenue's Online Service (ROS). This will ensure that both Revenue and employer records are aligned and employers are receiving the most up to date employee information to calculate their deductions.

## 2. Overview of the List of Employees

The facility to upload the List of Employees will be made available on a phased basis throughout 2018. It will be accessible under the 'Employer Services' screen in ROS. Employers will be notified of when it is available to use through ROS. You must have 'file' permissions to upload this list.

It is important that employers ensure the accuracy of their List of Employees before submitting it to Revenue.

Employees included on the list but not registered with Revenue as working with that employer will be commenced on Revenue's records. Employees not included on the list but registered with Revenue as working with that employer will be ceased on Revenue's records.

Employers will be provided with the PPS numbers of employees ceased and commenced on Revenue's records on foot of the List of Employees through ROS.

If there is a deviation between Revenue's records and the employer's records, the employer will be asked to confirm that the list is to be processed. If there is a significant deviation, the list will be rejected and the employer will be asked to contact the Employer Helpline on 1890 25 45 65 (+ 353 1 7023014 if ringing from outside the Republic of Ireland).

## 3. Preparation Prior to Submitting the List of Employees

Before submitting the List of Employees, it is important that employers ensure they have:

- A PPS Number for all employees (employees cannot be included without a PPS Number);
- The most up-to-date PPS Number for all <u>employees<sup>1</sup></u> by checking the most recent P2C issued by Revenue;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A PPS Number Checker is available in ROS. This can be used by employers to check that they have the correct PPS Number for employees.

- Followed the <u>P45 process</u> for any employees who have left their employment;
- Submitted Part 3 of the Form P45 or Form P46 for any employees who have started in their employment;
- Requested any first-time employees in the country to register their job with Revenue through myAccount;
- Included any employees who have an Exclusion Order;
- Only included current employees in the list.

## 4. Compiling the List of Employees

### 4.1 Employees for Inclusion

The following employees should be included in the list:

- Employees who are currently in your employment, including directors;
- Pension recipients in receipt of payments;
- Employees on long term leave such as maternity leave or sick leave that are still in your employment;
- Seasonal or temporary employees for whom you have not completed the P45 process and who are likely to work for you again in the short term;
- Employees for whom you have received a PAYE Exclusion Order from Revenue.

Employees who are currently on a career break and where a P45 was issued should not be included in your List of Employees. An employee who is on a career break but for whom you have not issued a P45 should be included.

### 4.2 Producing the File for Upload

Employers using a payroll software package may have the facility to produce this list from their payroll.

The file must be in either CSV or XML format. The <u>data fields required and a</u> <u>description of the data fields</u> to be included are published on the Revenue website. Additional information regarding certain data items are outlined in Appendix 1.

If you do not use payroll software or do not have this facility available to you, a <u>sample CSV file</u> is published on the Revenue website. This is an excel file. Once completed with the relevant details, and before uploading to Revenue through ROS, it should be saved as a .csv file. To save as a CSV file, in the excel document:

- Go to 'file'
- Click 'Save as'
- Then 'Save as type'
- Select 'CSV (Comma delimited)'.

## 5. Availability of the List of Employees

When the facility to upload the List of Employees is available for the employer, a banner will appear in the My Services screen in ROS as outlined in Figure 1. The List of Employees link will also appear under 'Employer Services'.

To be able to submit the List of Employees, the employer or agent must have PREM 'file' permissions.

### **Figure 1: List of Employees Notification**

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In order to prepare for PAYE Modernisation you should now upload your 'List of Employees' which can be accessed below. Detailed	d information is available here.
	No current tax clearance certificate.
My Frequently Used Services	Add a service 🕈 🔷 🔨
MyEnquiries	
Employer Services	
PPS Number Checker List of Employees PAYE Modernisation Information	

### 5.1 Agent Notification

Agents will be notified of the availability of the List of Employees for their clients when the banner appears also.

When an agent enters the employer registration number of a client in the 'Agent Services' page in ROS, the banner will appear when the List of Employees is available under that client's Client Services page.

Revenue		PROFILE ADMIN SERVICE		GAER.GE ENGLISH IN
Find Clients				
You can file returns, make payments an	nd manage bank details for clients th	rough Client Services. Select a cl	ient below to view their av	vailable Client Services.
Client Search	Your Client L	ist	Last 10	Clients Accessed
Search by registration number:	You can access	and export your full list of clients	here. • TEST T	EST - 1234567T
Tax Registrations	bligations View Clie	ent List Export Clier	TEST T	EST 1234567T
DWE-Emp +			• TEST T	EST 1234567T
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### Figure 2: Agent Services page in ROS

#### Figure 3: Client Service page in ROS

In order to prepare for PAYE Modernisation you sl	nould now upload	your 'List of Employee	s' which can be accessed be	ow. Detailed inform	nation is available <u>here.</u>
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Employer Services					
PPS Number Checker					
List of Employees					
PAYE Modernisation Information					
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File a Return					
Complete a Form On-line					~
Upload Form(s) Completed Off-line					~
Payments & Refunds					

## 6. Submitting the List of Employees

Once the List of Employees facility is available and the employer or agent is satisfied that the preparation outlined in section 3 and section 4.1 is complete, the list can be uploaded through ROS.

Employers should follow these steps to upload:

- 1. Sign into ROS as normal;
- 2. Go to My Services and click on the 'List of Employees' link under 'Employer Services' (Figure 1 above);
- 3. Select the employer registration number for which you are uploading the List of Employees (Figure 4) and attach your List of Employees file (XML or CSV) from your computer to upload. If there are multiple files to be uploaded the screen will have an add button available as well as a delete button (Figure 5);
- 4. The file format will then be validated to ensure that the file format is correct and all required information is provided. If there are any errors, the relevant line item will be specified (Figure 5). Any validation errors must be fixed before the file will be accepted.
- 5. Once validation is complete, click the 'submit' button (Figure 6). You will be reminded of the importance of ensuring that the information included in the list is correct.

- 6. Finally, sign and submit the file by entering your ROS Digital Certificate password (Figure 7).
- 7. Once signed and submitted, and an acknowledgement screen will inform you that you file is being processed and you will receive a ROS inbox message once complete (Figure 8).

Figure 4: Upload/confirmation screen

		Gaeilge
Revenue	List of Employees	
← ROS Homepage	List of Employees	To view provings submissions select one in the dram
	Employees you are uploading	down below and click the review button
	1234567T	Select a submission
	Upload list of employees	
	Add 🗿	

Figure 5: File validation errors

		Gaeilge
Revenue	List of Employees	
← ROS Homepage	List of Employees	
	Select the Employer Registration number for the List of Employees you are uploading	To view previous submissions select one in the drop down below and click the review button
	1234567T	No submissions available
	Upload list of employees	
	Attachments	
	Add 🕥	
	Line=14: Data is invalid Line=16: Data is invalid Line=25: Data is invalid Validation failed for file Test 1A.csv	)

## Figure 6: Submit List of Employees

		Gaeilge
Revenue	List of Employees	
← ROS Homepage	List of Employees Select the Employer Registration number for the List of Employees you are uploading 1234567T V Upload list of employees	To view previous submissions select one in the drop down below and click the review button          Select a submission
	Attachments  Test 2.csv	
$\langle$	<ul> <li>By Clicking "Submit":</li> <li>I confirm that I have read the information regarding the List of Employees on revenue.le</li> <li>I understand that Revenue will Cease/Commence employments based on the data I have provided in the file(s) submitted.</li> <li>Revenue may contact me regarding this submission.</li> </ul>	

## Figure 7: Sign and Submit

#### Figure 8: Acknowldegement screen

		<u>Gaeilge</u>
Revenue	List of Employees	
← ROS Homepage	Thank you for your submission, we are processing it and you will receive a ROS Inbox item shortly with all t relevant details.	he

## 7. Processing of the List of Employees

To guard against the submission of inaccurate files, the List of Employees has inbuilt tolerance levels (Appendix 2) based on the number of employees to be commenced and ceased on foot of the list.

If these tolerances are not broken, the file will be processed by Revenue and no further action is required (Figure 9). The PPS numbers of employees commenced and ceased will be displayed.

#### Figure 9: List of Employees accepted

				Gaeilge
Revenue	List of Employees			
← Back ← ROS Homepage	PREM number: 9999999P Status: Complete			
<	This submission has been processed successfully.			
	Commenced Employees	Ceased Employees		
	No commenced employments were found	Search:		
		Employee Registration M	lumber	
		Mr Joe Bloggs 1234 Mrs Joe Bloggs 76543	667T 921G	
		Showing 1 to 2 of 2		
		entries	Previous	Next

If the first set of tolerances are broken, the employer will be notified by a ROS inbox message and will be asked to either accept or reject the file for processing by Revenue. Details of employees to be commenced and ceased if the file is accepted will be presented to the employer in the message (Figure 10).

#### Figure 10: Confirmation required

		Gaeilge
Revenue	List of Employees	
	Employer Registration Number: Status: Action Required Your submission has been analysed. Below are submission and Revenue's records. Please log reject this submission.	e the differences identified between your into List of Employees in order to accept or
	Commenced Employees	Ceased Employees
	Search:	Search:
	Employee Registration Number	Employee Registration Number
	7654321T	1234567T

To accept or reject the file, the employer should go to the List of Employees screen and either accept or reject the submission (Figure 11). The employer must complete this action within 7 calendar days of the initial submission. The date will appear on screen.

#### Figure 11: Accept/reject screen

Revenue	List of Employees					
ROS Homepage     PREM number: 99999999     Status: Failed     Confirmation Required By: 16-May-2018     Your submission has been analysed on foot of the employee list submitted by you. It fails the first level of     tolerance set by Revenue due to the following number of Commencements/Cessations of employments. We						
	request you to accept the submission if you are ha an updated list of employees kindly reject this sub	accept the submission if you are happy with this submission. However, if you would like to resubmit of employees kindly reject this submission.				
	No commenced employments were found	d Search:				
		Employee Registration Number				
		Mr Joe Bloggs 1234567T Mrs Joe Bloggs 7654321G				
		Showing 1 to 2 of 2				
		entries	Previous Next			
<	Accept Reject					

If the employer rejects the submission, another file can be uploaded once the employer is satisfied that it is correct.

If the accept/reject screen is not actioned within 7 calendar days, the list will be deemed rejected. A new file can be submitted and a closing date for submission will be displayed on screen.

If the second set of tolerances is broken, the employer will be asked to contact the Employer Helpline.

Figure 12: List of	<sup>Employees</sup>	rejected
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			Gaeilge
Revenue	List of Employees		
← Back ← ROS Homepage	<b>PREM number:</b> 9999999P <b>Status:</b> Error There was an error retrieving/processing this submi	sion, please contact the Employer Helpline to resolv	e this.
	Commenced Employees	Ceased Employees	
	No commenced employments were found	Search:	
		Employee Registration Number	
		Mr Joe Bloggs 1234567T Mrs Joe Bloggs 7654321G	
		Showing 1 to 2 of 2	
		entries Previous N	ext

## 8. Outcome of the List of Employees

Once accepted by Revenue and processed, the List of Employees will be compared to Revenue's record.

### 8.1 New Employees

Employees included on the List but not registered as working for that employer on Revenue's records will be commenced on Revenue's records.

A revised tax credit certificate (TCC) will issue to the employee.

A revised employer tax credit certificate (P2C) will issue to the employer on a week 1 basis.

If a start date is not provided on the List of Employees, a start date of 1/1/18 will be recorded on Revenue's systems.

### 8.2 Ceased Employees

Employees registered as working for that employer on Revenue's records but not included on the employer's List of Employees will be ceased on Revenue's records.

The cessation will not result in the reallocation of tax credits or the standard rate cut-off point.

A cessation date, using the date the list is received by Revenue, will be recorded on Revenue's systems.

### 8.3 Existing Employees

There will be no action on Revenue's part in respect of employees included on the List and correctly registered with Revenue as working with that employer.

The following material is either exempt from or not required to be published under the Freedom of Information Act 2014.

[...]

## 9. Employer Obligations

To ensure that employer and Revenue records remain aligned following the List of Employees, employers are reminded of their obligations as employers and must follow the Regulations for starting and ceasing employments with Revenue. The following is a summary of these obligations:

- Ensure you have the correct PPS number for all employees;
- Complete the <u>P45 process</u> for any employees who have left your employment;
- Submit Part 3 of the Form P45 or Form P46 for any employees who have started in your employment;
- Request any first-time employees in the country to register their job with Revenue through myAccount.

The following material is either exempt from or not required to be published under the Freedom of Information Act 2014.

[...]

## 11. Queries

Queries regarding the List of Employees should be addressed to the Employer Helpline:

**Telephone:** 1890 25 45 65 (+ 353 1 7023014 if ringing from outside the Republic of Ireland).

MyEnquiries: Category "PAYE Mod – List of Employee"

Postal address: Collector General's Division Sarsfield House Francis Street Limerick V94 R972

## Appendix 1

A <u>full description of the List of Employees required data fields</u> are published on the Revenue website.

#### 'Employment Reference Number'

The Employment Reference Number is the employee's internal staff identifier; it is generally the same as the works number.

### 'Employment ID'

This is a unique identifier for each separate employment for an employee. In the case of a dual employment, which is currently registered with Revenue, this is mandatory for each employment. It will be used to uniquely identify each employment of the employee with the same employer.

It is important that the Employment ID provided remains unchanged.

#### 'PPSN'

The PPS number is a mandatory field and therefore must be provided in order to include the employee on the list of employees. If you do not have PPS numbers for all your employees, you must ensure that you have them before you submit your List of Employees.

It is important that you use the most up to date PPS number for all your employees. You can check the most recent P2C for each of your employees to ensure you have the right number.

If an employee does not have a PPS number, he/she should apply to the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection (DEASP) for a PPS number.

### 'Exclusion Order'

Any employees in receipt of an Exclusion Order must be included (including nonresident employees). Where possible the commencement and cessation dates of the exclusion order should be provided.

### 'Director'

The PAYE system of collection applies to directors, as it does to any other employees, and therefore their details should be submitted, indicating on the submission if they are a director or not.

# Appendix 2

### **Tolerance Levels**

Number of Employees as per current Revenue records	1 <sup>st</sup> threshold % Tolerance	2 <sup>nd</sup> threshold % Tolerance (i.e. prompted to ensure data supplied is correct)	Description of 1st Threshold	Description of 2nd Threshold
≤ 5	40%	80%	For any employers in this category, prompt to review where up to 2 new employees not linked on Revenue records and up to 2 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	For any employers in this category, accept up to 4 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 4 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list. This is a small employer who may not have payroll software or a dedicated payroll person – the likelihood of not following the Regulations due to a lack of awareness are greater.
6-10	20%	40%	For any employers in this category, prompt to review where up to 2 new employees not linked on Revenue records and up to 2 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	For any employers in this category, accept up to 4 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 4 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.
11-20	13%	25%	For any employers in this category, prompt to review where up to 3 new employees not	For any employers in this category, accept up to 5 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to

			linked on Revenue records and up to 3 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	5 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.
21-30	13%	25%	For any employers in this category, prompt to review where up to 4 new employees not linked on Revenue records and up to 4 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	For any employers in this category, accept up to 8 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 8 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.
31-40	13%	25%	For any employers in this category, prompt to review where up to 5 new employees not linked on Revenue records and up to 5 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	For any employers in this category, accept up to 10 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 10 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.
41-50	13%	25%	For any employers in this category, prompt to review where up to 6 new employees not linked on Revenue records and up to 6 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	For any employers in this category, accept up to 13 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 13 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.
51-70	13%	25%	For any employers in this category, prompt to review where up to 9 new employees not	For any employers in this category, accept up to 18 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to

			linked on Revenue records and up to 9 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	18 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.
71-100	10%	20%	For any employers in this category, prompt to review where up to 10 new employees not linked on Revenue records and up to 10 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	For any employers in this category, accept up to 20 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 20 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.
101-200	5%	10%	For any employers in this category, prompt to review where up to 10 new employees not linked on Revenue records and up to 10 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	For any employers in this category, accept up to 20 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 20 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.
201-300	5%	10%	For any employers in this category, prompt to review where up to 15 new employees not linked on Revenue records and up to 15 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	For any employers in this category, accept up to 30 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 30 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.
301-400	5%	10%	For any employers	For any employers in this

			in this category, prompt to review where up to 20 new employees not linked on Revenue records and up to 20 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	category, accept up to 40 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 40 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.
401-500	5%	10%	For any employers in this category, prompt to review where up to 25 new employees not linked on Revenue records and up to 25 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	For any employers in this category, accept up to 50 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 50 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.
500+			For this level threshold, prompt to review where there are up to 25 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 25 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.	Employers in this category should have sophisticated software packages and full- time dedicated payroll departments. For any employers in this category, accept up to 50 new employees not linked to the employer on Revenue records and up to 50 employees linked to the employer on Revenue records but not on the list.