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Release Notes

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Welcome to your software update for 2023/2024 Tax Year. This update includes some new features and enhancements, together with any necessary legislative changes. You will find information on all software improvements in this document. For detailed information on legislative changes, click here. If you encounter any difficulties, please visit the Farmplan support page here.

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National Insurance

On 22nd November 2023, the Government announced that from 6th January 2024, the National Insurance contribution rates for employees would be lowered by 2%.

We have updated the software to reflect these changes in employee NI rates.

Director's NI contribution rates will differ from employees' NI rates and will use an average rate from 6th January 2024.

From 6th January 2024, there will be two sets of National Insurance rates for employees for the 2023/2024 tax year: those used for pay periods between 6th April 2023 and 5th January 2024, and those in use between 6th January 2024 and 5th April 2024. This split set of rates applies to the tax year 2023/2024 only.

If you need to pay employees in advance, e.g., for holidays, or pay employees late, e.g. new starters, and the period(s) you are advancing include 6th January 2024, then the National Insurance Contribution rates in use on the actual pay date will apply.

Refer to the Payroll Help Hub for information on the new NI figures.

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Bug Fixes

- P60: P60s will now print without splitting the national insurance reported by some customers.
- P11: The P11 report has been updated.

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PAPDIS Smart Pension File

We have added a **Smart Pension - PAPDIS** file option to the following locations:

- Pension > Create Pension File > Select File to Create.
- Pension > Configure Pension Fund > Add New > Output Files.
- **Pension > Automatic Enrolment Configuration Tool.**

Employee Verification GDPR menu

On the Employee menu, between Statutory Payments and Overrule Figures, we have added a new Employee Verification GDPR menu with the following options:

- Stop Sending Employee Data stops the employee's payroll data from sending to the EVC platform.
- **Delete Employee Data** removes the employee's data from the EVC data hub.
- Request Employee Data sends a request for a report of the data held.

Veteran Date

In Employee Details, we have updated the Veteran Date field, allowing you to enter a date later than the employee's start date.

PAYE Legislation

Student/Postgraduate Loan Thresholds

Student and postgraduate loan thresholds for the 2023/2024 tax year. We have updated the system with these figures.

Tax Codes

Due to all personal allowances remaining at 2022/2023 levels, there is no increase in tax codes for the 2023/2024 tax year.

Automatic Enrolment and Pensions

Automatic enrolment and pensions figures for the 2023/2024 tax year. We have updated the system with these figures.

National Minimum Wage/National Living Wage

National Minimum Wage and National Living Wage rates for the 2023/2024 tax year. We have updated the system with these rates.

Tax, NI and Statutory Payment Rates

Tax, NI, and statutory payment rates for the 2023/2024 tax year. We have modified the system with these rates.

Car and Fuel benefit thresholds

Car and fuel benefit thresholds for the 2023/2024 tax year. We have updated the system with these thresholds.

RTI

FPS - 2023/2024

In line with government legislation, we have updated the FPS schema for the 2023/2024 tax year.

EPS - 2023/2024

We have updated the EPS schema for submissions relating to the 2023/2024 tax year.

EYFPS - 2022/2023

We have amended the EYFPS schema for submissions relating to the 2022/2023 tax year.

Other Improvements

P60 Layout

A new P60 layout for year-end 2022/2023 is now available.

Pensions

- The LGPS Bands for England/Wales are now up to date for the 2023/2024 tax year.
- Teachers' Pension tiers are now up to date for the 2023/2024 tax year.

Useful numbers

HMRC

HMRC online service helpdesk	HMRC employer helpline	
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