

The tax refunds process is now automatic

On 26 April, the latest [changes](#) as part of our transformation to make tax more straightforward came into effect.

What does this mean for you?

The main things you need to be aware of are:

- [Income tax assessments](#)

You'll receive an income tax assessment between Monday 20 May to the end of July to finalise your end-of-year tax information if your income is from:

- salary or wages
- schedular payments (including ACC Attendant Care)
- income-tested benefits
- interest or dividends
- taxable Maori authority distributions
- benefits under an employee share scheme
- superannuation (NZ Super)
- student allowance
- Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC).

This will show how much you've earned, how much tax you've paid and your tax calculation – so you'll know exactly where you stand.

If you have a myIR account, we will notify you that your income tax assessment is there. If you don't, it will be posted to you.

- [Automatic tax refunds](#)

If you paid too much tax during the year and are due a refund, we'll automatically pay the refund directly into your bank account (so long as your bank account details are up to date in our system).

- [New website and improved myIR](#)

Our new website features a brand-new homepage, look and feel and layout, with improved search and the ability to navigate content by role, situation, topic or task. We've re-written the Child Support, Working for Families Tax Credits and Income Tax content in a crisper and more accessible style. We'll progressively re-write and move the remaining content over the remainder of the year. In the meantime, you can search across the new and old content using the improved search function.

Other features of the new site include:

- Shorter content and fewer pages
- The ability to navigate content by role, situation, topic or task
- A responsive design allowing you to view the site on any device
- An improved online experience for those who are visually impaired.

We've also made enhancements to myIR, including a new landing page and changes to layout, as well as greater control, visibility and certainty for users of their tax and social policy obligations.



What do you need to do?

Keep your details up to date and we'll take care of the rest.

Make sure we have your current bank account details so we can pay refunds and entitlements, and your up-to-date email and address details so we can make sure you get your income tax assessment.

You can check or update your details using [myIR](#).

What else do you need to know?

For more information on the other changes that have become law, including [tax code notifications](#) and donation receipt uploading through myIR, visit our [website](#).