

Auto Enrolment Module Overview

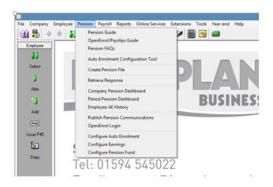
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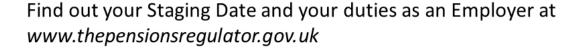
"Before anything else, preparation is the key to success."

Alexander Graham Bell



Source: www.thepensionsregulator.gov.uk





Decided on your Pension Company? Staging Date approaching?

Gather together all the relevant information:

- √ Name and Address of Pension Company
- √ Who is sending the communications to Employees Name, Address, Email etc.?
- ✓ How are the Contributions to be calculated Pre Tax/NI, Post Tax/NI, Percentage?
- ✓ Specific references for your pension Unique ID, Worker Group, Payment Source?

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Automatic Enrolment Configuration Tool - 10 Steps to Compliance



These are all the steps you need to take to comply with existing legislation. You don't need to complete all of the steps at once as you can return to this screen at any time. Use the Previous and Next buttons to navigate between the screens.

- Click on each green arrow to open the relevant screen
- As you complete each step, 'To do' will change to 'Complete'
- Once all steps are marked as Complete, you can return to the Tool at any time to make changes



1. Staging Date





The date when automatic enrolment duties begin to apply to your company. You need to meet your key duties by this date.

Click on the link find out your Staging Date this takes you to **The Pensions Regulator** website. Enter your PAYE Reference number (e.g. 913WZ5121A) to find your Staging Date.

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2. Contact for The Pension Regulator



You need to inform The Pensions Regulator who they need to send important communications to regarding automatic enrolment.

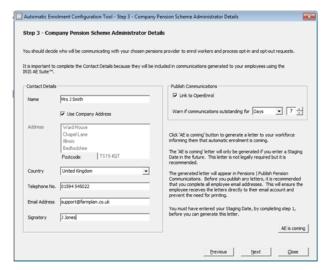
Click the button Nominate a contact with The Pensions Regulator. This takes you to the section of The Pensions Regulator website where you need to enter your details.

You will need to click the **Mark as Complete** button to mark this step as complete.



3. Scheme Administrator





These are the details of the individual in your company who will be communicating with your pension provider regarding enrolling workers etc.

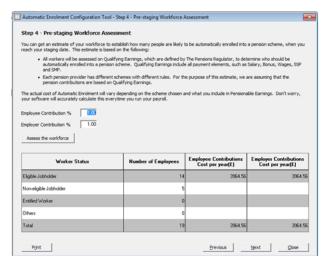
It's important to complete this section as these details are used in communications sent to your employees using the Auto Enrolment suite.

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4. Pre-Staging Assessment





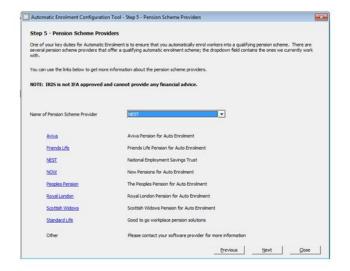
This screen enables you to get an estimate of how many employees are likely to be automatically enrolled at your Staging Date.

You can print a report out of the estimated figures.



5. Your Provider





Select the Pension Provider you are using from the drop down list.

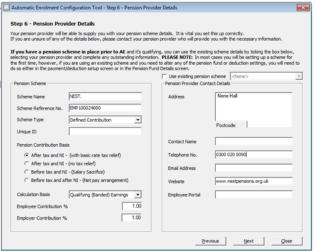
We only list the companies we currently work with in order to provide pension output files.

If yours is not listed, please contact Farmplan for assistance on 01594 545022.

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6. Pension Provider Details



Your pension provider should supply you with the details you need to complete this screen.

You are also able to select an existing pension scheme. If you are using NEST you must tick **Use existing scheme** and select the NEST fund already created in the system. This will then add the pension deductions to the existing NEST fund.

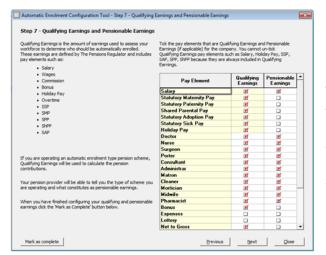
Completing this screen creates your pension deductions for you. To ensure that these are setup correctly this screen all options must be completed in full. If you do not have all the relevant information do not start to complete this screen until you do.

Alternatively, you can set up your deductions via Company - Alter Payment/Deductions.

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7. Earnings





Qualifying Earnings and Pensionable Earnings

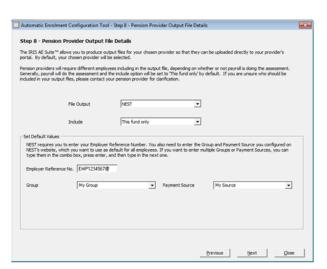
This screen describes the difference between the two, and enables you to tick/un-tick elements of employees' pay as required by your pension scheme.

You will need to click the **Mark as Complete** button to mark this step as complete.

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8. Pension Output Files



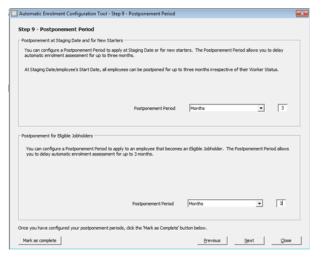
The AE module allows you to produce output files for your chosen provider to be uploaded directly to their web portal.

Pension providers will require different employees included in the output file depending on whether payroll is doing the assessment. Generally, payroll will do the assessment and the 'include' option will be set to 'This fund only' by default. If you are unsure who should be included in your output files, please contact your pension provider.

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9. Postponement





It is possible to delay automatic enrolment assessment for up to three months at Staging Date or a new employee's Start Date.

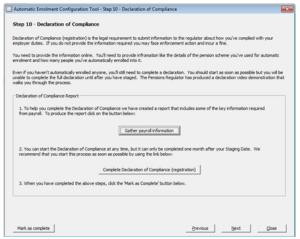
You can also delay automatic enrolment assessment for employees who become eligible jobholders for up to three months.

Enter your postponement requirements on this screen. You will need to click the **Mark as Complete** button to mark this step as complete.

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10. Declaration



Once you've enrolled your staff, you must complete your Declaration of Compliance with The Pensions Regulator.

The declaration confirms that you've complied with your legal duties.

Even if you haven't had to enrol anyone (but had employees on your staging date), you still need to complete your declaration. Click the button **Complete Declaration of Compliance** (registration) to complete this online.

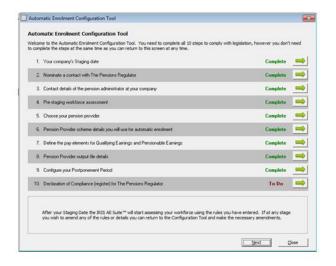
You can start at any time, however you cannot complete it until a month after your Staging Date (and must complete it within five months).

The payroll software provides a report, which you can print from this screen, containing much, but not all, of the information you need to complete the declaration. The Pension Regulator's Declaration of compliance (registration) checklist is available here. When you have completed your declaration online, click the Mark as Complete button.



Ready to Stage....





Backup Your Data and then Run your Payroll

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What happens when you run the Payroll?

Behind the scenes, as you run your normal Payroll routine, Earnie will:

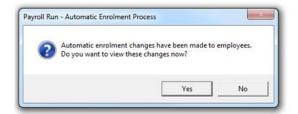


- Assesses your employees Eligible Worker, Non Eligible Worker, Entitled Worker?
- Decide on the correct communications to be published
- Those that are Eligible will be:
 - Enrolled into the Pension Fund
 - Employee and Employer Contributions are added to their record
 - The correct Worker Group/Payment Source (NEST) are assigned

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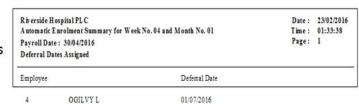
With Postponement, at the end of the Payroll....





At the end of the payroll run you will get a message

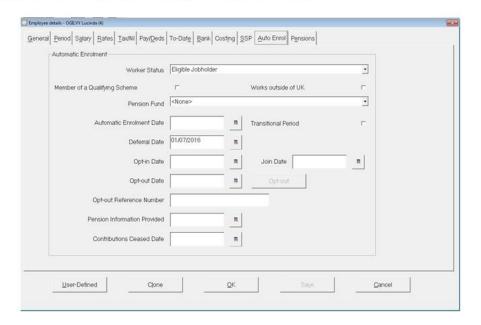
You should choose to print the report, this will show you what has happened



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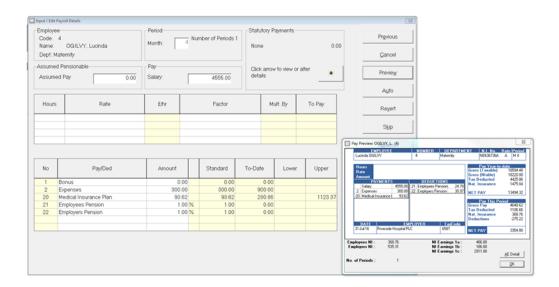


Employee Record is updated......





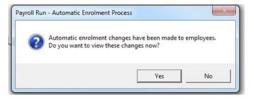
When you arrive at the Staging date or Deferral date....



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At Staging date or Deferral date...



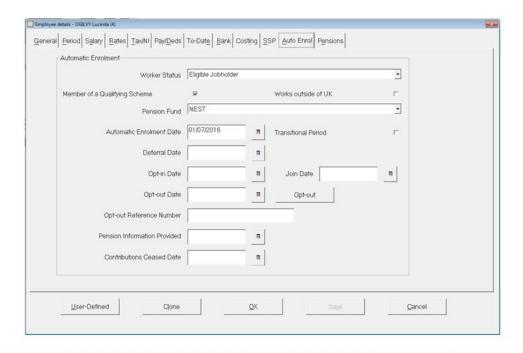
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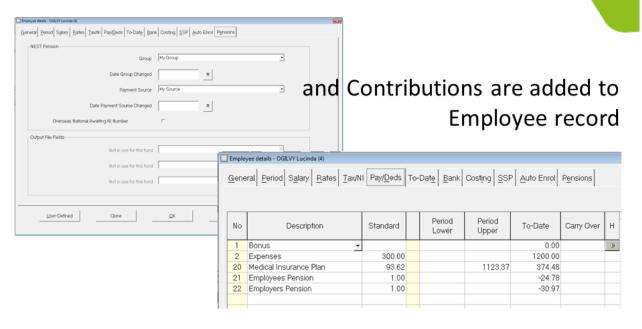
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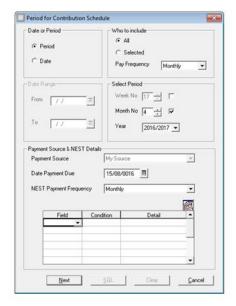
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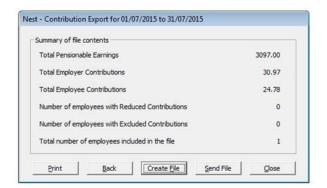


Sending Information to Pension Provider





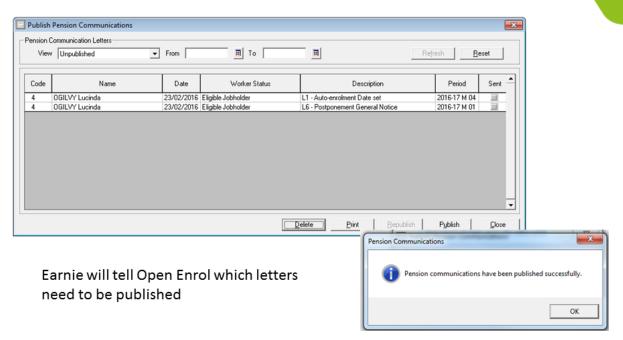
You will be able to create a file for your Pension provider to give them the information about contributions.



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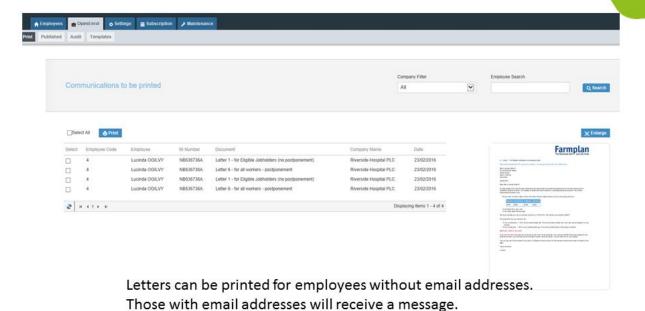


Telling your Employees – Publishing Letters





Open Enrol Communications to Employees



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For the Employees....

They can access their communications via Computer or by using the App.



Easy, Intuitive and Streamlined

The IRIS OpenPayslips app can be downloaded by employees for smartphone and tablet as well as being accessible via desktop. The payslips, P60s and pension letters are organised clearly into groups allowing you quick and easy access to the documents that you need. Need a payslip from 6 months ago? No problem, simply scroll through your payslips and locate all of your previous documents quickly and efficiently!

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