

TAXbite: MTD - who is in scope and when does it start? ICAEW TAX FACULTY

Who is in scope of MTD for VAT?

- MTD for VAT applies to all VAT registered businesses with turnover above the VAT threshold
- Applies to non established taxable persons (same threshold applies)
- Businesses voluntarily registered for VAT continue to use the government gateway
 - BUT keep an eye on turnover
 - Can elect into MTD for VAT
- Business is not registered for VAT MTD for VAT does not apply
- Some businesses will be eligible for a digital exclusion

The turnover test

- A 12 month turnover test applies
 - Include all supplies except outside the scope and exempt supplies
- Perform test at the end of each month, regardless of VAT accounting periods

 a continuous test
- If threshold reached at the end of a month, apply MTD rules from the start of the next VAT accounting period
- Unless the deferral applies, MTD for VAT commences from the start of the first VAT period commencing on/after 1 April 2019

A six month deferral to October 2019 for some businesses

- trusts
- 'not for profit' organisations that are not companies (this includes some charities)
- VAT divisions
- VAT groups
- public sector entities that are required to provide additional information alongside their VAT return (such as Government departments and NHS Trusts)
- local authorities and public corporations
- traders based overseas
- those required to make payments on account
- annual accounting scheme users

When does it start?

VAT stagger group	Check taxable turnover for	Keep digital accounting records from	First MTD for VAT quarter	Deadline for first MTD for VAT return (electronic payment)
Mar/Jun/Sep/Dec	12 months ended 31 March 2019	1 April 2019	Apr/May/Jun 2019	7 August 2019
Apr/Jul/Oct/Jan	12 months ended 31 March 2019 & 30 April 2019	1 May 2019	May/Jun/Jul 2019	7 September 2019
May/Aug/Nov/Feb	12 months ended 31 March 2019, 30 April 2019 & 31 May 2019	1 June 2019	Jun/Jul/Aug 2019	7 October 2019

And once the business has signed up...?

- Once in MTD for VAT, the business stays in MTD for VAT
- UNLESS the usual deregistration conditions apply

Further support

- www.icaew.com/mtd
- www.icaew.com/taxbites
- Future webinars <u>www.icaew.com/taxfacevents</u>
- VAT Notice 700/22: Making Tax Digital for
 VAT <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/vat-notice-70022-</u> making-tax-digital-for-vat

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