

Release Notes

Access WageEasy v8.1.2



For our Payroll Online customers

Installation and upgrade of Access WageEasy is managed as part of our service to you. You can disregard any comments or instructions that refer to downloading and installing software upgrades.

What's in this Release?

- **Payday Super** — WageEasy is being updated to support the ATO's Payday Super reform (effective 1 July 2026), requiring super to be paid at the same time as wages.
- Updated **pay processing messages** to help align with Payday Super workflow requirements
- **Qualifying Earnings (QE)** now visible in STP2 reporting and STP2 User Defined Queries (UDQ)
- Updated SuperStream Alternative File Format (SAFF) for Self-Managed Superannuation Funds (SMSF)
- **Termination Wizard** — negative leave amounts are now blocked to protect STP2 compliance
- **Payslip display change** for shift loadings rounded to the next whole hour
- Updated **MCS component** to version 3.7.3.3
- **Bug fix:** Database isolation issue resolved — STP2 data no longer bleeds across open/cancelled database sessions

Payday Super — Getting You Ready

From 1 July 2026, employers will be required to pay superannuation contributions at the same time as wages. WageEasy 8.1.2 includes several changes to support this important compliance reform.

Qualifying Earnings (QE) on Reports

The ATO's new **Qualifying Earnings (QE)** amounts will show in STP reporting from first pay in the new financial year. QE values will show on the STP grid and reports once the system date is on or after the QE Effective Date starting from new financial year 2027 onwards.

STP2 Reporting Details
Success

STP2 Pay Event Details

Created Date	Payment Date	Run Date Time Stamp	PPE	Pay Frequency	Gross Taxable	Gross (STP)	PAYGW (Tax)	Net	Status
11/05/2026 11:48:11	20/07/2026	11/05/2026 11:45:23 AM	19/07/2026	Fortnightly	10640.00	10640	3700.00	6940.00	Message accepted

Mark All As Final Pay
Mark Terminated As Final Pay
Export

Employee No	Employee Name	Income Type	Gross Taxable	Residual Gross (STP)	Super Liability (SG)	RESC	QE	PAYGW	Net	Final	Status
FP-020	Dundon, Gerald	SAW	21280.00	21280.00	2553.60		21280.00	7400.00	13880.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		1	21280.00	21280.00	2553.60	0.00	21280.00	7400.00	13880.00		

Submission ID: 77827091-8037-4803-BD68-F8CF8AE59B42
 Set as Default Layout
OK
Cancel

STP Phase 2 Pay Event Report

Great Company Australia

Pay Event Company Information

Company Name: Great Company Australia
 Branch Code: 1
 ABN: 40071007326
 BMS Id: {6F86B9EB-5A32-47CD-9CE6-390F264A3FE7}

Contact: Perry Payroll
 Email: apac.support.wageeasy@theaccessgroup.ci
 Phone: 1300924332
 Postcode: 3102 Country Code: AU

Reporting Information

Reporting Party Id: Perry Payroll
 Reporting Declaration Date: 1/05/2026

Employee YTD Totals

Emp No	FP-020	Last Name	Dundon	Address	Suite 602	Birthday	01/05/1964	Tax File Number	444444444
Final Pay	False	First Name	Gerald		1 Princess Street	Employment Date	01/02/1995	Contractor ABN	
Period Start	06/07/2026	Second Name	David		Kew	Employment Basis	F	Tax Treatment	RTXXXX
Period End	19/07/2026				3101 AU	Cessation Date		Tax Offset Amt	0
Status						Cessation Reason			

Super Entitlement Type	Amount
L	2553.6
Q	21280

Income Type	Country	Residual Gross	Overtime	Bonus & Comm	PAYGW	Director's Fees	CDEP	Foreign Tax Paid	Exempt Foreign Income
SAW		21280.00	0	0	7400	0	0	0	0

User Defined Queries (UDQ) have been updated to include QE. These queries are **YTD Company STP2 Reporting Breakdown Summary** and **YTD Employee Non-Payslip STP2 Reporting Details**

Check the Help Centre for these updated files shortly

Updated SAFF for SMSF and banking details

WageEasy now supports recording and submitting SMSF bank details as part of the SAFF contributions file sent to your super clearing house.

A new SMSF Bank Details section has been added to **Superannuation Fund Details > Bank** tab. It appears only when an ESA Alias is populated against the fund (the field that identifies it as an SMSF). You'll need to provide the Bank Name, Account Name, BSB, Account Number, and Reference Number — these follow the same validation rules as the existing bank details fields.

Once saved, the SMSF bank details are included in the SAFF file output, ensuring contributions route correctly to the employee's SMSF through the clearing house.

Updated Pay Processing Messages

On-screen prompts and workflow messages throughout the pay process have been added and updated to help with alignment to Payday Super requirements. The updated messaging guides payroll processors through creating super contribution files at the same time as the payroll run.

Termination Leave Processing — Negative Leave Blocked

WageEasy will now **prevent** the entry of negative leave amounts in the **Termination Wizard** leave components. Some negative leave values in termination records are invalid under STP2 reporting requirements, eg. Lump Sum A. This safeguard ensures termination data submitted to the ATO remains compliant.

Payslip Accuracy — Shift Loading Display

This fix applies to businesses operating under industry awards where shift loadings are **rounded up to the next whole hour per line item**, such as the Hospitality Industry Award and the Restaurant Industry Award.

Where a shift loading is rounded to a full hour but the employee works only a portion of that hour, the payslip was displaying an inflated rate. For example, a \$2.81/hr loading applied to 6 minutes of work would display as \$28.10/hr on the payslip.

Note: The actual payment amount was always calculated correctly. This fix addresses the display of the rate on the payslip only.

Type	Time	Loading	Min	Max
Before	7:00	\$4.2200	\$0.00	\$0.00
After	19:00	\$2.8100	\$0.00	\$0.00
After	24:00	\$4.2200	\$0.00	\$0.00
After	31:00	\$0.0000	\$0.00	\$0.00

Shift Minimum: Shift Maximum:

Payment Conditions:

Payment Conditions

- Paid Across Whole Shift
- Condition Applying To Start Time Paid Across Whole Shift
- Rounded up to Next Whole Hour (per line item)
- Rounded up to Next Whole Hour (over the shift)


22 Jun 2026 to 5 Jul 2026	Quantity	Rate	Hours	Amount
Weekday				
Base Rate		\$38.44	38:00	\$1,460.70
Shift Loading (Mon - Thu)				\$2.81
Taxable Gross			38:00	\$1,463.51
Tax				-\$336.00

Termination Wizard

Annual Leave and Leave Loading

	Hrs:Mins	Amount
Total Current Annual Leave Entitlement:	1683:38	\$64,718.87
Accrued Before 18/8/93	<input type="text" value="-50:00"/>	\$0.00
Accrued Since Last Anniversary	<input type="text" value="105:36"/>	\$710.69
Total Leave Loading to be Paid	2226:56	\$14,987.26

Error

 Payment of negative leave is not valid for STP reporting. Please remove negative hours and reduce other leave payout values to reflect the deduction.

MCS Component Updated to Version 3.7.3.3

A new version of the MCS integration component (3.7.3.3) is included with this release. This update resolves a defect where an NHibernate library change introduced errors when writing date and time values to the WageEasy database. Specifically, the updated library began including milliseconds in DateTime values, which is not supported by the WageEasy (MS Access) database.

No action is required. The MCS component is updated automatically as part of the WageEasy 8.1.2 installation.

Bug Fix — Database Isolation for STP2 Reporting

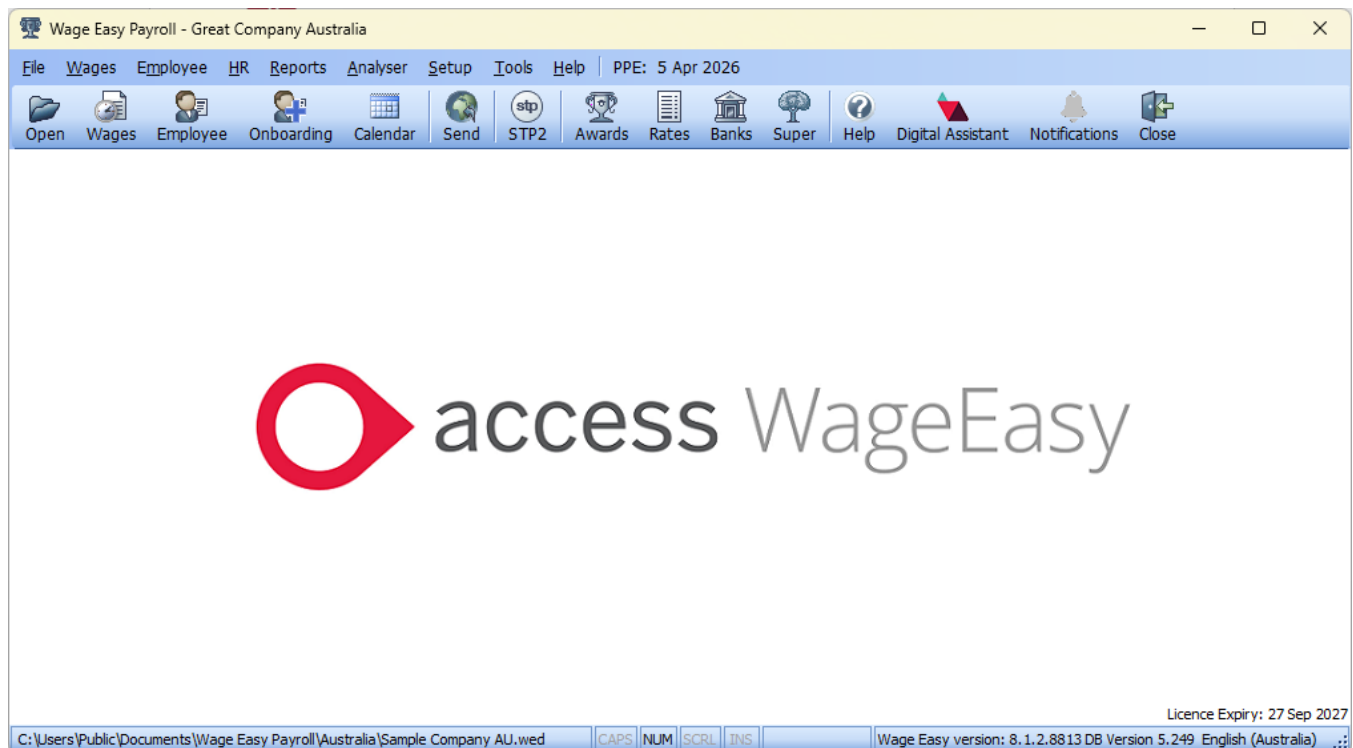
A bug has been resolved where STP2 data from a **second database** could become visible in the current session if a user opened another database and then cancelled the upgrade prompt. WageEasy will now correctly restrict STP2 data to the active, fully opened database only.



After you Upgrade

After the upgrade is installed, you should check that the correct software and database versions are displayed. If the latest version numbers are not as shown, Access WageEasy may not have been successfully upgraded.

The version number is displayed on the bottom right-hand corner of the main Access WageEasy screen. Your new database version number after the upgrade will be **8.1.2.8813**



You can also check the version number by going to **Help > About Wage Easy Payroll**.

Great Company Australia

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Registered for 50 Employees. Period: Expiry 27 Sep 2027.

Maximum Active Employees: 50

Current Employees: 26 Active, 2 Inactive



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System Info

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If you have questions about any changes in this release, please contact your Access Group support team or log a ticket via the new [MyAccess](#) support portal