UK Tax Year Calendar 2026/27

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Key dates

Date	Event	Who it affects
6 Apr 2026	2026/27 tax year begins	Everyone
5 Oct 2026	Self Assessment registration deadline (newly self-employed)	New sole traders
31 Oct 2026	Paper Self Assessment deadline (2025/26 tax year)	Paper filers
28 Oct 2026	Budget 2026 (date confirmed by HM Treasury)	Everyone: possible changes from 2027/28
31 Jan 2027	Online Self Assessment deadline (2025/26 tax year)	All SA taxpayers
31 Jan 2027	Balancing payment and 1st payment on account due	POA taxpayers
5 Apr 2027	2026/27 tax year ends	Everyone
31 May 2027	P60 must be issued to employees	Employers
6 Jul 2027	P11D and P11D(b) deadline (benefits in kind)	Employers
31 Jul 2027	2nd payment on account due (2026/27)	POA taxpayers
5 Oct 2027	SA registration deadline (new 2026/27 filers)	Newly self-employed
31 Oct 2027	Paper SA deadline for 2026/27	Paper filers
31 Jan 2028	Online SA deadline for 2026/27 + balancing payment	All SA taxpayers

Missing the key filing and payment dates incurs automatic HMRC penalties.

Late filing penalties (Self Assessment)

How late	Penalty
1 day late	£100 fixed penalty
3 months late	£10 per day (up to £900)
6 months late	5% of tax due or £300 (whichever is greater)
12 months late	Additional 5% or £300

Other important dates

Date	Event	Details
6 Apr 2026	New tax rates take effect	Income Tax, NIC, pension allowances
6 Apr 2026	ISA allowance resets	£20,000 annual limit
6 Apr 2026	Dividend allowance resets	£500 allowance
6 Apr 2026	CGT annual exempt amount resets	£3,000
6 Apr 2027	2027/28 tax year begins	New rates and thresholds

Payments on account: if your Self Assessment tax bill exceeds £1,000 (and less than 80% was collected at source), HMRC requires advance payments. Each payment is 50% of your previous year's bill.

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