Key Dates for Business Planning

Staying on top of important deadlines is essential for running a smooth, compliant, and financially healthy business. A clear understanding of key tax, payroll, and remittance dates can help you plan ahead, avoid penalties, and make informed decisions.

This guide is designed to support your business planning by outlining essential deadlines including key dates for remittances, filings, and payments, organized to help you stay proactive and prepared.

2025 – 2026 Tax Deadlines

As you plan for the upcoming tax season, it's important to stay aware of key filing, payment, and remittance deadlines that may apply to your business.

The following sections outline important dates to help you remain compliant and organized throughout the year.

An editable calendar is included at the end of this guide to support your internal planning. You can customize it with your own fiscal year-end, reporting periods, and remittance schedules based on your business type and CRA requirements.

Note: While this guide provides a general overview, always refer to the Canada Revenue Agency website or consult with your accounting professional to confirm deadlines specific to your business.

Businesses with Payroll Accounts

- Payroll Information Returns: Filing due by the last day of February
- Payroll Remittance:
 - Monthly remitters: Remittance due by the 15th of the following month.
 - Quarterly remitters: Remittance due January 15, April 15, July 15, October 15.
- Statement of Contract Payments: Filing due within 6 months of the reporting period end
- Government Services Contract Payments: Filing due by March 31

GST/HST Registrants

- Monthly filers: Return and payment due 1 month after reporting period end
- Quarterly filers: Return & payment due 1 month after fiscal quarter end
- Annual filers: Return & payment due 3 months after the fiscal year-end
- Instalment Payments: Due one month after each fiscal quarter end

Corporations

- Corporate income tax returns: Filing due within 6 months of the tax year-end
- Balance due: Payment due 2 months after the tax year-end
- CCPCs claiming Small Business Deduction: Payment due 3 months after the tax year-end
- Instalment Payments:
 - o Monthly Instalments: Payment due 1 month after tax year start & each month after
 - o **Quarterly Instalments**: Payment due 3 months after tax year start & each quarter after
- CCPCs claiming Carbon Rebate: Filing due by July 15.

Self-Employed Individuals

- Income Tax and Benefit Returns: Filing due by June 15
- Balance Due: Payment due by April 30
- Instalment Payments: Payments due March 15, June 15, September 15, December

August 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Monthly Payroll Remittance	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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September 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	Monthly Payroll 15 Remittance Self-Employed Installment Payment	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

October 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Monthly & Quarterly Payroll Remittance	16	17	18
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November 2025

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December 2025

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14	Monthly Payroll Remittance 15 Self-Employed Installment Payment	16	17	18	19	20
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January 2026

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11	12	13	14	15 Monthly & Quarterly Payroll Remittance	16	17
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February 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Monthly Payroll Remittance	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Payroll Information Returns Deadline

March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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April 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Monthly & Quarterly Payroll Remittance	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 Self-Employed Income Tax Payment Deadline		

May 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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10	11	12	13	14	15 Monthly Payroll Remittance	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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June 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	Monthly Payroll Remittance 15 Self-Employed Income Tax Return & Installment Payment Deadline	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

July 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Monthly & Quarterly Payroll Remittance Carbon Rebate Deadline	16	17	18
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August 2026

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October 2026

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November 2026

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December 2026

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