

The Electrician's Money Calendar

2026–27 — every date that costs money if you miss it, plus what to do in the quiet months.

EVERY PAYDAY

Super must REACH the fund within 7 business days of payday. The old quarterly system ended 30 June 2026.

JUL 2026

- 14** STP finalisation
- 28** Q4 BAS + Apr–Jun super

AUG 2026

- 28** TPAR — subbie payments
 - Last year's books should be closed

SEP 2026

- Collect subbie ABNs as you go
- Reconcile before quarter end

OCT 2026

- 28** Q1 BAS
- 31** Tax return if self-lodging

NOV 2026

- Review insurances & renewals
- Bank the pre-summer run-up

DEC 2026

- Shutdown cash gap — plan it
- Invoice before you down tools

JAN 2027

- Chase what went unpaid in Dec
- Slowest month — watch cash

FEB 2027

- 28** Q2 BAS (incl. 1-month ext.)
 - Reprice before the busy run

MAR 2027

- 31** FBT year ends — utes & cars
 - Check logbooks are current

APR 2027

- 28** Q3 BAS
 - Three months to plan year end

MAY 2027

- 21** FBT return, if you lodge one
 - Plan purchases before 30 June

JUN 2027

- 30** Financial year ends
 - Stocktake, write-offs, logbook

Red dates are hard ATO deadlines — shown as self-lodge dates; a registered agent usually gets longer. Grey dots are the habits that keep those dates cheap.

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The four that **actually** cost you

The quick checks that keep each deadline cheap.

EVERY
PAYDAY

Payday Super — the change that catches everyone

- › From 1 July 2026 the quarterly system is gone. Super has to be **received by the fund** within 7 business days of each payday — not sent, received.
- › Clearing houses take days to pass money on. Paying on day 7 is often already too late; build in a buffer and check the payment actually landed.
- › Miss it and the super guarantee charge applies — the whole amount stops being tax-deductible, plus interest and an admin fee per employee.

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JULY

STP Finalisation

- › Finalise Single Touch Payroll in your software — until you do, your crew's income statements sit at "not tax ready" and they can't lodge.
- › Don't forget anyone who left mid-year — terminated employees need finalising too.

28
AUGUST

TPAR — the one most sparkies miss

- › Paid any subbies? Electrical services sit on the ATO's building & construction list — you likely need to lodge a Taxable Payments Annual Report.
- › You'll need each subbie's ABN, name, address and gross amount paid (incl. GST). Start collecting in September, not late August.

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A YEAR

BAS — 28 Oct · 28 Feb · 28 Apr · 28 Jul

- › Those are the self-lodge dates. Lodging online buys you about 2 extra weeks, and a registered agent generally gets longer again — ask yours rather than assuming.
- › Quick self-check: GST claimed on bank fees or insurance stamp duty? Overseas software subscriptions coded as GST-inclusive? Those are the two we fix most often.



Four habits that pay all year

- › Reconcile the bank **before** the BAS — a feed that broke in May quietly wrecks a July BAS.
- › Watch job profitability, not just turnover: materials up + fixed quotes = margins drift.
- › Put the December shutdown in your cash plan in **October**, not December.
- › Keep subbie ABNs on file as you engage them — TPAR then takes an hour, not a weekend.

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