

ONLINE FILING AND PAYMENT OF PROVINCIAL SALES TAX (PST)



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Did You Know?

You can file and pay your provincial sales tax (PST) online through participating financial institutions.

How Do I Enrol?

If you are registered as a PST vendor with the Ministry of Finance, you can apply for this service by contacting one of the participating financial institutions listed in this brochure.

How Does it Work?

After enrolment, you log on to your financial institution's online banking service and follow the steps to build your return and payment. You can edit your return during the filing process if you need to make a change.

You will receive confirmation that your return has been filed and you can track your returns and payments.

You will still receive a monthly paper return and have the option of filing and remitting by mail. You can complete and file your return by mail or in person in the event of a system failure, or you can use the return for bookkeeping purposes.

What are the Benefits?

Online tax filing and payment provides the following benefits:

- convenient and reliable service
- a secure banking environment
- access 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- no postal delays
- potentially lower administrative costs
- returns and payments filed at the same time
- confirmation of filing the return and payment
- return and payment tracking

When is my Payment Due?

In most cases, payments are processed overnight and need to be received by the financial institution by midnight on the business day before the PST return and payment are due.

Each financial institution has established its own cut-off time and date. You need to make your payment before this deadline to ensure the ministry receives your return and payment on time.

If you submit your return and payment after your financial institution's deadline, the return and payment will be considered late and penalties may apply.

Who are the Participating Financial Institutions?

To apply for this service, please contact one of the following financial institutions directly.

ATB Financial

Online Government Tax Filing Service http://www.atb.com/dev/business/bus_taxfiling.asp 1 888 655-5152

Bank of America

Online Banking, Tax Services https://www.bankofamerica.com/smallbusiness/index.jsp 1 888 879-2632

BMO Bank of Montreal

Tax Payments through DirectLine Service or BMO Tax Payment and Filing Service http://www4.bmo.com/business/0,4344,35490_36169,00.html 1 877 262-5907

CIBC

Government Payment and Filing Service http://www.cibc.com/ca/small-business/cash-management/govt-pmt-and-filing-srvc.html 1 888 872-2422

Citibank Canada

Citibank ACH

http://www.transactionservices.citigroup.com/transactionservices/homepage/cash/ach.htm 1 416 947-4174 (Option 4)

Desjardins

Government Remittances

http://www.desjardins.com/en/entreprises/solutions/services-transactionnels/accesd-affaires/fonctions/remises-gouvernementales/1877 222-3732

HSBC

Online Tax Filing Service

http://www.hsbc.ca/1/2/en/business/cash-management/payments/online-tax-filing-service 1 866 808-4722

Island Savings Credit Union

Business Products and Services http://www.iscu.com/Home/Business/ 1 800 665-8509

J.P. Morgan

Canada Tax Payments
http://jpmorgan.com/visit/canadataxpayments
1 416 981-9240

Laurentian Bank

Electronic Services

https://www.laurentianbank.ca/en/entreprises/pme/pme_electronic_serv.html 1 877 522-3863 (Option 2)

National Bank of Canada

Internet Banking Solutions

http://info.commercial.nbc.ca/bnc/files/bncsbimisc/en/2/index.htm

1 800 910-4001 (Option 6)

Royal Bank

Online Tax Filing

http://www.royalbank.com/business/services/tax_filing.html

1 800 769-2570

Scotiabank

Government Tax Payment and Filing http://www.scotiabank.com/cda/content/0,1608,CID8350_LIDen,00.html 1 800 472-6842

TD Bank Financial Group

Tax Payment and Filing Service http://www.tdcommercialbanking.com/cashmgmt/taxes/ 1 866 567-8888

How Can I Get More Information?

Online filing and payment is a service provided by your financial institution. If you have any technical support issues or questions relating to specific online tax transactions, please contact your financial institution directly.

For general questions about online filing:

Revenue Services of British Columbia Electronic Payments

Phone: 250 405-4736 Fax: 250 405-4415

E-mail: electronicpayments@gov.bc.ca

For general questions not related to online filing:

Ministry of Finance PO Box 9442 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9V4

Telephone (Vancouver): 604 660-4524 Toll-free in Canada: 1 877 388-4440 E-mail: CTBTaxQuestions@gov.bc.ca

Website: www.gov.bc.ca/sbr

Online Filing and Payment - Frequently Asked Questions