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Monthly Data Collection (MDC) and moving forward

There's only one month left before the deadline to join on-boarding to MDC.

From April 2018, MDC will become the only way to submit service and salary details. Failure to join MDC will result in you failing to meet your statutory obligations as an employer and could result in escalation to The

Pensions Regulator.

If you, or your payroll provider, don't have an automatic solution in place to submit MDC data, we've a template available that'll enable you to send your monthly data to us. This [template](#) can also be downloaded from the [Employer Portal](#).



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Members contacting Teachers' Pensions - update

Here at Teachers' Pensions, ensuring our customers have the best possible experience remains our priority. We just wanted to let you know that we've recently increased the number of agents in our contact centre, simplified the My Pension Online registration process and we're introducing further resource for our Social Media platforms.

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My Pension Online (MPO) registration process

We're changing the registration process for members, making it easier for them to sign up to MPO.

Feedback from stakeholders tells us that one of the main obstacles to registering is that members don't know their Teachers' Pensions Reference number (also known as a DfE number).

Therefore, we've changed the process and, in most cases, all that will be required is the member's surname, date of birth, National Insurance number and email address.

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Training

Have you taken up one of our free seminars or webinars? 36 seminars and 117 webinars have been delivered during 2017 so far, with over 1,600 employer representatives receiving training on a range of topics.

In December we'll be holding seminars in locations including Bolton, Leeds, Chelmsford and London. Why not look at our [training schedule](#) for more details?

If you've got any further suggestions for topics for webinars then please [email us](#) with your ideas.



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Amendments to Scheme Regulations

A set of amendments to the Teachers' Pensions Regulations have been laid in Parliament and will come into force on 30 November 2017. The changes to the Scheme that have been agreed are predominantly technical in nature; however you will need to be aware of their impact for members.

Summary information about the changes can be found in the main news story along with a link to the detailed information.

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Declaration and contact form

It's important that we have up to date contact and address details for you to ensure communications are being received by the right people.

If you've yet to submit your [form](#) please do so as soon as possible. If you've had any changes since sending in the form please re-submit it with the up to date information.



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My Pension Online (MPO) report

We've had another great month of registrations, thanks to employers using the report and resources we've provided to encourage members to sign up to MPO. In October, we had 2,205 registrations as a direct result of your efforts.

The MPO report is available through the [Employer Portal](#) and is updated monthly.

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My Pension Online



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Finance update

End of Year Certificate (EOYC)

If you've yet to submit an audited EOYC the deadline for all returns is 30 November. There will be no further extension to this deadline.

Contributions monthly breakdown form

Please remember that a monthly contribution breakdown form should be submitted at the same time you're paying contributions. This is to ensure that we can provide HM Treasury with the correct breakdown details of contributions received for you and members. If you've yet to submit any forms for current and prior months, please submit these as soon as possible. This information also assists the EOYC process at year end.

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General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) and document retention

We've had a few queries recently about the impact of GDPR on document retention.

GDPR, like the Data Protection Act, does not

III-health factsheet

We advised last month that the new III-health forms were available on our [website](#) and that we were updating our III-health Retirement factsheet.

specify any timeframes for data retention; this would be a decision for individual employers to make. For more information on GDPR, visit the [ICO website](#).

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We can advise that the [factsheet](#) is now available on our website along with copies of the Ill-health Retirement forms.



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Outstanding Annual Service Returns (ASR)

We still have a number of outstanding ASR submissions, with 188 employers having not provided a return. This means that 81,538 members could be affected. Therefore it's extremely important that this is returned to us as soon as possible.

Action will be taken by us if you've not completed your service submission or contacted us regarding the reason for the delay.

If you have any issues with your submission, please contact our Employer Support Team on 0345 300 3756 (8.30am – 6.00pm Monday to Friday).

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