

How Small Businesses Can Stay SARS Compliant in 2025

In 2025, SARS is increasing its focus on compliance. For small businesses, staying compliant is not only about avoiding penalties, but also about maintaining credibility, access to funding, and long-term sustainability.

Common Compliance Challenges

Late or incorrect tax return submissions. Poor record-keeping and missing documentation. Mismanagement of VAT, PAYE, and provisional tax payments. Lack of understanding of SARS digital platforms like eFiling.

Practical Tips for SMEs

Keep Accurate Records: Store invoices, receipts, and bank statements in an organised system (preferably digital). **Meet Deadlines:** Set reminders for tax return and payment dates. **Understand VAT and PAYE:** Ensure correct calculation, declaration, and payment. **Use Technology:** Leverage accounting software integrated with SARS eFiling. **Seek Professional Help:** Engage an accountant or tax advisor when needed.

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