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# Saving Your Bank Reconciliations in Strata Master

At any future date, you may be asked to produce a bank reconciliation for a particular date. Do do soyou will need to do more than just click the 'Save' button in the bank reconciliation screen. The save button only holds the figures you have entered, or items on tabs ticked, for the next time you open the screen. It does not print or save a copy.

## **Best Practice**

The minimum standard for Bank Reconciliations is to**save a hard or soft copy of a balanced bank** reconciliation at the end of each month.

To be able to produce balanced bank reconciliations for each Plan, or a large Single Trust Account, each month, it would be expected that the Bank is reconciled throughout the month.

**Our recommendation is that bank reconciliations be the first activity each morning** before bank downloads or further transactions are made. If there are minimal transactions, then there is minimal time taken to balance.

#### **Bank Reconciliation Report**

1. Select Form Rpts from the top toolbar > Bank Reconciliation Summary

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2. The report that opens will show any unbalanced trust accounts.

Bank account	Bank balance	Outstanding deposits	Unpresented withdrawals	Adjusted bank balance	Balance of Cash at Bank	Differenc
3456-78875 - Macquarie	42,111.43	3,000.00	7,323.55	37,787.88	37,787.88	0.0
0676-76767 - Owners of Strata	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	32,000.00	-32,000.0
1234-56789 - Rockend Strata	92,627.68	0.00	8,549.15	84,078.53	84,078.53	0.0
Management - General Trust 2222-12345 - Rockend Strata	113,547.79	0.00	0.00	113,547.79	113,547.79	0.0
Management ITF SP 2222 3333-45678 - Rockend Strata	31,022.45	0.00	0.00	31,022.45	31,022.45	0.0
Management ITF SP 3333 12452-2335 - Rock end Strata Management ITF SP 5555	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
	Total bar	nk account re	conciliation	for portfolio		
Total bank balances						\$279,309.3
Plus total outstanding dep	oosits					\$3,000.0
						\$282,309.3
Less total unpresented wi	thdrawals					\$15,872.7
Adjusted total of bank bal	ances					\$266,436.6
Total balance of Cash at E	Bank Accounts in	n the general lea	dgers			\$298,436.6
Total difference						\$32,000,0

3. You will notice, in the example above, that this report does not show details of the Outstanding Deposits or Unpresented Withdrawals. The report also lists each Strata Plan thereby providing a quick check of the trust account status. This report is suitable only for Agency use, and would not be issued to Owners Corporation members as it would create Privacy Act issues.

It is therefore necessary to save a copy of the individual Bank Reconciliations at the end of each month at a minimum.

#### Navigating to Bank Reconciliations

You will find the individual bank reconciliations by selecting Accounting from the top toolbar and then Manual Bank Reconciliation from the drop down menu.

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## Saving a Hard or Soft Copy of the Bank Reconciliation

1. As mentioned previously in this article, the Save button will -

- hold the figures you have entered and any items you have ticked, will remain with ticks. This is particularly useful when you are interrupted after entering the bank statement figure.
- update the Bank Reconciliation Report discussed above.

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Bank account	3333-45678 - Rockend Strata Management ITF SP 3333	
Plan or Body Corporate Name		

2. Both the Print button and the Preview button will open a preview of the Reconciliation, which will list any

items creating outstanding deposits or Unpresented Withdrawals.

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3. This can be important if you are trying to reconcile. You can look back at previous reconciliations and view those outstanding or unpresented items items that have been ticked off since, possibly in error.

	Rockenc	I Strata Management П as at 13/06/	TF SP 3333 (333345678) 2022	
Balance of ba	ank statement dated 13/06	/2022		\$31,022
Plus outstand	ling deposits			\$797
				\$31,819
Less unprese	nted withdrawals			\$420
Adjusted bala	ince of bank account			\$31,399
Balance of C	ash at Bank Accounts in th	e general ledgers		\$31,399
Difference				\$0
Difference Date		<mark>Outstanding E</mark> Cash	Deposits Cheques	\$0 To
Difference Date 13/06/2022		Outstanding E Cash 0.00	Deposits Cheques 797.50	\$0 Ta 797
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4. Once the preview has opened, you can then select from the buttons to save to excel, save as csv, save as a pdf or save as a Word document. For auditing purposes you would save as a pdf, as the other options are editable.



5. If you prefer, your other options are to email yourself a copy, or click the printer button and print a hard copy.



6. Which ever method you select is your choice. The main point is that you save a copy.

#### Not Balanced ?

When your bank reconciliation is not balanced, we suggest you save the figures you have entered as it prevents re-entering the bank statement figure over and over. There will be a pop up asking 'are you sure?' and reminding you that the bank is not reconciled.

#### **Useful Links**

https://kb.rockend.com/help/how-to-tick-off-transactions-bank-reconciliation

https://kb.rockend.com/help/bank-reconciliation-does-not-balance

https://kb.rockend.com/help/cash-and-cheque-deposits-to-the-strata-trust-account-banking

https://kb.rockend.com/help/bank-download-failed

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