



# Transcript of Zoom JobKeeper webinar Q&A

- 11:06:56 From Marian Curtin : When will the RP relevant activity declaration form be available?
- A: This is now available and a link has been attached to the latest Guidance Note
- 11:11:43 From John Martin : I heard new religious practitioners don't qualify for JK2??
- A: That's correct, the as at March 1 2020 condition of placement remains unchanged for religious practitioners, i.e. ordained ministers
- 11:12:12 From Marian Curtin : Can we touch on the 31 October wage condition for extension 1? Thanks
- A: The two fortnightly payments, including top-ups, between 28 Sept and 25 Oct must be paid to employees by 31 October to qualify for inclusion in the monthly declaration for JobKeeper 2.0 to be made by 14 November.
- 11:12:21 From Greg Mckay : In JK1.0 you could elect to include or exclude Govt grants from eligible turnover. Is that still the same case for JK2.0? Is there a new form to complete and lodge?
- A: You cannot change the election you made for JobKeeper 1.0 for JobKeeper 2.0. If you included Gov't grants previously, you must continue to included them for the

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turnover eligibility test. If you excluded them previously, you must continue to exclude them.

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From John Martin : in JK1, if you didn't put July forecasts on the portal, do you still get JK1 payment

A: If you did not lodge previous monthly declarations by the due date, i.e. the 14<sup>th</sup> of the following month, you would not be entitled to receive the JobKeeper payment for the previous month.

11:14:34

From George Thomas Wagga Pilgrim : If not eligible for JK 2.0 in the first quarter can you then qualify for JK 2.0 in the last quarter

A: Yes, you can join the JobKeeper programme at any time as long as you meet the turnover eligibility test for that period, i.e. July-Sept Qtr for Extension 1, Oct-Dec Qtr for Extension 2.

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From Garry : if you qualified for JK1 but don't for JK2 do you need to do anything

A: No, you don't have to do anything. You just stop submitting monthly declarations if your congregation is not eligible.

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From Greg McKay : What about funds collected for mission agencies and passed on. Should they be included in turnover even if they only pass through the balance sheet?

A: Prima facie – No; however, cannot advise you on this without more detailed information.

11:17:18

From Lita Mendigorin : Our new minister just started last June 2020. Can she apply for JK2?

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A: If the person is an ordained minister, that person cannot be included in JobKeeper 2.0, as the eligibility is based as at 1 March 2020 for religious practitioners.

11:17:24 From George Thomas Wagga Pilgrim : With the work test - how is approved leave viewed - ie Minister has 4 weeks leave in October

A: Annual leave is viewed as normal pay for the purpose of JobKeeper 1.0 and 2.0 as long as it has been paid.

11:17:53 From Marian Curtin : Approved leave counts toward work hours - as long as it's paid.

11:18:55 From Marian Curtin : Lita - your minister needs to have been on the books as at 01 March 2020, or not eligible. The 01 July 2020 date doesn't apply to ordained ministers.

11:29:14 From George Thomas Wagga Pilgrim : I suggest the lag allowed in October reflects the need to have September actuals before you can make determinations.

11:32:08 From Greg Mckay : Should we NOT pay JK top ups to employees before we know we are eligible for JK2?

A: You need to determine whether the congregation meets the turnover eligibility test prior to paying top-ups for JobKeeper 2.0

11:33:16 From Hugh Darling : Do we have to complete new declaration forms for all employees for JobKeeper extension 2.0

A: Not for employees; however, the congregation does have to advise the employee within 7 days of being paid whether they are on Tier 1 or Tier 2.

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## INFORMATION UPDATE

Yes for religious practitioners (i.e. ordained ministers).  
There is a new form that religious practitioners have to complete and return to your payroll.

<https://www.ato.gov.au/Forms/JobKeeper-payment---religious-practitioner-nomination-notice/>

11:34:29 From Garry : Is it too late to lodge the grant exemption form for JK if we did not complete one

A: Not aware of a grant exemption form; however, if you included government grants previously, you have to continue to include them for JobKeeper 2.0. If you excluded them previously, then you need to continue to exclude them now.

11:40:37 From George Thomas Wagga Pilgrim : Thank you - that has been very helpful. There is so much on the ATO web that this filters some of that -

11:44:09 From Kap Yong Lee : can you put important dates for JK 2.0 on the website?

A: Yes – this has now been done and is available on the website.

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