Financial year start

The **Financial Year Start** setting defines the **day and month** when your organisation’s financial year begins.

This setting affects **how years are displayed** in your maintenance plan, ensuring the plan aligns with your financial reporting periods.

How it works

When viewing your maintenance plan, each column represents a financial year.
The way those years are labelled depends on your selected start date:

- **If your financial year starts on 1 January**
  The system uses a **calendar year format (YYYY)**.
  - Example: if the financial year starts on **1 January**, the column will be labelled **2025**.
- **If your financial year starts on any other date**
  The system uses a **split-year format (YYYY/YY)** to show that the financial year spans two calendar years.
  - Example: if the financial year starts on **1 April**, the column will be labelled **2025/26** — because the year covers the period from April 2025 to March 2026.

Summary

Start Date Example	Display Format	Example Label
1 January 2025	YYYY	**2025**
1 April 2025	YYYY/YY	**2025/26**
1 October 2025	YYYY/YY	**2025/26**

> **Note:**
> This setting does **not** affect calculations or financial values — it only changes how years are **displayed** in your maintenance plan.

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