

## Advanced Late Payment Interest Calculator Users Guide

Instructions on using the Advanced Late Payment Interest Calculator to help you improve cash flow, claim what is rightfully yours under The Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act and promote prompt payment from your customers.

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#### Disclaimer

This calculator of late payment interest is a tool designed to be used as part of your toolkit of credit management control. It is an aid to support you in advising debtors that you are capable of making a claim against them for interest and compensation under the LATE PAYMENT OF COMMERCIAL DEBTS (INTEREST) ACT 1998. It should be remembered that the late payment legislation is designed as a deterrent against late payment. It should be used as part of standard business practices and credit management techniques

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### About the Advanced Late Payment Interest Calculator

Debt recovery is time consuming. Repeated phone calls and letters are often met with false promises of payment. The Advanced Late Payment Interest Calculator (ALPIC) has been developed to make managing claims under the Late payment of Commercial Interest act simple and easy by removing a lot of the administration time.

### Some of the features are:

- Full breakdown of the calculation result.
- If the debt remains unpaid, interest is updated on a daily basis.
- Client details can be added or saved to an address book for easy recall.
- Calculation history allows you to view and edit previous calculations.
- Unpaid claims update interest on a daily basis. No need to recalculate.
- Add a discount if the debt is paid within a specified period.
- Partial payments can be allowed for and the claim details updated.
- Multiple claims to the same debtor can have compensation added individually or as a batch (This feature is to follow).
- Claim status can be as unpaid or paid.
- Claims can be backdated 6 years retrospectively for invoices that have been paid but were paid late.
- Send the debtor an email or print out with all necessary claim details filled in.
- Different claim letters details depending on the type of claim being made.
- Debtor can view the claim online updated with the latest interest owed.
- Debtor can choose the method of payment (Cheque or Bacs) and extra interest is added accordingly.
- The debt stays in history until paid in full allowing you to collect up to six years after invoicing or delivery of goods/services.

### Speed

Calculating is fast. Once company and debtor details are set up and saved, you can create and send a claim in less than 30 seconds. The calculation can be printed or emailed and is automatically saved to history where you can review at a later date. No need to recalculate latest interest if you need to send a reminder to the debtor, just choose email or print and all information such as days late, interest owed and total owed are updated.

### **Security**

All information is secure. As well as our ISP's security, the site is protected by anti hacking and anti virus software as well as an encrypted SSL connection for the claimant and debtor (you will see the secure connection padlock on your browser). The debtor can view the claim via a unique random 9 digit code number produced for each calculation. No information will be shared by Payontime with any third party.

### Why you should use this calculator

The calculator allows you to make a claim that automatically updates on a daily basis. Once done, there is no need to recalculate the debt each time the debtor needs reminding. It allows you work on current and future work but it puts you in control of actually doing something about collecting payment without spending a lot of time and money.

The debtor can view any claim online and see the amount owed to today's date. Seeing the interest accrue daily will spur the debtor to pay quickly.

Asking to be paid on time is not a crime and the advanced calculator will help make debtors aware of the legislation and their obligations to pay when payment is due. It does not take away your ability to negotiate different payment period times beyond the statutory 30 day period set by the legislation or to agree a different payment settlement. It DOES show that you understand being paid on time is key to growing your business and thus offering your clients a better service. That way, everybody benefits.

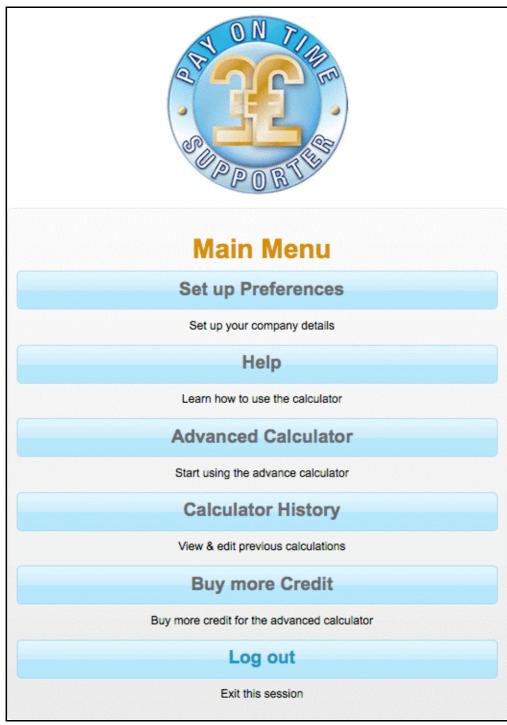
Doing something about getting paid on time can also be helpful if you ever need to take things further. Having evidence of claims created with the advanced calculator and received by the debtor can only help your cause.

Becoming a signed up Pay on Time supporter AND using the calculator means that you are joining thousands of other businesses who are tired of being paid late and sending a message to late payers that there is no excuse. The more supporters work together, the less late payers can exploit unsuspecting suppliers.

# Advanced Late Payment Interest Calculator Quick Start Users Guide

We strongly advice that you make yourself familiar with your rights to claim interest and compensation by reading our <u>guide to the late payment</u> <u>legislation</u>

1. In the main menu click on **set up preferences**. Use the question marks for guidance.

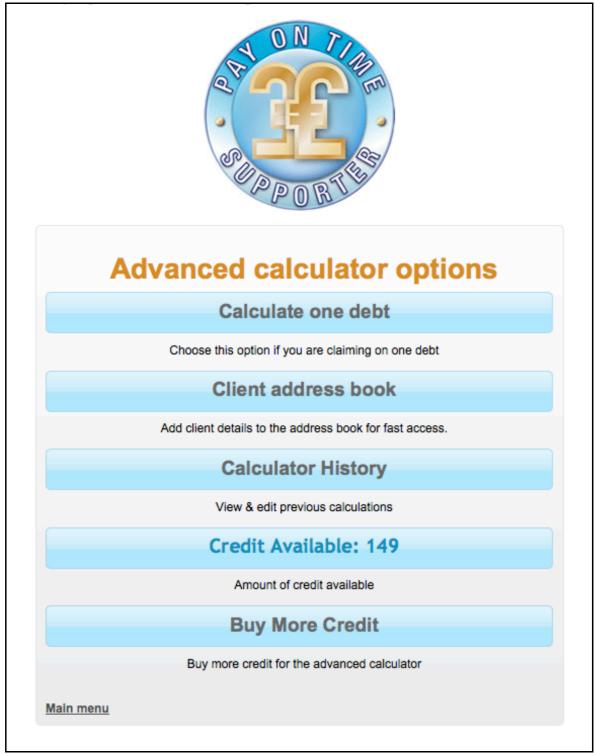


The main menu.

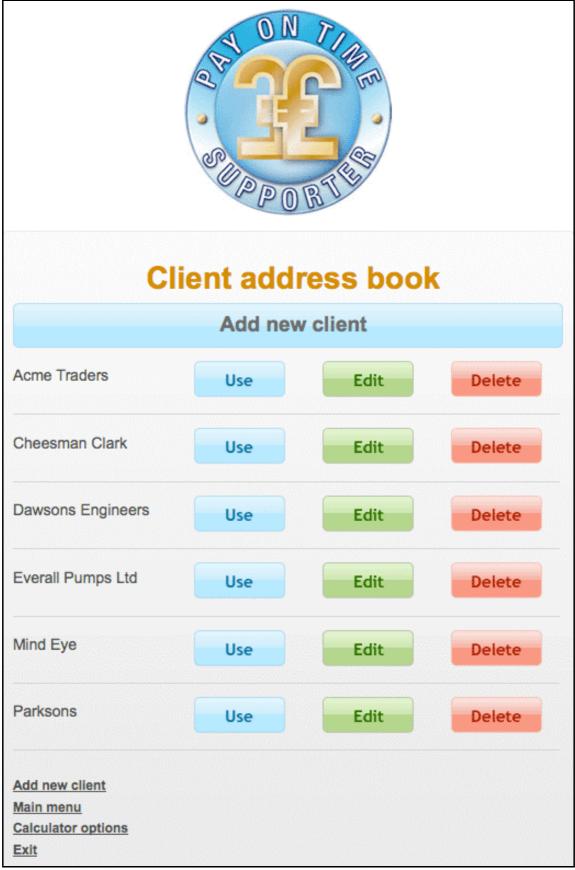
Set Up Preferer	ices
Enter the details of your company below. This information will for late payment interest and comp	
Smith and Sons Ltd	?
John Smith	?
Managing Director	?
Unit 28	
Progress Industrial Estate	
Progress Way	
Wiltshire	
Surrey	
WR5 7TY	
0207 193 4698	
d.smith@smith-and-sons.com	
Lloyds TSB	?
0123456	
40-33-90	
LOYDGB21151	
GB20 LOYD 3091 7201 4412 66	
?	Upload company logo
Delete company logo	Save

The Preferences screen. Enter your company details here.

2. After setting up your company preferences, return to the **main menu** and click on **advanced calculator**, then **client address book**. Add a **new client** and click **use**. This will take you to the calculator with client details filled in.



The advanced calculator menu



The address book screen

3. Enter purchase order and invoice details, then date the contract was formed and the date the debt became overdue. If the debt is unpaid, leave the date paid as today's date. Finally add the invoice total **including VAT**.

choose client from address book or add new				
Cheesman Clark			?	
Brian Cheesman			?	
The Old Coal Yard			?	
24 Purley Drive				
Address line 3 (Optional)				
Caterham				
Surrey				
CR3 8TY				
01883 343837				
b.Cheesman@cheesmans.co	.uk		?	
	Cle	ar Save to	address book	
Client purchase order:			?	
Invoice number:			?	
Service or goods description	(Optional):			
Date Contract forme Date Overdue Date Paid Amount owed Calculate	d 1 🗘 January 1 🗘 January 11 🗘 May £	\$ 2011	t ? t ? t ?	

Calculate one debt screen

4. On the **calculator results** page, if you want to promote prompt payment, add a discount amount and a time limit to pay. Choose to either **save the calculation to history** to use at a later date, **save and email** or **save and print.** 

Date calculation made: 11 May 2011						
Client: Cheesman Clark						
Client Reference 2387 Goods description: Goods and services Our Invoice number: 9908						
					Date contract formed: 08/02/2011	
					Date overdue: 15/02/2011	
Date paid: (unpaid)						
Total invoice =	£896.54					
Total days overdue: =	85 days					
Interest rate used: =	8.5%					
Daily interest rate: =	£0.2088					
Total Interest owed =	£17.75					
Compensation: =	£40.00					
Total owed to date: =	£954.29					
Apply discount for prompt payment	£ 0.00 💡					
Discount finish date =	/ 🗘 2011 🗘 🥐					
Total with discount: =	£954.29					
STATUS: UNPAID						
Save calculation to history						
Save & Email calculation						
Save & Print calculation						

The calculator result

5. If you are going to email or print the calculation, review the auto generated claim and either print, email or copy the claim for pasting into your own template.

Email this calculation
Cheesman Clark
The Old Coal Yard
24 Purley Drive
Caterham
Surrey - CR3 8TY
Dear Brian Cheesman
Your reference number 2387
Balance Due as at 11/05/2011: £954.29 Comprising capital sum of £896.54 plus interest of £17.75 plus compensation for debt recovery costs of £40.00
Your payment for our invoice number 9908 for Goods and services is now 85 days overdue. No queries have been raised on your account, so the balance remaining is undisputed.
In accordance with the late payment legislation, our company charges debt recovery costs of £40.00 and interest on late payments of 8.5%. This means that interest will continue to accrue on the above invoice at a rate of £0.2088 a day. As of today's date, the outstanding interest stands at £17.75.
You can view the claim by visiting this web page (http://payontime.co.uk /index.php?option=com_lpc&view=claim) and entering this code 384102367. If you have any queries, please contact me immediately by telephone on 0207 888 9999
Yours sincerely
David J Tyler
Managing Director
esman@cheesmans.co.uk Send
<u>Main menu</u> <u>Calculator options</u> <u>Exit</u>

The auto generated claim for print or email. A copy is automatically sent to you.

6. Any calculation made is saved to **history**. When viewed, unpaid debts are updated to today's date. Click on **View** to send an updated reminder to the debtor. Click on **Edit** to make changes to the debt such as a part payment.



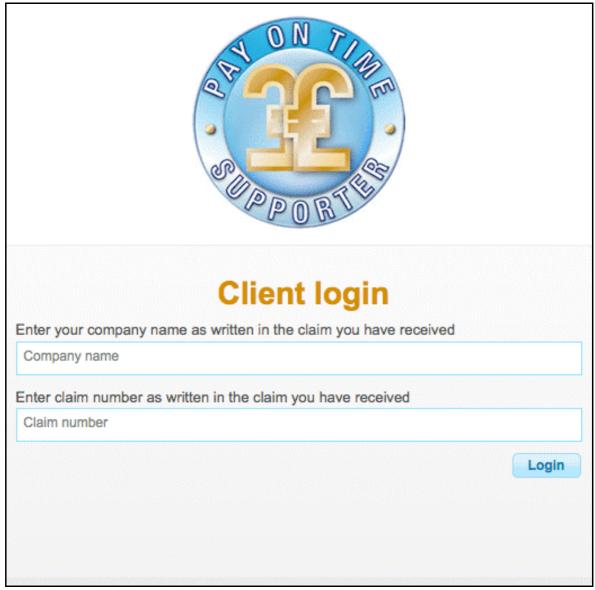
# **Calculation history**

Date	Client	Inv. No.	Amount	Status
11/5/11	Cheesman Clark	9908	£954.29	unpaid EDIT   VIEW   🛛 🔇
30/4/11	Cheesman Clark	978	£1,093.05	unpaid EDIT   VIEW   🛛 🔇
29/4/11	Acme Traders	66666	£85.83	unpaid EDIT   VIEW   🛛 🔇
29/4/11	Acme Traders	66666	£85.83	unpaid EDIT   VIEW   🛛 🔇
28/4/11	Acme Traders	1111	£1,463.91	unpaid EDIT   VIEW   🛛 🔇
28/4/11	Cheesman Clark	6666	£485.73	paid EDIT   VIEW   🔇
28/4/11	Acme Traders	9999	£1,093.06	unpaid EDIT   VIEW   🛛 🔇

Calculation history shows the amounts owed to today's date.

### The debtors view

7. Your debtor will receive a unique **reference number** with the claim where they can securely log in and review the claim.



The debtor login screen

Your payment details will be displayed and they can choose a method of payment (BACS or Cheque) and the final total owed will be adjusted to suit. The debt will update **interest** and **total owed** each day until paid.



The debtors view including payment options.