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Example Law & Advisory (sample) · week of 09 Apr 2026 – 16 Apr 2026

6

TOTAL ITEMS

4

HIGH PRIORITY

2

MEDIUM

▸ 1 urgent item requiring immediate attention

- Consultation: Modernising Australia's AML/CTF framework — Tranche 2

HIGH RELEVANCE 4 items

CORPORATE · 15 APR 2026 · AUSTRAC ACTION REQUIRED

Consultation: Modernising Australia's AML/CTF framework — Tranche 2

Exposure draft extending AML/CTF reporting obligations to lawyers, accountants, and real-estate agents. First reports due from 1 July 2026; submissions close 26 April 2026.

Affects: Tax and compliance teams serving DNFBP clients

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FINANCIAL SERVICES · 15 APR 2026 · APRA ACTION REQUIRED

APRA finalises CPS 230 operational risk management standard

Commencement confirmed for 1 July 2025. First-year supervisory priorities focus on operational-risk profile documentation, business-continuity testing, and the material service-provider register.

Affects: AFSL holders and APRA-regulated entities

Primary source · apra.gov.au →

TAXATION · 15 APR 2026 · ATO ACTION REQUIRED

ATO compliance focus: cryptocurrency reporting obligations for 2025–26

ATO signals expanded data-matching programme covering digital exchanges and wallet providers. Practitioners should confirm client positions against the 2025–26 reporting guidance before year-end.

Affects: Tax practitioners with crypto-exposed clients

Primary source · ato.gov.au →

TAXATION · 14 APR 2026 · ATO **ACTION REQUIRED**

TR 2026/1 — Income tax: deductibility of work-from-home expenses

Revised fixed-rate method (70 cents/hour) and new substantiation requirements. Applies from 1 July 2026; transitional rules for existing arrangements.

Affects: Tax practitioners, payroll and advisory teams

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MEDIUM RELEVANCE 2 items

TAXATION · 12 APR 2026 · AAT

Smith v Commissioner of Taxation [2026] AATA 412 — GST on digital services

AAT finds supply of digital-advisory services to non-resident clients is GST-free under s38-190(1) where the effective use and enjoyment of the service occurs outside Australia.

Primary source · aat.gov.au →

CORPORATE · 13 APR 2026 · ASIC

ASIC updates guidance on design and distribution obligations for financial products

Refresh of RG 274 following the regulator's second-year thematic review. New expectations around target-market-determination review frequency and distribution-consumer-data reporting.

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