

Keeping an accurate tab on your cash flow is an essential part of managing your business.

AccountMate's Bank Reconciliation module provides a convenient way to handle this process. With this module, you can record miscellaneous disbursements, receipts, and bank transfers that are not logged in other AccountMate modules. You can specify which transactions have cleared the bank and reconcile your book entries with the bank statements. You can set up and update bank accounts and specify the currency in which transactions will be recorded for each one. You can quickly view your current bank account balance, the last reconciled bank statement balance, and the total amount of unreconciled bank transactions. This keeps you well-informed of your company's real-time cash position.

AccountMate 13 for SQL or Express Bank Reconciliation Module

Manage Bank Accounts

You can set up an unlimited number of bank accounts and specify the currency in which transactions are recorded for each one. You can also set the next check, electronic payment, and deposit numbers for each account; define the maximum check amount; specify which bank accounts will be used in payroll, accounts payable, and accounts receivable or sales order transactions; as well as activate and set up the electronic payment feature. You can also assign an inactive status to a bank account record to restrict the use of dormant bank accounts in any transactions.

Maintain Bank Routing Codes and Branch Information

Users can enter the electronic bank routing number for each bank account. This information, along with other bank account details, is used by the Electronic Funds Transfer Agency (EFTA) to process transactions for the bank account. Users can also enter the branch number, routing number, and address for the branch where the account is maintained. This information is used when printing checks or generating ACH (Automated Clearing House) files from the integrated Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, and Payroll modules.

Trs Type	Transaction #	Date	Amount	Reference	Description	Src
Transfer	1000000017	01/25/23	50,000.00	DM # 156545000	Replenishment of funds	BR
Deposit	1013	01/31/23	3,000.00	AR Deposit	Collection	AR
Check	3017	01/31/23	-1,800.00	AER1	AP Vendor Check	AP
Check	3016	02/03/23	-1,500.00	AFS1	AP Vendor Check	AP
Check	3019	03/06/23	-820.00	AER1	AP Vendor Check	AP
Check	3020	03/06/23	-500.00	AFF1	AP Vendor Check	AP
Check	3021	03/06/23	-450.00	CBA32	AP Vendor Check	AP

Deposits / Other Receipts		Checks / Other Disbursements	
	Unverified	Verified	
Count	0	2	Count
Amount	0.00	53,000.00	Amount

Reconcile Bank Account – Details Tab

Quickly Determine Real-Time Cash Position

The system displays the current book balance for each bank account. It also shows the total unreconciled amount with the ability to drill down to a screen that displays details of unreconciled transactions grouped into debits and credits. These features give you a better grasp of your company's real-time cash position to manage your financial resources more effectively.

Set Up Transaction Codes

Set up transaction codes to classify transactions by type. This allows you to readily identify the nature of the transaction entered (e.g., differentiate between charges for returned checks and monthly service fees) and its effect on your bank account balance. You can also specify whether a check or deposit number will be required for the transaction.

Unlimited Currency Codes

Currency codes can be created for each currency in which you conduct your business. These codes can be assigned to bank accounts, vendors, and customers to ensure that transactions are recorded using the correct currency. Exchange rates can be updated at any time.

Import Bank Transactions

You can import transactions downloaded from the bank's website so that you can view them right beside the ones entered in AccountMate. You can build a list of keywords that will identify the nature of each transaction that appears in the bank statement. AccountMate uses the keywords to automatically reconcile imported transactions with the ones already recorded in AccountMate. This speeds up the reconciliation of transactions like checks, employee direct deposits, and customer/vendor payments processed using the Automated Clearing House (ACH) network. If the imported bank transactions were incorrectly set up or did not match with transactions entered in AccountMate, users have the option to delete the imported bank transactions.

Easy Bank Reconciliation

You can enter summary information from the bank statement, such as the ending statement balance and the total amount of checks or other disbursements and deposits or other receipts that have cleared during the statement period, and AccountMate will show you the net amount that is to be reconciled. It is easy to match the bank statement data with the detailed information in AccountMate using the various transaction filters that are provided in the selection criteria. For example, you can set the system to display check transactions only to reconcile them with the checks that are listed on the bank statement. You can also change the way data is sorted on the screen to make it easier to find the records that you want to reconcile. For example, you can sort the transactions by amounts to facilitate a comparison of imported transactions and AccountMate transactions that pertain to the same financial events. To reconcile transactions, simply mark the checkbox for the AccountMate checks, other disbursements, deposits, and other receipts that appear on the bank statement or match the imported bank transactions. Electronic payments processed in the same batch in either the Payroll or Accounts Payable module can be listed as one transaction to further simplify reconciliation.

Generate a Positive Pay File for Fraud Protection

This module allows you to generate an electronic file (positive pay file) that you can send to your bank which lists the accounts payable checks and payroll checks you issued. Arrangements can be made with your banks to honor only the checks listed in the positive pay file. This is a most effective fraud protection tool and is useful regardless of the number of checks your company issues in a month. AccountMate supports several positive pay file formats, including the Amegy Bank, Bank of America, Chase Bank (2 formats), City National Bank, Fifth Third Bank, Hongkong Shanghai Banking Corporation, PNC Bank, SunTrust Bank, Umpqua, Wachovia (Wells Fargo Bank), and Wells Fargo Bank.

Record Receipts, Disbursements, and Bank Transfers

You can record deposits and other receipts (e.g., bank interest) or checks and other disbursements (e.g., insufficient fund charges) not entered in other modules. You can also record transfers between two bank accounts that have the same currency such as a bank transfer from your general checking account to fund the payroll bank account. To speed up data entry, you can copy the details from an imported bank transaction that has not been reconciled into a new AccountMate transaction and have the system automatically reconcile the two records so that you don't have to run the Reconcile Bank Account function to do so. To prevent double posting to the General Ledger module, no accounting entries are generated for imported transactions.

Quickly Generate Recurring Transactions

Templates can be set up for recurring disbursements, receipts, and transfers that are not recorded in other modules and are scheduled to occur on a specific cycle. These templates can be set to recur at different intervals with a defined limit to the number of recurring cycles and/or a recurring end date. This saves you time and reduces data entry errors.

Support Multiple Distribution Accounts

You can assign multiple GL account IDs to each transaction code and to each check, other disbursement, deposit, and other receipt transaction that is recorded in this module. Use this feature to distribute the receipt or disbursement among the various reporting segments (e.g., department, division, location, etc.) that benefit from the transaction. For recurring receipts or disbursements, you can set a percentage distribution for each of the assigned GL account IDs to represent the portion of the transaction amount that will be allocated to each of the affected reporting segments.

Print Reconciled Bank Statements for Prior Statement Periods

AccountMate retains each month's bank reconciliation data even after you have moved on to a new bank statement period. This allows you to print the reconciled bank statements for a prior statement period that can be sent to banks, accountants, auditors, and other interested parties.

Print Projected Cash Flow Reports

AccountMate provides the Projected Cash Flow function that allows users to set up the parameters for showing projected cash inflow from outstanding receivables and projected cash outflow for outstanding payables. You can print summarized and detailed Projected Cash Flow reports.

Integration with General Ledger, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, and Payroll Modules

- Integration with the General Ledger module allows you to post journal entries for bank transactions.
- Integration with the Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, and Payroll modules allows all recorded checks, electronic payments, and deposits to be available during the reconciliation of the related bank account. This allows you to reconcile all the bank account transactions in one place. To facilitate this process, transaction descriptions and references are displayed on the bank reconciliation screen. You can also set AccountMate to either show the names of the employees and vendors to whom the checks were issued or hide them to preserve anonymity during reconciliation.

Other Features

- Generate reports showing the status of all checks, other disbursements, deposits, other receipts, bank transfers, and recurring transactions recorded in AccountMate.
- The Bank Reconciliation Report shows summary information about the current bank reconciliation that is being performed as well as details about the transactions that have cleared, deposits that are still in transit and outstanding checks at the end of the current bank statement period.
- Allows copying of data from Excel and pasting into the GL distribution grid when recording bank reconciliation transactions

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