# USING QUICKBOOKS<sup>®</sup> DIRECT CONNECT & WEB CONNECT

QuickBooks® uses two ways to download from and interact with your bank:

- Web Connect is, simply put, a way you can download your transactions directly from your bank's website and import them into QuickBooks<sup>®</sup>.
- With Direct Connect, QuickBooks<sup>®</sup> communicates directly with WestStar on your behalf. You do not need to sign in to WestStar online banking and manually download transactions - QuickBooks<sup>®</sup> does this for you.

## I currently have an account. How do I know what method I am using?

- Choose the Tools menu in the upper left then select Account List. Click Edit next to your account, then choose the Online Services tab at the top.
- On a Mac, choose your account on the left, then click **Settings** on the bottom right.

# How do I change the connection method from Web Connect to Direct Connect?

QuickBooks<sup>®</sup> does not allow users to have both Web Connect and Direct Connect linked to the same account at the same time. To switch to Direct Connect:

- 1. Begin by making sure all of the downloaded transactions have been matched or deleted for the Web Connect account. QuickBooks® will not allow you to make changes if there are still pending transactions.
- 2. Once completed, you can then disconnect the account using the steps below:

## QuickBooks® Desktop for Windows:

- 3. Go to Lists in the top menu, then Chart of Accounts.
- 4. Right-click the account you want to deactivate, then choose Edit Account.
- 5. Go to the **Bank Settings** tab.
- 6. Press **Deactivate all online services** and then **OK** to confirm.
- 7. Hit Save & Close.
- 8. The last step is to connect your bank through Direct Connect.

#### QuickBooks® for Mac:

- 1. Go to Lists in the top menu, then Chart of Accounts.
- 2. Highlight the account and select the **pencil** icon to edit.
- 3. Select Online Settings.
- 4. In the Download Transactions drop-down menu, choose Not enabled.
- 5. Hit **OK** to confirm, then press **OK** to close the window.
- 6. The last step is to connect your bank through Direct Connect.

# How do I connect my account with Direct Connect?

For Windows:

- 1. From **Banking**, go to **Bank Feeds**.
- 2. Select Set up Bank Feeds for an account.
- 3. In the Enter your Bank's name field, enter and select WestStar.

If you are enrolling for the first time, select the Enrollment site link.

If you are already enrolled:

- 1. Select **Continue**.
- 2. Enter your online banking Login ID and Password.
- 3. Select **Connect** to connect your QuickBooks® account.
- 4. Select the bank account you want to connect. [Note: You can only link one QuickBooks® account per online banking account.]
- 5. Select **Finish** after the connection finishes.

## For Mac:

- 1. Within QuickBooks<sup>®</sup>, go to **Banking**, then select **Online Banking Setup**.
- 2. Enter your bank's name, then select Next.
- 3. Select **Direct Connect**, then **Next**.
- 4. For QuickBooks® online services, select Yes, then Next.

If you selected Yes and you're asked to sign in:

- 1. Sign in with your online banking credentials.
- 2. Select Select an Account to display the list of available QuickBooks® accounts.
- 3. Select which QuickBooks<sup>®</sup> account you wish to link with your bank account. [Note: You can only link one QuickBooks<sup>®</sup> account per online banking account.]
- 4. Select **Next** to download your transactions.
- 5. Once QuickBooks<sup>®</sup> is done with the download, select **Finish**. This displays your downloaded transactions.

If you selected Yes and you're asked to select an account type:

- 1. Select the account type for the account you wish to download.
- 2. Enter your account number. If this is a banking account, enter the routing number.
- 3. Select **Select an Account** to display the list of available QuickBooks® accounts.
- 4. Select which QuickBooks<sup>®</sup> account you wish to link with your bank account. [Note: You can only link one QuickBooks<sup>®</sup> account per online banking account.]
- 5. Sign in with your online banking credentials.
- 6. Once QuickBooks<sup>®</sup> is done with the download, select **Finish**. This displays your downloaded transactions.

## How do I connect my account with Web Connect?

To activate a Web Connect account:

- 1. From the Banking menu, select Bank Feeds, then Import Web Connect Files.
- 2. Select the QBO file you saved, then select Open.
- 3. When prompted to Select Bank Account, select:
- 4. **Use an existing QuickBooks ® account** if the account you are importing transactions into is already set up in QuickBooks **®**.
- 5. **Create a new QuickBooks**<sup>®</sup> **account** if the account you are importing transactions into is not in QuickBooks<sup>®</sup> yet.
- 6. Select **Continue**. You will see a dialogue box telling you the data has been successfully read into QuickBooks<sup>®</sup>. Select **OK**.
- 7. Go to the Bank Feeds Center to review your transactions.