KEY DATES FOR MICROSOFT EMPLOYEES

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Q1

JANUARY - MARCH

- January Review 401(k) Contributions
- Update 401(k) contribution percentages to reflect new tax laws
- Adjust for increases in salary and September bonus
- Confirm after-tax contributions with in-plan Roth conversion benefit
- Increase contributions due to the catch-up provision (Age 50+)
- → February MSFT Stock Awards
 - Sell and diversify vested shares
 - Determine investable amount and reserves for cash needs
- - → March MSFT ESPP
 - Sell ESPP shares at the end of the quarter

Q2 APRIL – JUNE

- → May MSFT Stock Awards
 - Sell and diversify vested shares
 - Determine investable amount and reserves for cash needs
- → June MSFT ESPP
 - Sell ESPP shares at the end of the quarter
- → June Deferred Compensation Election (Level 67+)
 - Identify deferral amount for following year's cash bonus

Q3 JULY - SEPTEMBER

- > July Review 401(k) Contributions
 - Confirm contributions are on pace to max out benefits
 - Review and adjust allocation if needed
- > August MSFT Stock Awards
 - Sell and diversify vested shares
 - Determine investable amount and reserves for cash needs
- > September Employee Reviews Completed
 - Cash bonus and new MSFT stock awards are received
 - Download new stock grants and vesting schedules
- → September MSFT ESPP
 - · Sell ESPP shares at the end of the quarter

Q4 OCTOBER – DECEMBER

- > November MSFT Stock Awards
 - Sell and diversify vested shares
 - Determine investable amount and reserves for cash needs
- → November Life Insurance and Health Plan Review
- → → November/December Charitable Giving Review and Tax Loss Harvesting
 - > December MSFT ESPP
 - Sell ESPP shares at the end of the quarter
 - December Deferred Compensation Election (Level 67+)
 - Identify deferral amount for following year's salary