

The Shopify Payout Reconciliation Checklist



Trace every dollar between your sales report and your bank deposit

WHY THE GAP EXISTS

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Fees

Payment processing fees are deducted before the payout — they scale with your best weeks, which is exactly when the gap looks the most alarming.

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Refunds

A refund hits the payout on the refund date, but the sale it's refunding may sit in a different reporting period entirely.

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Adjustments

Chargebacks, currency corrections, and restocking fees rarely have a clean home in either report — they're what stretches month-end close.

RUN THIS BEFORE YOU ASSUME SOMETHING'S BROKEN



Confirm the payout date range

Shopify Payments cycles almost never align with a calendar week — that misalignment alone explains a meaningful chunk of most "missing" revenue.



Subtract the fee total first

Pull the fee total for that payout period and net it against gross sales before comparing anything else.



Trace every refund back to its order

List refunds processed in the payout window and check whether the original order falls inside or outside the sales period you're comparing.



Check for chargebacks and manual adjustments

These are the line items most likely to have zero visibility in your sales report — and the ones that quietly stretch month-end close.

Still not resolving?

Book a 20-minute diagnostic — we'll look at your actual Shopify payout and QuickBooks setup.

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