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Basic System Functions

The structure of Checkpoint's research offering is different from that of other products in this review due to the inclusion of the accounting and auditing sources and practice aids from PPC in the same research tool used to research tax issues. The wide range of content available in this service means that users will want to customize the Checkpoint user interface so their default news and search options reflect the information most commonly accessed using the service.

Users can search for information in many ways, including keyword search, Boolean queries, natural language search, topical browsing, journal articles, and linkage to tax preparation software from the Thomson Reuters tax preparation applications (e.g. GoSystem Tax, UltraTax CS and e-Form RS). Searches can be restricted to only

specific sources or can utilize all subscribed databases, and common requests can be

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Customization

The Checkpoint user interface is customizable, and users will want to spend some time configuring their personal view into this service so that the latest information on a user's practice areas is displayed. Checkpoint's user-configurable alerts allow for daily updates on key developments affecting areas of interest, and can be viewed by browsing topical lists, reviewing lists of articles flagged by a user's alerts, or by using an RSS reader such as Microsoft Outlook to display the latest content. 5

Integration/Import/Export

Checkpoint includes cross-references between primary sources (e.g. IRC, tax court cases, etc.), practice aids (e.g. checklists, letters and calculators), and interpretative guidance from sources like BNA and RIA, so users can seamlessly move from practice hints and tips to statutes, then to calculators and, finally, to Microsoft Office to create templated deliverables and documentation. The included tools and templates are designed to facilitate the efficient delivery of professional services, and to help professionals consider all relevant factors when offering advice to clients.

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for new users, this is a sophisticated tool that can be used effectively by both casual users and technical experts. 5

Summary & Pricing

Checkpoint is an excellent research service that integrates accounting & auditing, tax, and other content into a single offering that interfaces well with the software offerings from Thomson Reuters as well as Microsoft Office. Pricing is dependent on the number of users and content subscriptions; main research libraries start at $500 per year. 5

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