

TallyPrime for UAE Restaurants and F&B: Complete Guide

How UAE Restaurants, Cafes, Cloud Kitchens, Caterers and F&B Suppliers Use TallyPrime for Stock, Costing, UAE VAT and Peppol E-Invoicing 2027

TallyPrime is a back-office accounting and inventory system. It is not a restaurant till. Most UAE restaurants therefore run a POS for the front counter and use TallyPrime behind it for stock, purchasing, outlet-wise costing, UAE VAT and payroll. This guide explains where TallyPrime fits in an F&B business, what UAE e-invoicing 2027 means for restaurants, and which F&B sales actually need Peppol and which do not.

QUICK ANSWER — TALLYPRIME FOR UAE RESTAURANTS AND F&B

Where Tally fits	Back office — stock, purchasing, costing, VAT, payroll. Not the front-counter POS
TallyPrime version	TallyPrime 7.0 is MoF-listed with native Peppol. TallyPrime 9, 4.x and TallyERP 9 are NOT e-invoicing ready
Walk-in diners (B2C)	Relief — no Peppol needed for consumer sales
Corporate catering (B2B)	Peppol required — invoice to a VAT-registered business
Supplier purchases	Peppol required — food and packaging suppliers send e-invoices to you
ASP registration	Mandatory even for restaurants that sell only to consumers
Deadlines	1 Jan 2027 (AED 50M+) 1 Jul 2027 (all other VAT SMEs)
Perfonec role	Authorised Silver Partner for TallyPrime — upgrade, setup, testing, go-live

TallyPrime and Your POS — How They Work Together

Honest note for restaurant owners: TallyPrime does not replace a restaurant POS. Table management, kitchen display, order taking and card terminals stay in your POS. TallyPrime receives the sales summary and handles everything behind it. How sales reach TallyPrime — daily summary voucher or an integration with your POS — depends on the POS you use. Perfonec confirms the right method during the free readiness check.

Layer	System	What It Does
Front counter	Your restaurant POS	Orders, tables, kitchen display, card payments, receipts to diners
Back office	TallyPrime	Sales posting, stock, purchases, outlet costing, UAE VAT, payroll, bank reconciliation
E-invoicing	TallyPrime 7.0 native Peppol	B2B invoices (catering, events) and incoming supplier invoices through UAE Peppol

Key TallyPrime Features for UAE Restaurants and F&B

Stock and Multi-Outlet Management

- Multiple godowns — central kitchen, each outlet, cold store and dry store tracked separately
- Stock transfers between central kitchen and outlets with full movement history
- Batch and expiry tracking for dairy, meat, seafood and packaged goods
- Reorder levels so purchasing sees what is running low before service
- Stock journals to record wastage, spoilage and staff meals against the right outlet
- Cost centres to see sales and cost by outlet, brand or cloud kitchen

- Recipe-style costing using Bill of Materials and stock journals for key dishes

Purchasing and Supplier Control

- Purchase orders and goods receipt against approved food and packaging suppliers
- Supplier TRN held on every supplier record — needed for incoming Peppol invoices
- Landed cost for imported ingredients — freight, customs and clearing added to item cost
- Multi-currency purchasing in USD or EUR for imported specialty items
- Supplier ageing for payment planning around cash-heavy weeks
- Delivery aggregator commission invoices posted as supplier bills for correct VAT recovery

UAE VAT, Payroll and Month-End

- UAE VAT at 5% on food and beverage sales with VAT 201 return data compiled from vouchers
- Service charge and similar add-ons set up as separate ledgers — confirm VAT treatment with your tax advisor
- Payroll for kitchen and service staff with attendance-based salary processing
- Bank and card settlement reconciliation — match POS card totals to bank credits
- Daily cash and card summaries posted outlet-wise for clear daily sales reporting
- UAE Corporate Tax 9% supported through standard ledgers and reports

UAE E-Invoicing for F&B — Which Sales Need Peppol

The F&B key point: most restaurant revenue is B2C — walk-in diners, delivery orders, takeaway — and consumer sales do NOT go through Peppol. Peppol applies when you invoice another VAT-registered business — corporate catering, office lunch contracts, hotel and event supply — and when suppliers invoice you. For many restaurants the biggest Peppol workload is therefore on the purchase side.

F&B Scenario	Peppol Needed?	What TallyPrime 7.0 Does
Walk-in diner or takeaway customer	No — B2C relief	Normal receipt and VAT posting — no Peppol transmission
Delivery app consumer order	No — B2C relief	Posted as sales — the aggregator settles to you net of commission
Corporate lunch contract to a VAT-registered company	Yes	PINT AE XML created and sent through Peppol — buyer TRN required
Event or hotel catering invoice	Yes	Standard B2B e-invoice through Peppol
Catering to a JAFZA, DMCC or IFZA office	Yes	Free zone beneficiary field populated on the e-invoice
Credit note for a corporate order	Yes	Credit note type 381 with original invoice reference in BT-25
Food or packaging supplier invoice to you	Yes — incoming	Received as Peppol e-invoice and validated into TallyPrime
Delivery aggregator commission invoice to you	Yes — incoming	Treat as a B2B purchase invoice — supplier TRN needed

PINT AE Data Issues Specific to F&B — What to Fix

PINT AE Field	F&B Problem	How to Fix in TallyPrime
Item description — BT-153	Food, Meals, Catering, Lunch — too generic and fail the business rules check	Use specific lines: Corporate Lunch Box Chicken Biryani, Event Catering Buffet per Head
Unit code — BT-130	Plate, Portion, Tray, Box, Head are not valid UN/CEFACT codes	Map to valid codes: EA (each), KGM (kilogram), LTR (litre), DAY (day)
Buyer TRN — BT-46	Corporate clients added for catering with no TRN recorded	Collect TRN from every VAT-registered corporate client before go-live
Supplier TRN	Small food suppliers set up without TRN on the supplier record	Add TRN to every supplier so incoming e-invoices match correctly
Address — BT-35 and BT-50	Office park and mall addresses stored as one text block	Split into street, city and country code on each ledger

Which TallyPrime Version Do You Need

Version	UAE E-Invoicing Ready	Action
TallyPrime 7.0	Yes — native Peppol, MoF-listed	Proceed to PINT AE data audit
TallyPrime 9	No	Upgrade to TallyPrime 7.0 before setup
TallyPrime 4.x	No	Upgrade to TallyPrime 7.0 before setup
TallyERP 9	No	Upgrade to TallyPrime 7.0 before setup

UAE E-Invoicing Deadlines for F&B Businesses

Business Category	ASP Registration	Go-Live Date	Fines Begin
Revenue AED 50M or above	By 30 Oct 2026	1 January 2027	2 January 2027
All other VAT-registered SMEs	By 31 Mar 2027	1 July 2027	2 July 2027
Pilot phase — all businesses	Open now	From 1 Jul 2026	ZERO FINES

Fine for not going live: AED 5,000 per month, no upper cap. Fine per non-compliant invoice: AED 100, capped at AED 5,000 per month. Maximum combined fine: AED 10,000 per month. The pilot phase from 1 July 2026 carries zero fines, so start testing now.

About Perfonec Computers — Authorised Silver Partner for TallyPrime

Perfonec is the Authorised Silver Partner for TallyPrime in UAE. We help restaurants, cafes, cloud kitchens, caterers and F&B suppliers set up TallyPrime 7.0 — stock and outlet costing, UAE VAT, PINT AE data audit, pilot testing and go-live support. Perfonec is also the Authorised QuickBooks Dealer and Pro Advisor, Odoo Ready Partner with Odoo Middle East (Cert n°0000699697), Zoho Partner, and Authorised Sage Reseller UAE. Developer of QBESync and OESync.

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