

Rands with Sense

Which Accounts to Pay by Debit Order

- First of all, paying an account by debit order **helps you to stay up-to-date** with your repayments.
- Let's say you buy a car and you want to pay your monthly instalment via a debit order. You will then **sign an agreement** with the car company and provide them with your bank details. The car company will inform your bank that you have given them permission to deduct a certain amount from your bank account every month.
- Remember that **your bank may charge you a fee** for every debit order on your account, so make sure you know your bank charges.
- To control your debit orders better, we highly recommend that **you only pay accounts with fixed monthly instalments** this way. These include home loans, car instalments, rent and any other fixed loan you need to repay.
- However, you must **make sure you have money in your account** to cover your debit orders. If you do not have enough money in your account, your debit orders won't be paid and your bank will charge you an additional penalty fee leaving you with even less money.
- A good tip is to arrange for your debit orders to go off **soon after payday**. This way you will know that you have money in your account.

