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## STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK BUSINESS FUND



If your business is required to close by law or to significantly change its operations due to COVID-19 restrictions, you may be eligible to apply for grant funding.

Grant funding for eligible business will cover the period of any closures or restrictions with the earliest claim date being 2 November 2020. You can still apply even if you are required to close or modify your operations for less than 4 weeks.

Grants will be paid every 4 weeks in arrears as long as restrictions last.

### **If your business is required to close by law, apply for the Temporary Closure grant:**

- £2,000 if your business premises has a value of up to and including £51,000
- £3,000 if your business premises has a value of £51,001 or above
- An upper limit of £15,000 in total in any four-week period will apply to any eligible business operating multiple premises.

### **If your business can remain open but is specifically required to modify its operations by law, for example having to close earlier than normal you can apply for the Business Restrictions grant.**

This does not include where a demand for your products or services has been reduced because of the pandemic:

- £1,400 if your business premises has a value of up to and including £51,000
- £2,100 if your business premises has a value of £51,001 or above
- An upper limit of £10,500 in total in any four-week period will apply to any eligible business operating multiple premises.

Grants will be paid every 4 weeks in arrears.

Payments will be paid administered by local authorities, and you will **not** need to re-apply if restrictions are extended beyond four weeks.

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When restrictions end, any final payment in arrears may be adjusted to reflect the duration of the restrictions to the nearest week.

**This support is separate from and in addition to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Restrictions Fund** to support employees and businesses impacted by local COVID-19 restrictions, from 9 October until 1 November.

This is for Scottish businesses that are required to close by law as a result of COVID-19 restrictions from 2 November 2020.

Read full press release [here](#)