

Local Restrictions Support Grant (for open businesses)

The Local Restrictions Support Grant (LRSG (Open)) supports businesses that have been severely impacted due to temporary local restrictions.

Details

Businesses that have not had to close but which have been severely impacted due to local Tier 2 or Tier 3 restrictions may be eligible for LRSG (Open).

Eligible businesses may be entitled to a cash grant from their local council for each 14 day period under local restrictions.

Local councils have the discretion to provide grant funding for businesses under this scheme. They will use their discretion in identifying the right businesses to receive this funding, based on their application process.

The grant will be based on the rateable value of the property on the date of the start of the local restrictions.

What will you get?

Local councils will provide funding under the following tiers, unless there is a local need to deviate. If your business has a property with a rateable value of £15,000 or less, you may be eligible for a cash grant of up to £467 for each 14 day period.

If your business has a property with a rateable value over £15,000 and less than £51,000, you may be eligible for a cash grant of up to £700 for each 14 day period.

If your business has a property with a rateable value of £51,000 or above, you may be eligible for a cash grant of up to £1,050 for each 14 day period.

Eligibility

Your business may be eligible if it:

- is based in England
- is in an area subject to Tier 2 or Tier 3 local restrictions since 1 August 2020 and has been severely impacted because of the local restrictions
- was established before the introduction of Tier 2 or Tier 3 restrictions
- has not had to close but has been impacted by local restrictions

Local councils have the freedom to determine the precise eligibility criteria for these grants.

Businesses excluded from the fund

You cannot get funding if:

- your business was established after the introduction of Tier 2 or Tier 2 restrictions in your local council area
- your business is in administration, insolvent or has been struck off the Companies House register
- you have exceeded the permitted state aid threshold

LRSO (Open) counts towards the total de minimis state aid you're allowed to get over a 3 year period - €200,000.

If you have reached the de minimis threshold, you may still be eligible for funding under the [COVID-19 Temporary Framework](#). The limit for this framework is €800,000.

How to apply

You can apply via your local council.