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Companies House (CH) Pause Voluntary and Compulsory Strike Off Processes

CH have temporarily paused voluntary and compulsory strike off processes for one month from 21 January until 21 February 2021.

CH has reduced the number of staff in their offices to become more Covid safe. This has led to delays in processing correspondence, documents and forms. They have temporarily paused strike off processes so that companies are not adversely affected by these delays.

CH will continue to publish first Gazette notices for voluntary strike off applications to minimise the impact on those who have applied to close their company - but they will not be publishing the second Gazette notice and striking companies off during this period. For companies on the compulsory strike off path, they will not be publishing first and second Gazette notices.

CH state that Pausing strike off processes will provide companies with more time to update their records and help them avoid being struck off the register. It will also protect creditors and other interested parties who might have had difficulties in receiving notices or registering an objection, or whose objections have not yet been processed.

CH will continue to remind businesses about their filing responsibilities during this period. CH digital services are available as normal, and they encourage all customers to file online if able to do so.

See: https://www.gov.uk/government/news/companies-house-to-pause-voluntary-and-compulsory-strike-off-processes-for-one-month?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_source=1e5571b3-be31-4826-a226-11aa6f34e5e6&utm_content=daily
