

LOCAL RESTRICTIONS SUPPORT GRANT (FOR CLOSED BUSINESSES) – ENGLAND

The Local Restrictions Support Grant (LRSG (Closed)) supports businesses that have been required to close due to temporary local restrictions.

Businesses that were open as usual and were then required to close due to local restrictions (local COVID alert level: Very High) may be eligible for LRSG (Closed).

Eligible businesses are entitled to a cash grant from their local council for each 14 day period they are closed.

Eligibility

Your business may be eligible if it:

- / is based in England
- / occupies property on which it pays business rates (and is the ratepayer)
- / is in an area of local restrictions and has been required to close because of local restrictions that resulted in a first full day of closure on or after 9 September
- / has been required to close for at least 14 days because of the restrictions
- / has been unable to provide its usual in-person customer service from its premises

For example, this could include non-essential retail and personal services that operate primarily as an in-person venue, but which have been forced to close those services and provide a takeaway-only service instead.

Eligible businesses can get one grant for each non-domestic property within the restriction area.

The precise set of businesses eligible for the scheme may vary between each local council area under local restrictions in recognition of the specific conditions in each area.

The grant will be based on the rateable value of the property on the first full day of local restrictions.

If your business has a property with a rateable value of £15,000 or less, you may be eligible for a cash grant of £667 for each 14-day period your business is closed.

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 £1,000 for each 14-day period your business is closed.

If your business has a property with a rateable value of £51,000 or above, you may be eligible for a cash grant of £1,500 for each 14-day period your business is closed.

The grant will be extended to cover each additional 14-day period of closure. If your business is closed for 28-days, or 2 payment cycles, it will receive £1,334, £2,000 or £3,000, depending on the rateable value of the property.

See: <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/check-if-youre-eligible-for-the-coronavirus-local-</u> restrictions-support-grant-for-closed-businesses?utm_source=efbdf34f-151f-4636-9a38-529a6a06ce5e&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuknotifications&utm_content=immediate