

## Declaration

### Subsidy Control (Formerly State Aid)

The new domestic subsidy allowance for COVID-19 business support grants took effect on 4 March 2021. Applications made prior to that date are subject to the previous EU State Aid rules.

From 4th March 2021 the following scheme rules are to be applied to COVID-19 business grants on the basis of the EU-UK Trade and Co-operation Agreement (TCA).

[https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/draft\\_eu\\_uk\\_trade\\_and\\_cooperation\\_agreement.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/info/files/draft_eu_uk_trade_and_cooperation_agreement.pdf).

This new scheme is covered by 3 subsidy allowances:

- **Small Amounts of Financial Assistance Allowance**

Grants may be paid in accordance with Article 3.2(4) of the TCA, which enables an applicant to receive up to a maximum level of subsidy without engaging Chapter 3 of the TCA. You're allowed up to £335,000 (subject to exchange rates) over any period of 3 years (€200,000 under previous State Aid rules).

- **COVID-19 Business Grant Allowance**

Where the Small Amounts of Financial Assistance Allowance has been reached, grants may be paid in compliance with the Principles set out in Article 3.4 of the TCA and in compliance with Article 3.2(3) of the TCA under the COVID-19 Business Grant Allowance (subsidies granted on a temporary basis to respond to a national or global economic emergency). For the purposes of these scheme rules, this allowance is £1,600,000 (€800,000 under previous State Aid rules).

- **COVID-19 Business Grant Special Allowance**

If you have reached your limits under the Small Amounts of Financial Assistance Allowance and COVID-19 Business Grant Allowance, you may be able to access a further allowance of funding under these scheme rules of up to £9,000,000. This is subject to a number of conditions and you will need to provide additional evidence to receive further grant funding.

In applying for this grant you are confirming that this business has not (and will not) exceed the above allowance as a result of this grant payment. This applies to all branches of your business, not just the address currently being applied for. If required, you may need to evidence the exact amounts to aid your business has received from the Government over the last three years. If either of the above statements are found to be false your case may be referred for further investigation and possible prosecution.

In applying for this grant you are declaring that the information submitted is truthful and correct and acknowledging that recovery action may be pursued if any grants are received in error, and prosecution may be pursued in any instance of fraud.