This bulletin is issued by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy and provides the latest information for employers and businesses on coronavirus (COVID-19). All coronavirus business support information can be found at [gov.uk/business-support](https://gov.uk/business-support).

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### New tool to help businesses identify whether they can reopen safely

The UK Government has developed a tool to help businesses in England to reopen safely during coronavirus. This tool encourages businesses to carry out a risk assessment and helps to identify the workplace adjustments that they should make. Employers have the legal responsibility to protect their employees and other people on site, such as customers and visitors. This tool will help businesses to easily find out what they should do. Employees can also use this tool to check what their workplace needs to do to keep people safe. The tool can be found [here](https://www.gov.uk/business-support).

### New Updates and Guidance

#### Deferral of VAT payments due to coronavirus (COVID-19)

There have been temporary changes to VAT payments due between 20 March 2020 and 30 June 2020 to help businesses manage their cash flow. The update includes information regarding the end of the VAT deferral period. Find more information [here](https://www.gov.uk/business-support).

#### Help and support if your business is affected by coronavirus (COVID-19)

Watch videos and register for the free webinars to learn more about the support available to help businesses deal with the economic impacts of coronavirus. UK Government's YouTube video about how to make a Self-Employment Income Support Scheme claim has been updated. Find more information [here](https://www.gov.uk/business-support).

#### Coronavirus (COVID-19): impact on HM Land Registry’s services

HM Land Registry has issued an update on how they are delivering their services during the coronavirus outbreak. Latest change covers how conveyancers can request an application to be expedited and added a new section titled: ‘Cancellation dates on expedited applications’. Find more information [here](https://www.gov.uk/business-support).

### Requests for Business Intelligence and Assistance

#### Offer coronavirus support

Tell us how your business might be able to help with the response to coronavirus by using our [online service](https://www.gov.uk/business-support).
**Share the impact coronavirus is having on your organisation**

Let us know how the outbreak is impacting your business. Please send your intelligence, including information and feedback on the safer workplace guidance, to intel@beis.gov.uk. Commercially sensitive information will be treated accordingly. Please note that this inbox is only for receiving intelligence and does not provide business advice.

**Help us shine a light on the stories of key workers**

Tell us about key workers you know that are helping to keep the UK moving during the Coronavirus pandemic. Please fill in [this online form](#) for key workers in the following sectors: manufacturing, construction, consumer goods, scientists/researchers, servicing, postal workers, and oil/gas/electricity/water/sewage/chemical workers.

**Other useful links**

Some aspects of business support are devolved. Specific information for businesses and employers in Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales is available. In England, Growth Hubs can advise on local and UK Government business support. You can also find helpful business case studies and other useful information on the [Coronavirus Business Support Blog](#).