

Restart Grants (1 April 2021 onwards)

This following table sets out types of businesses that are eligible under the sector thresholds for this scheme (non-essential retail; leisure; hospitality; accommodation; personal care; and gym and sport).

This list is not exhaustive, but indicative of the types of businesses that can be supported under this grant scheme.

Non-essential retail		
<p>Definition: a business that is open to the public and is used mainly or wholly for the purposes of retail sale or hire of goods or services, where the primary purpose of products or services provided are not necessary to the health and well-being of the public. This may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Businesses offering in-person non-essential retail to the general public; • Businesses that were likely to have been required to cease their retail operation in the January 2021 lockdown; • Businesses that had retail services restricted during January lockdown; • Businesses that sell directly to consumers. 		
Support Type	Type of Business	
Non-essential retail (Strand One; up to £6,000 per hereditament)	Betting offices Departmental stores Markets (other than livestock) Sales kiosks Showrooms eg kitchen/bathroom/tile/glazing Tobacco and vape stores Antiques stores Sales offices Travel agents Electronic goods and mobile phone shops Auction rooms Car auction Car showrooms Car supermarkets Car washes (standalone)	Clothes shops Book shops Charity shops Carpet stores Furniture shops Sofa shops Homeware shops Florists Plant nurseries Jewellers Stationery shops Gift shops Make-up shops Animal groomers Sweet shops Photography studios Car/caravan display/hiring sites
Exclusions		
For these grant purposes, the definition of a non-essential retail business should exclude:	Food retailers including food markets, supermarkets, convenience stores, corners shops, off licences, breweries, pharmacies, chemists and newsagents Animal rescue centres and boarding facilities Building merchants Petrol stations Vehicle repair and MOT services Bicycle shops Taxi and vehicle hire businesses Education providers including tutoring services	Banks, building societies and other financial providers Post offices Funeral directors Laundrettes and dry cleaners Medical practices, veterinary surgeries and pet shops Agricultural supply shops Garden centres Storage and distribution facilities Wholesalers Employment agencies/businesses Office buildings Automatic car washes Mobility support shops

Leisure

Definition: a business that provides opportunities, experiences and facilities, in particular for culture, recreation, entertainment, celebratory events, days and nights out, betting and gaming. This may include:

- Businesses that may provide in-person intangible experiences in addition to goods.
- Businesses that may rely on seasonal labour.
- Businesses that may assume particular public safety responsibilities.
- Businesses that may operate with irregular hours through day, night and weekend.

Support Type

Type of Business

Leisure
(Strand Two;
up to £18,000
per
hereditament)

Bingo halls
Bowling alleys
Casinos and gambling clubs
Cinemas
Ice rinks
Museums and art galleries
Roller skating rings
Stately homes and historic houses
Theatres
Zoos and safari parks
Amusement parks
Pleasure piers
Pavilions
Conference centres
Exhibition centres including for use as banquet halls and other events
Heritage railways
Public halls
Night clubs and discotheques
Hostess bars
Sexual entertainment venues
Shisha bars, waterpipe consumption venues

Wedding venues
Events venues
Arenas
Concert halls
Go kart rinks
Model villages
Tourist attractions
Aquaria
Miniature railways
Theme parks
Amusement arcades including adult gaming centres
Animal attractions at farms
Wildlife centres
Botanical gardens
Circus
Visitor attractions at film studios
Soft play centres or areas
Indoor riding centres
Clubs and institutions
Village halls and scout huts, cadet huts etc

Exclusions

The definition of a leisure business should exclude:

All retail businesses
Coach tour operators
Tour operators
Telescopes

Hospitality

Definition: a business whose main function is to provide a venue for the consumption and sale of food and drink. This may include:

- Businesses offering in-person food and drink services to the general public.
- Businesses that provide food and/or drink to be consumed on the premises, including outdoors.

Support Type

Type of Business

Hospitality (Strand Two; up to £18,000 per hereditament)	Food courts Public houses/pub restaurants Restaurants	Roadside restaurants Wine bars Cafes
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Exclusions

The definition of a hospitality business should exclude:	Food kiosks and businesses whose main service is a takeaway (not applicable to those that have adapted to offer takeaways during periods of restrictions, in alignment with previous COVID-19 business grant schemes).
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Accommodation

Definition: a business whose main lodging provision is used for holiday, travel and other purposes. This may include:

- Businesses that provide accommodation for 'away from home' stays for work or leisure purposes.
- Businesses that provide accommodation for short-term leisure and holiday purposes.

Support Type

Type of Business

Accommodation (Strand Two; up to £18,000 per hereditament)	Caravan parks Caravan sites and pitches Chalet parks Coaching inns Country house hotels Guest and boarding houses Hostels Hotels Lodges	Holiday apartments, cottages or bungalows Campsites Boarding houses Canal boats or other vessels B&Bs Catered holiday homes Holiday homes
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Exclusions

The definition of an accommodation business should exclude:	Private dwellings Education accommodation Residential homes	Care homes Residential family centres Beach huts
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Personal care

Definition: a business which provides a service, treatment or activity for the purposes of personal beauty/hair/grooming/body care/aesthetics, and wellbeing.

This may include:

- Businesses that deliver in-person holistic, beauty and hair treatments.
- Businesses that provide services such as tattoos and piercings.
- Businesses that offer close-contact services required to deliver the treatment.
- Businesses that offer services, treatments or activities that require social distancing and cleaning protocols, which have led to a reduction in their capacity to deliver personal care services.

Support Type

Type of Business

Personal care
(Strand Two;
up to £18,000 per
hereditament)

Spas, sauna and steam
rooms
Hairdressing salons
Tanning salons
Nail salons
Massage centres and
massage treatments
Tattoo and piercing studios

Holistic therapy (reflexology,
massage, acupuncture)
Barbers, groomers
Beauty salons
Beauticians, aesthetics
Other non-surgical
treatments

Exclusions

The definition of a
personal care
business should
exclude

Businesses that only provide personal care goods, rather than services;
Businesses used solely as training centres for staff and/or others;
Businesses providing dental services, opticians, audiology services, chiropody, chiropractors, osteopaths and other medical or health services, including services which incorporate personal care services, treatments required by those with disabilities and services relating to mental health.

Gym and sports

Definition: a commercial establishment where physical exercise or training is conducted on an individual basis or group basis, using exercise equipment or open floor space with or without instruction, or where individual and group sporting, athletic and physical activities are participated in competitively or recreationally.

This may include:

- Businesses that offer in-person exercise and sport activities to the general public.
- Businesses that open to members of the public paying an entry/membership fee.
- Businesses that require extensive cleaning protocols, which significantly slow down trade.
- Businesses that offer exercise classes or activities, which may mandate space and no masks etc.

Support Type

Type of Business

Gyms and sport
(Strand Two;
up to £18,000 per
hereditament)

Dance schools and centres
Dance studios
Gymnasia/fitness suites
Cricket centres
Ski centres
Sports and leisure centres
Outdoor sports centres
Outdoor adventure centres
Squash courts

Tennis centres
Sports courts
Swimming pools
Shooting and archery
venues
Driving ranges
Water sport centres
Golf courses

Exclusions

The definition of a
gym and sport
business should
exclude:

Home gyms
Home exercise studios
Home sports courts
Home sports grounds