



COVID-19 SUPPORT FOR TAKEAWAYS AND RESTAURANTS

The COVID-19 outbreak is having a significant impact on businesses across the UK, including the thousands of businesses that make up the restaurant and takeaway sector.

In the Budget, the Chancellor announced a package of measures to provide support for businesses in an effort to minimise the impact of COVID-19. Some banks have also announced support. If you are a restaurant or takeaway owner, you can find below the support available to you during this time. Follow the hyperlinks to find out more information on specific measures.

Support available

- A [Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme](#) delivered by the British Business Bank, will enable businesses with a turnover of no more than £41 million to apply for a loan of up to £1.2 million, with the government covering up to 80% of any losses with no fees.
- A number of private lenders are also making funds available to small businesses impacted by COVID-19, including £14 billion from [Barclays](#), £2 billion from [Lloyds Banking Group](#) and £5 billion from [NatWest](#)
- A **dedicated HMRC helpline** has been set up to help businesses and self-employed individuals with their tax affairs – **0800 0159 559**
- A full government refund on the cost of providing 14 days of statutory sick pay per employee for businesses with fewer than 250 employees.
- Temporarily increasing the business rates retail discount to 100% for the 2020-21 fiscal year. This means retail and hospitality businesses, including restaurants and takeaways, with a rateable value below £51,000 will pay no business rates in the next year.

Further information and guidance

- [Details of the Government's support for businesses in response to Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [COVID-19: guidance for employers and businesses](#). This includes:
 - How to help prevent the spread of respiratory infections including COVID-19 and correct handwashing techniques
 - What to do if someone suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19 has been in your restaurant or in contact with your delivery driver/ in contact with you
 - What advice to give to individuals who have travelled to specific areas
 - Find out more on the [Public Health England](#) and [NHS websites](#).
- [HMRC Time to Pay](#)
- [Association of British Insurers Coronavirus Q&A](#)
- [UK Finance Guidance for SMEs – 'Let's Talk Business COVID-19'](#)

You can find all of these links also on the [British Takeaway Campaign website](#) and [BTC Twitter feed](#), which we'll keep updated with further useful information as it becomes available.
