

COVID-19 Self-employment Income Support Scheme Grant Extension - Update 06/11/20

The UK Government has agreed to extend the support offered to self-employed workers via the Self-Employed Income Support Scheme Grant with an extension in the form of two grants for the three month periods November 2020 - January 2021 and February 2021 to April 2021. Details can be found below.

Who can claim the grants?

To be eligible for a grant, anyone who is self-employed (including members of trading partnerships) must:

- Have been previously eligible for the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme first and second grant (although it's not necessary to have claimed these previous grants to apply now).
- Declare that they intend to continue to trade and either are currently trading, but are impacted by reduced demand, or were previously trading but are temporarily unable to do so due to coronavirus.

What does the Grant Extension cover?

The extension to the scheme will last for six months from November 2020 until April 2021 with grants paid in two instalments, each covering a three month period. The grants are taxable income and subject to National Insurance contributions.

The first instalment will cover 1 November 2020 - 31 January 2021: the Government will provide a taxable grant calculated at 80% of 3 months average monthly trading profits, paid out in a single instalment and capped at £7,500 in total. This is an increase from the previously announced amount of 55%.

The second grant will cover a three-month period from 1 February 2021 until 30 April 2021: the limits of this grant are to be announced.

How can you claim?

Further details on how to apply for the grants will be issued by HMRC shortly. Watch this space for more information.

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