



UTILITIES ADVICE FOR LICENSEES

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ADMIRAL INTRODUCTION

The current utilities crisis continues to impact everyone and so we have put together advice on what you can do - to both navigate the Energy Bill Relief Scheme (EBRS) and coming Energy Bills Discount Scheme (EBDS) plus ideas on how to maximise your efficiencies with money and energy saving support links.

ENERGY BROKERS

We advise that you seek professional guidance for your utility contracts.

Here are two, fully independent, energy supply brokers:

Please click on the business names to visit their website.

[Nationwide Energy](#) or call 02476 328995

[Click here](#) to download the Nationwide Energy health check guide

[Circle 17](#) or call 01244 667701

LATEST GOVERNMENT UPDATE


The Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS) have provided the Energy Bill Relief Scheme (EBRS) for non-domestic energy consumers, this scheme will end on 31st March 2023.


This will be replaced by the Energy Bills Discount Scheme (EBDS).

For more information use these links:

- To see the current Energy Bill Relief Scheme (EBRS) discount rates for fixed and default/variable contracts please [click here](#).
- Government information is regularly updated please [click here](#) for more.

WHAT CAN YOU DO UNTIL 31ST MARCH 2023?

 Any Licensee currently on a variable rate tariff should take professional advice, as each pub is site specific, with a view to assessing a fixed utility contract in order to take advantage of any Government relief*.

 While contracted retail prices are coming down out of contract rates are still high, therefore it is advisable to understand the benefits of a fixed term contract to your business.

Currently support (discount) via the EBRS scheme on deemed or variable contracts is available up to a maximum of **34.5p for electricity and 9.1p for gas per kilowatt hour***.

What is changing?

On the current EBRS scheme discount is applied via two types of support based on your contract status whereas on the new EBDS scheme minimal discount support is applied in the same way regardless of contract types.

UNDERSTANDING THE ENERGY BILLS DISCOUNT SCHEME (EBDS)

What is EBDS and when is the scheme effective from and to?



EBDS is Government scheme that provides a small discount on gas and electricity unit prices and replaces the Energy Bill Relief Scheme (EBRS). It is worth noting that the rebates under the new EBDS scheme are much smaller than you will have previously received. Eligible non-domestic consumers will receive a per-unit discount to their energy bills during the 12-month period from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024, subject to a maximum discount.

Who is eligible for the Energy Bills Discount Scheme?



The scheme will be available to businesses on a non-domestic contract who are:

- on existing fixed price contracts that were agreed on or after 1 December 2021
- signing new fixed price contracts
- on deemed / out of contract or standard variable tariffs
- on flexible purchase or similar contracts

If you are unsure about your eligibility, contact your supplier.



What is the maximum discount rate?

For most non-domestic energy users in Great Britain the maximum discounts have been set at:

- electricity - £19.61 per megawatt hour (MWh) with a price threshold of £302 per MWh.
- gas - £6.97 per MWh with a price threshold of £107 per MWh

Please note this cap applies to the wholesale / commodity element ONLY.

The discount is calculated as the difference between the wholesale price associated with an energy contract and the price threshold. The discount is phased in when the contract's wholesale price exceeds the floor price, until the total discount per MWh reaches the maximum discount for that fuel.



How will the discount be calculated and applied?

- As with the original scheme, suppliers will automatically apply reductions to the bills of all eligible non-domestic customers.
- The discount applied will be in pence per kilowatt hour (p/kWh). The p/kWh government support for comparable contracts will be the same across suppliers, but the absolute level of individual bills will continue to vary across different contracts and tariffs.



TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE
ENERGY BILLS DISCOUNT SCHEME [CLICK HERE](#)

MORE ADVICE

Below you will find useful links to guides and websites that can help you with navigating the current energy crisis.



REDUCING YOUR ENERGY USAGE

CLICK ON THE LINKS FOR PDF DOWNLOADS

- **BII**
[CLICK HERE](#) FOR FULL BII GUIDANCE
[CLICK HERE](#) FOR THE BII ENERGY BILL RELIEF SCHEME GUIDE

FOR MORE DETAILED GUIDANCE TRY THESE...

- **BBPA**
CLICK ON THE TOPICS BELOW FOR GUIDANCE
[HEATING](#) | [LIGHTING](#) | [CELLAR](#) | [CATERING](#)
- **HOSPITALITY ENERGY SAVING**
CLICK ON THE LINKS BELOW FOR TWO GREAT ENERGY SAVING GUIDES
[QUICK GUIDE](#) | [FULL BUSINESS GUIDE](#)

FOR EVEN MORE DETAILED CHECKLISTS FOR MONEY SAVING IDEAS FOR YOUR BUSINESS TRY THESE...

- **MONEY SAVING CHECKLISTS**
CLICK ON THE TOPICS BELOW FOR GUIDANCE
[NATIONWIDE ENERGY HEALTHCHECK](#) | [FRONT OF HOUSE CHECKLIST](#)
[KITCHEN & CATERING](#)



GENERAL ENERGY INFORMATION

CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW FOR A LIST OF GENERAL ENERGY INFORMATION WEBSITES.

- **ENERGY INFORMATION**
[CLICK HERE](#) FOR A LIST OF ENERGY SUPPORT WEBSITES FROM GOVERNMENT, UTILITIES AND HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY SITES



WELL-BEING SUPPORT

YOUR BDM IS HERE TO SUPPORT YOU AND, IN ADDITION, THERE ARE OTHER ORGANISATIONS THAT CAN HELP WITH WELL-BEING, PLEASE CLICK ON THE LINK.

- **WELL-BEING**
[CLICK HERE](#) FOR A LIST OF WELL-BEING SUPPORT SERVICES

