

UK Government sets out a timeline for retail to reopen

The UK [Government has announced a roadmap](#) for reopening a broader range of retail outlets starting from next month, including car showrooms.

[Updated guidance for the retail sector has been published](#) alongside this announcement.

From 1 June 2020, it intends to allow outdoor markets to reopen, subject to all premises being made COVID-secure, as well as car showrooms, which often have significant outdoor space.

From 15 June 2020, UK Government wants to allow other retailers to open, ranging from shops selling clothes, shoes, toys, furniture, books, and electronics, plus tailors, auction houses, photography studios, and indoor markets - if the Government's five tests are met and they follow the COVID-19 secure guidelines.

System now open for claiming back Statutory Sick Pay

The online service you'll use to [claim back Statutory Sick Pay \(SSP\)](#) paid to employees due to coronavirus is now open.

You can check [service availability and issues online](#).

Those entering the UK must travel by private car

The Government has announced new measures at the UK border, which includes 14 days' self-isolation for anyone entering the UK, bar a short list of exemptions.

In an [announcement delivered by the Home Secretary](#), Priti Patel on Friday, the Government states that people should use personal transport, such as a car, to travel to their accommodation. They should not use public transport or taxis.

Once they have arrived at their accommodation, they should remain there for 14 days. The measures have been introduced to guard against a second wave of coronavirus infections.

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