

## Economic Crime Levy guidance

### Background

The Economic Crime Levy (ECL) is an annual charge that will affect entities (organisations) who are supervised under the Money Laundering Regulations (MLR) and whose UK revenue exceeds £10.2 million per year.

The ECL will be collected by 1 of 3 collection authorities:

- the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA)
- the Gambling Commission (GC)
- HMRC

HMRC will be the collection authority for most entities supervised by CILEx Regulation. More information on ECL, including understanding who your collection authority is, can be found at [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk)

### What you need to do

Affected entities whose collection authority is HMRC must:

- register for the ECL
- submit a return every year
- pay the levy every year if you are liable

You only need to register for the ECL once, but you need to submit an online return and pay the ECL every year that your UK revenue exceeds the threshold. You must submit a return and make the ECL payment by 30 September each year.

The payment for the financial year from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023 is due **on 30 September 2023**.

To pay ECL to HMRC, you will first need to register before declaring and paying your liability.

### How to register

You must register for the ECL using the HMRC online service.

The service is **now open for ECL registrations and returns**. You can access the service via GOV.UK [Register for the Economic Crime Levy - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk), you will be issued with an access code to enable you to complete the registration process.

To complete the registration process you will need:

- information about your UK revenue for the last financial year
- the date when your organisation started AML-regulated activities
- the contact details of someone in your organisation, including their name, role, email address, and telephone number
- the business sector your organisation operates in

Once you have completed your ECL registration you will receive your ECL registration number.