

Alcohol Warehouse Registration Scheme – registration window postponed

The purpose of the Alcohol Wholesaler Registration Scheme is to reduce the risk of illicit alcohol, on which no duty has been paid, being sold to unsuspecting consumers. To be approved under the scheme, traders wanting to wholesale alcohol will have to pass rigorous checks and in 2017, the scheme will also provide a facility for retailers to check whether their suppliers are approved. We previously posted an article about the scheme, [here](#).

HMRC planned to launch an online registration application service for alcohol wholesalers on 1 October 2015. We understand the registration process will not now begin until 1 January 2016.

Pre-launch testing pointed to some technical issues that need to be fixed before the service is launched. We understand that the postponement will allow selected traders to road-test the system from 1 October.

The application window will now run from 1 January to 31 March 2016, rather than 1 October to 31 December 2015 as originally anticipated.

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