Enterprise Finance Guarantee Backed Loan Application Process

How does a business apply for an EFG backed loan?

Step One – Evaluation of Borrowing Proposal (Assessed by Participating Lender)

EFG Applicants will potentially need to provide all the information normally required by a lender in connection with a loan application, typically including:

- business plan, including details of the purpose of the loan and details of other borrowings of the business
- suite of financial information to include historic trading figures, management accounts and financial projections
- details on any other publicly funded support received by your business within the past three years

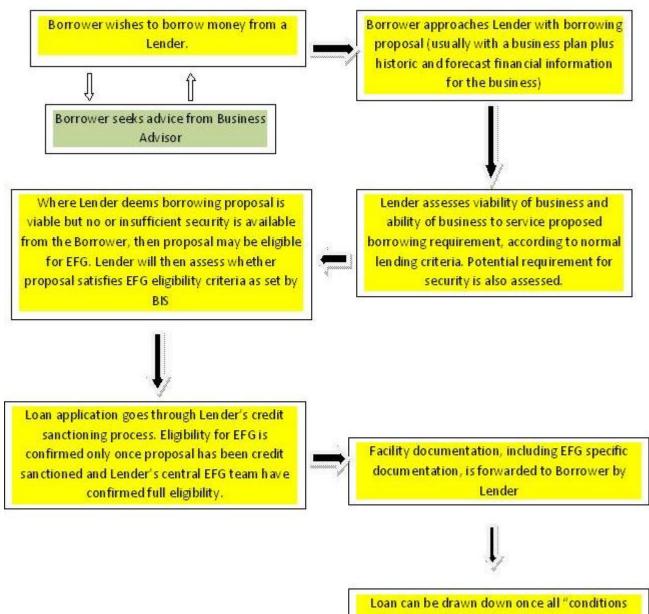
Step Two – EFG Eligibility Criteria Check (Assessed by Participating Lender)

- Small businesses in the UK with an annual turnover of up to £41 million
- Borrowing requirement of £1,000 £1million
- Term of loan is minimum 3 months, maximum 10 years
- · Unable to provide any or sufficient additional security to the Lender
- Most sectors are eligible. The principal exclusions relate to businesses in the coal industry, and certain aspects of agriculture and financial services. Your lender will advise if any of these restrictions affect your business when they consider your loan application.
- Is the borrowing for one of the EFG eligible purposes (as detailed in the EFG Questions & Answers)

After assessing the above two areas, the Lender will then advise you on whether your business is eligible for an EFG backed Loan. Please note that Lenders may ask for additional security in conjunction with the granting of an EFG backed Loan.

Cost to Your Business:

- In addition to regular capital and interest payments to your lender, plus any arrangement fee
 which they may charge, a premium is also payable to BIS.
- The premium is equivalent to two per cent per annum on the outstanding balance of the loan, assessed and collected quarterly in advance throughout the life of the loan.



Loan can be drawn down once all "conditions precedent" within the loan documentation has been satisfied

EFG List of Lenders

Where a Lender operates in a limited geographic area which may not always be immediately apparent from the name of the institution then the area is detailed in brackets after the name of the institution.

ABN AMRO Commercial Finance Enterprise Loans East Midlands

Allied Irish Bank First Trust Bank (Northern Ireland)

Bank of Baroda Foundation East (East of England)

Bank of Ireland (Northern Ireland) GLE oneLondon

Bank of Scotland HSBC

Barclays Hull Business Development Fund - The Acorn Fund

Black Country Reinvestment Society (Black Lloyds TSB Bank

Country & Staffordshire) Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance

Bolton Business Ventures Lloyds TSB Scotland

Braveheart Investment Group Metro Bank (Greater London)

Business Enterprise Fund (West & North MSIF (Merseyside)

Yorkshire) NatWest

Business Finance Solutions (Manchester & NEL Fund Managers (North East)

Cheshire) Regency Factors

Capitalise Business Support (Kent, Sussex & The Royal Bank of Scotland

Surrey) Santander Corporate Banking
Centric Commercial Finance Skipton Business Finance

Clydesdale Bank SME Invoice Finance

The Co-operative Bank South West Investment Group

County Asset Finance Triodos Bank

County Business Finance UK Steel Enterprise

DSL Business Finance (Central Scotland) Ulster Bank (Northern Ireland)

Danske Bank (Northern Ireland) Yorkshire Bank

Donbac (South Yorkshire)

East London Small Business Centre

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