

COVID-RENT – 2ND APPEAL

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The Programme COVID-rent that was already introduced in summer should now support businesses again. The Czech government decided to put up a new appeal of the COVID-rent programme. The 2nd appeal was published on October 16, 2020.

The applicant – entrepreneur (natural or legal person) in accordance with the Trade Act, is a tenant with lease contract concluded before 1 July 2020 for premises of his business.

Summary of the most important conditions of the programme:

- contribution in the amount of **50% of the rent** will be provided for July, August and September 2020 and paid out after the rent has been actually paid;
- maximum amount of the contribution per applicant is **CZK 10 Millions** (contributions from the first and the second appeal do not sum up), the overall frame of EUR 800.000 applicable for one business group in accordance with the Temporary framework of the Commission has to be observed;
- contribution will be provided even though the landlord doesn't provide a rent discount as requested by the 1st appeal;

Following business can apply within the COVID-rent 2nd appeal:

- catering premises (restaurants, cafés, bars, pubs, tea houses etc.)
- music, dance and game clubs and similar social clubs and discos,
- cinemas,
- congresses and other educational businesses, exhibitions and fairs,
- commercially run pools (swimming pools, pools for babies, paddling), wellness premises including saunas, solariums and salt caves, except for those serving for medical purposes provided by medical provider,
- zoos,
- commercially run museums, galleries, exhibitions premises, castles, palaces, observatories and similar historic or cultural premises (except for theatres),
- premises for hobby times for children from 6 to 18 years of age, in particular for premises for hobby, educational or recreational purposes, including preparation for school.

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The applications are open for filing online on the Portal AIS MPO (available here <https://aisportal.mpo.cz/AISPortal/default>) from 21 October 2020 until 21 January 2021. Applicants with valid registration made within the first appeal of the Programme COVID-rent don't have to sign up again, the application can be filled out right away without the need to register anew.

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