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Speak to your Business Banking Manager in branch

santander.co.uk/business

Call us on **0330 123 9860**

Business Current Account

Key Facts Document (including Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) Information Sheet & Exclusions List)

Effective from 4 February 2025

Please note that this product is no longer on sale from 28 March 2019.

These Specific Conditions apply in addition to our General Terms and Conditions and Important Information. Where there are inconsistencies, it is these Specific Conditions that apply. This account is off sale for new customers and this document is for reference only.

We provide dedicated banking services for small to medium sized businesses with straightforward banking needs and up to two directors/owners/partners.

Summary box			
Account name	Business Current Account		
What is the interest rate?	Credit interest		
	 No interest is paid on credit balances on this account. Debit interest (overdrafts) 		
	 We offer Arranged Overdrafts on an unsecured basis from £500 up to £25,000. We have the right to change your Arranged Overdraft limit at any time. Overdrafts are subject to status and acceptance and are repayable on demand. 		
	 You can apply for an Arranged Overdraft on a Business Current Account if you: 		
	 have a good credit history and haven't been declared bankrupt or had an Individual Voluntary Arrangement in the last 6 years (either the business, the owners, partners or directors); and 		
	- haven't been a disqualified director or a director of a failed business within the last 6 years.		
	Description	Overdraft interest rates and fees	
	Arranged Overdraft Annual Fee	1% of agreed overdraft (minimum fee £50)	
	Arranged Overdraft interest rate	10.00% EAR (variable)	
	Unarranged Overdraft interest rate	No interest	
	Unpaid Item fee	No fee	
	Paid Item fee	No fee	
	 let you know in accordance with our account Please speak to us if you would like to increbe treated as a new Arranged Overdraft ar The interest on your overdraft is calculated 	ease your Arranged Overdraft limit. Any increase in your limit will	

What is the interest rate? (continued)	 Other than in the situation that follows, we don't offer Unarranged Overdrafts, so if a payment is presented for authorisation but you don't have enough available money in your account, we will decide whether or not to refuse a payment due to lack of funds. If we allow a payment despite lack of funds, you will move into an Unarranged Overdraft but you won't incur any charges for this. See the 'Additional Information' section for full details of other fees and charges. 		
Can Santander change the interest rate?	Credit interest • No interest is paid on credit balances on this account. Debit interest (overdrafts) • Yes, all overdraft interest rates are variable. If we increase overdraft interest rates, we will give you no less than two months' personal notice. If we reduce overdraft interest rates, we will give you notice within 30 days of making the change by one or more of the following methods: personally or by displaying a notice in the national press or (for branch based accounts) in our branches, or on our website. If we put a notice in the press, we will use two national newspapers.		
How do I Account fees			
manage my account?	We have one monthly tariff available, whi each month.	ich determines the amount of cash you may deposit free of additional charge	
	Monthly fee	£7.50	
	Cash deposit monthly limit	£1,000	
	Additional cash deposit charge	£0.70 per £100 deposited in excess of monthly limit.	
	 The monthly cash deposit limit applicable to your account resets each month in line with your monthly billing period. See 'Charging of fees' on page 7. 		
	for further details). The monthly fee a cheque deposits, Bacs Direct Credits, d	and deducted on a monthly basis (please see the 'Charging of fees' section also covers all other standard transactions, which are unlimited, such as debit card payments, standing orders, Direct Debits, bill payments, and cash work machines) which are limited to £500 per day.	
	Business Start-ups		
	• With the Start-up offer on the Busines first year of trading and this is its first t	ss Current Account you'll get 12 months' free banking if your business is in i business current account with us.	
	• At the end of the free banking period we'll automatically move you to the Business Current Account £7.50 tariff.		
	Deposits		
	• No minimum or maximum opening d	leposit or maximum balance.	
	 You can pay in notes at cash machines immediately after you have paid it in. 	s at Santander branches and you can withdraw cash paid in this way	
	 You can pay in cash at Post Office cou have paid it in. 	nters and you can withdraw cash paid in this way immediately after you	
		ue, electronic payment - Faster Payments, CHAPS and International Debit, standing order, debit card, bill payment and transfer to/from	
	available to you, when interest starts	go through a 'clearing cycle' which affects when funds will be made to be earned from, and when you can be sure the money is yours. nation on the clearing cycle for cheque, counter cheque and banker's	

How do I manage my account? (continued)

Cheque clearance timescales

Day cheque paid in	Day interest begins	Day we allow you to withdraw money out (by end of day)	Day you can be sure the money is yours (by end of day)
Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday
Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
Wednesday	Thursday	Thursday	Thursday
Thursday	Friday	Friday	Friday
Friday	Monday	Monday	Monday
Saturday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday
Sunday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday

Cheques deposited at a Nominated Office or through the post will take additional time to reach our processing centre. The timescales above will begin when they reach our processing centre.

Under this clearing system cheques are paid in and cleared using an image of the cheque.

So if you want a copy of the cheque we will only be able to give you a copy of the imaged cheque.

If you are making a payment by writing a cheque you should always make sure you have sufficient available money in your account to make the payment when you write the cheque as the money could leave your account as early as the day after you have written the cheque and given it to the recipient.

For more information about cheque clearing cycles see our website or ask in branch.

Foreign Currency Cheque deposits – If you have received a foreign currency cheque you can pay it into your account by sending the Foreign Cheque, with your signature on the back, along with the account number and sort code you want it paid into, to the address found at santander.co.uk/business/support/payments/making-international-payments

The table below shows the fees you will pay for receiving payments into your account:

Description	Fee	
International Payments	No charges	
CHAPS payments	No charges	
Foreign Currency Cheques cleared by negotiation	£10 per cheque	
Foreign Currency Cheques cleared by collection	£10 per cheque	
Unpaid Foreign Currency Cheque deposit	£5	
Please note that when receiving payments, other bank	s may deduct charges from the funds before they reach	

us. These charges are beyond our control.

How do I manage my account? (continued)

Managing the account

- Via Online Banking, Mobile Banking, cash machines, post, participating Post Offices (excludes Isle of Man and British Forces Post Offices), Mobile Banking or calling us on 0330 123 9860.
- Post Office branches provide differing levels of service in terms of the amount of cash that can be deposited and withdrawn, and some cannot offer the change-giving service. Your local Post Office branch will be able to advise you of its status.
- If you have chosen for all Account Administrators to sign on the account, you'll receive an operator card which will allow you to make deposits to your account. You'll be able to view transactions within Online Banking, but you won't be able to make any transactions.
- Our Business Current Account offers a selection of cards to enable you to operate your account as shown in the table below:

	Santander debit card	Operator card	Cash card*	Cash deposit card	Change giving card
Full access to Telephone Banking facilities	✓				
Withdraw cash at a cash machine	✓		~		
Deposit cash and cheques at Santander cash machines	✓	✓	~		
Obtain a balance at Santander cash machines	✓	✓	~		
Make purchases	✓				
Deposit cash at Post Office	✓			~	
Withdraw cash from Post Office	✓				
Obtain a balance at Post Office	✓				
Exchange notes for coin at Post Office					~
Deposit cheques at Post Office No card needed					

*Cash cards are only issued with Santander Business savings accounts (instant access only), but can be linked to the Santander Business Current Account.

Using the Post Office

At participating Post Office branches, you can:

- Use your Santander debit card to pay in or withdraw cash over the counter and check your balance.
- Use your cash deposit card to pay in cash over the counter with no need for paperwork.
- Deposit cheques.

To deposit cash at a participating Post Office branch:

- Your Card may be swiped or you may be asked to insert it into a card reader; the cash is instantly deposited in your account and recorded on our system.
- Cash should be presented neatly, with notes in bundles wherever possible.
 Please visit our website at santander.co.uk/business/support/ways-to-bank/face-to-face-banking or call us on 0330 123 9860 if you require further information on how to deposit coin.
- You'll be given a receipt for the deposit made.
- To deposit cheques at a participating Post Office branch:
- Fill out the paying-in slip, put it in a pre-addressed envelope with the cheques and hand this in at the Post Office branch counter. You will be given a receipt for the cheque envelope.
- You'll need to complete a new paying-in slip for each batch of 10 cheques.

Large volume transactions at a participating Post Office branch:

- You should discuss any regular deposit or withdrawal of large amounts of cash with your local Post Office to ensure it can process the level you require.
- The postmaster may request that you give 24 hours' notice of any change-giving needs.

How do I manage my account? (continued)	 Statements Your statements will be issued monthly and will show occurred since your last statement. To change the date on which you receive your statement us on 0330 123 9860. The date on which your monthly deducted from your account will remain the same (pleas The billing period for fees and charges which are prenn remain the same (please see the 'Charging of fees' sec') We recommend that you check your statements careful so that we can sort it out. If you delay in telling us, we you want to talk to us about something on your statements volus on 0330 123 9860. Deposit envelopes can take up to running out. 	nt, or to alter your statement frequency, please call y cash deposit limit is reset and the monthly fee is ase see the 'Account fees' section for further details). Iotified and deducted on a monthly basis will also tion for further details). Illy and let us know immediately if something is wrong may not be able to investigate the matter properly. If nent, please call us on 0330 123 9860 . u can do this either via Online Banking or by calling	
Can I withdraw money?	 running out. Yes, withdrawals can be made at cash machines, by electronic transfer or at participating Post Office branches nationwide (services and opening hours for individual Post Office branches within the Post Office Network may vary). Cash withdrawals (at Santander or LINK network machines) are limited to £500 per day. Debit card & cash machine charges. There is no charge when making cash withdrawals at Santander cash machines or other LINK cash machines in the UK or at Santander cash machines in Spain. Charges will be made for withdrawals at other cash machines. 		
	Type of transaction or service	Charge/rate	
	Withdrawals from Santander cash machines or LINK cash machines in the UK	No charge	
	Withdrawals from Santander cash machines in Spain		
	Currency conversion for using your card for withdrawals or payments in a foreign currency	2.95% of the value	
	Daily transaction limits may apply, for example, but not limited to, cash machine withdrawals. If you use your debit card for a transaction in a foreign currency, Visa or Mastercard will convert it into sterling the day it is processed, using the Visa or Mastercard exchange rate. You can find out the exchange rate by visiting www.visaeurope.com/making-payments/exchange-rates for Visa cards or www.mastercard.com/global/currencyconversion/index.html for Mastercard cards or by calling us on 0330 123 9860.		
	Currency conversion rates can fluctuate between the time payment is processed by Visa or Mastercard.	you make the transaction and the point at which the	
	For more information on the costs of using your card abroad, visit our foreign currency conversion calculator from the international payments and travelling abroad page on our website. We'll be able to tell you the exchange rate and total cost of your transaction and for EEA currencies, how this compares to the European Central Bank base rate.		
	Please note: If given the option of transacting in either local currency or sterling, ensure you choose local currency unless you are certain that the exchange rate and any fee is more favourable. If you choose sterling, it means that the retailer or bank will handle the conversion and may charge you a conversion fee, a foreign usage fee, or both.		
Additional information	 Cancellation period If, within 14 days of first opening your account, you would like to cancel it, let us know by contacting us in writing or by phone. Otherwise, your account will continue until you or we close it. We will repay any money we owe you, including any interest earned. If your account is overdrawn, you must pay off the entire overdraft immediately. 		
	 Closing the account You or we may close your account at any time by giving account, we will, wherever possible, give you at least 2 Conditions and Important Information, unless there are you are (or you become) an RFI and you have an Arrang overdrawn, we may ask you to pay off the entire overdr about closing your account by calling us on 0330 123 9 	months' notice as described in our General Terms and exceptional circumstances, such as fraud or where ed and/or Unarranged Overdraft. If your account is raft on your account immediately. You can find out more	

Additional	Tax status				
information (continued)	 Interest payments will be calculated using the gross rate. This means all the interest we pay you will be without tax deducted. For sole traders and individual partnerships, if the total amount of interest you receive exceeds any Personal Savings Allowance to which you're entitled, you may have to pay tax at the applicable rate. This would need to be paid directly to HM Revenue & Customs. For more information, please visit gov.uk and search for 'Personal Savings Allowance'. 				
	Other fees and charges not covered by the monthly fee	Other fees and charges not covered by the monthly fee			
	 You will have to pay a fee for non-standard transactions outsi transactions include, for example: 	• You will have to pay a fee for non-standard transactions outside of your day-to-day banking. Non-standard transactions include, for example:			
	a) Sterling bank drafts – You can request a sterling bank draft by writing to us at the Business Banking Centre, Bridle Road, Bootle, Merseyside L30 4GB. You can also request a sterling bank draft for up to £3,000 by calling us on 0330 123 9860 . You will need to tell us the name of the person or organisation you wish to pay.				
	If we receive your request before 1pm (Monday to Friday), the draft will be posted to your business address on the same day; any request we receive after 1pm will be processed the following Working Day. We charge an administration fee of \pounds 10 for the bank draft service.				
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	c) A SEPA Credit Transfer is a non-urgent payment in euros. It is usually a next-Working Day payment, provided the Payment Instruction is received before the Cut-off Time. SEPA Credit Transfers can be sent to any participating banks within the EU and the EEA, plus Switzerland, Monaco and San Marino.				
	d) CHAPS and SWIFT payments – You can send money electronically using CHAPS or SWIFT: there will be a charge for using these services. You can give us your Payment Instruction via Online Banking or by calling us on 0330 123 9860. CHAPS payments can only be made in sterling. SWIFT payments can be made in most major currencies including sterling.				
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The exchange rates that we apply to foreign currency payments are based on our reference exchange rates. You can find out details about our exchange rates for the day by calling us on **0330 123 9860**.

** Fee will be pre-notified and deducted on a monthly basis (please see the 'Charging of fees' section for further details).

Additional	Charging of fees			
nformation continued)	• Unless we tell you otherwise, all fees and charges will be charged and deducted at the point of transaction.			
(continued)	 Where we've indicated that a fee or charge will be pre-notified and deducted on a monthly basis, you'll receive a pre-notification of charges and the amount identified as due will be deducted from your account 15 days after the pre-notification (or the nearest Working Day afterwards). Note: as an indication of when your monthly billing period resets, the dates of the previous month's billing period can be found in your pre- notification of charges letter in the 'Date (from to)' field. If you opened your account on 29th, 30th or 31st of the month your monthly billing period may vary. 			
	Fair fees policy			
	We want to be open and fair about how we charge you for using our overdraft services. To help us do this, we work to the following principles:			
	• We will always give you at least 14 days' notice of any overdraft service fees we are going to take from your current account.			
	• If you require an overdraft on your Business Current Account, please request an Arranged Overdraft. Whilst we can't guarantee to give you an Arranged Overdraft, we will always consider your application fairly and give you a decision within a reasonable time.			
	• We will always be willing to discuss your financial situation and to help find appropriate ways of dealing wit any financial difficulties you may have.			
	• You can discuss any service fees or interest on your account, or why we've charged them, by speaking to us o 0330 123 9860.			
	Alerts service			
	• We offer a free alerts service which provides alerts about Arranged and Unarranged Overdrafts.			
	 Account Administrators and other relevant individuals (such as legal representatives, individuals who have been granted a power of attorney or other individuals involved in the running of the business) who have provided their mobile number and/or email address can choose to receive our alerts service which sends messages via SMS and/or email about Arranged and Unarranged Overdrafts. 			
	• Account Administrators and other relevant individuals will be automatically registered for Unarranged Overdraft alerts. These alerts will be sent by SMS only. If customers want to receive these alerts via email, they can opt in via Online Banking, in Branch, or by calling us on 0330 123 9860 .			
	• If Account Administrators and other relevant individuals currently receive Unarranged Overdraft alerts by email, they will continue to do so unless they tell us otherwise.			
	 Arranged Overdraft alerts are available from 18 December 2019. Customers will not be automatically registered to receive Arranged Overdraft alerts. 			
	• We may send alerts by push notification in Mobile Banking in the future.			
	Going paper-free			
	• You'll receive your documents and statements by post unless you've chosen paper-free in Online Banking. If you've chosen paper-free, your statements for this product, as well as some of your letters, will be sent to your document store in Online Banking. You'll receive an email when a document is ready to view. You can change your preferences on how to receive documents from us within Online Banking at any time.			

'AER' stands for Annual Equivalent Rate and shows what the interest rate would be if we paid interest and added it to your account each year. The gross rate is the interest we pay where no income tax has been deducted. 'EAR' stands for Effective Annual Rate and represents the yearly cost of an overdraft, which takes into account how often we charge interest to the account, and does not include any other fees and charges.

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Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) Information Sheet

Basic information about the protection of your eligible deposits

	The following trading names are part of your bank:
	cahoot, Santander Business and Santander Corporate $\&$ Commercial trading names.
If you have more eligible deposits at the same bank:	All your eligible deposits at the same bank are 'aggregated' and the total is subject to the limit of $\$85,000.^2$
If you have a joint account with other person(s):	The limit of £85,000 applies to each depositor separately. ³
Reimbursement period in case of bank failure:	20 working days ⁴
Currency of reimbursement:	Pound sterling (GBP, £)
To contact Santander UK plc for enquiries relating to	For all Retail accounts: 0330 9 123 123
your account:	For all Santander Corporate and Commercial accounts: 0333 207 2229
	For Business Banking accounts: 0330 678 2456
	For all cahoot accounts: 0330 678 2811
To contact the FSCS for further information on compensation:	Financial Services Compensation Scheme PO Box 300 Mitcheldean GL17 1DY
	Tel: 0800 678 1100 or 020 7741 4100
	Email: ICT@fscs.org.uk

Additional information

¹ Scheme responsible for the protection of your eligible deposit

Your eligible deposit is covered by a statutory Deposit Guarantee Scheme. If insolvency of your bank, building society or credit union should occur, your eligible deposits would be repaid up to £85,000 by the Deposit Guarantee Scheme.

² General limit of protection

If a covered deposit is unavailable because a bank, building society or credit union is unable to meet its financial obligations, depositors are repaid by a Deposit Guarantee Scheme. This repayment covers at maximum £85,000 per bank, building society or credit union. This means that all eligible deposits at the same bank, building society or credit union are added up in order to determine the coverage level. If, for instance a depositor holds a savings account with £80,000 and a current account with £20,000, he or she will only be repaid £85,000.

This method will also be applied if a bank, building society or credit union operates under different trading names. Santander UK plc also trades under cahoot, Santander Business and Santander Corporate & Commercial trading names. In some cases eligible deposits which are categorised as 'temporary high balances' are protected above £85,000 for six months after the amount has been credited or from the moment when such eligible deposits become legally transferable. These are eligible deposits connected with certain events including:

- (a) certain transactions relating to the depositor's current or prospective only or main residence or dwelling;
- (b) a death, or the depositor's marriage or civil partnership, divorce, retirement, dismissal, redundancy or invalidity;
- (c) the payment to the depositor of insurance benefits or compensation for criminal injuries or wrongful conviction.

More information can be obtained under http://www.fscs.org.uk





³ Limit of protection for joint accounts

In case of joint accounts, the limit of $\pm 85,000$ applies to each depositor.

However, eligible deposits in an account to which two or more persons are entitled as members of a business partnership, association or grouping of a similar nature, without legal personality, are aggregated and treated as if made by a single depositor for the purpose of calculating the limit of £85,000.

⁴ Reimbursement

The responsible Deposit Guarantee Scheme is the Financial Services Compensation Scheme, 10th Floor Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London, EC3A 7QU, Tel: 0800 678 1100 or 020 7741 4100, Email: ICT@fscs.org.uk. It will repay your eligible deposits (up to £85,000) within 20 working days until 31 December 2018; within 15 working days from 1 January 2019 until 31 December 2020; within 10 working days from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2023; and within 7 working days from 1 January 2024 onwards, save where specific exceptions apply.

Where the FSCS cannot make the repayable amount available within 7 working days, it will, from 1 June 2016 until 31 December 2023, ensure that you have access to an appropriate amount of your covered deposits to cover the cost of living (in the case of a depositor which is an individual) or to cover necessary business expenses or operating costs (in the case of a depositor which is not an individual or a large company) within 5 working days of a request.

If you have not been repaid within these deadlines, you should contact the Deposit Guarantee Scheme since the time to claim reimbursement may be barred after a certain time limit. Further information can be obtained under **http://www.fscs.org.uk**.

Other important information

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In general, all retail depositors and businesses are covered by Deposit Guarantee Schemes. Exceptions for certain deposits are stated on the website of the responsible Deposit Guarantee Scheme. Your bank, building society or credit union will also inform you of any exclusions from protection which may apply. If deposits are eligible, the bank, building society or credit union shall also confirm this on the statement of account.

FSCS EXCLUSIONS LIST

A deposit is excluded from protection if:

- The holder and any beneficial owner of the deposit have never been identified in accordance with money laundering requirements. For further information, contact your bank, building society or credit union.
- (2) The deposit arises out of transactions in connection with which there has been a criminal conviction for money laundering.
- (3) It is a deposit made by a depositor which is one of the following:
 - credit institution
 - financial institution
 - investment firm
 - insurance undertaking
 - reinsurance undertaking
 - collective investment undertaking
 - pension or retirement fund¹
 - public authority, other than a small local authority.
- (4) It is a deposit of a credit union to which the credit union itself is entitled.
- (5) It is a deposit which can only be proven by a financial instrument² (unless it is a savings product which is evidenced by a certificate of deposit made out to a named person and which existed in the UK, Gibraltar or a Member State of the EU on 2 July 2014).
- (6) It is a deposit of a collective investment scheme which qualifies as a small company.³
- (7) It is a deposit of an overseas financial services institution which qualifies as a small company.⁴
- (8) It is a deposit of certain regulated firms (investment firms, insurance undertakings and reinsurance undertakings) which qualify as a small business or a small company⁵ – refer to the FSCS for further information on this category.
- (9) It is not held by an establishment of a bank, building society or credit union in the UK or, in the case of a bank or building society incorporated in the UK, it is not held by an establishment in Gibraltar.

For further information about exclusions, refer to the FSCS website at **www.FSCS.org.uk**

- ¹ Deposits by personal pension schemes, stakeholder pension schemes and occupational pension schemes of micro, small and medium sized enterprises are not excluded
- ² As listed in Part I of Schedule 2 to the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Regulated Activities) Order 2001, read with Part 2 of that Schedule
- ³ Under the Companies Act 1985 or Companies Act 2006
- ⁴ See footnote 3
- ⁵ See footnote 3