

Guidance on block-notifications of amendments under the Temporary Framework

According to recital 12 of the fifth amendment to the Temporary Framework (OJ C 34, 1.2.2021, p. 6): “Member States may envisage modifying existing aid measures approved by the Commission under the Temporary Framework in order to prolong their period of application until 31 December 2021. Member States may also envisage increasing the budget of existing measures or introducing other amendments to align those measures with the Temporary Framework, as amended by this Communication. Member States which plan to do so are invited to notify a list of all existing aid measures they envisage modifying and to provide the necessary information listed in the annex of this Communication. This will allow the Commission to adopt one decision covering the list of notified measures”.

In line with that recital, if Member States envisage modifying several existing measures approved by the Commission under the Temporary Framework, they do not have to fill in the notification templates available at https://ec.europa.eu/competition/state_aid/what_is_new/covid_19.html.

Instead, Member States are invited to bundle their eligible amendments under that recital by completing and attaching the table below as an annex to the standard or simplified notification form in SANI2¹ and by indicating clearly in the field “Title” all the SA numbers of the cases to be amended (e.g., “COVID19 Modification(s) to SA.XXXXX, SA.YYYYYY, SA.ZZZZZZ”).

List of existing measures and envisaged modification					
State aid number of the authorised measure²	Title	Notified amendment (potentially to be sub-divided into modifications 1, 2, 3 etc.)	Relevant point in the Temporary Framework for the planned modifications	Confirm that there are no other changes to the existing measure	National legal basis for the amendment

¹ Article 4 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 794/2004 of 21 April 2004 implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 659/1999 laying down detailed rules for the application of Article 93 of the EC Treaty, OJ L 140, 30.4.2004, p. 1.

² If the measure has been amended, please indicate the State aid number of the initial authorising decision as well as the State aid numbers of previous amendments.