

This newsletter contains important reminders for UK ETS Aircraft Operators about UK ETS compliance for the 2021 Scheme Year.

Introduction

You are receiving this newsletter because we believe you are a UK ETS Aircraft Operator with UK ETS compliance obligations for the 2021 Scheme Year.

Emissions Monitoring Plan and Aircraft Operator Holding Account

You have a UK ETS Emissions Monitoring Plan (EMP) and your Aircraft Operator Holding Account (AOHA) in the UK ETS Registry has been opened by the Registry Administrator.

If you have not yet returned the required templates and /or documents to enable the Registry Administrator to give UK ETS Registry access to at least one of your nominated Authorised Representatives, **you must do this as soon as possible** to ensure that you have an Authorised Representative on your AOHA who is able to surrender allowances by 30 April 2022.

UK ETS 2021 Scheme Year Compliance Actions

The UK ETS reporting and surrender deadlines are set out in the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme Order 2020 (the '[Order](#)') and we do **not** have the ability to extend them.

31 March 2022 - Submit your Annual Emissions Report (AER)

You must submit your verified AER to us on-line through ETSWAP by 23:59 UK time (BST) on 31 March 2022.

In your AER you must report your **Aviation Emissions**, which are the emissions from **all** flights that are **UK ETS Aviation Activities** other than **Excluded Flights**.

The flights which are regarded as UK ETS Aviation Activities and Excluded Flights are listed in Schedule 1 of the Order [here](#).

How you complete and submit your AER will depend on the monitoring approach in your EMP, the flights you perform, and the emissions associated with them.

Simplified Reporting

If the annual emissions from your UK ETS full-scope flights are **<25,000tCO₂**, or the annual emissions from your UK ETS aviation activities are **<3,000tCO₂** you can opt to complete your AER using unmodified Eurocontrol Support Facility (ETS SF) data ⁽¹⁾.

Reporting through Verification

If the annual emissions from your UK ETS full-scope flights are **≥25,000tCO₂**, and the annual emissions from your UK ETS aviation activities are **≥3,000tCO₂**, or you are a small emitter using the Small Emitters Tool (SET) to estimate your fuel consumption, you **must** use a verifier accredited for UK ETS by the United Kingdom Accreditation Service ([UKAS](#)).

Information to help you complete your AER in ETSWAP can be found in our UK ETS Aviation Reporting Guides – '[Simplified Reporting](#)' and '[Reporting through Verification](#)', which are provided with this newsletter.

If you do not submit your AER by 31 March 2022, you may be liable to pay a Civil Penalty.

Once we have received your AER, we will instruct the Registry Administrator to enter your emissions figure into your AOHA. There is no functionality in the UK ETS Registry for an Aircraft Operator to enter its emissions figure or for its verifier to approve it.

30 April 2022 - Surrender UK ETS allowances

An Aircraft Operator must make sure that UK ETS allowances equivalent to its Aviation Emissions are surrendered from its AOHA in the UK ETS Registry by 23.59 BST on 30 April 2022.

Only UK ETS allowances can be held in the UK ETS Registry and used for meeting your UK ETS surrender obligation.

Please make sure that you have sufficient UK ETS allowances available in your AOHA in plenty of time to surrender them by 30 April 2022.

⁽¹⁾ If you qualify to report using this method and wish to do so, but it is not in your approved EMP please contact us.

As 30 April 2022 is a Saturday, you must ensure that all the allowances you need are available in, or delivered to your AOHA by **16.00 BST on Friday 29 April 2022**.

If you are purchasing UK ETS Allowances, it is your responsibility to check with the supplier that they will be delivered on time. A list of UK ETS Registry account holders (from who you may be able to purchase UK ETS Allowances) is available [here](#).

If you do not surrender sufficient allowances by 30 April 2022, you will be liable to pay the mandatory Excess Emissions Penalty of £100 (index-linked) for each allowance that was not surrendered.

Additional information

Further details of the Reporting and Registry compliance tasks for the 2021 Scheme Year can be found in Table A below.

Contact us

If you have any questions, please contact us at the ET Aviation [helpdesk](#).

The Registry Administrator can be contacted at the ET Registry [helpdesk](#).

Table A: UK ETS Reporting and Registry Compliance Tasks – 2021 Scheme Year

Deadline	Task	Simplified Reporting (AER considered verified)	Reporting through Verification (AER verified by a UKAS accredited verifier)
31 March 2022	Submit your AER via ETSWAP	<p>You can opt to use this reporting method if the emissions from your UK ETS full-scope flights are <25,000tCO₂ or the emissions from your UK ETS Aviation Activities are <3,000tCO₂.</p> <p>Your AER must be completed using your EUROCONTROL (Support Facility) draft Annual Emissions Report (ETS SF Report) without modification, and submitted to us through ETSWAP.</p> <p>You must check the ETS SF Report against your own flight records to ensure that it is complete and accurate, as any error in reporting may result in you being liable to a civil penalty for failing to surrender sufficient allowances because of an under-report. If you consider you ETS SF Report is inaccurate, please contact us.</p> <p>You should not wait for us to review your submitted AER or for your emissions figure to be entered into your AOHA by the Registry Administrator before surrendering in the UK ETS Registry.</p>	<p>You must use this option, instructing a verifier accredited by UKAS for UK ETS verification, if the emissions from your UK ETS full-scope flights are ≥25,000tCO₂ and your emissions from your UK ETS Aviation Activity are ≥3,000tCO₂, or you are a small emitter using the Small Emitters Tool (SET) to estimate your fuel consumption.</p> <p>Aircraft Operators eligible to use the SET should use the 2021 version of the SET, a copy of which is available here.</p> <p>Details of the UKAS accredited UK ETS aviation verifiers can be found on the UKAS website here.</p> <p>Please ensure that you have a contract in place with your verifier before sending your completed AER to them through ETSWAP.</p> <p>It is your responsibility to submit your verified AER to us when it is returned to you by your verifier.</p> <p>Note: an AER should not be submitted if any misstatements are identified by your verifier; any misstatement must be corrected before your AER is submitted.</p> <p>You should not wait for us to review your submitted AER or for your emissions figure to be entered into your AOHA by the Registry Administrator before surrendering in the UK ETS Registry.</p>
30 April 2022	Surrender sufficient UK ETS allowances from your AOHA in the UK ETS Registry	<p>You must surrender UK ETS allowances equivalent to your Aviation Emissions by 30 April 2022.</p> <p>You can surrender at any time, and perform multiple surrenders, if necessary.</p> <p>You only need one Authorised Representative to surrender UK ETS allowances from your AOHA in the UK ETS Registry. If your AOHA settings require two Authorised Representatives, you can change this to one at any time in the Rules for Transactions section. It is your responsibility to make sure that you have the required Authorised Representatives available to complete your surrender.</p> <p>If you do not surrender sufficient allowances by 23.59 BST on 30 April 2022, you will be liable to pay the mandatory Excess Emissions Penalty of £100 (index linked) for each UK ETS allowance that was not surrendered.</p>	