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An update about charity registrations and response times for processing applications.

Our registration team is currently experiencing extremely high demand for its services. In the last year we have seen a record number of new applications for charity registrations, and demand continues to rise.

This is impacting on our published guidelines for [registration decisions and response times](#).

You may have to wait up to 12 weeks before you receive a response from the registration team. We apologise for this and any inconvenience it may cause.

Because of limited resources, we are sorry that we can't provide updates for individual applications in the meantime.

We continue to advise applicants to submit full and complete registration applications well in advance of any deadlines. When applying to register a charity, please let us know if you have any relevant deadlines in the "Special Circumstances" section of the [online charity registration form](#).

You can read our guidance if you want to find out more about [charity registration decisions](#).