

Updating Reference Data and Office Data

When the Trader Front End receives an update of the Reference Data and Office Data detailed at the URLs below they will be updated and be available at the same time as it becomes available in the Portal Application.

a. From FS0:

<https://online.hmrc.gov.uk/emcs/download/referencedata>

b. From FS1: <https://online.hmrc.gov.uk/emcs/download/officedata>

The Trader Front End checks for presence of received updates from SEED (via CHRIS & ODS) nightly and if available processes them immediately.

The URLs can be accessed without logging in so are available to anyone with internet access (e.g. including Developers) and not restricted to just those that can Enrol for EMCS (e.g. Traders).

The URLs return a Zipped copy of the XML received by TFE from SEED.

The protocol for calling the URLs is to use a HTTPS GET request (e.g. GET is the standard request a web browser would make if accessing the URL).

There is no graphical presentation to these URLs, they respond by returning the Zip file so 3rd party developers could optionally integrate calls to these URLs as an update request mechanism in their applications either automatically or manually. The response to the Trader or person making the request is entirely dependant on how their client application handles the response.