

Statement on the provision of free Period Products (The Open University in Northern Ireland).

In accordance with our Public Service Duty under The Period Products (Free Provision) Act (NI) 2022, The Open University in Ireland has made provision for the availability of period products in its premises at 110 Victoria Street, Belfast, BT1 3GN.

As per the requirements of the Act and in combination with guidance from the Department for the Economy we conducted a consultation with product users preceding the implementation date of 12 May 2024, the results of which informed our approach.

As a result of this consultation and in response to product user preference, we have made Period Products available free of charge in all bathrooms designated female, gender neutral and disabled/adapted in our premises in open and accessible storage.

Signage informing product users of availability has been erected in suitably visible areas of the premises, including the reception area and bathroom facilities. We will continue to promote the availability of Period Products through our communication channels.

Products users also have access to anonymous reporting, where they can comment or report issues with the service. This form may be accessed [here](#). Additional, confidential feedback can be submitted via the Suggestions Box in the reception area.