

New ELD Policy Submission Methods

What do the different options mean?

Policy Submission Methods explained...

To help you understand what policy submission methods are available in the new ELD and choose which is most appropriate for your organisation.

Direct API

Recommended for smaller submission batches requiring immediate confirmation.

Suitable for online integrations and incremental updates.

JSON submitted within the request body.

Synchronous validation.

'All or nothing' validation – if one policy fails, the entire submission is rejected and no policies are ingested.

Validation errors are visible in the ELD portal and status end-point.

File-Based API

Recommended for larger batches and existing batch processes.

Suitable for migrations, bulk catch-up and scheduled jobs.

Supports pipe-delimited .txt.

Two-step upload via secure SAS URL.

Asynchronous 'per policy' validation – invalid policies are rejected individually.

Validation errors are visible in the ELD portal and status end-point.

Portal – Single Policies

Recommended only for organisations who upload or amend single policies at a time.

Manually create, update or delete single policies via the portal's front-end user interface.

Processing status and validation results will be visible via the user interface in the ELD portal.

Consider your current processes and future needs to help determine which method to use

If you currently...	You will likely need to use...	Because....
Use SFTP file drop for uploading or updating high numbers of policies	One of the new HTTPS API methods	These allow uploads in bulk
Use the ELD portal to upload a number of policies using a file.	One of the new HTTPS API methods	These allow uploads in bulk
Only upload or amend single policies at a time	The portal upload functionality	This will continue to be the simplest way to quickly upload or amend a single policy via a front-end form
If you need...	You will need to use...	Because....
To upload multiple policies	One of the new HTTPS API methods	The portal will no longer allow multiple policy uploads, so API must be used.
Immediate confirmation of submission success	Direct API (JSON)	You'll be able to see immediate status and validation in the ELD portal front-end
To upload data that is based in spreadsheets	File-based API using .txt extension	This method allows a flat, row-per-policy structure, exportable from Excel
To send large volumes of data	File-based API	This method allows for large volumes of data to be transferred and for each policy to be processed line by line.
Update / load a single policy	The portal upload functionality	This method allows you to upload / edit a single policy at a time.

More detailed information covering the changes to policy management can be found here: [ELD Next Gen Knowledge Hub Resources](#)