

TR-1: Standard form for notification of major holdings

### 1. Issuer Details

**ISIN**

GB00B2PDGW16

**Issuer Name**

WH SMITH PLC

**UK or Non-UK Issuer**

UK

### 2. Reason for Notification

An acquisition or disposal of voting rights; Other

**Comments**

Application of Trading Book Exemption (see Section 11 below)

### 3. Details of person subject to the notification obligation

**Name**

Morgan Stanley

**City of registered office (if applicable)**

**Country of registered office (if applicable)**

US

Name	City of registered office	Country of registered office
Morgan Stanley	Wilmington, Delaware	USA

### 4. Details of the shareholder

**Full name of shareholder(s) if different from the person(s) subject to the notification obligation, above**

**City of registered office (if applicable)**

**Country of registered office (if applicable)**

### 5. Date on which the threshold was crossed or reached

20-Jan-2026

### 6. Date on which Issuer notified

22-Jan-2026

### 7. Total positions of person(s) subject to the notification obligation

	% of voting rights attached to shares (total of 8.A)	% of voting rights through financial instruments (total of 8.B 1 + 8.B 2)	Total of both in % (8.A + 8.B)	Total number of voting rights held in issuer
Resulting situation on the				

date on which threshold was crossed or reached	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0
Position of previous notification (if applicable)	1.205519	4.085816	5.291335	

## 8. Notified details of the resulting situation on the date on which the threshold was crossed or reached

### 8A Voting rights attached to shares

Class/Type of shares ISIN code(if possible)	Number of direct voting rights (DTR5.1)	Number of indirect voting rights (DTR5.2.1)	% of direct voting rights (DTR5.1)	% of indirect voting rights (DTR5.2.1)
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Sub Total 8.A	0		0.000000%	

### 8B1. Financial Instruments according to (DTR5.3.1R.(1) (a))

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise/conversion period	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted	% of voting rights
Sub Total 8.B1				

### 8B2. Financial Instruments with similar economic effect according to (DTR5.3.1R.(1) (b))

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise/conversion period	Physical or cash settlement	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
Sub Total 8.B2					

## 9. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation

2. Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entities (please add additional rows as necessary)

Ultimate controlling person	Name of controlled undertaking	% of voting rights if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	% of voting rights through financial instruments if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	Total of both if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold
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## 10. In case of proxy voting

Name of the proxy holder

The number and % of voting rights held

The date until which the voting rights will be held

## 11. Additional Information

The notification was triggered due to Morgan Stanley's total applicable holding dropping below 5%. As a result, Morgan Stanley has applied the trading book exemption (DTR 5.1.3R(4)) to its remaining applicable holding of 4.596553% as of 20/01/2026.

## 12. Date of Completion

22-Jan-2026

## 13. Place Of Completion

Mumbai

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