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# Moving goods via ports in the Netherlands and Belgium

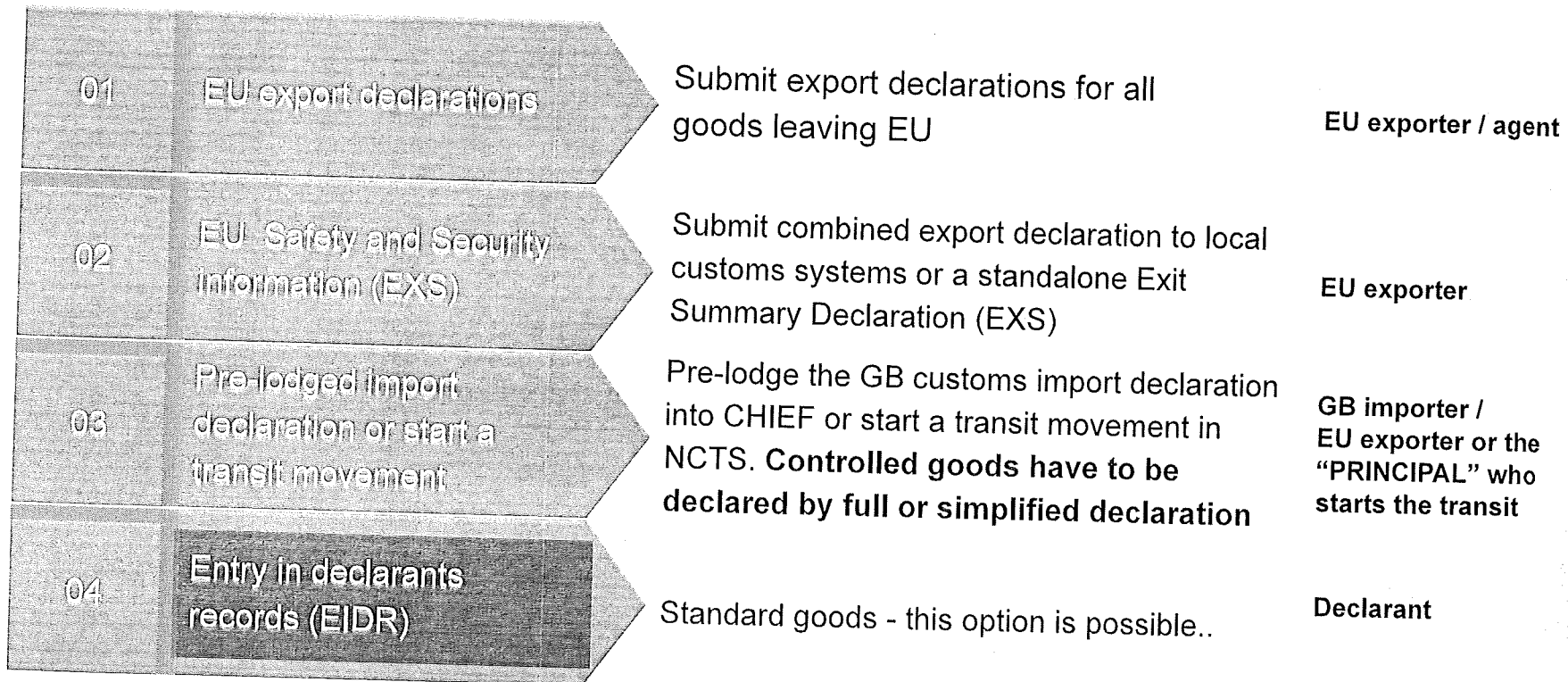
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## Top issues for exporting goods from the EU

- Operators must provide the correct information on the type of document at the time of booking:
  - e.g. transit document vs export document
- General quality of documents and data
- Ex works contracts where the buyer cannot be accepted as the exporter of the goods
- Knowledge of origin rules under the Trade and Cooperation Agreement (TCA)

# EU to GB movement - customs



 Document accuracy

- **NCTS** - Box 51 not to be left blank - should always be the next office outside of GB. *French officials have given the go ahead to refer to both Calais and Dunkirk codes in box 51 of NCTS for freight from Dover - this is a **temporary fix** and is for the Calais - Dunkirk route only*
- HMRC and Border Force are working together to improve some of the checks carried out before transit documentation at offices of departure/inland border facilities. Transit Manual Supplement will be updated to include clearer guidance on Box 44
- Box 44 should be completed dependent on the type of goods and where they are going rather than mandatory in all cases. HMRC and Border Force have worked together to clarify when checks would be required, and the Transit Manual Supplement will be updated as follows:
- Box 44 – Compulsory if held (Field is mandatory for GB goods). To be completed if the regulations require additional information. Enter as appropriate: • UK Export - an Export declaration reference if held • “TGB” for GB domestic goods moving between GB and NI • If moving Goods following Temp Storage o MRN number of the previous transit movement, or o Temporary storage number Check for any customs approvals or previous documents. (Sometimes put here instead of box 40)

Inland Border Facilities (IBF) in  
GB

- To start or end a CTC movement
- CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora) checks
- An ATA Carnet or TIR Carnet to be stamped

Tell HMRC you are attending an IBF in advance through GOV.UK or download the app [here](#).

Information to be provided includes:

- arrival time
- any LRNs, MRNs and reference numbers
- the Vehicle Registration Number
- driver's phone number

On arrival, take your documents to the front office, where there'll be a coronavirus (COVID-19) restricted waiting area. Expert staff are available at all IBFs to help with any issues

## EU-GB movement- checklist

Exporter	Importer	Haulier
✓	✓	✓
✓		✓
	✓	
✓		
✓	✓	

Get an EORI number - GB or EU or both

Export declarations and/or start a transit movement

EIDR or pre-lodge an import declaration or end the transit movement

Export Health Certificate (EHC) or a Phytosanitary Certificate (PC) or both

Common Health Entry Document (CHED)

# EU to GB imports - the phased approach

## 1 January 2021

- Declarations and controls are for excise and controlled goods (made by full declaration or by Customs Freight Simplified Procedures (CFSP) if authorised)
- For standard goods - an entry in declarants records (EIDR) or use CFSP - with a 6 month rolling postponement of the supplementary declaration
- And 6 months deferred payment
- There is no entry summary (safety and security) declaration requirement
- Physical checks will be at the goods' destination for high risk veterinary and phytosanitary goods

## 1 April 2021

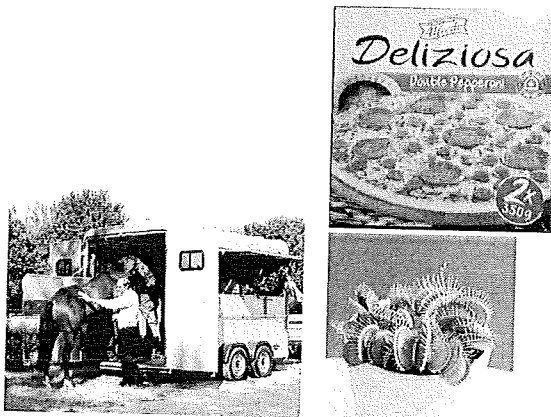
- Pre-notification of all:
  - Products of animal origin (POAO)
  - High risk food & feed not of animal origin
  - Regulated plants and plant products

## 1 July 2021

- Safety and security declarations requirements start
- Full customs declarations, or use of simplified procedures if authorised to do so and the payment of relevant tariffs at import
- Control of veterinary and sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) goods at GB Border Control Posts (BCPs)

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# What is SPS?



Needs a PhytoSanitary (PC) certificate:

- Meat and meat products
- Composite products
- Live animals
- Live plants for planting



No certificate needed:

- Processed plant products (e.g. tomato sauce)
- Packaged plant products (e.g. fresh salads)

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# EU to GB imports for SPS goods - staged approach

## 1 January 2021

- Physical checks at destination for high risk veterinary and phytosanitary goods including live animals
- Pre-notification and phytosanitary certificates for 'high priority' plants and plant products
- Pre-notification and health certificates will be required for live animals. Products of Animal Origin (POAO) subject to safeguard measures will need pre-notification by the GB importer and the relevant EHC
- Catch certificates required for imports of fish

## 1 April 2021

- Pre-registration and EHC for all:
  - Products of animal origin (POAO)
  - High risk food not of animal origin
  - Regulated plants and plant products

## 1 July 2021

- Control of veterinary and sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) goods at GB Border Control Posts (BCPs)

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## In summary

- Traders of SPS goods need to understand the additional requirements attached to their goods
- Transporters of SPS goods need to understand the authorisations needed for the products they are moving and that the border they are moving them through is authorised for them, if required.
- Equally, traders moving products which do NOT need SPS controls need reassurance that their goods are exempt (e.g. tomato puree producers)
- The gov.uk content on this subject is comprehensive - start here
  - [Animals and animal products](#)
  - [Plants and plant products](#)

## Case study 2: Exporting auto-parts by unaccompanied trailer from Belgium via the Port of Zeebrugge to GB Jan 2021 - temporary storage model - ILP

6a. Heather has also supplied the data set for temporary storage via the Inventory Linked system - recording the port of arrival. Heather ensures that the booking accurately reflects the pre-logged entry, (e.g. packages, weights) and sends the information to Mark  
 6b. Heather creates the Inventory Consignment Reference (ICR) and sends to Frank  
 6c. Manifest transmitted on departure to inventory system  
 6d. Ferry operator has automatic EDI links to Inventory system (CSP).  
 6e. Unique Consignment Number (UCN) is automatically created and all units have a status of "on hold".  
 \*\* unless goods moving under simplified procedures - these will not be on hold  
 6f. On receipt of the UCN, goods are now on the manifest arrival message.

10a. Vessel arrives in UK and message is the discharge of unit : CSP auto notified via unit unloaded message.  
 10b. "Goods arrived" message sent via CSP to CHIEF.  
 10c. Entry route advised automatically from CHIEF to the CSP  
 \*\*Goods must arrive at TS facility before the end of the next working day following arrival in the port.

1. Luc runs a distribution depot for auto-parts in Belgium - he receives an order from Heather, a buyer for several large DIY chains.

2. Luc has already taken the necessary steps for authorisation (e.g. registering for an EU EORI number, and is registered with RX Seaport).

3. Luc has contracted Frank's Logistics company to move the goods and complete the export formalities.

4. Frank has placed an order and receives a booking number from the shipping company and is using the RX Seaport Port Community Service.

5a. Frank submits the Export Declaration to Customs (PLDA) indicating Brussels as Office of Export  
 5b. He receives the unique MRN number of the EAD.  
 5c. He communicates this MRN to the shipping company together with his booking number.

7a. Frank delivers the trailer to the port and communicates his booking number  
 7b. Frank has received the Inventory Consignment Reference (ICR) number from Heather and supplies the ICR with the trailer

11a. Heather claims UCN and links the import declaration in CHIEF with claimed UCN.  
 11b. Heather ensures that goods have been declared prior to collection from the arrival terminal  
 \*\*Unless customer has advised FO that they are using simplified procedure.  
 11c. Heather or her agent has CSP connection and a CHIEF badge code the three-digit code which is used to assign UCN to.

12a. Mark applies for "cleared unit"  
 12b. Heather has submitted the "presentation and TS declaration"  
 12c. Heather has received permission from HMRC to remove the goods via the CSP generated "release note"  
 \*\*Border Force / National Clearance Hub (NCH) may request further detail.

13. Heather pays the VAT and duties through the normal procedures.

9. Exit confirmation is sent to Frank by PLDA.

8a. Notice of arrival is sent to PLDA by the terminal operator via mentioning of the trailer ID and the MRN (or MRNs if more than one shipment on the trailer) => pairing of Export Dec to trailer in PLDA.  
 8b. Trailer loaded to vessel and vessel departs.  
 8c. The loading report is lodged by the cargo handler  
 8d. The Notification of Departure is sent by the port authority to PLDA



Unaccompanied freight

- Mark - UK trailer operator
- Luc - auto-parts distributor
- Heather - distributor / declarant - she is also inventory linked
- Frank - authorised consignor / trailer operator
- Ferry Operator (FO)
- Temp Storage / ILP and Community Service Provider (CSP) connection to CHIEF
- PLDA (PaperLess Douane en Accijnzen)

