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1. Key updates

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NEW [EU adopts 'adequacy' decisions allowing data to continue flowing freely to UK: 28/06](#)

- UK businesses and organisations will benefit from unrestricted personal data transfers

Importing and exporting

NEW [EU VAT e-commerce package: updated 30/06](#)

- The EU's e-commerce package introduced changes from 1 July for the movement of goods from Northern Ireland to the EU and imports of low value goods into the EU or NI.
- The changes will affect businesses:
 - selling or supplying goods from NI to non-VAT registered customers in the EU
 - making supplies of goods from the EU to non-VAT registered customers in NI
 - sending low value goods to Northern Ireland or the EU from outside the EU and Northern Ireland - including from Great Britain (England, Scotland and Wales)
 - non-EU businesses with goods located in Northern Ireland at the point of sale
- The package also introduces new rules for supplies made through online marketplaces that facilitate the sale of goods:
 - located in Northern Ireland or the EU by non-EU businesses to non-VAT registered customers in EU and Northern Ireland consumers
 - from Great Britain to consumers in Northern Ireland and the EU

NEW [Letters to businesses about importing and exporting goods between Great Britain and the EU: updated 08/07](#)

- HMRC letters to VAT-registered businesses in Great Britain trading with the EU, highlighting the rules and actions for importing goods from or exporting goods to the EU.

Moving goods

NEW

- [The Border Operating Model: updated 20/07](#)
- [The Border with the European Union: Importing and Exporting Goods: July 2021](#)

Visiting the UK and EU

NEW [Travel abroad from England during coronavirus: updated 19/07](#)

[Travel to England from another country during coronavirus: updated 19/07](#)

[Red, amber and green list rules for entering England: updated 19/07](#)

[NHS COVID pass: updated 26/07](#)

- From 19 July, arrivals who have been fully vaccinated with an NHS administered vaccine in the UK (plus 14 days), or are on a formally approved UK vaccine clinical trial, returning to England from amber list countries will no longer need to quarantine – passengers will need to provide proof of their vaccination status to carriers in advance of travel.

[The tour must go on! A guide to touring across Europe for UK performing artists and companies](#)

- Arts Admin UK has created a simple, practical guide to support UK-based individual artists and small companies working in theatre, dance and live art to tour work across Europe.

Northern Ireland

NEW [Northern Ireland protocol - next steps: 21/07](#)

- Details of the UK's proposed approach on the Protocol, which the UK government agreed together with the EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement.

International Trade

NEW [Subsidy Control Bill: 30/06](#)

- Information relating to the introduction of the Subsidy Control Bill in June 2021.

2. EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement

[Summary: The UK's new relationship with the EU: updated 02/07](#)

- The UK has left the EU and the transition period has now ended.

EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement

[Brexit checker: new rules are here](#)

[EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement](#)

[EU-UK trade and cooperation agreement: Council adopts decision on conclusion: 29/04](#)

[Summary explainer](#)

- The United Kingdom and the EU have agreed to unprecedented 100% tariff liberalisation.
- No tariffs or quotas on the movement of goods we produce between the UK and the EU.
- The first time the EU has agreed a zero tariff zero quota deal with any other trading partner.
- No import duties or taxes on goods temporarily admitted for display at exhibitions and/or for cultural purposes.
- Provisions to support trade in services (including financial services and legal services).
- The Agreement includes commitments on short-term business visitors; intra-corporate transferees; contractual service suppliers; and independent professionals.
- This includes the ability for UK short-term business visitors to travel to the EU for 90 days in any 180-day month period for specific activities, set out in the annex (page 745).
- Provisions for short term business visitors are on page 89 of the Agreement, and for Contractual Service Suppliers and Independent Professionals on page 90, with the list of permitted activities is on page 745 (STBV), page 749 (CSS), and page 751 (IP).
- Additional detail on the individual programmes the UK is intending to participate in - Horizon Europe, Euratom Research and Training, and Copernicus - will be included in a protocol to the main Agreement at a later date.

European Commission publications

- [The EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement](#)

3. Moving cultural objects to the EU

Before sending objects

- [Check if you need a CITES permit: updated 28/05](#)
- Use [designated point of entry or exit](#): present documents to Border Force for endorsement
- [Exporting or importing objects of cultural interest: updated 31/12](#)
- Check if you need a [firearms permit](#)

Importing and exporting

- [Check if you need to declare goods you take into or bring out of the UK](#)
- [Apply to import goods temporarily to the UK: updated 03/06](#)
- [Take goods temporarily out of the UK: ATA carnet](#)
- [ATA Carnet](#)
- [Check you can get import duty relief on goods using Temporary Admission: updated 11/05](#)

Work permits and visas

- [Check if your passport is valid](#)
- [Check if you need a work permit or visa when working in the EU, EEA and EFTA states](#)

4. Permits and licences

CITES permits

[Import or export endangered species: check if you need a CITES permit: updated 28/05](#)

- CITES documents needed to move specimens between Great Britain and the EU, and GB and NI, for species listed in Annexes A to D.
- For CITES specimens moving from GB to NI, and from NI to GB, the checks will be in NI.
- Use [designated point of entry or exit](#); present documents to Border Force for endorsement.
- Eurostar is **not** a designated port for CITES.
- [Musical instrument certificate: FED0172](#)
- [Endangered species: apply for a travelling exhibition certificate](#)

Exporting and importing CITES specimens

- [Trading CITES-listed specimens through UK ports and airports: updated 05/03](#)

Through Eurotunnel

- *Export* - go to **Ebbsfleet** or another suitable [designated point of entry and exit sea port](#)
- *Import* - go to **Ashford Waterbrook** immediately after you arrive

Through Dover

- *Export or import* - go to **Dover Western Docks**.

Cultural object licences

[Exporting or importing objects of cultural interest: updated 31/12](#)

[Arts Council England Export Licensing Unit temporary procedure: updated 23/12](#)

- The issued licence will be posted in hard copy to the name and address shown in the Applicant box. Attach an electronic copy of the issued export licence to your Export Declaration and send it to HMRC's National Clearance Hub through CHIEF.
- The NCH will check the licences and declarations and if all is in order will notify ACE that Permission to Proceed (P2P) has been given so that the ACE can close that licence.
- Exporters should retain a physical copy of the licence to present to Border Force if asked.

Firearms

- [European firearms requirements: 31/12](#)
GB residents are no longer able to use a European Firearms Pass.

5. Importing and exporting

Customs

[New rules for importing and exporting goods: 12/05](#)

[Check if you need to declare goods you take into or bring out of the UK](#)

[Check customs and duties procedures for exporting goods](#)

- [Import, export and customs for business](#)
- [Export goods from the UK: step by step](#)
- [Import goods into the UK: step by step](#)
- [Guides to importing and exporting goods between Great Britain and the EU: 09/02](#)
- [New timeline for border control processes on import of goods: 11/03](#)
- [EU business: importing from the UK: updated 09/07](#)
- [EU business: exporting to the UK: updated 09/07](#)
- [Customs, VAT and Excise UK transition legislation: updated 21/07](#)
- [EU VAT e-commerce package: updated 30/06](#)
- [Letters to businesses: importing and exporting goods: GB and the EU: updated 08/07](#)

Customs intermediaries

- [Customs intermediaries](#) can make customs declarations for your business.
- [List of customs agents and fast parcel operators: updated 22/07](#)
- If you get an intermediary, you will still:
 - be responsible for paying any taxes or duties owed
 - be responsible for providing details about your transactions to your intermediary
 - need to [apply for an EORI](#) number. An intermediary can't apply for an EORI on your behalf and they will need this to complete your customs declarations. It takes 5 to 10 minutes to apply and you will normally receive it in under a week.
- For more information, you can:
 - watch videos, sign up for email alerts and register for [webinars](#)
 - watch short films about [how a customs agent or intermediary can help you](#) and [getting someone to deal with customs for you – how freight forwarders can help](#).

Temporary admission

[Apply to import goods temporarily to the UK: updated 03/06](#)

- Import goods into the UK and use them for up to 2 years or more, before re-exporting them

[List of goods applicable to oral and by conduct declarations](#)

- List of goods which can be declared orally or by conduct at the point of import.

[Take goods temporarily out of the UK: ATA carnet](#)

- Apply to get an ATA Carnet

[Check if you can get import duty relief on goods using Temporary Admission: updated 11/05](#)

[Reference document for Temporary Admission: eligible goods & conditions for relief: updated 16/04](#)

- Find out if full relief from import duty available for goods temporarily imported into the UK.

[Check if you need a customs guarantee: updated 02/03](#)

[Customs comprehensive guarantee: 21/10](#)

- Customs guarantees to enter goods into a customs special procedure and defer duty.

Ongoing customs movements

[Ongoing customs movements and procedures at the end of transition period: updated 15/03](#)

- What to do if you're moving goods or have goods in customs procedures.

Customs practicalities

- [Get an EORI number](#)

- [Get someone to deal with customs for you: updated 27/04](#)
- [Delaying declarations for EU goods brought into Great Britain: updated 28/06](#)
- [Bringing goods to the UK from the EU through roll on roll of ports: 11/10/19](#)
- [List of controlled goods imported into GB from the EU: updated 16/03](#)

VAT and tax issues

- [Returned Goods Relief: updated 09/07](#)
- [Pay no customs duty and VAT on importing museum and gallery exhibits: 27/05/20](#)
- [Refunds of UK VAT for non-UK businesses or EU VAT for UK businesses: updated 04/06](#)
- [VAT and overseas goods sold in GB using online marketplaces: updated 14/05](#)
- [VAT and overseas goods sold directly to customers in the UK: updated 14/05](#)
- [Exports, sending goods abroad and charging VAT: updated 31/12](#)
- [EU business: taxes and tariffs: updated 09/07](#)
- [VAT on the goods you export: updated 31/12](#)
- If you sell, send or transfer goods out of the UK you do not normally need to charge VAT on them in the UK. You can zero-rate most exports from:
 - Great Britain to a destination outside the UK
 - Northern Ireland to a destination outside the UK and EU.
- If you incorrectly charge UK VAT on exports of goods, your customers may also have to pay VAT in the country where the goods are imported.
- Different rules may apply in different countries. Therefore, it's important that you understand the import VAT rules of each EU country that you sell to.

Rules of Origin

- [Rules of Origin for goods moving between the UK and the EU: updated 22/04](#)
- [Short explainer document](#)
- To export tariff-free into the EU traders must check their goods meet the Rules of Origin requirements set out in the EU-UK TCA and have the right documentation.
 - [How to claim preferential \(zero\) tariffs](#) and the documentation to complete.
 - Guidance on [meeting Rules of Origin when trading with the EU](#).
 - Check the [TCA legal text](#) to see which rules apply to your goods (Chapter 2 as well as Annexes ORIG-1 to ORIG-4 will be most useful).

Imports and exports: general enquiries

- If you have a specific questions about importing, exporting or customs reliefs call HMRC's Customs and International Trade helpline on 0300 322 9434 from 8am to 10pm Monday to Friday and from 8am to 4pm at weekends.
- You can also [send HMRC your questions or webchat](#).

Other support available includes:

- [HMRC's YouTube channel](#) where you can watch videos to familiarise yourself with the new customs processes and what you need to do before you trade goods with the EU.
- If you buy goods from the EU, or send or sell goods to the EU for your business, the [Rules of Origin recorded webinar](#) will help you understand the process and what you need to do.

6. Moving goods

Border Operating Model

[The Border Operating Model: updated 20/07](#)

[The Border with the European Union: Importing and Exporting Goods: July 2021](#)

[The Border Operating Model Case Studies](#)

[2025 UK Border Strategy: 17/12](#)

- UK export licences don't need to be physically endorsed by Border Force. Hauliers should retain a physical copy of the licence and present to Border Force if requested.

Transportation

- [New border requirements for moving goods to and from the EU: 12/05](#)
- [Carry out international road haulage: updated 22/07](#)
- [Brexit Transition: Moving goods from Great Britain to Northern Ireland: 23/03](#)
- [Transport goods GB-EU: guidance for hauliers & commercial drivers: updated 13/05](#)
- [International road haulage: HGV driver documents: updated 20/04](#)
- [ECMT international road haulage permits: updated 17/02](#)
- [Haulier advice site locations: updated 24/07](#)
- [Attending an inland border facility: updated 08/06](#)
- [Get a COVID-19 test if you are an HGV or van driver: updated 19/07](#)

Goods Vehicle Movement Service

- [Register for the Goods Vehicle Movement Service: updated 24/05](#)
 - [How move goods through ports that use Goods Vehicle Movement Service updated 04/07](#)
 - [List of ports using the Goods Vehicle Movement Service: updated 09/07](#)
- Register, and find out what you need to do, to get your goods through customs.

ATA Carnet

- [Take goods temporarily out of the UK: ATA carnet](#)
- [How to use your ATA Carnet: How to use: updated 23/12](#)
- [London Chamber of Commerce and Industry ATA Carnet guidance](#)

Eurotunnel or Dover

- [Attending an inland border facility: updated 08/06](#)

Export through Eurotunnel or Dover

- To have your ATA Carnet processed, go to **North Weald Airfield; Ebbsfleet; or Sevington**

Import through Eurotunnel

- Go to **Stop 24**, alternatively to **Sevington**.

Import through the Port of Dover

- Go to **Dover Western Docks**, alternatively **Sevington or Ashford Waterbrook**

Holyhead

- [Moving goods through the Port of Holyhead: updated 24/03](#)
Go to Holyhead Interim Inland Border Facility Service, Parc Cybi, Kingsland, Holyhead

Common transit or EU transit

- [Moving your goods to common or EU transit countries: updated 28/06](#)
How to move your goods to [EU countries](#) and [common transit convention countries](#)

Border and Protocol Delivery Group: Webinars

- [Border and Protocol Delivery Group Border Event: Landbridge and Short Straits: 29/01](#)
- [Border and Protocol Delivery Group Border Event: Direct Maritime Routes: 29/01](#)

7. Visiting the UK and EU

Visiting Europe

- [Travel abroad from England during coronavirus: updated 19/07](#)
- [Touring Europe: checklists for arts, cultural, creative, and heritage sectors: updated 02/06](#)
- [Working & touring in Europe: guidance for visual arts, art market and museums: 07/05](#)
A checklist for working or touring in the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein.
- [Working in Europe - guidance for the performing arts, theatre, live performance: 07/05](#)
- [Guide to touring Europe for UK performing artists & companies](#)
Arts Admin UK guide to touring work across Europe.

- [Working in Europe - guidance for musicians and accompanying staff: 07/05](#)
 - [Working and touring in Europe - guidance for the fashion sector: 02/06](#)
 - [Visit Europe from 1 January 2021](#)
 - [Visit Europe: Business travel extra requirements](#)
 - [Travelling to Europe for work? Business Travel: An explainer document](#)
 - [Business travel to EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein](#)
 - [Healthcare for UK nationals visiting the EU: updated 12/02](#)
 - [Healthcare when travelling abroad](#)
 - [UK launches Global Health Insurance Card: 11/01](#)
 - [Passport rules for travel to Europe: 20/10](#)
- At least 6 months left on a passport needed to travel to most countries in Europe.

Visiting the UK

- [Travel to England from another country during coronavirus: updated 19/07](#)
- [Visiting the UK as an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen: updated 24/05](#)
- [Immigration rules for visitors: updated 02/07](#)
- [Immigration Rules Appendix Visitor: Permitted Activities: updated 02/07](#)
- [Healthcare for visitors to the UK from the EU: updated 09/03](#)
- [Healthcare for EU citizens living in or moving to the UK: updated 09/03](#)
- [Red, amber and green list rules for entering England: updated 19/07](#)
- [NHS Covid pass: updated 26/07](#)

Coronavirus (COVID-19): employer testing duty: 28/03

- If you are an employer that requires staff to travel regularly across UK borders you must take reasonable steps to facilitate your employees to take tests.
- [Bespoke testing regime unveiled for exempt international arrivals: updated 30/03](#)
[Bespoke testing regimes for exempt groups: updated 22/07](#)
- Testing regime for international arrivals who will be exempt from quarantine for work purposes, including hauliers arriving from outside the Common Travel Area into England.

National Insurance and social security contributions

- [National Insurance for workers from the UK working in EEA or Switzerland: updated 16/07](#)
- [Social security contributions: workers coming to UK from EEA/Switzerland: updated 16/07](#)

8. Northern Ireland

Trading, moving goods and VAT

- [Trading and moving goods in and out of Northern Ireland: updated 28/06](#)
 - [Moving goods into, out of, or through Northern Ireland from 1 January 2021: 07/01](#)
 - [Moving qualifying goods from Northern Ireland to the rest of the UK: updated 13/01](#)
 - [How VAT will apply to goods moving between Great Britain and Northern Ireland: 10/12](#)
 - [Sign up for the Trader Support Service: updated 23/04](#)
- If you move goods between Great Britain and Northern Ireland the Trader Support Service will guide you through any changes due to the implementation of the NI Protocol.
- [Northern Ireland protocol - next steps: 21/07](#)

9. Services

Guides for working in the member states of the EU and EFTA

- [Providing services/business travel to EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein](#)
- [Selling services to the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland & Liechtenstein: updated 11/06](#)

Switzerland

- [Switzerland: providing services and travelling for business: updated 11/06](#)
- [UK-Switzerland Services Mobility Agreement: 22/12](#)

EU businesses

- [EU business: providing services to the UK: updated 08/12](#)
- [EU business: working in the UK: updated 26/02](#)
- [EU business: data protection and copyright: updated 09/07](#)

eCommerce Directive

- [The eCommerce Directive and the UK: updated 18/01](#)

Procurement

[Public-sector procurement: 07/01](#)

- Information on public procurement and contract opportunities on the [Find a Tender Service](#).

10. International trade

Consultations

[Trade with Canada and Mexico: call for input: 18/05](#)

- DIT is analysing feedback from the consultation which is now closed.

[Trade with India: call for input: 25/05.](#)

- DIT has launched a 14-week public consultation on a UK-India free trade agreement.
- Consultation closes 31 August.

Trade agreements

- [The UK's trade agreements](#)
- [UK trade agreements with non-EU countries: updated 19/07](#)

UK Global Tariff

- [Tariffs on goods imported into the UK: updated 08/07](#)
How to check the tariff rates that apply to goods you import.

Subsidies (including EU state aid)

[Complying with the UK's international obligations on subsidy control: updated 24/06](#)

[Subsidy Control Bill: 30/06](#)

[Subsidy control: designing a new approach for the UK: updated 30/06](#)

- Guidance for public authorities explaining the subsidies chapter of the EU-UK Agreement, World Trade Organisation rules on subsidies, and other international commitments.

11. EU settlement scheme

EU Settlement Scheme

- The deadline for applying for most people was 30 June 2021.
- You can still apply [if that deadline did not apply to you, or you have 'reasonable grounds' for not applying by the deadline.](#)

12. Immigration

Recruiting from the EU

- [New plan for immigration: legal migration and border control strategy statement: 24/05](#)
- [Hiring from the EU](#)
- [UK points-based immigration system: employer information: updated 20/07](#)

- [New immigration system: what you need to know: updated 01/07](#)
- [UK points-based immigration system: further details statement: updated 04/08/20](#)
- [Points-based immigration system goes live: 01/12](#)
- [Student Route](#) and [Child Student route](#)
Applications for the new [Skilled Worker route](#) have opened, as have the following routes: Global Talent visa; Innovator visa; Start-up visa; and Intra-company Transfer visa.
- [Graduate route](#)
The new graduate route opened for [graduate visa](#) applications on 1 July 2021. The route will enable international students to remain in the UK to work, or look for work, for two years (three years for doctoral students) after they have completed their studies.

Licensed sponsor

- Register as [a licensed sponsor](#) to be able to hire eligible employees from outside the UK, provided they meet certain [eligibility requirements](#).

EU, EEA and Swiss citizens

- [Introductory guides](#) for those planning to enter the UK.
- [Individual country pages](#) with translated information across 24 EU languages.
- EU, EEA & Swiss nationals who arrived in 2020 should apply to [EU Settlement Scheme](#)

Employer support

- UK employers can sign up to receive email updates on the new immigration system [here](#).
- Home Office Podcast: [Business and the Future of Immigration in 2021](#): independent experts explain the new immigration system and the steps you can take to prepare.
- [Workforce and Labour Supply Handbook](#): The Home Office, in partnership with the Association of Labour Providers (ALP), have created this to help employers and providers of contingent labour understand the new immigration system and ensure compliance with right to work legislation for both existing workers and new recruits.
- [The Right to Work leaflet](#) which employers can share to clarify requirements to EU employees. This provides information for individuals on their rights and obligations depending on when they arrived in the UK.

13. Data protection and intellectual property

Bridging mechanism

[EU adopts 'adequacy' decisions allowing data to continue flowing freely to UK: 28/06](#)

[Using personal data in your business or other organisation: updated 28/06](#)

- UK businesses and organisations will benefit from unrestricted personal data transfers

Intellectual Property

[Intellectual Property after January 2021: updated 15/01](#)

- [Retaining protection in the UK for EU Intellectual Property rights: 04/01](#)
- [Intellectual property and the transition period: updated 31/01/20](#)
- [Orphan works database](#)
- [Protection of databases](#)
- [Copyright: detailed information](#)
- [Collective Rights Management Directive](#)
- [Apply for an EU trademark protection](#)
- [Register a design at EUIPO](#)
- [Protecting your design abroad](#)
- [Registering and renewing .eu domain names in the UK: updated 16/03](#)

14. EU funding and finance

EU funding

- [Getting EU funding: updated 31/12](#)

Funding you can apply for under the current spending framework

- [European Regional Development Fund \(ERDF\)](#)
- [European Social Fund \(ESF\)](#)

Funding you can apply for throughout the next spending framework from 2021 to 2027

- The UK will take part in the Peace Plus programme, and intends to continue participating in the following programmes:
 - [Horizon Europe](#): The UK will associate to [Horizon Europe](#). Association will give UK scientists, researchers and businesses access to funding under the programme on equivalent terms as organisations in EU countries.
 - [Euratom](#)
 - [Copernicus](#)

15. Arts, heritage, tourism and cultural sector

Guidance for DCMS sectors and policy areas

- [Arts, heritage and culture: updated 05/01](#)
- [Tourism: updated 05/01](#)
- [Art market: updated 05/01](#)
- [Creative industries: updated 05/01](#)
- [Guidance for DCMS sectors on the UK's exit from the EU: updated 01/01](#)

16. Business support

[HMRC provides tax and customs support to businesses that trade with Europe: 25/03](#)

- VAT-registered businesses that trade with the EU offered HMRC customs and tax support.

[Trading with the EU and Northern Ireland – SME toolkit](#)

- A new summary of actions SMEs may need to take to trade with the EU is now available.
- Provides an overview of actions to take, outlines support, helplines and resources that may be useful for SMEs, and signposts more detailed guidance on Government websites.

Webinars

- Sign up for live sessions organised by BEIS [here](#), by HMRC [here](#), on trade [here](#).

HMRC customs video guidance

- [What is Customs?](#)
- [What you need to know to bring goods into the UK](#)
- [What you need to know to send goods out of the UK](#)
- [HMRC Brexit transition communications resources: updated 26/05](#)
Information on exporting and importing goods between the EU and GB

HMRC forums

- [Online customer forums](#) on customs, excise, VAT and other tax related issues.

Brexit transition helplines

- [Key business transition actions and the relevant helpline](#)