



Dear Customer

We are writing to update you on safety and security (S&S) requirements for imports and exports. This update includes information on which Exit Summary (EXS) declaration process will need to be followed from 1 October 2021.

In December last year, we sent you our Business Requirements document (v1.0) which gave detailed information on imports into Great Britain and Northern Ireland. We are now attaching an updated version (v3.0) which includes updates for you to be aware of. We have summarised the changes below.

### **If you export goods from Great Britain**

There is already a requirement to submit S&S information for exports from Great Britain. This is normally met by submitting a full export declaration which contains S&S information, or with a standalone Exit Summary (EXS) declaration.

Both types of pre-departure declaration should be submitted on CHIEF for exports from Great Britain.

### **If you export goods in roll on roll off (RoRo) vehicles, or export empties from Great Britain to the EU**

Since 1 January 2021 there has been a requirement to submit S&S information for exports from Great Britain to the EU.

A temporary waiver of this requirement is in place until 30 September 2021, for goods in RoRo vehicles, and for empty vehicles, containers and pallets moving under a transport contract from Great Britain to the EU.

From 1 October 2021, S&S information will be required on **all** movements out of Great Britain, unless permanently exempt.

If you need to submit an EXS declaration, you will need to follow one of two processes depending on which port and mode of transport you use to export from Great Britain:

- You will follow the existing rest of world EXS process if you export through an inventory linked port or for any mode other than RoRo through a non-inventory linked port.
- You will follow a new EXS process for exports if you export through Dover, Holyhead or Eurotunnel or by RoRo via a non-inventory linked location.

You can find more detailed information in the Business Requirements document v3.0, *Section three: Exports from Great Britain*.

You can find more information on [UK ports](#) on GOV.UK.

Updated EXS guidance will be available on GOV.UK for 1 October 2021.



### **If you import goods into Great Britain**

S&S requirements already apply to imports to Great Britain from countries outside of the EU (Rest of World).

From 1 January 2022, S&S requirements will also apply to imports to Great Britain from the EU and an Entry Summary (ENS) declaration will be required.

You can find more detailed information in the Business Requirements document v3.0, *Section two: Imports into Great Britain and Northern Ireland*

Find out what you need to do to [submit ENS declarations](#) on GOV.UK.

### **Responsibility to declare**

The legal responsibility to ensure that the UK customs authority is provided with S&S information lies with the operator of the active means of transport (e.g. the vessel, aircraft, train or road vehicle). They can agree to pass the requirement onto another party.

You can find more detailed information in the Business Requirements document v3.0, *Section three: Exports from Great Britain and on* [GOV.UK](#).

### **More information**

We recommend that you start preparing now for these changes. You can find more information on the current [import and export requirements](#) on GOV.UK.

Yours faithfully,

HMRC Borders and Trade.