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Brexit is DONE! A trade deal AGREED!

But you will still need to follow new rules when exporting to, or importing from the EU. We've compiled some bullet points on the trade deal for you, and adjusted our Checklist below



Brexit deal means ZERO customs duties but customs entries will need to be completed for imports and exports - charges will apply



Customs entries need to be completed in advance of arrival at the origin port to avoid delays



Invoices and packing lists required as well as additional documentation for certain goods. Invoices should be itemised with HS codes as much as possible. https://www.gov.uk/trade-tariff



Shipper and Consignee must have an EORI number. Follow this LINK



Wood packaging should be treated as per the IPSM 15 regulations. Click HERE for link



For shipments to Northern Ireland an additional XI prefixed EORI number is required (should be automatically issued). Click <u>HERE</u>



Its important to also note that the process of moving freight and completing customs documentation for 'standard' shipments is better when handled together. We are happy to be a 'clearing agent' for goods moving with another company, however you may be charged a handover fee, which is potentially an unnecessary added cost. Do talk to us for clarification.

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Your checklist for importing products from the EU (similar documents required for exporting <u>TO</u> the EU).



Apply for an EORI Number

You need to register for an EORI number, which you can do by <u>following this link</u> and you may wish to check with your European suppliers and clients to check they have also registered



Identify your "Reason for Importation"

The majority of the time it will be 'Home Use' which means remaining in the UK for use, or resale, but you can also have temporary requirements like repair or for an exhibition, perhaps that will not remain in the UK. This is <u>NOT</u> applicable for exports to the EU



Collate the correct information in advance from your supplier

For each shipment that is imported, ensure that you have a commercial invoice from your supplier with the following info;

- Shipper/Consignee
- Value of goods and the currency
- Country of Origin
- Net/gross weight
- EORI number yours and theirs

- Number of packages
- Commodity code we can assist with this if you are not sure
- Delivery terms incoterms
- Packaging type (ie carton/pallet)

NOTE - You will require this same information on your export invoice if exporting to the EU

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Continuation of checklist for importing into the UK, or exporting to the EU;



Duty payments to HMRC (according to the agreement this will <u>not apply</u> for EU movements)

Duty may have to be paid on the value of the goods imported – do you have your own deferment account? If not, don't worry, you can use our deferment account at a small charge for seamless delivery



Deliveries arranged and paid for by your supplier

If your goods are paid through by your supplier, you would need to find out who the transport company is so you can instruct them to contact us for clearance instructions – we will provide you with a template for this letter. Many courier companies pre clear goods upon entry into the UK, which if entered incorrectly can create a compliance headache for you. We can help manage this process to keep you within the law—but beware of handover fees for standard imports/exports.



Understanding HS Codes / Commodity Codes

You can access the .Gov website HERE for information harmonised system codes for products



Don't Panic! Contact SFS.

We are here to support and help you. We complete customs declarations for imports and exports to/from the EU every day, for many controlled goods already outside of the free trade agreement.

We also support hundreds of clients with imports and exports to/from outside the EU, every day. You're in good hands.

We have a dedicated <u>pdf Presentation 'Brexit Update'</u>, and our team is available at all times to discuss your requirements or concerns. You can email us directly with <u>this link</u>











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Brexit is DONE. Are you ready?

Much of the information required for importation, also applies to export. If you currently export to the EU, we can also complete declarations for this, and the information required from you is similar to import.

If you do not provide this information, you may face delays exporting your shipments

On the checklist, point no.3 refers to a commercial invoice and what information is required on it. You will need to provide this information on your invoice for export purposes. This is always required in advance to avoid delay.

If you would like Southampton Freight Services Ltd to prepare customs declarations on your behalf there is, on the following page, a declaration you can complete giving us authorisation to legally declare to HMRC on your behalf.

There is no limit on the number of companies who can do this for you, so there is no obligation as such, simply authorisation should you require.









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Authority for Southampton Freight Services Ltd (Customs Clearance Agent) to act as a Direct representative

I, (Name) (i)
Having authority to sign on behalf of (A) Company
(EORI no.)(ii)
Hereby appoint (B) Southampton Freight Services Ltd to act on behalf of the entity named at (A) above in the capacity of a Direct representative in accordance with Articles 18 and 19 of Regulation (EU) No. 952/2013.
This authorisation is applicable to all consignments arriving or departing from the UK.
This Appointment applies with effect from the date of signature until revoked by the entity named at (A) above.
The entity (A) named above authorises the customs agent named at (B) to delegate customs clearance to sub agents as a Direct Representative of the declarant in all dealings with HMRC where circumstances necessitate.
The entity named in (A) authorises their representative, the customs agent named at (B), to declare goods to HMRC usin
Deferment Approval Number:
VAT Number:
Note: In accordance with the Union Customs Code, a Direct representative acts in the name of and on behalf of another person. In relation to import/export declarations, the importer/exporter will be liable for any customs debt arising from the declaration
Signed:
Position:
Dated:





