



Keep your
business
moving

Manage Customs with Confidence

Although the United Kingdom has officially been out of the EU for almost an entire year, the new customs procedures are still posing challenges to many companies.

We have worked to stay on top of post-Brexit customs regulations and strive to offer the most reliable customs clearance services to help keep your business running efficiently.

These 5 steps will help you take control of your customs clearance and operate UK-EU transport with confidence.

5-STEP GUIDE TO SUCCESSFUL CUSTOMS CLEARANCE



Deliver information on time

Deliver the correct information to the terminal authorities on time, everytime, to ensure you can move your products smoothly over the borders.



Decide who will manage your customs

Whether it's you, DFDS or a customs broker, be sure to establish who is responsible for managing your customs.



Connect with the digital port platforms

Connect with Portbase in the Netherlands and Destin8 in the UK to submit import and export agreements and verify that information is correct in advance.



Documentation of your goods

Gather all the correct information about your goods and be sure to have your booking with you at the terminals.



Keep up-to-date on changing requirements

Monitor the web pages of relevant authorities and keep in touch with your logistics provider to stay updated on the latest customs requirements.

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New regulations to be aware of that go into effect October 1st, 2021

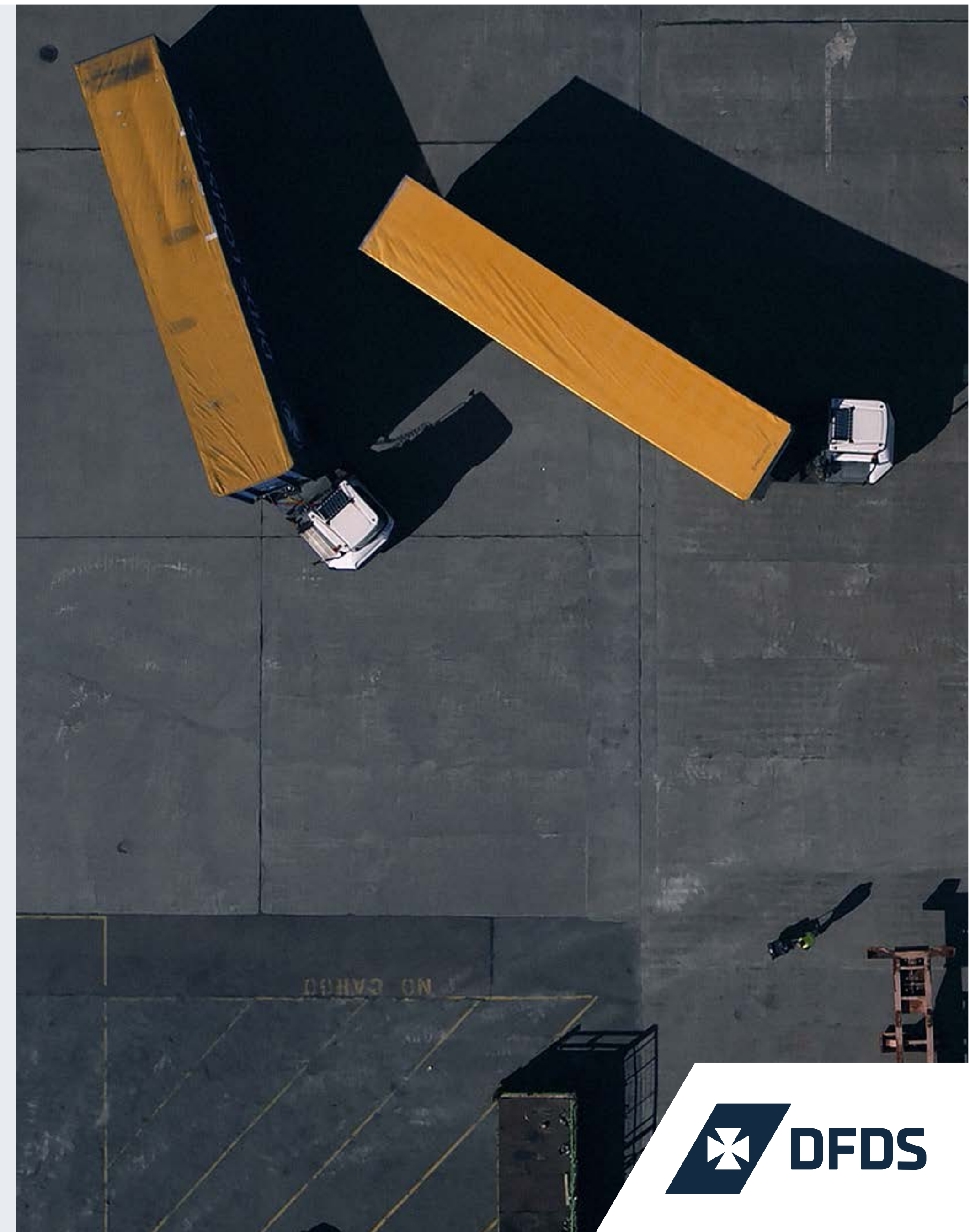
Exit Summary Declarations (EXS) will be required on transport from the UK to the EU

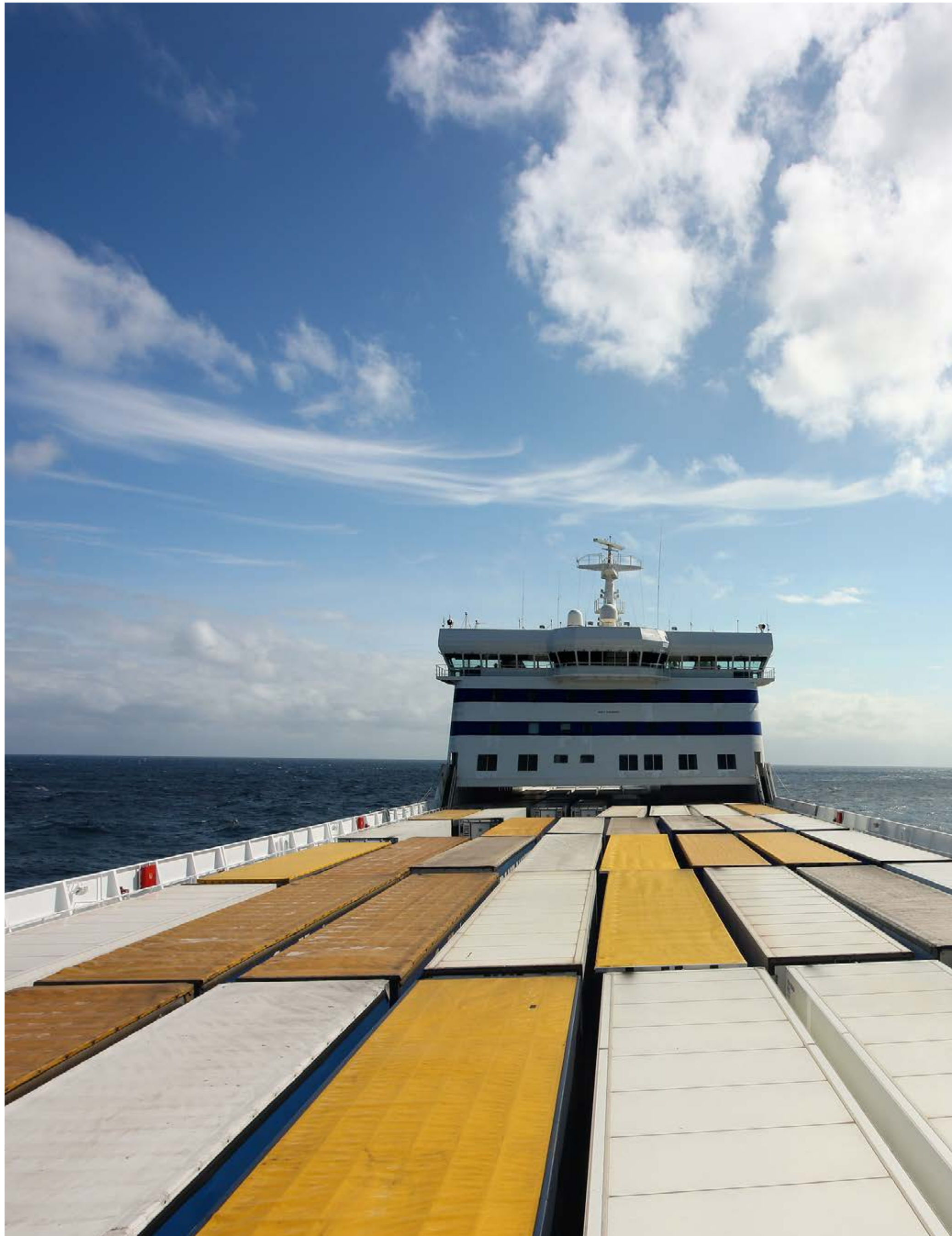
- With the temporary waiver expiring, an EXS must be submitted in CHIEF for empty units, empty return packaging, stillages and pallets. A similar procedure will be required for shipping loaded units.
- We've developed an automated electronic method to help with the completion and submission of declarations for empty trailers and return packaging. The other option is that you or your customs agent raise the declaration and then inform DFDS of the declaration reference (Unique Consignment Reference - DUCR) via EDI or DFDS MyFreight before the unit or vehicle arrives at the terminal.
- You must present your declaration to customs authorities prior to export

Visit the [UK government's website](#) for more detailed guidance on EXS

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Notification of veterinary cargo from the EU to the UK

- The importer or agent must notify the Animal Plant Health Agency (APHA) of their import from the EU to the UK via the Import of Products, Animals, Food, and Feed system (IPAFFS). This applies to food and beverage products of animal origin, animal by-products and compound foods.
- Notifications must be submitted in IPAFFS at least one working day before the consignment is due to arrive (can submit up to 30 days in advance). You must also upload any documents accompanying the consignment, including a health certificate and a signed copy of CHED-P.
- You must upload all commercial documents, including invoice, packing list and bill of lading (or CMR waybill), and any other documents providing the following information:
 - Details of what's in the consignment
 - The name of the person who sent it
 - The name of the person it's being sent to
 - Dates of loading/transfer to the mode of transport

Between October 1st, 2021 and January 1st, 2022, the Port Health Authority will perform remote documentary checks. During this period there will be no customs hold applied to consignments and they will be released for UK trade.

Learn more at [UK.gov](https://www.uk.gov)

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Regulations to be aware of that go into effect January 1st, 2022

1 Physical sanitary and phytosanitary check requirements

Physical sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) checks for POAP, certain ABP and HRFNAO will be required upon border entry and take place at a Border Control Post (BCP)

2 New location for physical SPS checks of high-risk plants

Physical SPS checks of high-risk plants will take place at a BCP rather than at place of destination

3 Requirements for low-risk plants and plant products

Pre-notification requirements and documentary checks, including phytosanitary certificates, will be required for low-risk plants and plant products

4 New rule for customs import declarations

Customs import declarations will still be required, but the option to use the deferred declaration scheme, including submitting supplementary up to six months after the goods are imported, expires January 1st, 2022

5 Entry Summary Declarations (ENS) requirement

Entry Summary Declarations will be required as of January 1st, 2022

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