



Brexit Checklist: Practical steps for businesses moving animals, plants, and products of animal and plant origin to, from or through Great Britain



First steps

- Get an Economic Operators Registration and Identity (EORI) number by registering with [revenue.ie](https://www.revenue.ie)
- Decide who will be the operator responsible for the consignment to handle all paperwork
- Register with the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM) if you are the operator responsible for the consignment and moving any animals, plants, products of animal and plant origin, (including wood and wood products), to, from or through Great Britain
- Use the Department's online registration form [here](#), or email BrexitRegistration@agriculture.gov.ie with queries on registration, or how to amend your registration
- If you move food products of non-animal origin with or through Great Britain, you may need to register with the HSE's Environmental Health Service. See [HSE information on import controls](#)

Imports



- If you import animals, plants, products of animal and plant origin, ensure that the operator responsible for the consignment is registered with the Department. Registration will then be initiated by the Department on the European Commission's online Trade Control and Expert System ([TRACES](#)) for you [here](#)
- You must notify the Department of imports of animals (including fish), plants, and products of animal (including fishery products) and plant origin at least 24-hours before arrival in Ireland. Include all required documentation. Learn more on importing [animal](#) and [plant products](#)
- You must submit catch certificates for wild-caught finfish and fishery products to the Department at least 24-hours before the arrival of the consignment in Ireland. Learn more on importing [here](#)
- Ensure you and your suppliers use [ISPM 15 compliant](#) wood packaging material, including wooden pallets



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Exports



- If you export animals plants, products of animal and plant origin, ensure that the operator responsible for the consignment is registered with the Department through the [online registration form](#)
- Check the UK certification requirements for animals and goods you export to, or through, Great Britain in their [Border Operating Model](#). Please note that UK import requirements are subject to change, and that the UK will introduce a phased approach to import obligations
- From 1 January 2021: live animals, including equines and germinal products, require export health certificates; marine-caught fish and fishery products need IUU (illegal, unreported and unregulated) catch certificates and high priority plants and plant products require a phytosanitary certificate. UK authorities must be notified in advance
- From 1 April 2021: all consignments of products of animal origin, including fish products, must be accompanied by an export health certificate
- Ensure you and your suppliers use [ISPM 15 compliant](#) wood packaging material, such as wooden pallets



Landbridge

- Be aware that there will be new customs and regulatory requirements on animals and goods transiting the landbridge. These consignments are subject to official controls at a designated border control post (BCP) on re-entering the Union
- You must use the Customs transit procedures to move goods through the UK after Brexit and ensure that you understand the Revenue requirements [here](#)
- Consider Customs facilitations such as arranging an [authorised consignee](#), which allow transits to be closed at point of destination. Organise the appropriate financial guarantees for the Customs transit procedures with your banking institution
- As the UK also has Customs and regulatory requirements on transits over the landbridge, stay up-to-date on these requirements, which are subject to change
- With delays expected on the landbridge, consider whether direct ferry connections from Ireland to the continent are an option for you and your business, and talk to the ferry companies

Supports and Resources



- Check out the [Department website](#) for supports and useful explainer resources including recordings of [presentations](#) made by Department officials and details of [upcoming Brexit webinars](#)
- Contact Bord Bia or Bord Iascaigh Mhara where you can find the most appropriate advice and supports available to help you prepare. Bord Bia provide tailored supports and analysis for food companies, in addition to their support programmes on [supply chains and logistics](#), and their dedicated [Customs readiness programme](#)
- Get a personalised report for your business by using Enterprise Ireland's [Brexit Readiness Checker](#)
- Take the Food Safety Authority of Ireland (FSAI) free e-Learning module on food import requirements after Brexit [here](#)
- Farmers, fishers and food businesses can avail of loan schemes through the [Strategic Banking Corporation of Ireland](#)



Government Support and Advice

Department of Agriculture, Food and the

Marine: gov.ie/agriculture/brexit

Email: Brexitcall@agriculture.gov.ie

Dedicated call centre: 076 106 4443

HSE's Environmental Health Service:

hse.ie/eng/services/list/1/environ/prepare-for-brexit/

Email: importcontroldublin@hse.ie

Bord Bia: Bordbia.ie/brexit

Email: brexit@bordbia.ie

Telephone: 01 668 5155

Food Safety Authority of Ireland:

fsai.ie/food_businesses/brexit.html

Email: brexit@fsai.ie

Sea Fisheries Protection Authority: sfpa.ie

Email: sfpa_info@sfpa.ie

Telephone: 023 8859300

Enterprise Ireland: enterprise-ireland.com

Email: brexitunit@enterprise-ireland.com

Telephone: 01 727 2727

Bord Iascaigh Mhara (BIM): bim.ie

Email: info@bim.ie

Telephone: 01 214 4100

Revenue: revenue.ie

Email: brexitqueries@revenue.ie

Telephone: 01 738 3636

Free Customs Training for Businesses:

skillnetireland.ie/clear-customs/

Telephone: 01 2079630

Strategic Banking Corporation of Ireland:

sbci.gov.ie

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