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LANDBRIDGE SANITARY CONTROLS



**IRISH GOODS TRAVELLING THROUGH THE
UNITED KINGDOM FOR ENTRY INTO THE
CONTINENTAL EU VIA FRANCE**

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PRESENTATION

The term “Landbridge” refers to road transit between Ireland and the continental European Union via the United Kingdom. It relates therefore to intra-UE trade in goods travelling through a third country for which sanitary controls will be required on expiry of the transition period that has followed the exit of the United Kingdom from the European Union on 1 February 2020. The aim is to ensure that as many of the checks as possible are dematerialised to ensure that trade can flow smoothly.

This means that starting on 1 January 2021, the following steps will need to be organised:

1. Informing Irish shippers and EU recipients of the new provisions
2. Verification to determine whether goods are subject to sanitary controls
3. Verification that the proposed point of entry is in fact designated as a Border Inspection Post
4. Obtaining a sanitary certificate for intra-EU trade if this is required
5. Initiating the sanitary formalities in TRACES and customs procedures in the Irish transit system, indicating the reference of the Common Health Entry Document (DSCE/CHED TRACES)
6. Verification on departure from Ireland that the goods are accompanied by all necessary documents
7. Taking note of the information provided during the crossing on goods orientation on disembarkation in France
8. Presentation of the goods for sanitary controls where applicable
9. On completion of the controls, finalisation of the customs formalities



EU recipient

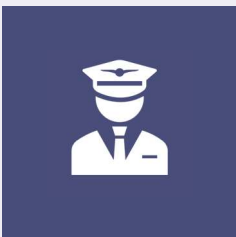


Irish shipper

1 TRADE PREPARATIONS



Initiation of contacts between the Irish shipper and the EU recipient and sharing the information in this document before any goods are shipped.



This will avoid being stopped at the border inspection post due to lack of advance preparation:

- > Absence of sanitary certificate for intra-UE trade;
- > Absence of TRACES prenotification



EU recipient



Irish shipper

2 POINTS TO BE CHECKED
PRIOR TO THE DEPARTURE
OF THE GOODS

ARE THE GOODS SUBJECT TO LANDBRIDGE SANITARY CHECKS?



The following are concerned: live animals, foodstuffs of animal origin and animal by-products



The following are exempted from formalities: plants and plant products and animal feed of non-animal origin



EU recipient



Irish shipper

3 CHOOSING A POINT OF ENTRY INTO FRANCE



Check that the proposed point of entry is in fact designated as a Border Inspection Post.
All categories of animals and goods can be presented at the points of entry shown below:

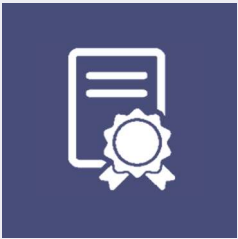


[See the list online \(1\)](#)



Irish shippers

4 SANITARY CERTIFICATION BY THE IRISH AUTHORITIES



Obtain a sanitary certificate for intra-UE trade validated in TRACES by the Irish authorities containing the following:

- > Information on the goods;
- > The entries required by EU regulations;
- > Where applicable, the number of the security seal placed on the consignment.

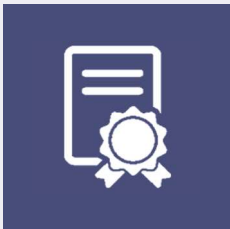
This document must accompany the goods to their destination.



EU recipients or their chosen intermediaries

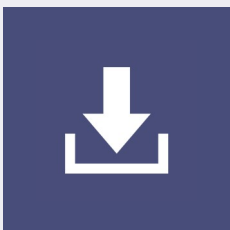
5 INITIATING SANITARY AND CUSTOMS FORMALITIES PRIOR

For this and subsequent operations, it is possible to use the services of an intermediary: this is a person responsible for the consignment, a registered customs representative (French: "RDE"). Forward planning of these procedures will ensure a smoother border crossing.



Prenotify the data on the goods in the European TRACES system to obtain a TRACES Common Health Entry Document (DSCE/CHED) and attach a scanned copy of the UK (phyto)sanitary certificate to the prenotification.

Be in possession of [TRACES access \(5\)](#) and registration as an operator in TRACES for the relevant point of entry.

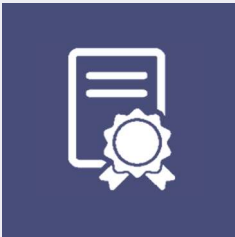


Enter the transit declaration (T2) in the Irish transit system, stating the associated DSCE/CHED TRACES number.

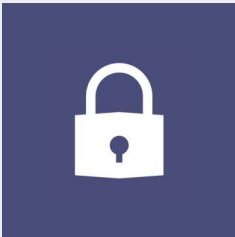


Lorry drivers

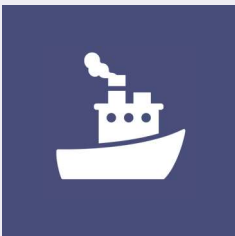
6 CHECKS WHEN BOARDING IN THE UNITED KINGDOM



Check that all commercial documentation and the intra-EU trade sanitary certificate are with the goods and that the associated DSCE/CHED TRACES number has been stated in the customs transit declaration.



If applicable, check that the security seal on the consignment does in fact match the seal entered on the intra-EU trade sanitary certificate.



On boarding, indicate to the ferry company (maritime companies and the Tunnel) that the products are subject to SPS controls. This information is entered in the smart border system by ferry companies (Brexit IS).



Lorry drivers

7 ORIENTATION OF GOODS ON DISEMBARKATION IN FRANCE

If the CHED has been issued before boarding, validation of the transit declaration in DELTA-T, referencing the CHED, to obtain the transit advice note.

ON ARRIVAL IN FRENCH TERRITORY, GET IN THE LANE INDICATED FOR THE VEHICLE LICENCE PLATE:



This will be orange lane if the CHED has not yet been issued by the veterinary and phytosanitary inspection service (SIVEP) (check to be carried out).



Or the green lane if the CHED has already been issued on the basis of a document check alone (automatic issuance of the transit advice note).

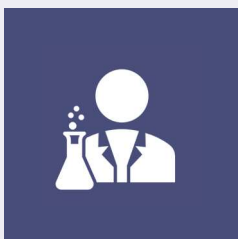


Intermediaries (operators responsible for consignments, registered customs representatives (French – “RDE”))

8 SANITARY CONTROLS AT FRENCH BORDER INSPECTION



Only a document check is required for animals and foodstuffs of animal origin, and the CHED can be issued without going through the BIP if the formalities have been carried out in advance.



Where identity and/or physical checks are required (most notably for animal by-products), the goods must be presented at the BIP.



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9 ON COMPLETION OF THE SANITARY CONTROLS



Following the checks, the declarant sends the CHED by email to the office of transit to obtain the transit advice note.



<https://agriculture.gouv.fr/le-brexite-et-les-controles-sanitaires-et-phytosanitaires>

<https://agriculture.gouv.fr/importation-de-produits-animaux-danimaux-vivants-daliments-pour-animaux-et-de-vegetaux>

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INDEX OF INTERNET LINKS INCLUDED IN THIS DOCUMENT:

- (1) <https://agriculture.gouv.fr/ou-sont-effectues-les-controles-sps-aux-frontieres>
- (2) <https://agriculture.gouv.fr/comment-effectuer-vos-demarches-pour-les-controles-sps-aux-frontieres-systemes-dinformation>