

Welcome to DAERA's EU EXIT Event

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Welcome and Introduction

Dr Denis McMahon
Permanent Secretary, DAERA

EU Exit Stakeholder Event 15 December 2020 Programme

1. Introduction

14.00 Welcome and Introduction
(Dr Denis McMahon, Permanent Secretary, DAERA)

2. The EU-UK agreement in principle on the implementation of the Northern Ireland Protocol

14.10 An overview of what it means for agri-food and plant businesses moving goods from GB to NI from 01 January 2021
(Dr Robert Huey, Chief Veterinary Officer for Northern Ireland)

3. Day 1 Operations

14.25 NI Points of Entry - an overview of infrastructure & facilities, logistics & operations
(Julian Henderson, SPS Operations, DAERA)

14.50 *Questions and Answers*

4. Getting ready for EU Exit – other issues to consider

15.15 An overview of other EU Exit issues to consider
(Alastair James and Graeme Belshaw, DfE)

15.25 *Questions and Answers*

15.50 Round up and closing remarks

16.00 **CLOSE**

Participants will be able to avail of the Q and A facility throughout the event

Moving agri-food goods from Great Britain to Northern Ireland from 1 January 2021

Robert Huey
Chief Veterinary Officer for Northern Ireland

Moving agri-food goods from Great Britain to Northern Ireland from 1 January 2021

- Under the Northern Ireland (NI) Protocol, the UK Government agreed that, following EU exit, NI would continue to align with EU rules for movement of Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) eligible goods into NI.
- These rules are laid down in a key piece of EU legislation known as the Official Controls Regulation (OCR) (Regulation (EU) No.2017/625).

Moving agri-food goods from Great Britain to Northern Ireland from 1 January 2021

- The OCR requires that, in order to protect public health and the health of animals and plants, official controls must be carried out at all points of entry into the common regulatory zone.
- They form part of the EU's biosecurity programme, to allow movement of goods and protection of human health, while avoiding incursion of animal, plant or human diseases.

Moving agri-food goods from Great Britain to Northern Ireland from 1 January 2021

Under OCR, DAERA and the FSA in NI are the Competent Authorities responsible for Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) controls on certain goods coming into Northern Ireland, including:

- Live animals
- Products of Animal origin
- Plants and plant products
- Wood packaging material (must be ISPM 15 compliant)
- DAERA and Local Authorities are responsible for carrying out the necessary checks

What does this mean for agri-food goods arriving into NI from GB?

From 1 January, there will be additional steps you need to follow for moving goods, including:

1. Registering and pre-notifying arrival of a consignment
2. Have Official document from competent authority in GB
3. Making sure the consignment enters via a designated Point of Entry
4. Preparing for potential sanitary and phytosanitary inspections on arrival at Point of Entry inspection facilities (possibility of delays)

Certification required to accompany goods

Official documentation is required before your goods can leave GB:

- EHCs will be required for movements of animal products and live animals.
- Official certificate signed by the operator for retail goods
- Phytosanitary certificates will be required for movements of plants and plant products
- Catch certificates will be required for movement of fish and some fish product
- Official certificates/certificates of conformance will be required for high risk foods and feed not of animal origin
- These certificates are verified by authorised officials before leaving GB

Registering and pre-notifying arrival of consignment

The operator will now be required to pre-notify DAERA of the arrival of your consignment

This requires you to:

- Register on TRACES.NT;
- Pre-notify arrival of your consignment on TRACES.NT by completing electronic documentation;
- TRACES details & training on EU Exit part of DAERA website under useful links.

Ensure your consignment enters via a Point of Entry

- Points of Entry are an inspection facility designated and approved in line with EU legislation for carrying out checks on agri-food goods
- You need to plan your journey to ensure your consignment arrives at the correct Point of Entry for your consignment
- DAERA are working with EU to designate the following as Points of Entry in Northern Ireland:
 - **Belfast Port**
 - **Larne Port**
 - **Warrenpoint Harbour**
 - **Foyle Harbour**

Goods Arriving in Northern Ireland – Routing for Inspection

Current plans for goods each of the designated point of entry:

	Products Of Animal Origin	Plants and Plant Products	Live Animals other than Livestock	Livestock	High Risk Food	High risk feed	Plastic Kitchenware
Belfast	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Larne	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Warrenpoint	✓	✓			✓	✓	
Foyle	✓ (feed only)	✓					
Belfast International Airport	✓ (non human consumption–packed only)						

Sanitary and Phytosanitary Inspections at Points of entry



➤ Documentary checks

- These are specific to the exported good
- Carried out remotely prior to sailing

➤ Identity checks

- This is to confirm that the goods contained within the Document describe those goods carried
- Most of these will be carried out through the checking of an Official Seal carried out in GB ports prior to sailing

➤ Physical checks

- These are carried out at a frequency described in EU legislation at facilities provided at the Points of Entry

Live animals and goods categorised as high risk

- Full compliance from 1st January
- Non compliant goods
 - Re-exported
 - Destroyed
 - Subjected to a treatment to render them safe

Retail Goods

- They are packaged for end consumers and bear a label reading '*These products from the United Kingdom may not be marketed outside Northern Ireland*'.
- They are destined solely for sale to end consumers in supermarkets located in Northern Ireland, and they cannot be sold to other operators of the food chain,
- They are accompanied by a simplified official certificate globally stating the products meet all the import requirements of EU legislation,
- They enter Northern Ireland through a designated place as defined in point (38) of Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council, where they are submitted to a systematic documentary check and to a risk-based identity check on the selection of terms in the means of transport, and
- They are monitored through a channelling procedure applicable from the designated place as defined in point (38) of Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2017.625 of the European Parliament and the Council of the destination supermarket in Northern Ireland.

What exporter of retail goods needs to do for day 1

- Confirm traceability and eligibility of retail goods
- Establish systems that will allow signing of commercial certificate, application and recording of commercial seal
- Prepare TRACES NT for pre-notification
- Prepare for labelling of products
- Prepare for possible delays

Compliance Protocol: retail goods

- Day 1-7 - preparation time, advice
- Day 7 - pre-notification on TRACES NT,
Commercial cert, seal applied
- Day 14 - labelling in place

Rules for chilled mince & preps

- The meat products enter Northern Ireland through a designated place a defined in point (38) of Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council and they are subject to channelling procedure applicable from the designated place to the destination supermarket in Northern Ireland;
- They are sold exclusively to end consumers in supermarkets located in Northern Ireland, and they are not to be sold to other operators of the food chain;
- They are accompanied by official certificates issued by the UK competent authorities (based on similar models already existing for fresh meat, minced meat and meat preparations) and
- They are packed for end consumers, and they bear a label reading 'These products from the United Kingdom may not be sold outside Northern Ireland'.

What exporter needs to do for prohibited or restricted goods from day 1

- Confirm traceability and eligibility of retail goods
- Establish systems that will allow signing of **official** certificate, application and recording of **official** seal
- Prepare TRACES NT for pre-notification
- Prepare for labelling of products
- Prepare for possible delays

Compliance Protocol: Mince and preps

- Day 1-7 - preparation time, advice
- Day 7 - pre-notification on TRACES NT, **Official** cert, seal applied
- Day 14 - labelling in place

Non compliance

- First week - a non-compliance note will be issued
- Day 7 - no document or seal, non-compliant to travel to NI, return to exporter. If reaches NI, re-export or destruction.
- Day 14 - labels not compliant at physical check, re-export or destruction.

What steps can you take to prepare now?

- Familiarise yourself with certification issued by competent authorities in Great Britain
- Get to know your regulations including goods on the prohibited lists
- Register on TRACES.NT
- Follow HMRC guidelines and obtain XI EORI number
- Ensure you are registered as an official operator with DAERA (PH)

Northern Ireland Point of Entry Inspection Facilities from 1 January 2021

Julian Henderson – Imports programme manager

DAERA Veterinary Service Animal Health Group

Northern Ireland Points of Entry

➤ What are they?

- ✓ Facilities approved for the inspection of agri-food goods entering the EU

➤ Where will they be located?

- ✓ DAERA are working with EU to designate Belfast Port, Larne Port, Warrenpoint Harbour and Foyle Harbour as points of entry
- ✓ Belfast International Airport also currently designated

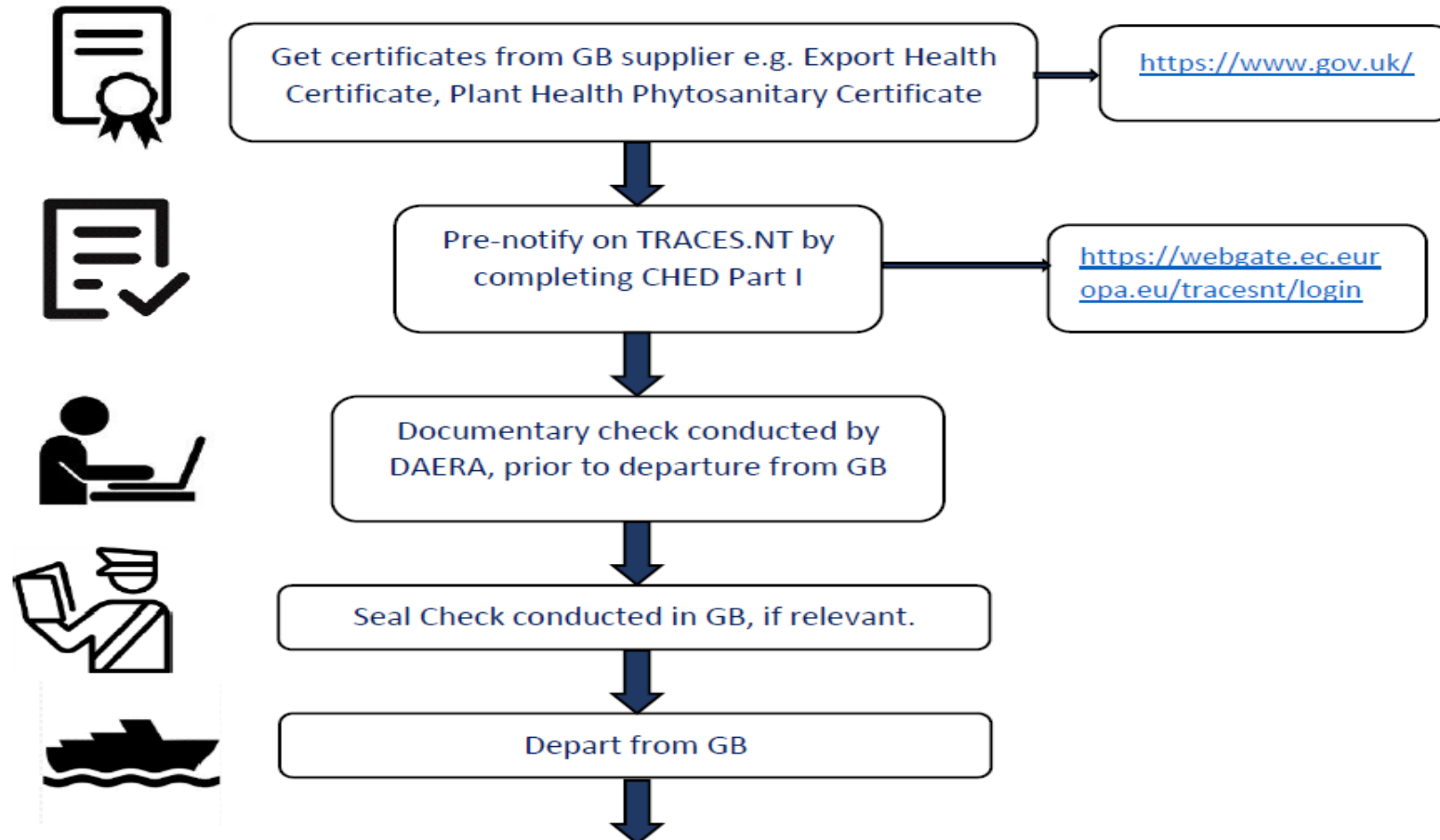
➤ What will take place at a Point of Entry?

- ✓ Sanitary and Phytosanitary inspections of certain goods that are accepted at a specific point of entry

Contingency Arrangements

- Plans for new infrastructure at all four portal Points of Entry
- Interim measures for physical checks in place from 1 January 2021
 - Belfast – three separate sites throughout the harbour estate
 - Larne – current buildings and modular builds
 - Warrenpoint and Foyle – temporary facilities for product
- DAERA and District Councils are currently working to ensure all facilities are staffed and supported

NORTHERN IRELAND TRADER JOURNEY



Check [DAERA](#) website before docking/in transit to see if your goods have been selected for further inspections upon arrival at NI POE (this platform is not live yet)



Arrival at NI POE

If not selected for further checks customs clear goods for entry and leave port

If selected for further inspections Road Signage will direct you to a DAERA inspection facility when you disembark the ferry



If checks are passed, customs clear goods for entry and leave port

If checks fail, goods may be subject to compliance procedure

Goods Arriving in Northern Ireland

Notification of inspection

- A facility to check if your consignment has been selected for a check will be available online
- This should be checked before disembarkation.
- If you are not selected for an inspection, you can leave the port on disembarkation
- If selected for inspection you must follow directions to the inspection facility

Instructions for consignments arriving at Points of Entry

- **This instruction applies to all consignments that require pre-notification on TRACES NT instructions on DAERA website**
- Information identifying the vehicle/trailer or container used for transporting goods **from GB to NI** must now be included on the CHED part 1 on TRACES NT.
- Different requirements apply to vehicles and unaccompanied goods. Information must be unique to the mode of transport and can be a vehicle registration number, trailer number or container number.
- In addition where a seal has been put in place the seal number must be recorded.
- The Goods Movement Reference (GMR) from your customs declaration should also be supplied.

Instructions for consignments arriving at Points of Entry

- Check Commodity codes for levels of physical inspection required:
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=OJ:L:2020:361:FULL&from=EN>
- Consider business model to reduce the chance of delays
 - Group consignments subject to higher levels of inspection
 - Place goods that might be checked closer to the door if possible
- Operators' responsibility to present goods for inspection (including shunting containers to inspection sites)

Good Arriving in Belfast Port

Good Accepted

- All products of animal origin (POAO)
- Plants and plant products
- Equines
- Other commercial live animals
- High risk food and feed not of animal origin
Including ambient, chilled and frozen goods (for human and non human consumption)

Good Not Accepted

- Livestock

Locations

Duncrue Street hub*, Corry Place and Corry Road

Signage

Will direct vehicles to inspection sites

Operating Hours

Belfast facilities will operate 24/7

All traffic requiring physical inspection arriving in Belfast will first be directed to the Duncrue Street hub



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Good Arriving in Larne Port

Good Accepted	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All products of animal origin (POAO)• Plants and plant products• Livestock• Equines• Other commercial live animals• High risk food and feed not of animal origin Including ambient, chilled and frozen goods (for human and non human consumption)
Good Not Accepted	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plastic kitchenware
Locations	Product facility is within the harbour estate Live Animal facility on current Redlands Road site
Signage	Will direct vehicles to inspection sites
Operating Hours	Larne facilities will operate 24/7



Good Arriving in Warrenpoint Harbour

Goods Accepted	Goods accepted: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All products of animal origin (POAO)• Plants and plant products• High risk food and feed not of animal origin Including ambient, chilled and frozen goods (for human and non human consumption)
Goods Not Accepted	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Live Animals
Locations	Located within the harbour estate
Signage	Signage directing vehicles will be in place
Hours	Staff will be present before first ship arrives until late in the evening
Physical inspection	Booking a slot for – WarrenpointSPS@daera_ni.gov.uk



Good Arriving in Foyle Harbour

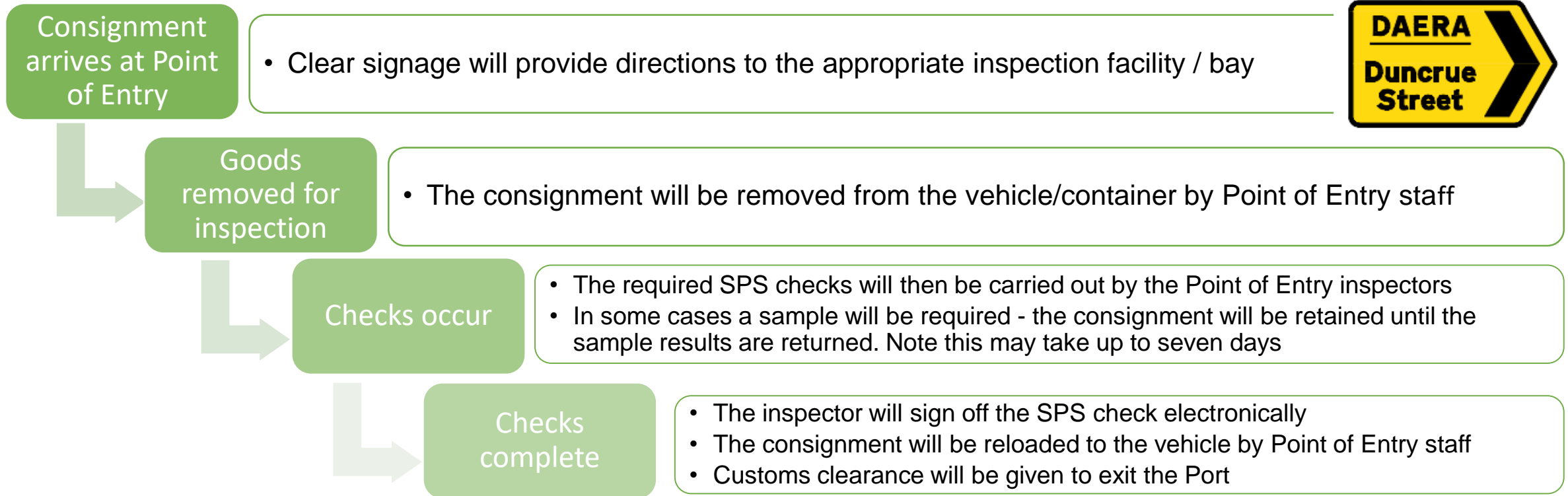
Good Accepted	Products of animal origin (feed), plants and plant products, bulk goods only.
Locations	Majority of goods inspected at quayside and physical inspection facility also in place
Signage	Signage directing vehicles will be in place
Operating Hours	Foyle facilities will be manned as and when needed, based on pre-notification of shipment arriving
Staffing	DAERA plant health staff, portal staff, DAERA veterinary staff.



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Process for goods selected for inspection



Key Messages

- **Check Commodity codes for levels of physical inspection required:**
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- **Group consignments subject to higher levels of inspection**
- **For goods that require checks, advise these are placed beside the door of the container etc., if possible**
- **From the 1st January information identifying the vehicle/trailer or container used for transporting goods from GB to NI must now be included on the CHED part 1**

Questions and Answers

- ✓ Please ask your questions via the Q&A function on screen.
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Register for the Trader Support Service

The Trader Support Service will provide free training and support for businesses for customs processes that will arise for goods moving between GB and NI.

The Trader Support Service can provide support in registering for an EORI number, understanding Incoterms and in making declarations for goods moving from GB to NI.

Even if you are not sure whether you will buy from/sell to GB in the net year, it is worth registering just in case.

Get an EORI Number

You will need both a GB EORI number and an XI EORI number if you buy from GB. If you do not already have a GB EORI number, you can apply for both a GB EORI number and an XI number at the same time. There is no risk to having an EORI number if you do not use it.

If you already have a GB EORI number and register with TSS before 14 December, HMRC will automatically issue you with an XI EORI number. If you do not automatically get one, HMRC will have a process to apply for one.

Find out the Commodity Code

If you buy from/sell to GB, you will need to know the commodity codes for the goods you purchase and sell.

For goods you purchase, you should speak to your supplier, they may be able to tell you the code. You can also check the code using the Trade Tariff.

You should check the tariffs applicable under the EU Common External Tariffs and UK Global Tariff (UKGT).

Speak to your Haulier

If you move goods to or from GB, ask your haulier what information they will need from you.

Find out whether your goods routinely move through Dublin port, as processes will be different for goods that travel via Ireland.

Speak to Suppliers

Ask your suppliers what preparation they have made for Brexit. If your supplier is in GB, ask whether the terms of trade (responsibilities of buyers and sellers) through Incoterms will remain the same and who will be accountable for declaring goods to customs.

You should suggest that your supplier registers for the Trader Support Service.

Check Regulations

Check whether your goods must meet EU standards and how these goods are approved for the EU market at the moment.

Ask your supplier whether they will continue to ensure the products meet the requirements for the EU market.

If your goods are currently assessed by a third party conformity assessment body, you may need to take action if you want to continue to use the CE marking.

If you use, sell or manufacture chemicals, you will need to check your regulatory responsibilities with respect to that chemical in the NI/EU market.

Consider your Data

Prepare for a scenario where the UK has not been granted an adequacy decision by the EU.

Make a list of all the data flows into and out of your business. If you receive personal data from the EU, you may need to take action.

The Information Commissioner's Office has information on possible steps you will need to take.

Register for DfE Webinar on data transfer issues:-

[Webinar - Personal data transfers preparation for NI Business: Practical Impacts for Northern Ireland businesses - NI Direct - Citizen Space](#)

Information on moving goods:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/trading-and-moving-goods-in-and-out-of-northern-ireland-from-1-january-2021>

<https://www.nibusinessinfo.co.uk/content/eu-exit-readiness-checklist-10-steps-take>

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DEFRA Trader Webinars

- Defra are also organising two webinars covering movement of animal products and plants and plant products from GB to Northern Ireland.
- There are two webinars on Thursday 17 December:
 - 10.00 am - 11.30 am
 - 2.00 pm – 3.30 pm
- There will also be a live Q&A with a panel of experts and DAERA will be represented
- More information and registration details can be found here:
<https://showcase.dropbox.com/s/Moving-goods-from-Great-Britain-to-Northern-Ireland-from-1-January-2021-Trader-Showcase-sCanryGwFBbfk1To30i73>

Please visit our EU Exit pages on the DAERA website



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Thank you for joining us today

- We would be very grateful if you can take the time to complete the short survey at the end of this event.
- Your answers will help us provide you with the information most relevant to you and your business.