

GOODS SUBJECT TO SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY CONTROLS (SPS)

How to successfully import with the
smart border?



1 Coordination of SPS and customs formalities by the Smart Border



The UK's exit from the Single Market and Customs Union on January 1, 2021 has led to the re-establishment of sanitary, phytosanitary and customs formalities for trade between the UK and the EU. These formalities are automated and coordinated by the new Smart Border system called «SI Brexit».



Operational since January 1, the smart border ensures the smooth passage of goods across the border and guarantees reduced stopping times, provided that the formalities have been sufficiently and correctly carried out.



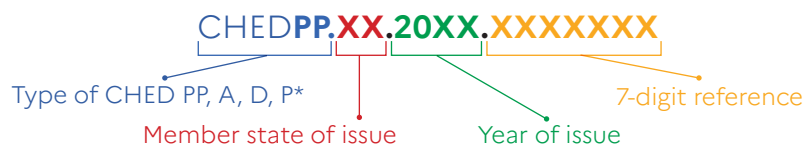
More specifically, for products subject to SPS control, the SI Brexit is configured to automatically access, via the online customs services (Delta-G and Delta-T), information concerning the Common Health Entry Document (CHED) pre-certified in the European online service (Traces-NT) dedicated to the processing of SPS goods upon import.

2 To take full advantage of the smooth border crossing offered by the SI Brexit, a good preparation of all actors involved in the import of products subject to SPS control is necessary

Recommendation #1: BEFORE EMBARKING

ANTICIPATE AND MAKE RELIABLE THE CUSTOMS FORMALITIES AND SANITARY FORMALITIES

- Pre-notify the arrival of the goods in the EU customs territory in Traces-NT as soon as possible, ideally before the means of transport boards the ferry or shuttle.
- Import and transit: correctly fill in the document code and the reference of the Common Sanitary Entry Document (CSED) in box 44 of the import (Delta-G) or transit (Delta-T) declaration.
- The reference is available during pre-notification in TRACES-NT, even if the ECHD has not yet been validated. Be careful not to make any mistakes when entering this reference, whose correct format is as follows:



*PP for plants and plant products, A for animals, D for food and feed of non-animal origin and P for products of animal origin.

Recommendation #2: DURING THE CROSSING

FINALIZE CUSTOMS FORMALITIES

- For certain products (excluding animals and animal products), the truck is directed in **green lane** without stopping at the SIVEP border control post (PCF) if the CHED has been validated* and the transit or import declaration validated. For common transit, no validation is required.
**The CHED can be validated before the goods are shipped on the basis of a simple documentary check.*
- If the CHED is not validated before the goods are loaded, the goods will be directed to the SIVEP **orange line** for additional documentary, identity and/or physical checks at the SIVEP PCF.

Recommendation # 3: ON LANDING

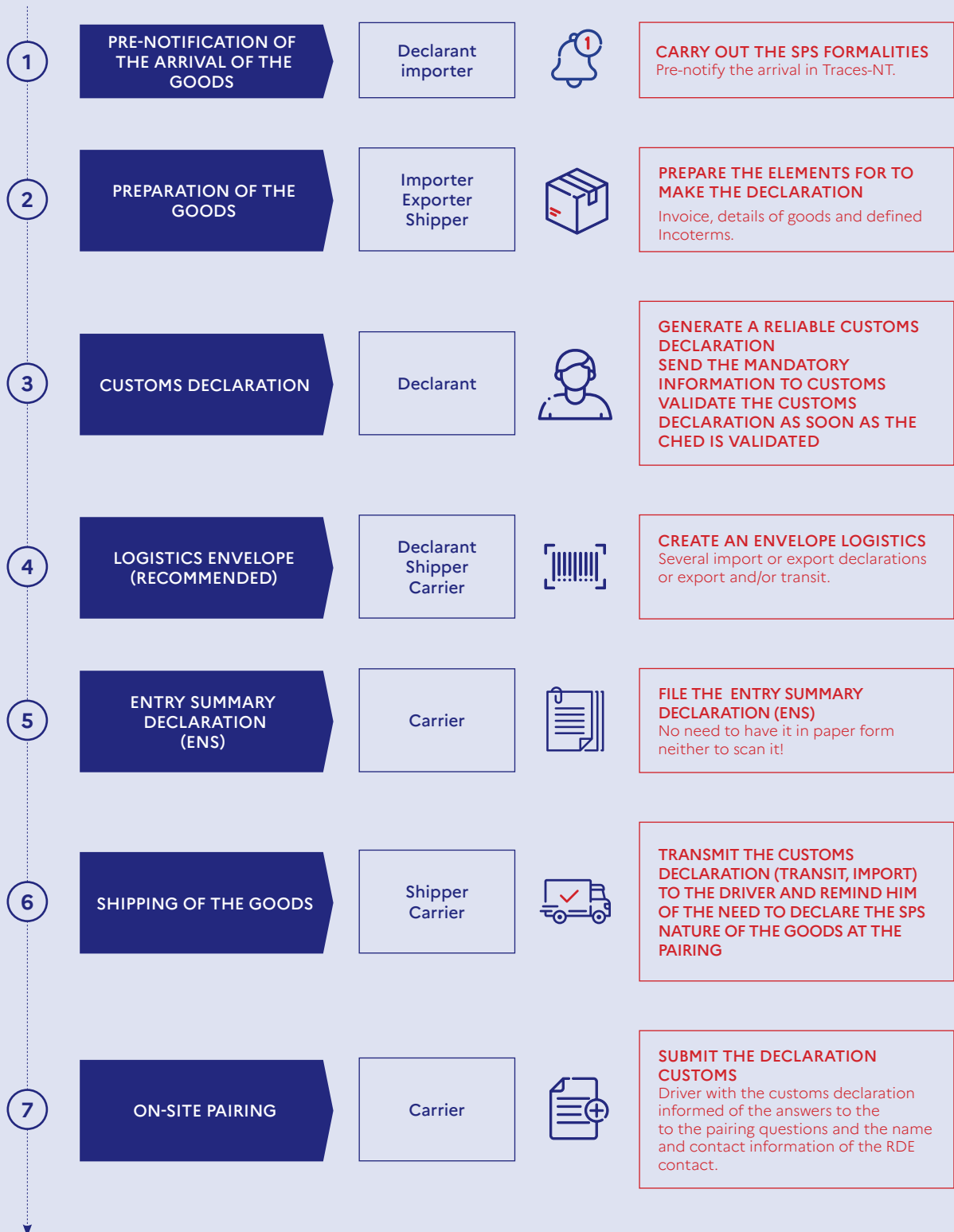
OBLIGATION FOR THE DECLARANT TO SEND AN E-MAIL TO THE CUSTOMS OFFICE WHERE THE DECLARATION WAS LODGED IN THE FOLLOWING CASES:

- **For advance Union transit declarations lodged by EDI/common transit*:** transmit the declaration number, the name of the control office concerned, the amount of the phytosanitary and/or veterinary fees, the corresponding tax code(s) (G065 and/or E615) and the removal credit code.
- **For import declarations filed in the absence of an interconnection between TRACES and Delta G (due to an erroneous CHED reference or a failure to interconnect these online services)*:** transmit the declaration number and the front and rear license plate numbers of the means of transport.
- **In each of these cases, the CHED validated by electronic signature by the SIVEP FCP (in pdf format) must be attached to the e-mail.*
- Outside the opening hours of the customs offices responsible for ports located in Normandy and Brittany, the declarant sends this e-mail to the Calais office r-calais-bc@douane.finances.gouv.fr which is on duty, but he must make sure that the customs office where the declaration was filed is copied.

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The re-establishment of customs formalities implies synchronization and coordination of all the actors of the logistics chain...

Make sure you have defined the right process internally to make each step of each shipment:



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...and especially a good information of the drivers for the pairing operations

Import pairing questions

The driver must indicate that he is transporting goods subject to SPS control at the pairing.



DO YOU HAVE CUSTOMS DOCUMENTS WITH BARCODES?

YES

Scan the document

NO

Do you carry mail?

YES

NO

You are empty



You are transporting goods subject to sanitary or phytosanitary control

You must go to the border control post of the SIVEP* unless your truck is in the **green lane**.



You are transporting fishery products

You must go to the SIVEP border control post.

Special case of fishery products entering via Calais Port or Calais Tunnel: if the driver specifies at the pairing that he is only transporting fishery products, the transport unit, circulating under cover of a transit declaration indicating «Calais» as the office of departure or transit and «Boulogne» as the office of office of destination, is directed in **green lanes**.

You must report to the border control post of the SIVEP of Boulogne-sur-Mer.

SAFE JOURNEY!

* Service responsible for veterinary and phytosanitary controls