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**On 1 January 2021, the United Kingdom leaves the European Union and becomes a third country.**

- All goods either entering the European Union from the UK or entering the UK from the EU must be declared to customs.
- The new procedures apply to all traffic with the UK, particularly vehicles using the ferry links.

**This fact sheet applies to traffic using the ferry links between the United Kingdom and France**



## **I'm a driver and my trailer's status is Orange - what do I have to do?**

These statuses are continuously communicated on board the ferry and on disembarking in France, so that drivers know whether or not they are authorised to leave the terminal.

### **Get prepared & anticipate as much as possible**

#### **How do I know what my status is?**

- o During the crossing, the customs bar code document scanned on boarding is sent to the French customs "SI BREXIT" smart border system which informs the ferry company.  
*The smart border (SI BREXIT) set up by the customs service handles the status of goods.*
- o The ferry company informs the driver in real time, on board and on disembarking, of the status of the goods using the lorry trailer registration number:



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- Display screen on the ferry
- SMS sent to the driver
- Ferry crew
- Unloading deckhand



## Types of status

Find out what the statuses mean and what my obligations are

**My trailer's status is**

**GREEN**



→ I can leave the terminal  
(after completing my identity formalities at the border)

**My trailer's status is**

**SIVEP**



→ I must go to the SIVEP sanitary, phytosanitary or veterinary inspection centre

**My trailer's status is**

**ORANGE**



→ I must park my lorry in the dedicated "Orange parking area"  
at the terminal

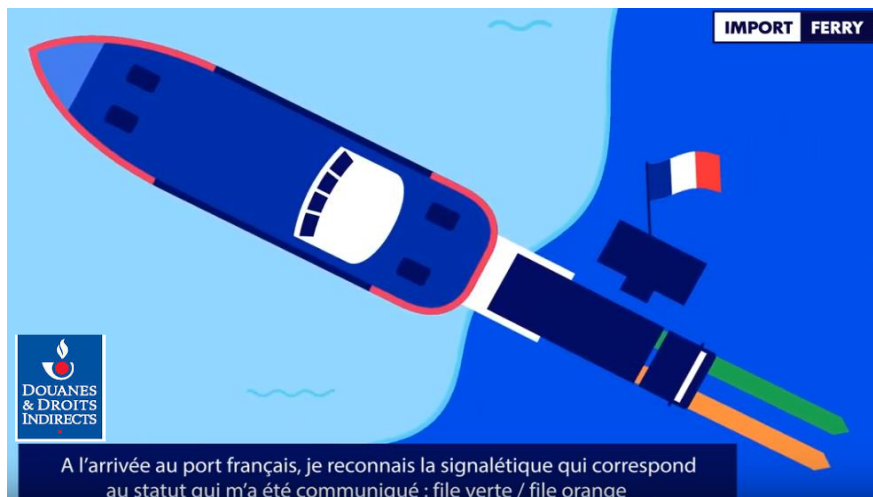
## What to do on disembarking in France

What do I have to do on leaving the ferry?

Join one of the dedicated queues  
**GREEN/ORANGE/SIVEP**



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Special support crew are provided by the ferry companies to assist lorry drivers with disembarkation:

- Identification of status: GREEN/ORANGE/SIVEP
- Identification of the channel to follow: "Exit"/"Orange parking area"/"SIVEP"

## Report in and enquire what to do

### Contact my customs representative

- The lorry is parked on the "Orange parking area"
- The ferry companies have assigned special crew to the ferry arrival terminals who can help with any formalities not yet accomplished or still required.
- If necessary, I call my manager or shipper or the customs contact I have been given to complete the correct formalities

## The different "ORANGE" statuses

### Understand why my trailer's status is "ORANGE"

#### TIR or ATA carnet

- The goods I am carrying are under the TIR or ATA system.

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- *ATA: (Admission Temporaire/Temporary Admission) The ATA carnet replaces the different customs documents normally required for a temporary import or transit operation.*
- *TIR: (TIR Transit - Transport Routier International/International Road Transport) The TIR carnet is a customs transit document used to prove the existence of the international guarantee for duties and taxes.*

## Resolution protocol

Present the TIR or ATA CARNET to customs at the terminal.

- Once the document is registered, customs releases the lorry and it can leave the ferry terminal.

## Missing ICS declaration

- The customs import declaration has been made in advance and validated before arriving in the country, **BUT the ICS safety declaration has not been made**
  - *The transport operator is responsible for the ICS declaration, which must be sent at the latest 2 hours before the goods arrive in France.*

## Resolution protocol

My manager must contact customs to resolve the situation.

- Once it is released by customs, the trailer's status changes to green and the lorry can leave the ferry terminal.

## Customs declaration not validated

- The ICS safety declaration has been validated.  
The customs import declaration has been made in advance, **BUT has not been validated before arrival.**
  - *The advance declaration must be validated during the crossing between the UK and France*

## Resolution protocol

The shipper or the representative for the goods must take the necessary steps to validate the advance declaration and/or contact customs to resolve the situation.

- Once it is released by customs, the trailer's status changes to green and the lorry can leave the ferry terminal.

## Customs inspection

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- The ICS safety declaration has been validated, the customs import declaration has been made in advance and validated, **BUT the goods must be inspected by customs.**

## Resolution protocol

The representative for the goods must contact customs for the inspection procedure.

- Once the inspection is finished and the goods are released by customs, their status changes to green and the lorry can leave the ferry terminal.

## SIVEP inspection:

- The goods have to undergo a sanitary, phytosanitary or veterinary inspection at the SIVEP as soon as they arrive in France.

## Protocol:

→The lorry must go directly to the SIVEP for inspection.

→A representative for the goods must be present on the SIVEP site with the goods and to file the necessary documents for the sanitary inspection.

*Note: A sanitary prenotification must be made in the TRACE NT system before the goods board the ferry in the UK.*

- Once the sanitary inspection is finished and validated, the representative for the goods must complete the customs import formalities, including the validated sanitary documents.
- Once the goods are released by customs, their status changes to green and the lorry can leave the ferry terminal.



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