



Office for Life Sciences

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OLS Introduction

The Office for Life Sciences (OLS) is a joint unit between the Department of Health & Social Care (DHSC) and Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS).

This bulletin aims to keep the life sciences sector up to date on the latest guidance and during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, providing you with information from Government to help your members and networks prepare.

If you would like to be added to the distribution list, please email nita.bhanot@beis.gov.uk

For any questions on the UK/EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement, please contact euexit@officeforlifesciences.gov.uk



Regulation

UPDATED – Guidance on using the UKCA mark has been updated with more information on when you can self-declare. The 'Relevant UK and EU legislation' section has also been updated to remove inaccurate legislation. For more information, click [here](#).

UPDATED – Guidance on placing manufactured goods on the market in Great Britain has been updated. Information in the 'Relevant UK and EU legislation' section has been updated to remove inaccurate legislation. For more information, click [here](#).

UPDATED – The MHRA have updated the list of medical devices given exceptional use authorisations and the list of devices no longer covered. For more information, click [here](#).



Transition Guidance

UPDATED – The list of border locations using the Goods Vehicle Movement Service to support Offices of Transit has been updated. For more information, click [here](#).

UPDATED – Guidance on SPCs and the Northern Ireland Protocol has been updated to reflect that the legislation is in force and the new processes are operating. For more information, click [here](#).

UPDATED – The list of customs agents and the list of fast parcel operators have been updated. For more information, click [here](#).



Events

Keep up to date with all the latest available webinars:

- Find videos to support your business during coronavirus disruptions [here](#).
- Watch past HMRC videos on coronavirus [here](#) and UK transition [here](#).
- Find videos to help you learn more about trading with the EU from 1 January [here](#).
- Click [here](#) to view a list of webinars for organisations that trade with the EU you can watch live or on demand.
- BEIS has launched a series of on demand videos, to help businesses familiarise themselves with the new rules. Topics include importing and exporting, trade, Rules of Origin, tariffs, data, and audit and accounting. To view the videos, click [here](#).
- Webinars giving an overview of the new rules that have come into place since leaving the EU customs union and the EU single market are now available to view. To access these, click [here](#).
- New short videos have been produced to help explain importing and exporting of animal and plant goods. For more information, click [here](#).
- Cabinet Office have published new recordings and videos that outline in more technical detail the new rules for moving goods to and from the EU. For more information, click [here](#).

14th June 2021, 13:00 – The Home Office are running an event targeted at SMEs to raise awareness of the new points-based immigration system and to give an overview of the EU Settlement Scheme. Sign up [here](#).

8th July 2021, 10-11:30 – Medtech Canada are hosting a webinar on the regulatory and innovation landscape in Canada. Click [here](#) to register.

Various dates – A calendar of upcoming webinars for organisations that trade with the EU is available [here](#). Topics include: importing, trader responsibilities, exporting and more.

Upcoming HMRC Brexit webinars:

- **Various dates** – Completing customs declarations: an overview. Register [here](#).
- **Various dates** – Trader responsibilities when using an intermediary. Register [here](#).
- **Various dates** – Importing: preparing to make your supplementary declaration. Register [here](#).
- **Various dates** – Exporting: what you need to do to keep your goods moving. Register [here](#).

Upcoming HMRC COVID-19 webinars:

- **Various dates** – Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme. Register [here](#).



Useful Links

- [Gov.uk/transition](https://www.gov.uk/transition) provides a central hub of resources
- You can sign up to email alerts on GOV.UK at this [link](#).
- Sign up for Home Office email updates about the next steps for EU citizens in the UK at this [link](#).
- Access the 'Check How to Export Goods' tool [here](#) for the information you need to export goods out of the UK market.
- Click [here](#) for more information and advice on exporting.
- Click [here](#) for updated information on the Covid-19 response from the Department for Health and Social Care and Public Health England.
- Click [here](#) for a list of Business Representative Organisations and Trade Associations you can speak with to get advice.
- Specific information for businesses and employers in [Northern Ireland](#), [Scotland](#), and [Wales](#) is available. In England, [Growth Hubs](#) can advise on local and UK Government business support.
- Register for HMRC's free [Trader Support Service](#) if you are moving goods between Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
- Click [here](#) to view the latest weekly TSS bulletin.
- The most up-to-date guidance on the [Northern Ireland Protocol](#) is on GOV.UK, including information on moving goods into, out of, or through Northern Ireland.
- For general queries on transition issues, you can submit questions on [BPDG's online forum](#). BPDG will endeavour to provide answers to you as soon as possible.
- A list of government Brexit transition helplines organised by theme and key actions for businesses has been published. To view this, click [here](#).
- COVID 19 key contact details:
 - General offers of help from industry: gcfccovid19enquiries@cabinetoffice.gov.uk, or visit [this](#) webpage.
 - Share the impact COVID-19 is having on your organisation with intel@beis.gov.uk
 - To provide feedback on MHRA engagement please contact engagement@mhra.gov.uk
 - To call the Business Support Helpline in England please dial **FREephone 0800 998 1098**, Scotland **0300 303 0660**, Business Wales **0330 060 300** and Invest Northern Ireland **0800 181 4422**