

# UK Border Operating Model

## Implications For Your Business 2024

Wednesday Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 2023  
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## Introduction & UK Export Update

*Marian O'Higgins, PCF Manager & Head of Brexit Response, Bord Bia*



## Customs Update

*Ray Ryan, Assistant Principal, Revenue*



## UK Border Target Operating Model Update

*Damian Flynn, Head of Brexit & International Trade Division, DAFM*



## Practical Implications of the Operating Model

*Lorcan Sheehan, CEO, PerformancSC*



Q&A (20 mins)

# HouseKeeping

1. Information discussed here today is based on what is **currently publicly available** from relevant authorities
2. Please Send Questions to Q&A Function and note **who the question is for**, along with your **full Name & Company**
3. If your question isn't answered today, we will follow up via e-mail, or you can also email **Brexit@bordbia.ie**
4. We will be **recording this webinar**, and this will be uploaded onto our webpage along with the presentations **<https://www.bordbia.ie/industry/trading-with-uk/>**

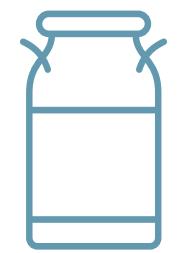
EXPORTS 2022 vs 2021

# UK

TOTAL EXPORTS

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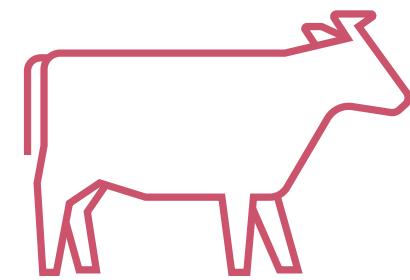
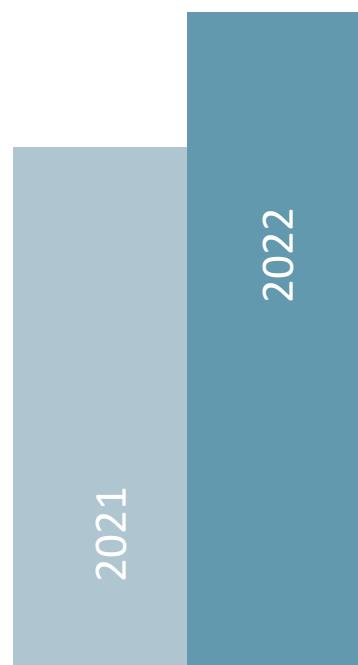
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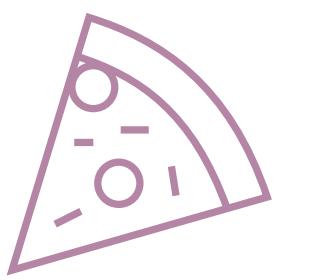
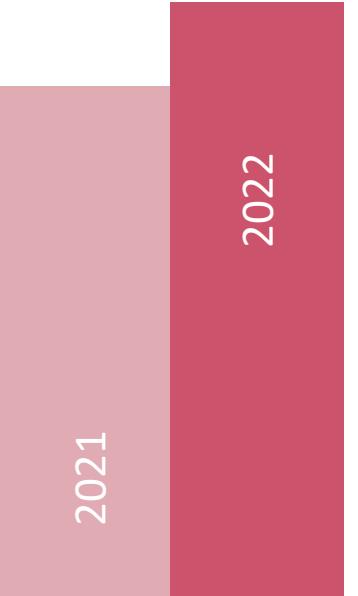
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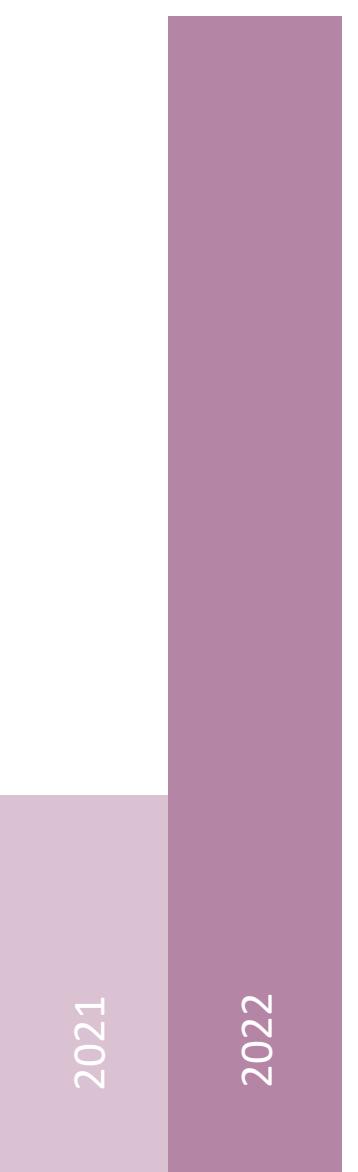
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PCF

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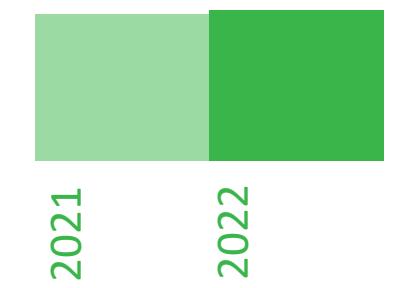
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HORTICULTURE

**€276m**

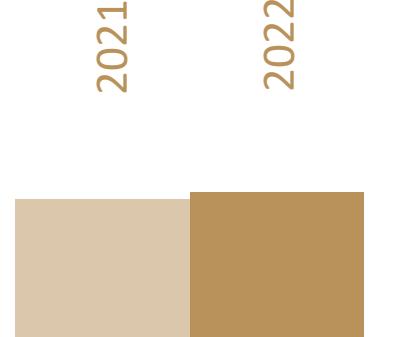
3% increase



DRINKS

**€276m**

4% increase

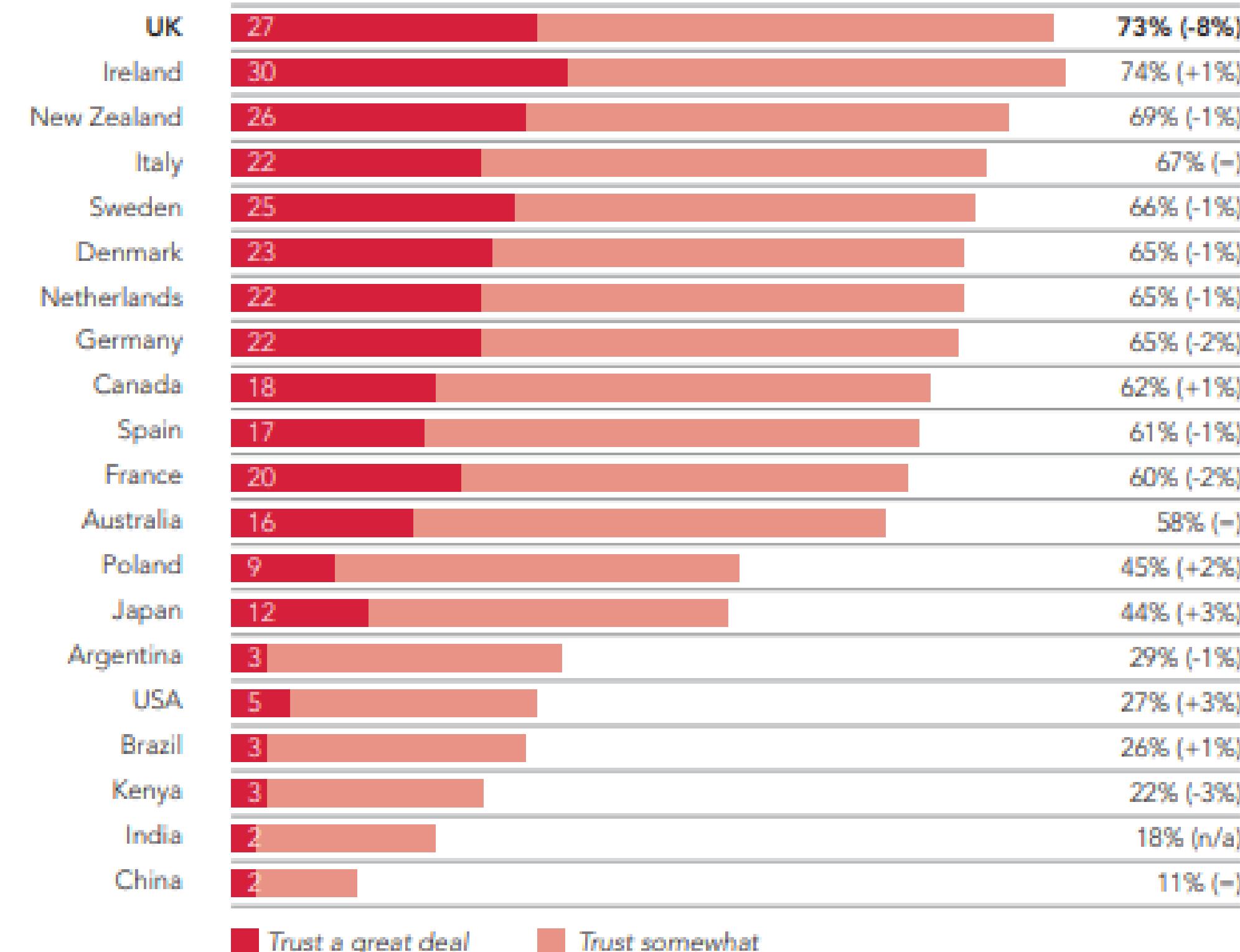


# Ireland is the most trusted country of origin for food

Red Tractor's latest UK's Trust in Food Index Survey 2022 showed Ireland tops the poll as the most trusted country for food among survey respondents.

## Trust in food originating from other countries

To what extent do you trust food from other countries?



74% of respondents said they trust food from Ireland, followed by the UK at 73%.

Source: Red Tractor - The UK's Trust in Food Index 2022



**Ray Ryan**

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**Revenue Commissioners  
Ireland**

# Customs changes for Irish exports to the UK from October 2024



- The UK's Border Target Operating Model (BTOM) will impact on Irish exporters and their supply chain partners.

## 31 January 2024

- Full customs controls will be introduced for goods moving from Ireland into GB ports.
- UK import declarations will need to be pre-lodged and goods moved from the island of Ireland will become subject to checks and controls.

# Begin preparation with supply chain now

- Pre-lodged declarations will be entered in Goods Vehicle Movement Service (GVMS).
  - Need to get a UK Government account to be able to use GVMS,
  - need all the MRNs to put in to the GVMS,
  - May not be allowed to board ferry in IE for GB without the unique Goods Movement Reference (GMR) assigned by GVMS
  - Routings will be for the full truck and will be cognisant of SPS requirements.
  - Routings direct through GVMS or using the look-up functionality
    - <https://www.tax.service.gov.uk/driver-inspection-notification/search>



More information:

<https://www.revenue.ie/en/customs/businesses/brexit/declaration-roles-responsibilities/exporter/uk-import-controls-dates.aspx>

Customs helpline channels are open for queries:

General Brexit queries to: [brexitqueries@revenue.ie](mailto:brexitqueries@revenue.ie)

Systems queries to: [eCustoms@revenue.ie](mailto:eCustoms@revenue.ie) or 01-738 3677

PBN queries to: [CustomsPBN@revenue.ie](mailto:CustomsPBN@revenue.ie)

Customs helpline: 01-738 3685 (Available 24/7)



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# New UK (SPS) Import Control requirements

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18 October 2023

# Topics



- UK Government announcements and key documents on SPS import controls
- New Timelines for UK SPS controls
- Requirements Animal & Animal Products.
  - Composite products
- Requirements Plants & Plant Products
- Clarifications in final UK Border Target Operating Model
- Key Messages – Get Ready
- DAFM preparations



# UK Government Announcements and Documents

## New UK Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Import Requirements



- 29 August 2023 - Final UK Border Target Operating Model

**[The Border Target Operating Model: August 2023 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)**

- New UK export Health Certificates for EU agrifood imports

**<https://www.gov.uk/environment/producing-distributing-food-import-export>**

- UK Risk Categories (Low, Medium, High) for Products of Animal Origin at CN Code level

**[Import risk categories for animals and animal products imported from the EU to Great Britain, from 31 January 2024- GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)**

- UK Risk Categories (High, Medium, Low) for Plants and Plant Products

**[TOM risk categorisations - UK Plant Health Information Portal \(defra.gov.uk\)](#)**

# Timelines UK SPS Import Controls

## 31 January 2024

- **Export Health certification** for medium risk animal products, plants, plant products and high-risk food and feed of non-animal origin from the EU.
- **IPAFFs pre-notification** required for SPS goods traveling from Ireland to Great Britain. In place for the rest of the EU since 2022.
- No requirement for pre notification for low-risk plant and plant products from the EU.

## 30 April 2024

- Documentary and risk-based identity and physical checks at UK Border Control Posts (BCPs) for SPS goods from the EU **excluding Ireland**.

## 31 October 2024

- Date for commencement of Border Control Post (BCP) identity and physical checks for SPS goods moving from Ireland will be confirmed in Autumn 2023 but will not apply before 31 October 2024.



# UK Risk Categorisation for Animals & Animal Products from the EU



[Import risk categories for animals and animal products imported from the EU to Great Britain, from 31 January 2024- GOV.UK](#)

High Risk	Medium Risk	Low Risk
<p><b>From 31 January 2024:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Pre-notification</b> will continue as it has been in place since 1 January 2021.</li><li>• <b>Export Health Certification</b> to continue as it has been in place since 1 January 2021.</li><li>• Date for checks at UK <b>Border Control Posts (BCP)</b> for Irish products TBC (31 October 2024 at earliest).</li></ul>	<p><b>From 31 January 2024:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Pre-notification</b> 24 hours in advance of arrival unless 4-hour derogation pre-agreed with relevant UK Port Health Authority.</li><li>• <b>Export Health Certificate</b> required.</li><li>• Date for checks at UK <b>BCPs</b> for Irish products TBC (31 October 2024 at earliest).</li></ul>	<p><b>From 31 January 2024:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Pre-notification</b> 24 hours in advance of arrival unless 4-hour derogation pre-agreed with relevant UK Port Health Authority.</li><li>• <b>No Export Health Certificate</b> required.</li><li>• <b>No Documentary, ID or Physical checks.</b></li></ul>
Live animals, germinal products & commodities under safeguard measures.	Raw, chilled, frozen meat/meat products/ raw dairy/ ABP in animal feed, Fishery products.	Composites & canned meat products, Non-raw (Heat Treated) dairy products, processed ABP.

# UK Risk Categorisation for Plant & Plant Products from the EU



[TOM risk categorisations - UK Plant Health Information Portal \(defra.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-and-rural-affairs)

High Risk	Medium Risk	Low Risk
<p><b>From 31 January 2024:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Pre-notification</b> in place since 1 January 2021.</li><li>• <b>Phytosanitary Certification</b> in place since 1 January 2021. Facilitated through ePhyto.</li><li>• Goods subject to <b>SPS checks</b>(5-100%) (documentary, identity, physical) at Place of Destination.</li></ul>	<p><b>From 31 January 2024:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Pre-notification</b> 4 working hours for air and 'roll-on-roll-off' freight. At least 1 working day for all other freight.</li><li>• <b>Phytosanitary Certification</b> required. Facilitated through ePhyto.</li><li>• Date for IE <b>BCP checks</b> TBC (31 October 2024 at earliest).</li></ul>	<p><b>From 31 January 2024:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No requirement for <b>pre notification</b>.</li><li>• <b>No Phytosanitary Certification</b> required.</li><li>• <b>No Documentary, ID or Physical checks</b>.</li><li>• <b>Post import surveillance</b> conducted by GB authorities.</li></ul>
All plants for planting, potatoes, certain seeds, timber and some fruits and vegetables and used farm machinery	Parts of Plants (other than fruits and seeds) cut flowers and certain seeds with an identified pest/disease risk	Includes most fruit and vegetables.

# Composite Products

**What are Composite Products (CP)?** Commission Decision 2007/275/EC definition of Composite Products retained by UK:

*“a foodstuff intended for human consumption that contains both processed products of animal origin and products of plant origin and includes those where the **processing of primary product** is an **Integral part of the production of the final product**”.*

Composite Products from EU designated by UK as Low Risk:

- Pre-notification on IPAFFS: YES
- Export Health Certification : NO

See DAFM trader notice MH 06/2023 for further information:  
[gov.ie - Trader Notices - Food Safety Controls on Meat](#)  
[www.gov.ie](http://www.gov.ie)



# Clarifications in Final UK Border Target Operating Model

## Transit/Landbridge Movements of SPS goods

### For Animals and animal products transiting GB landbridge:

- **High, medium and low risk** animals & animal products transiting GB **will require pre-notification** via IPAFFS.
- **High risk & Medium risk** animals & animal products will also require a **transit export health certificate**.
- **High risk & Medium risk** animals & animal products will be subject to entry and exit identity and physical checks at UK Border Control Posts (BCPs) at a date TBC by UK Government, for goods from Ireland this will not commence before 31 October 2024.
- **Low risk** animals & animal products will not require health certificates or be subject to routine checks at UK BCPs. However, they may be subject to non-routine/intelligence-led checks by UK Authorities.

### For Plants and plant products transiting GB landbridge

- **NO** requirement for pre-notification via IPAFFS or phytosanitary certification for high, medium or low risk plant product transiting GB.
- Plant Products transiting GB will continue to require a signed declaration stating that the goods are under phytosanitary transit and are packaged in such a way that there is no risk to spreading pests through GB.

# Clarifications in Final UK Border Target Operating Model

- **Chilled Meat Preparations:** From 31 January 2024 Chilled Meat Preparations will continue to be permitted for import from EU to GB and will be classified as 'medium risk'. They will require an Export Health Certificate (EHC) to enter Great Britain & prenotification on IPAFFS.
- **Export of samples:** Commercial movements of Animal products and plant and plant products samples will align with the commercial import of goods outlined within the BTOM, same requirements based on risk category of product. Some different requirements for animal by products samples, paragraphs 134-137 of BTOM, further clarity needed from UK authorities.
- **Personal imports, including luggage, post and parcels**

UK Authorities in BTOM have committed to publishing at a later date import control policy for small consignments of animal products intended for personal use (B2C and C2C).

Business-to-business post and parcels will be subject to general commercial import requirements.

# Key Messages - Get Ready



1

## Identify if you need certification for your products to GB

- Is your product in UK's medium risk category?
- If so, identify the right export health cert(s) for your products.

2

## Examine your supply chain, know who is responsible for meeting each UK import requirement

- Who completes pre-notification declaration on UK IPAFFS system?
- If your food business is exporting low, medium or high risk products of animal origin to GB are you registered on the Lists of Establishments Approved to Export to GB on EU TRACES system?
- Who applies for export health certification and ensures certificate/s is uploaded IPAFFS?

3

## ENGAGE with your local Supervisory team (DAFM, HSE, Local Authority, SFPA)

- To confirm what health certification you need for your products?
- Can your business fulfil the attestations on the required UK export health certificate?
- Ensure all necessary data and information is available to your certifying officer to allow them to sign the certificate.
- Ensure business processes and resources are aligned to support certification

# Department of Agriculture, Food & the Marine (DAFM) preparations for new UK SPS requirements



- Engagement with UK authorities to clarify detail of new UK import requirements
- Review of new UK export health certificates and requirements and review of the business processes to support food businesses in meeting these requirements.
- Engagement between local DAFM supervisory teams and food businesses to refine business processes across all commodity areas.
- Upcoming Information Webinars:
  - Joint DAFM and DEFRA - Plant & Plant products webinar - 24 October
- New DAFM Training Programme for all Certifying Officers and all Food Businesses exporting to GB will commence in November and run through December and January 2024.

# Irish Government Information Points/Contacts



## Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM)

### DAFM Brexit call centre

- Phone (01) 6072830
- Email : [BrexitCall@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:BrexitCall@agriculture.gov.ie)

### For TRACES system queries

- Email: [Traces @agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:Traces@agriculture.gov.ie)

You can also check whether the information you need is available on our Brexit page at: [www.gov.ie/agriculture/brexit](http://www.gov.ie/agriculture/brexit)  
This contains a wide range of detailed information including our Brexit checklist, recorded webinars, 'how to' guides etc.

## Health Service Executive (HSE): Email: [exportcertificates@hse.ie](mailto:exportcertificates@hse.ie)

## Revenue Commissioners

- General Brexit queries: [brexitqueries@revenue.ie](mailto:brexitqueries@revenue.ie)
- Systems queries to: [eCustoms@revenue.ie](mailto:eCustoms@revenue.ie) or 01-738 3677
- Customs helpline: 01-738 3685 (Available 24/7)

# UK Information Points/Contacts



## UK Government

- [\*\*APHA - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)\*\*](http://APHA - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)) including GVMS - 0300 322 9434
- IPAFFS General – 0300 1000313
- IPAFFS Technical – 0330 041 6999
- PEACH 0345 607 3224
- [\*\*HMRC - Imports and exports: general enquiries - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)\*\*](http://HMRC - Imports and exports: general enquiries - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk))

## **HMRC also operates a number of services, including**

- Import/export general enquiries [\*\*Imports and exports: general enquiries - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)\*\*](http://Imports and exports: general enquiries - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)) or by calling 0300 200 3700.
- The UK Government also operates an online forum where you can access key information and ask questions directly on:  
[\*\*Importing and exporting - Community Forum - GOV.UK \(hmrc.gov.uk\)\*\*](http://Importing and exporting - Community Forum - GOV.UK (hmrc.gov.uk))



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# Thank You



## UK Border Target Operating Model

Practical supply chain considerations

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# UK Border Target Operating Model



**Risk based approach** to security / bio-security controls for all imports

- Live Animals, Products of Animal Origin and Animal By-Products
- High Risk Food and Feed of Non-Animal Origin
- Plants and Plant Products
- Composite products

**31<sup>st</sup> January 2024**

- Risk classification of products
- Pre-notification
- Health certification

**30<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

Documentary, risk-based  
identity and physical checks  
**from EU (excl Ireland)** at UK  
Border Control Posts (BCPs) \*

**31<sup>st</sup> October 2024**

Earliest date for  
Documentary, risk-based  
identity and physical checks  
**from Ireland at UK BCPs**

**Understand Impact for  
your products**

**Engage with Supply  
Chain Partners and  
Customers**

**Prepare for compliance –  
registration, training,  
engagement**

# Risk Based Approach - Understand impact for your products

		31 <sup>st</sup> January 2024			31 <sup>st</sup> October 2024 (TBC)	
		Risk Classification	Pre-Notification IPAFFS	Health Cert / Phytosanitary Cert	GVMS (all)	Routine Border Entry Controls at BCPs
Products of Animal Origin	High	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Low	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	
Plant and Plant Products	High	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Low					
Composite products	Low	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	

**Shipments to GB – including indirect from Ireland through NI ports**

**Transit shipments of POAO through GB via the landbridge**

# Which risk category is your product under? POAO

Guidance

## TOM risk categories for animal and animal product imports from the EU to Great Britain: summary tables

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Applies to England, Scotland and Wales

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/risk-categories-for-animal-and-animal-product-imports-to-great-britain/target-operating-model-tom-risk-categories-for-animal-and-animal-product-imports-from-the-eu-to-great-britain>

### Search by commodity code

Type the 10 digit commodity code in cell B3 and press enter. The risk category will appear in cell A5. You can only search for one commodity at a time.

Search:

Risk category

Commodity code

Commodity description

Comments

[TOM-risk-categories-list-by-commodity-code-101023.xlsx \(live.com\)](TOM-risk-categories-list-by-commodity-code-101023.xlsx (live.com))

Contents	Commodity	TOM risk category	Comments
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Live animals, germinal products and live aquatics</li> <li>2. Products of animal origin (POAO)</li> <li>3. Animal by-products (ABP)</li> </ol>	<b>POAO that are shelf stable at ambient temperature</b>	Low (if it meets the listed criteria)	The product is low risk if it meets all of the criteria listed below the table.

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# Which risk category is your product under? Plants and plant products

**TOM risk categorisations**

[Home](#) > [Trade](#) > [Imports](#) > [Border Target Operating Model \(TOM\)](#) > TOM risk categorisations

This page outlines the Border Target Operating Model (BTOM) risk categorisation for plants and plant products from the European Union (EU). Risk categorisation for goods from non-EU countries can be found on the [Plant Health Portal](#). The risk categories for EU goods are as follows:

- [High Risk](#)
- [Medium Risk](#)
- [Low Risk](#)

TOM High Risk		
Group	Legislative Term	Country of origin

<https://planhealthportal.de>  
<fra.gov.uk/trade/imports/target-operating-model-tom/tom-risk-categorisations>

# Engage with supply chain partners – and customers



Logistics  
Providers



Government  
Bodies

- Agree responsibility for new requirements
  - Services from provider – GVMS, IPAFFS
  - Customer responsibilities
- Agree timings for new shipment process
  - IPAFFS 24 hours before arrival
  - Potential for 4 hours with approval from port authority
- Understand impact on groupage services
  - Mixed loads - divert to highest classification
  - Impact on timings
- Understand impact on costs
- UK
  - Registration for GVMS – UK government account
  - Registration for IPAFFS – UK address requirement
- Ireland
  - Registration as an approved exporter with DAFM
  - Registration and training on EU Traces IT system
  - Flag certification requirements – engage with veterinary supervisory team



UK Customers

- Notify impact of changes
- Potential impact on timing and costs

# Prepare for new requirements – registrations required

## Agree on who will provide notifications

TRACES	Ensure that you are registered as an approved exporter with DAFM.  European Commission's online platform for sanitary and phytosanitary certification.  Complete DAFM scheduled training on TRACES	<a href="#">Register to Import or Export (www.gov.ie)</a>  <a href="mailto:Traces@agriculture.gov.ie">Traces@agriculture.gov.ie</a>
GVMS	Need to <b>register for the Goods Vehicle Movement Service</b> if you import goods into the UK or export goods from the UK  <b>Customs agent can also register on your behalf</b>  Need UK Govt Gateway ID	<a href="#">Register for the Goods Vehicle Movement Service - (www.gov.uk)</a>
IPAFFS	Responsibility of the <b>GB importer or a representative acting on their behalf to register for IPAFFS</b> to pre-notify the relevant authority of the goods' arrival  In making the notification that person or organisation becomes <b>responsible for the consignment on its arrival in GB</b> , including any follow up actions required and therefore <b>needs to be based in the UK</b>  Need a UK Govt Gateway Account	<a href="#">IPAFFS FAQ - (defra.gov.uk)</a>

# Bord Bia Support

1. Trading with UK Webpage [\*\*https://www.bordbia.ie/industry/trading-with-uk/\*\*](https://www.bordbia.ie/industry/trading-with-uk/)
2. 1:1's and Workshops
  - Customs
  - SPS
  - Logistics / Supply Chain
  - Labelling & Packaging
  - UK Business Entity Set Up
3. Logistics Service Provider Database  
[\*\*https://www.bordbia.ie/industry/export-assistance/logistics-service-provider-search/\*\*](https://www.bordbia.ie/industry/export-assistance/logistics-service-provider-search/)
4. UK Daily Media Report

**To Avail of Support, e-mail: [brexit@bordbia.ie](mailto:brexit@bordbia.ie)**

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