

# Get ready for when the UK leaves the EU

If you buy any items for your business from EU countries, or sell products to customers in EU countries, even if it's only once a year, you will be affected by new import and export arrangements after 31 October.

Whether you're an online jewellery-maker selling to Bulgaria or a building supplier bringing in timber from Sweden, you must now take all the actions below to help your business prepare.

## Get ready

Use this checklist to understand what you need to do

**Apply online now for a UK EORI** number, your new trading number. You won't be able to move goods into and out of the UK without one and it takes less than ten minutes to apply

**Decide if you want to complete customs documentation** to move items in and out of the UK yourself, or get an expert to do this for you

Visit GOV.UK to find new Brexit guidance and help

## Get set

If you buy items from EU countries to bring into the UK:

Apply for **simplified import procedures known as Transitional Simplified Procedures** to get extra time to send in your customs documentation

Check the duty you'll have to pay on items you're bringing in

Apply for an online account to make paying any taxes easier

#### And if you sell products to the EU, you need to:

Check with the people or company that moves your products – for example, your postal service, courier or haulier – to find if they need extra information from you in order to carry on doing this

Check that the people you are selling to are ready to bring your goods into their country, and are following that country's customs processes

## Go!

You'll be best placed to trade from day one, when the UK leaves the EU

#### More information

For further information about Northern Ireland and Ireland, you'll need to use a different list at: www.gov.uk/hmrc/trade-with-the-eu