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Weekly bulletin: The latest guidance and updates for traders

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TSS: the year in numbers

43,516

The number of businesses now registered on TSS, with over 18,527 signing up since 1 January 2021

455,902

The total number of reported goods movements created by TSS since 1 January, involving over 1,596,804 consignments.

81,734

The total number of inbound calls to TSS since 1 January, with over 245,870 outbound calls to support traders.

Season’s Greetings and next bulletin dates

Season’s Greetings to all of our traders and thank you for continuing to use the Trader Support Service through 2021. The system has grown in functionality throughout the year



due to your ongoing input and we encourage you to continue with your feedback in 2022 to enable our service to further evolve.

The bulletin will now be taking a break until the New Year and the next bulletin will be sent week commencing 10 January 2022.

From all of us at TSS, we wish you a well-deserved holiday season and a happy new year!

Annual update of commodity codes and how this might impact you

From 1 January 2022, the UK will introduce its 2022 Integrated Tariff. This will incorporate the World Customs Organization (WCO)'s changes to the Harmonized System Nomenclature (see [WCO website](#) for an explanation of the changes).

The full nomenclature is being published between now and early January; you can visit [GOV.UK](#) to review the correlation of commodity codes from the 2021 Tariff to that of 2022 Tariff going live on 1 January 2022.

This update could impact you if using the TSS Portal to move goods into Northern Ireland and the commodity code is changing as part of the 2022 Integrated Tariff.

From 5 January 2022 the TSS Portal will be aligned to the revised codes and tariff measures; you should familiarise yourself with the new codes and measures to ensure you are selecting the right information for any declarations made in January onwards.

We also recommend that you check ahead of time whether any goods movements you make over the New Year period could be affected. Your declarations may be temporarily impacted if you:

- Are moving controlled goods in the first few days of January **or**
- Have or will be creating any pre-arrived declarations for controlled goods (or pre-arrived FFDs) for arrival post 1 January



Please just reach out to the [TSS Contact Centre](#) on 0800 060 8888 for support with questions and to resolve any errors on your declarations due to the changing commodity codes. If you need to look-up 2021 commodity codes after 1 Jan 2022, you can visit the Northern Ireland Online Tariff tool on [GOV.UK](#) and update the Data of Trade or Date of Import to the relevant date.

Authorised Consignee Locations (ACL): festive season opening hours

If you are moving goods via transit during the festive season and would like to end your transit movement in one of our Authorised Consignee Locations (ACL), please see the festive opening hours below.

ACL	Opening Hours
Zweckers	Closed 25, 26 and 27 December
Surefreight	Closed from 2pm 24 December to 28 December inclusive and Closed from 2pm 31 December to 3 January inclusive
Loane	Closed 23 to 30 December inclusive
Manfreight	Closed 25 December only
TST	Open 9am to 5pm every day
McCulla	Closed 24, 25 December only
Dumfries Freight	Closed 12 noon 24 December to 25 December Open 26 December
Templetown Transport	Closed from 23 December to 1 January inclusive
BMT Logistics Ltd	Closed from 3pm 23 December to 3 January inclusive Open from 8am 4 January

For further information please on Authorised Consignees Locations please contact the TSS.



Apply to the UK Trader Scheme for goods not 'at risk' of moving to the EU

If you are moving goods from Great Britain to Northern Ireland and those goods are to remain in Northern Ireland, you should declare your goods not 'at risk' of moving into the EU to avoid becoming subject to EU import duty. To do this you will need to become authorised under the UK Trader Scheme (UKTS).

Applications can take a few weeks so you should read through the guidance below. We recommend that you plan ahead and submit your application in good time.

To review the eligibility criteria, and to make an application, [visit the UK Trader Scheme page on gov.uk](#). It's recommended that you allow sufficient time for the application process and apply at least a month before you intend to move your goods.

Some key points are:

- You should be moving goods from GB to NI, with your goods for sale to, or for final use by end consumers located in the UK
- You will need to demonstrate that your goods are:
 - Not 'at risk' of moving to the EU by being able to show records, systems, controls and evidence of your GB to NI movements
 - For sale to, or provided for final use by, end consumers located in the UK
- You meet the [qualification criteria](#) for the scheme

For further information about how to apply click [here](#).

Apply for and use your own Duty Deferment Account (DDA)

Using your own DDA account allows you to delay paying most customs or tax charges when you import goods or release goods from an excise warehouse.



Both traders and agents/intermediaries can apply for a DDA.

As an agent or intermediary, submitting customs declarations on behalf of your trader, you may use either your own DDA, or your trader's (provided that your trader has authorised you to act on their behalf).

To apply for a DDA for use in NI, please provide all required information and allow 30 days for your application to be processed (and longer if a Customs Comprehensive Guarantee (CCG) is needed). More information about how to apply can be found [here](#).

Once your application has been successful, you can add your DDA number in to your TSS profile (see this [guidance](#)) or use it [directly in CDS](#).

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07:30 – 22:30, 7 days a week

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