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Trader Support Service (TSS)

Weekly bulletin: Key updates to support you

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TSS in numbers

44,191

The number of businesses now registered on TSS, with over 19,202 signing up since 1 January 2021.

502.913

The total number of reported goods movements created by TSS since 1 January 2021, involving over 1,767,843 consignments.

87,835

The total number of inbound calls to TSS since 1 January 2021, with over 273,655 outbound calls to support traders.



Support for error codes on your declarations

When there is something preventing you from successfully submitting your entry summary (ENS) safety and security, safety frontier (SFD) or supplementary declaration, you will likely receive an **error code beginning with 'CDS' (standing for Customs Declaration Service) in the TSS portal**. These error codes can be triggered for a variety of reasons, including missing information and documents.

You can find an introduction to CDS error codes for <u>entry summary, simplified frontier</u> and <u>supplementary declarations</u> on NICTA. These guides help you to interpret the codes to identify what is causing the error on your declaration.

However, error codes can vary significantly in complexity and you may not be able to resolve easily them without support.

If you need help with error codes on your declarations, please contact the <u>TSS Contact</u> <u>Centre</u> on 0800 060 8888 and a trained agent will assist you.

This will include support to resolve the following frequent error messages (as well as others):

- ValidationCode: CDS40011; CodeDescription: Missing data element value
- ValidationCode: CDS49999; CodeDescription: Other errors

Please reach out to the <u>TSS Contact Centre</u> for support if you have received any of the error codes above.

There's still time to register for 'Ask the experts' this week

To support you in completing your supplementary declarations, we will be running interactive Q&A sessions with small groups in February, allowing you to put your more complex queries to our customs and trade experts.

Click on the dates below to register for attendance.



- Having trouble with movements under a customs special procedure?
 - o Join us for an hour on 9 February
- Are your declarations stuck in Trader Input Required (TIR), with errors, draft or payment pending?
 - o Join us for an hour on 10 February

Special procedures for use with the simplified declarations process

From late February 2022, you will be able to use the special procedures below if using either the simplified declaration process or submitting full frontier declarations. The simplified process is where you submit a reduced data set when the goods leave Great Britain (via a simplified frontier declaration) before providing the remaining information via a supplementary declaration by the fourth working day of the month following the goods movement.

NOTE: if you don't use special procedures, you will be able to continue with goods movements and declarations exactly as you do now.

How can you prepare to use this new functionality?

To prepare to use special procedures on the simplified journey, you need to:

- Apply for Northern Ireland (NI) authorised customs freight simplified procedures (CFSP), if you don't already have one
 - You can apply on gov.uk
 - Please allow sufficient time for your application to be processed
- Make sure you have your NI CFSP authorisation logged on your TSS account before (approximately) 20 February 2022

Here is a list of special procedures you will be able to use on the simplified journey:



- Release to special procedure for storage for declaration for customs warehousing (procedure codes 71XX, XX71)
- Release to special procedure for specific use for declaration for temporary admission (procedure codes 53XX, XX53)
- Release to special procedure for processing for declaration for inward processing (procedure codes 51XX, XX51)
- Release to free circulation with duty relief granted under the end use special procedure (procedure codes 44XX)
- Entry into another procedure following outward processing (procedure codes XX21, XX22)

Changes to be aware of if you group goods under a single commodity code

From 29 January, HMRC introduced a new Additional Procedure Code (APC), F47, which you can use for grouping commodity codes on your supplementary declarations.

If you're processing supplementary declarations for goods moved *prior* to 29 January 2022, use the AI 00600 code as you've been doing.

You should use the F47 code instead of the AI code 00600 for goods moved after 29 January 2022 and enter the code into the correct part of your declaration.

When using APC F47, there are some extra requirements for grouping goods with different countries of origin and for excise goods.

For any questions, please contact the TSS Contact Centre on 0800 060 8888.



Reminder: How to check your EORI number for declarations entries

Businesses need an Economic Operators Registration and Identification number (EORI number) to complete declarations – for instance, if moving goods from Great Britain (GB) to Northern Ireland (NI) or from NI to non-EU markets.

When entering your declaration data, it's important to include the correct EORI number belonging to the business moving the goods. To check the validity of a business' EORI number, to reduce errors when submitting your declaration, you can quickly perform an online check using the following links:

- If you are moving goods from GB to NI, the EU or non-EU countries, check the validity of the EORI number, starting with 'GB' here
- If you are moving goods **from NI non-EU countries**, an XI EORI number, starting with 'XI' is required and those can be checked <u>here</u>
 - o NB: If you already have an EU EORI, you do not need a separate XI EORI

Together we can improve HMRC services

We want to improve the HMRC services you use but can only do this with your help. We would especially like to chat with sole traders or businesses with fewer than 50 employees that are based in:

- NI and import from GB or another non-EU country
- NI and export to a non-EU country other than GB
- GB or another non-EU country, and export to NI

Please provide your details here.



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

If you are moving goods from GB to NI and those goods are to remain in NI, 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).

To review the eligibility criteria, and to make an application, <u>visit the UK Trader Scheme</u> <u>page on gov.uk</u>. We 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 to consider:

- 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
 - o For sale to, or provided for final use by, end consumers located in the UK
- You must meet the <u>qualification criteria</u> 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 <u>guidance</u>) or use it <u>directly in CDS</u>.

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