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**On 1 January 2021, the United Kingdom leaves the European Union and becomes a third country.**

- All goods either entering the European Union from the UK or entering the UK from the EU must be declared to customs.
- The new procedures particularly apply to all traffic, particularly vehicles using the ferry links.

**This fact sheet concerns traffic using the ferry links between France and the United Kingdom**

## The port passage and sea crossing



Between France and the United Kingdom

### Preparation of documents

#### Formalities in France

- The shipper-exporter completes the necessary formalities for exports from France.
- The shipper-importer in the UK must complete the import formalities on the UK side to be able enter the UK.
- The shipper provides the carrier with the necessary documents to **export the goods from France** and those needed to **import them into the UK**.
  - **MRN bar code(s)** (from the French export customs declaration),
  - **British customs information** (from the UK import customs declaration)
- To be able to board the ferry, lorry drivers now need to have new documents in addition to the CMR and their identity documents, etc.:
  - MRN bar code(s)
  - Where applicable:
    - ✓ Sanitary, phytosanitary or veterinary certificates
    - ✓ TIR or ATA carnet



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- They must be informed of the status of the goods carried, so that they can complete the ferry company boarding questionnaires:
  - ✓ TIR or ATA?
  - ✓ Lorry empty?



## Arrival at the departures terminal in France

### What happens before boarding in France

#### The ferry company



- The driver goes to the boarding desk and
  - ✓ Presents their boarding and export customs documents
  - ✓ Completes the ferry company questionnaire
- The company enters certain information provided by the driver into their system (ATA/TIR system\_ EMPTY\_ TEL No....)
- The customs declaration MRN bar codes are scanned by the ferry company and paired with the freight booking and the lorry trailer's registration number.
- All this information is sent to the French customs "Smart Border" "SI BREXIT".

## Departure of the ferry from France

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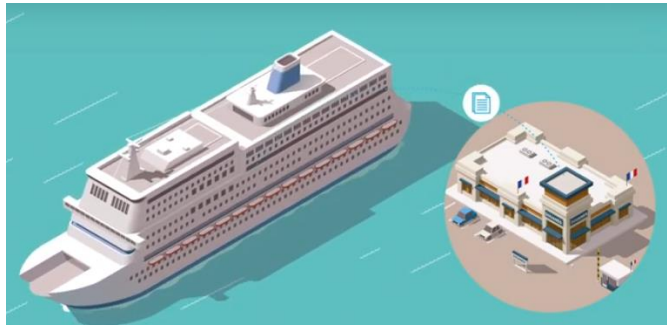


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## What happens during the crossing

### The ferry company

- Sends the manifest to the "SI BREXIT"



### The goods leave the country when the ferry departs

(The data is automatically sent to the ECS system)  
and the export document can then be issued.

## See fact sheet:

"I am an Exporter - what do I have to do?"



## Arrival of the ferry in the United Kingdom

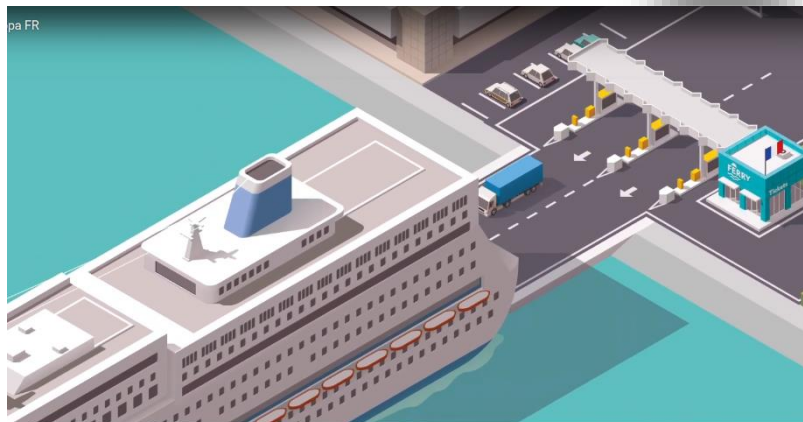
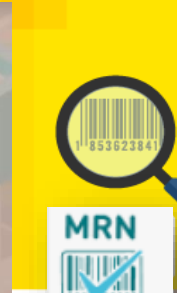
### What happens on disembarking

- Special support crew are provided by the ferry companies to assist lorry drivers with disembarkation:
- The driver will be asked to present the import documents.



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## Steps in the export process



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