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Glossary of terms

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Acronym	Full name	Description
AC	Authorised consignor/consignee	A business authorised to place goods in or take goods out of transit and therefore print off/scan the TAD.
ANPR	Automatic Number Plate Recognition	Camera software that cross-references vehicle number plates against the national database
ARC	Administrative Reference Code	A reference code tied to the eAD for excise goods.
CDS	Customs Declaration System	This is a system that the Government are looking to introduce to try and replace CHIEF. It is a slow process, but it is basically a customs management software that traders and their agents feed information into. It is currently the software being used for GB to Northern Ireland goods movements.
CFSP	Customs Freight Simplified Procedures	Import procedure currently in place in GB to allow Traders to defer the making of import declarations and defer the payment of import duties, although it can be accompanied by a difficult VAT postponement procedure.
CHIEF	Customs Handling of Import and Export Freight	This is a service that was originally used and is still in the large part being used as a customs management system by the Government. Traders and their agents feed information into this software when they make their declarations, etc.
CMR	Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road	This is an international treaty that prescribes conditions for the contract between a customer and their Haulier for international goods movements which cannot be excluded. These are evidenced by CMR Notes.
CPC	Customs Procedure Code	This is a code that indicates what type of export the goods are undertaking. For example, 'permanent export' has its own CPC code.
CTC	Common Transit Convention	This is an international Treaty between countries agreeing to allow Transit to take place. It essentially expands Union Transit and creates

		two types of transit processes, T1 and T2 which can be used depending on where the goods are heading and where they came from.
Driver CPC	Driver Certificate of Professional Competence	Vocational qualification allowing drivers to be HGV drivers.
DUCR	Declaration Unique Consignment Reference	This is a specific reference number generated when a Trader or their agent makes a declaration using the NES or makes a declaration into CHIEF/CDS. It should be given to the Haulier.
eAD	Electronic Administrative Document	This allows authorities to track and check excise goods at different stages.
ECMT	European Conference of Ministers for Transport	Association new managed by the International Transport Forum which distribute the ECMT permits.
EEA	European Economic Area	The European Economic Area, Collective of countries subject to economic benefits of the EU but without full EU member rights.
EHIC	European Health Insurance Card	Evidence of European Healthcare cover.
EIDR	Entry in Declarants Records	If a Trader wants to make use of the CFSP then whilst they can defer making an import declaration, they must still make a detailed entry into their own commercial records in the event that HMRC come to audit and so that they can get the information right when they do come to make their entry.
EMCS	Excise Movement and Control System	System into which details of Excise Goods will need to be entered into order to generate additional documentation. Entering information into this system generates an eAD.
ENO	Entry Number	Makes up the CHIEF Export Entry Reference when a declaration is made into CHIEF, which should be given to the Haulier.
ENS	Entry Safety and Security Declaration	This must be made by the carrier, which on RoRo ports is usually the Haulier, in order to bring goods into GB or the EU. These are made by making an entry into the ICS.
EORI	Economic Operator Registration and Identification	Businesses should apply for an EORI number as it is one of the methods by which HMRC and other

		bodies identify businesses on customs documentation. There are GB EORIs for businesses based in Great Britain, XI EORIs for Northern Ireland, and EU EORIs for the EU.
EPU	Entry Processing Unit	Makes up the CHIEF Export Entry Reference when a declaration is made into CHIEF, which should be given to the Haulier.
EU	European Union	Trading bloc composed of 26 Member States.
EXS	Exit Safety and Security Declaration	This must be made by the carrier, which on RoRo ports is usually the Haulier, when the goods are exported from GB.
GB	Great Britain	England, Wales and Scotland
GHIC	UK Global Health Insurance Card	Evidence of UK Global Healthcare cover.
GMR	Goods Movement Reference	This is generated by the GVMS and wraps up all of the relevant reference numbers.
GVMS	Goods Vehicle Movement Service	All Hauliers should register for this service. It allows the Haulier to enter all of the reference numbers, MRNS, DUCRs, etc, that their customer has given them and wrap them up into one GMR which is tied to the vehicle registration plate.
ICS	Import Control System	SSDs are made into the ICS using whichever software the country in question prescribes.
KAP	Kent Access Permit	This is generated by the 'How to Check an HGV is Ready to Cross the Border' System which is mandatory for Hauliers travelling through Kent to use the Port of Dover or Eurotunnel.
LRN	Local Reference Number	Once information is generated using the NCTS, this will produce an LRN which needs to be given to the Haulier. The Haulier will take this reference number to the UK Office of Departure and the authorities will scan it to check the information.
MRN	Movement Reference Number	Generated by CHIEF when a declaration is made and is important and should be given to the Haulier as it will allow Customs to scan and know what is in the vehicle.

MUCR	Master Unique Consignment Reference	Where a Trader has made multiple export declarations for multiple consignments that might be travelling together, all of the DUCRs that generates can be amalgamated into a MUCR which can be scanned by Customs so that they know all of the DUCRs in the consignment.
NES	National Export System	This is the government system that essentially acts as a piece of 'front door' software feeding information into CHIEF/CDS. It is not mandatory to use the NES and there is other software available but it all feeds into CHIEF/CDS.
P2P	Permission to Progress	A status granted to goods before they are exported from the UK – a status granted once consideration of the MRN and other customs paperwork is reviewed.
PRC	Provisional Replacement Certificate	You should apply for a PRC if you have lost or destroyed your GHIC.
SAD	Single Administrative Document	Otherwise referred to as Form C88 is essentially the hardcopy paper form export declaration.
SSD	Safety and Security Declaration	This is now a requirement for goods imports and exports. There are two types; and EXS and an ENS.
TAD	Transit Accompanying Document	Once the LRN is scanned and the information is checked then provided everything is in place, Customs will print off and hand to the Haulier a TAD which is evidence that the goods are in transit. This will need to be shown at each border crossing when travelling to the end destination.
TCA	Trade and Co-Operation Agreement	The agreement likened to a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) signed and in force between the EU and the UK, containing all of the rules of economic origin.
TSS	Trader Support Service	Useful service Hauliers should sign up to. Gives free advice and assistance particularly in crossing from GB to Ireland, and also allows Hauliers to make ENS SSDs on those goods movements.
UK	United Kingdom	England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland

UK NCTS	UK New Computerised Transit System	This is a system separate to the customs systems into which information needs to be entered either by the Trader or the Haulier. That information is then referred to when entering goods into 'transit' which is a procedure that suspends duties.
UKLC	UK Licence for the Community	These replaced the Community Licence although some with more restricted rights, if you did not receive one to replace your Community Licence by 31 December 2020, then you may need to contact someone.
VAT	Value Added Tax	VAT is obvious tax payable on top of import duties. VAT numbers are another method by which businesses are identified by Customs and HMRC and will be useful for accessing simplified customs procedures.

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