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## Trader Support Service (TSS)

### Weekly bulletin: Key updates to support you

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### New guidance for Internal Market Movements from Great Britain to Northern Ireland

On 24 October 2024, HMRC [published details](#) of the new simplified processes for Internal Market Movements that businesses should be fully prepared for by 31 March 2025. The simplified processes for moving goods from Great Britain (GB) to Northern Ireland (NI) will be introduced under the Windsor Framework.

Key features include:

- Internal Market Movement Information (IMMI), which is a simplified dataset to use when moving goods
- A Trader Goods Profile (TGP) to support completing the simplified dataset
- Entry in Declarant's Records (EIDR): as a TSS user you don't require this and you can continue to use TSS's EIDR authorisation

These processes apply to businesses in GB and NI where one party holds a UK Internal Market Scheme (UKIMS) authorisation and goods meet the 'not at risk' criteria. Goods destined for the EU may require full customs processes, including duty payments.

## Windsor Framework: What is TGP and Categorisation?

The **Trader Goods Profile** – also referred to as the **TGP** – is part of the new Windsor Framework simplified processes for Internal Market Movements.

### What is the TGP and what does it do?

The Trader Goods Profile (TGP) is an online service provided by HMRC. It will help simplify GB to NI movements by providing each UKIMS authorised trader with a custom profile, populated with information about the goods they commonly move from GB to NI.

Accessible via GOV.UK and through the TSS Portal, the TGP will enable traders to use a simple goods description (or trader reference) when completing their Internal Market Movement Information (IMMI), which is a simplified data set that can be used instead of a full declaration for 'not at risk' goods you move from GB to NI. This removes the need to provide a 10-digit commodity code and other stored information for each movement from GB to NI, with the TGP auto-populating the IMMI on your behalf.

### What information will the TGP store?

Each TGP goods entry contains:

- Goods description
- Commodity code – a 6-digit or 8-digit code (10-digit commodity codes are not required for simplified processes for Internal Market Movements eligible goods)
- Trader reference – for example, the product code, SKU or description of goods (custom name you can give your goods to help you identify the entry)
- Country of origin
- Goods category (Standard goods or Category 2 goods)

- Northern Ireland Retail Movement Scheme (NIRMS) number
- Supplementary Units – optional (if required for some 8-digit commodities of controlled goods)

You can add as many entries into the TGP as you need.

### **Do I need to apply for a Trader Goods Profile (TGP)?**

There is no application process. HMRC will automatically create a custom TGP profile for all UKIMS authorised traders. Information on how to access and sign up to use the TGP will be issued by HMRC in due course.

### **Can my haulier or agent use the TGP?**

If you are not completing the IMMI and instead are using a haulier or agent to complete the IMMI on your behalf, TSS allows you to give access and permissions to other TSS users to use your UKIMS authorisation and your TGP to complete an IMMI.

You will still need to provide information to your haulier or agent, such as confirming the EORI for your UKIMS authorisation, confirming the goods moving are 'not at risk' and eligible for the simplified processes, as well as providing the trader reference or goods description and other goods information to submit the IMMI.

### **What is the goods category?**

Categorisation is a newer term, not to be confused with classification, which is used to classify your goods and determine your commodity code for your goods.

<b>Category of good</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Length of commodity code</b>
<b>Standard goods</b>	All goods (excluding excise) that have no documentary controls and/or have no licensing requirements. Prepackaged retail food and drink goods moving under NIRMS also fall into this category.	6 digits
<b>Category 2 goods</b>	These goods are subject to special health, licensing or environmental controls including excise goods. Northern Ireland Plant Health Label scheme (NIPHL) movements also fall into this category.	8 digits
<b>Category 1 goods</b>	These are goods that are subject to total bans, prohibitions, trade defence measures such as quotas, safeguarding and anti-dumping duties. Goods that are subject to the excise duty off-set mechanism are also considered in this category.	10 digits

The IMMI **cannot** be used for goods in this category.

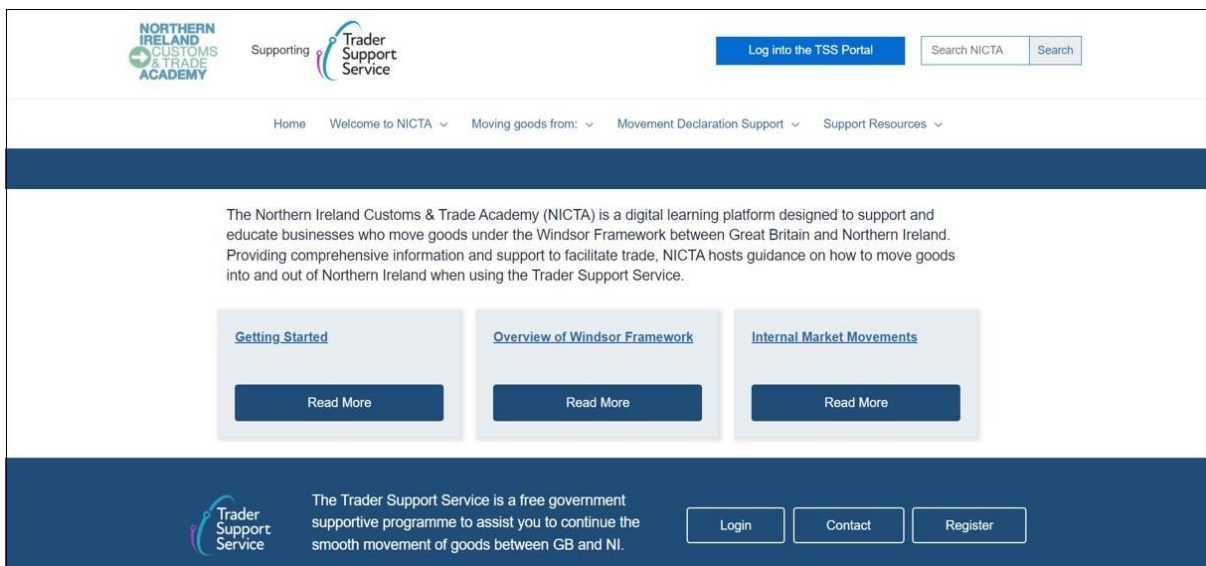
## Updates coming to the NICTA website

**We are making some changes to the NICTA website, which you will start to see very soon.**

TSS will implement several updates now and into 2025. These changes are designed to support the implementation of the Windsor Framework and how you use the TSS Portal for your movements.

Some of the changes you will see are detailed below.

A change to the NICTA home page will update the tiles for quicker navigation, including a new **Internal Market Movements** tile.



The current **Windsor Framework** section has been integrated within other sections on NICTA, for example **An Overview of the Windsor Framework** has moved to the **Welcome to NICTA** section and is also available from the home page. A new **Schemes and Relief** page will advise traders on the schemes and reliefs available for goods movements to Northern Ireland, such as UKIMS or NIRMS.

The header **Moving Goods from:** will now include two new sub-items for moving goods from Great Britain to Northern Ireland, to support the introduction of the Internal Market Movement:

- Internal Market Movement (new section)
- Other NI Movements (existing section in a new location)

The new **Internal Market Movement** page will cover the new arrangements for freight and business to business parcel being introduced under the Windsor Framework no earlier than 31 March 2025, including links to new detailed guidance.

The **Declaration Support** section will be re-named Movement Declaration Support.

The **Support Resources** section will be updated to include published Bulletins.

## New: TSS Windsor Framework 'Simplified processes for Internal Market Movements – Introduction Guide'

We have published a new guide on NICTA: the [Simplified processes for Internal Market Movements – Introduction Guide](#)'.

This guide provides an overview on the simplified processes for Internal Market Movements (SPIMM) and how they can be utilised in the TSS Portal. It explains the conditions for using the simplified processes and what movements are available for TSS users, along with considerations for hauliers, traders and agents (or intermediaries).

This guide has been created to support you on making an informed choice on using the new simplified processes available under the Windsor Framework. You will be able to find it on NICTA in the new **Internal Market Movements** section as detailed in the article above.

Whilst the new arrangements described in the guide are not yet in effect, businesses should be fully prepared for them by 31 March 2025.

TSS will publish further guidance in due course.

## December Windsor Framework webinar: stay informed and prepared

Following the success of the webinar on 27 November 2024, TSS will be hosting the next webinar in the series on **11 December 2024** for the haulier community. The webinar will feature experts who will provide clearer context on how the Windsor Framework will affect you and your business.

When you register for the webinar, you will have the opportunity to ask questions, which we will aim to answer throughout and at the end in the Q&A. Please note that we cannot answer company-specific questions or those containing personal information during our webinar –

these should be raised through the TSS contact centre. Following the conclusion of the webinar, a recording will be published on the NICTA website.

Webinars like this are crucial for businesses looking to stay informed and be fully prepared for the new arrangements by 31 March 2025. Due to the popularity of these events, it is highly recommended that you [register for the webinar as soon as possible](#).

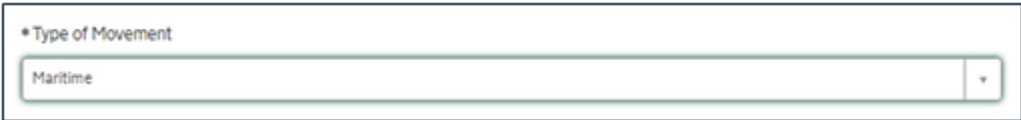
A recording of the 27 November 2024 webinar is available on [NICTA](#), along with recordings of other webinars.

## Reminder: Changes in TSS for your maritime movements: Entry Summary Declarations (ENS)

As a reminder, we have made changes to the TSS Portal in order to support the deployment of the new Import Control System 2 (ICS2) for maritime movements of goods from GB to NI using TSS.

### What are the changes?

On the TSS Portal, there is now a new **Type of Movement** option for when you want to move non inventory-linked maritime goods. Navigate to the Entry Summary Declaration and when you get to the **Type of Movement** field select ‘**Maritime**’ from the drop-down list.



Most of the data fields are the same as you provide now, but you will notice some changes in information required. This information is so you can comply with the safety and security requirements.

Please note that for containerised movements TSS currently supports the submission of Entry Summary Declarations for goods transported in 40ft containers only. For containerised goods movements that are not transported in 40ft containers, these must be completed outside of TSS.

The TSS Portal can be used to submit the filing of the maritime Entry Summary Declaration. For arrivals and any other requirements for the arrival of the safety and security declaration please speak with your carrier or responsible party directly.

[Step-by-step guidance on how to complete the maritime ENS](#) can be found on [NICTA](#).

In case you missed it, we first published some information in [NICTA Bulletin 182](#).

## TSS tip: Are your TSS Company Profile settings correct?

### **Avoid incorrect information on your declaration: check your TSS Company Profile settings**

We urge all businesses with a TSS account to check that the information entered on their TSS company profile is correct. This includes all traders, hauliers, and carriers.

#### **Why is this important?**

The information from your TSS company profile can be used to populate data on your movements, so if the information is not correct on your profile it may lead to incorrect information declared on your movement.

We would like to highlight one section in particular: **‘Do you want the company name to be private?’** If you select ‘Yes’ this means that your name and address is kept private and cannot be auto populated into the required fields for the movements by TSS.

Your EORI, company name and address are needed for movements on the TSS Portal, so selecting **‘Yes’** for this question means that for each movement your company name and address needs to be manually entered, as TSS cannot help to populate the fields.

- It is time consuming for the submitter to repeatedly enter this information
- It can often lead to significant errors on the declaration as incorrect information is submitted

#### **How can I make this easier?**

We urge you to check your privacy settings and ensure they are set to **‘No’** to optimise efficiency. Where asked ‘Do you want the company name to be private?’ Selecting **‘No’** will allow TSS to automatically populate this information from your TSS company profile, using your EORI number.

#### **Will this mean that everyone has access to my information?**

No. The submitter already needs to know your EORI number for the movement, and on entering that EORI onto the movement the associated company name and address are populated from that company profile. It is not possible to access your information any other way. Your company name and address need to be entered on the movement, regardless.

**Authorisations and restrictions**

\* Do you move goods into NI that are subject to commercial processing?

\* Do you want the company name to be private?

\* Do you need to use a Parent Organisation Authorisation on your declarations?

Parent Organisation Authorisations are only required in the exceptional circumstances where you wish to use a Duty Deferment Account, or Special Procedure authorisation that is associated with a Parent Company EORI, rather than the Importer EORI.

While you are reviewing your TSS Company profile, please check all sections are correct, particularly:

- **Company name** – using the same details that you use in correspondence with HMRC
- **EORI Number XI EORI number** – where you have an XI EORI this should be used
- **Company address** – this is your business registered address

Note any fields marked with a \* are mandatory and must be completed on the company profile.

There is a [Registration: Step-by-step guide using TSS](#) on NICTA.

If you require support changing any of these fields in your TSS Company profile, you can contact the TSS contact centre for support.



## Reducing error messages: prevent Trader Input Required (TIR) errors or delays on your controlled TSS movements

Errors in manual input of movement information can cause delays with processing and may affect your declaration submissions, particularly when you need a licence such as a Common Health Entry Document (CHED).

The Customs Declaration Service (CDS) will check that the information entered into the TSS Portal matches your licence details. If the information doesn't match, then it will return a TIR error which you will need to correct before the goods move.

You can increase first time acceptance of your movements and avoid any delays by checking that your licence information matches your movement on TSS (for example, on a Simplified Frontier Declaration)

### Does the following on TSS match your licence or CHED?

- Commodity codes
- Weights
- Quantities
- CHED or licence information in the correct format that CDS requires

If you have many lines of commodities in one CHED or many CHEDs in one declaration, check these carefully before you submit.

### What is a Common Health Entry Document (CHED)?

- Notification of imports of food, feed and plants to authorities
- Submitted in advance of good arriving in Northern Ireland
- Supports biosecurity (through checks at the border for some goods) and traceability of foodstuffs
- CHED references are provided in customs import declarations

Example of a CHED reference: CHEDD.FR.2024.1234567

### What are controlled goods?

Controlled goods are those that require additional licences or authorisations to be provided before being moved from GB to NI.

Some common examples are:

- Excise goods
- Goods requiring export licences
- Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) goods

For more information, please visit the [Guidance on controlled goods and the Online Tariff Tool](#) on NICTA.

## EU General Product Safety Regulation (GPSR)

### Do you move goods into Europe? Are you aware of the changes to the European General Product Safety Regulations (GPSR)?

European General Product Safety Regulation (GPSR) will come into full effect on 13 December 2024, introducing new safety requirements for products placed in the European markets.

Manufacturers, importers, and distributors should be aware of the new obligations and understand the necessary steps to stay compliant for products placed into the European markets.

Non-compliance could lead to serious consequences, such as product liability risks, fines or market bans. If your business places products into the European Markets you need to understand the essential new obligations and take the necessary steps to stay compliant.

#### What's new?

- Precautionary principle – will be widely applied by all stakeholders for product safety
- Specific product safety obligations for both economic operators and providers of online marketplaces
- Reinforced product traceability requirements
- List of aspects to be considered when assessing the safety of products, including for new technologies
- Accident reporting to authorities by businesses
- Reinforced market surveillance rules
- Specific rules on how to handle product safety recalls, including a mandatory recall notice template, and right to remedy for consumers

The GPSR requires that **all** consumer products on the EU markets are safe, and it establishes specific obligations from businesses.

The General Product Safety Regulations apply to non-food products and to all sales channels.

Further information can be found on the [European Commission website](#).

## Post webinar Q&A

### What options are available for companies who cannot use the simplified processes for Internal Market Movements?

If you're moving goods into Northern Ireland which qualify as 'at risk' of being moved into the EU, then nothing will change, and you can continue using the same procedures to move your goods.

These procedures include various schemes to help traders, such as:

- Goods movements from GB to Northern Ireland where the EU common external tariff is zero
- Preferential rates of duty for certain goods under the TCA rules of UK origin
- The customs duty waiver subsidy you can apply up to a certain amount
- If you've moved goods on an 'at risk' basis and can prove that the goods remained in Northern Ireland, you can apply to reclaim the import duty using the Duty Reimbursement Scheme

Further information is available on [NICTA](#) or by contacting TSS.

TSS will continue to help Traders who have questions on all types of movements, so just because we're prioritising the Windsor Framework in these webinars that doesn't mean we're going to stop supporting all Traders moving goods from GB to NI. The purpose of these webinars is to ensure that those of you who can take advantage of the new simplified processes will be well informed, should you choose to do so.

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### TSS Contact Centre hours of operation:

07:30 – 22:30, 7 days a week

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### Northern Ireland Customs & Trade Academy (NICTA)

Find [guides, webinars, and training](#) on the NICTA website to assist with your customs movements and using TSS.