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‘No deal’ EU exit contingency planning

Guidance for registration to use the Government secured capacity in the event of a 'no deal' EU exit



1. Background

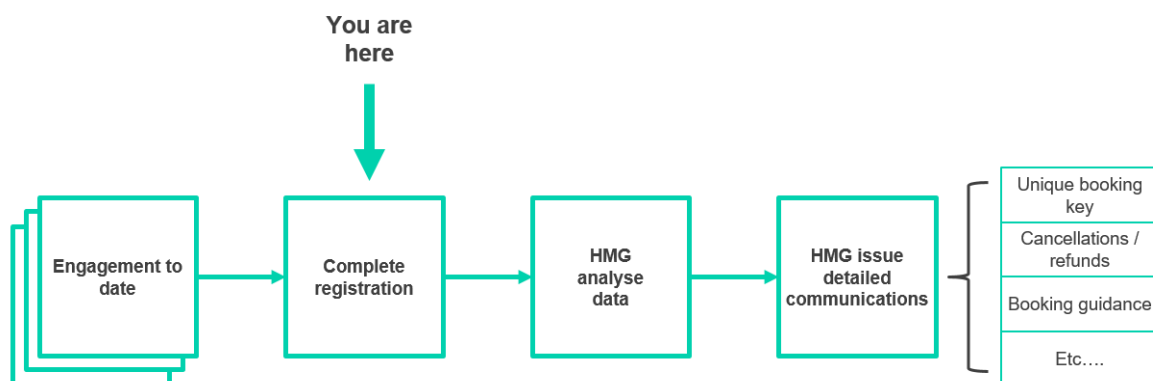
The government has taken contingency measures to ensure the continuity of supply of goods and provide clarity over shipping routes between the EU and the UK in the event of a 'no deal' EU exit. As part of this ferry capacity has been secured for prioritised products. These will be available as an alternative supply route for companies moving these products into the UK. You are receiving this as part of the process to access this secured capacity.

2. What is the process for accessing this capacity?

In order to gain access, we are asking that you, as a supplier of Category 1 goods, register via a short survey. This survey can be accessed via a link in an email to follow. You will need to register for a portal called *DHSC eXchange* which hosts the survey. Please note, registering does not constitute a commercial agreement to buy the space.

Note: Information regarding GDPR compliance and usage are contained within this document and the survey.

Access to the Government secured capacity will be via tickets and there will be no 'turn up and go' access. A unique booking key will be provided to suppliers once they have registered. The unique booking key issued can then be used by suppliers, or their third-party logistics provider, to buy tickets on the Government secured capacity. The high-level process is shown below:



3. How will registering help?

Registration will provide the Department of Health and Social Care an indication of your interest in the Government secured capacity on alternate ferry routes and



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trigger access to these routes. This secured capacity is for the import and export of Category 1 products between the UK and EU in the event of a 'no deal' EU Exit. You are receiving this because we believe you are a Category 1 supplier. Please note Category 1 supplies include:

- Biological substances (Bloods, organs, tissues, cells)
- Clinical Trials Materials
- Medical Devices and Clinical Consumables
- Medicines
- Non-Clinical Goods and Services
- Vaccines

If you do not believe you are a Category 1 supplier please respond as such to the email address from which you received this guidance.

4. Guidance on tickets

The ferry tickets indicated in the registration are for return journeys on specific Government secured routes. The capacity secured is in addition to the normal market availability. Tickets will be priced at the market rate.

5. Guidance on tickets

Route	Estimated sailing time	Required type
Cherbourg – Poole	4h 30	Accompanied
Le Havre – Portsmouth	6h	Accompanied
Roscoff – Plymouth	6h	Accompanied
Caen – Portsmouth	7h	Accompanied
Vlaardingen – Immingham	13h	Unaccompanied
Cuxhaven – Immingham	16h	Unaccompanied
Vlaardingen – Felixstowe	9h	Unaccompanied

6. Terms of Reference

Finished Goods

The Finished Goods are the end product in its final form, which is ready for use.

Critical Raw materials



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Raw materials are defined for these purposes as any component that is required to make the final medicinal product. **Critical** raw materials include Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs), semi-finished goods, component parts, excipients and other direct raw materials. It does not include indirect raw materials such as cardboard packaging.

GDPR

The registration form is held on the DHSC eXchange which is a secure online GDPR compliant repository.

HGV equivalent

A Heavy Goods Vehicle (HGV) is considered a c.14m Lorry. If this is not applicable for your transportation please use a best guess estimate of the HGV equivalents you would require. For example two 5m vans would fit within one HGV space.

Accompanied and Unaccompanied

- **Accompanied** transportation comprises of a trailer that is physically attended on the ferry by a powered unit and a responsible individual
- **Unaccompanied** trailers are those that are not physically attended on the ferry by a powered unit nor necessarily an individual

Hazardous, Dangerous and Controlled

- **Hazardous** medicines that due to their Cytotoxic or Cytostatic properties are deemed to be hazardous. This requires that they be handled and disposed of in a particular manner.
- **Dangerous:** some hazardous medicines become 'dangerous' if they are confined.
- **Controlled:** some prescription medicines are controlled under the Misuse of Drugs legislation (and subsequent amendments). These medicines are called controlled medicines or controlled drugs (eg. Morphine). Stricter legal controls govern the usage and requirements for controlled drugs.

7. Contact details

- Medicines – medicinescontingencyplanning@dhsc.gov.uk
- Medical Devices and Clinical Consumables – mdcc-contingencyplanning@dhsc.gov.uk.