**Safety and Security declarations – are you ready?**

From 31 January 2025, all EU imports into Great Britain will require Safety and Security declarations. You can find a full list of countries this will apply to on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/making-an-entry-summary-declaration).

Safety and Security declarations support the fight against illicit goods such as drugs and weapons entering the UK and make sure legitimate goods aren’t stopped for unnecessary checks.

Hauliers or carriers are legally responsible for submitting Safety and Security declarations. Further information on where liability sits for different transport modes can be found on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/safety-and-security-requirements-on-imports-and-exports#imports-into-great-britain-and-northern-ireland).

HMRC are encouraging businesses to start submitting Safety and Security declarations now, if they are ready to do so. They’re also reducing the amount of data required to make things easier for businesses.

If businesses are not ready, they should speak to their supply chains to check who is responsible and plan how declarations will be submitted.

If businesses do not submit S&S declarations from 31 January, they could be issued with a financial penalty and goods could be held for unnecessary checks.

You can find more information on the new requirements by visiting [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/preparing-for-the-new-safety-and-security-declaration-requirements).