

## IMPORTING, EXPORTING AND KEY CHANGES FOR PRODUCT SAFETY FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2021

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### How Can Hertfordshire Trading Standards Help?

Hertfordshire Trading Standards can advise you on the following key areas: -

Food and Feed Labelling  
and Standards

Pet Passports

Textiles & Footwear  
Composition & Materials

Product Safety and Standards including: -

- ✓ Cosmetics
- ✓ Toys
- ✓ Construction products
- ✓ Fireworks
- ✓ Weights & Measures

Animal Movements and  
Identification

UKCA, UKNI and CE  
Markings

Energy Labelling of  
Electronic Products

Trading Standards offer 1 hour of free advice (per year) and chargeable tailored advice specific to your business needs.

Contact Hertfordshire Trading Standards for further advice and information: -

Use [The Trading Standards pages](#) to find out more information or give us a call on 01707 281401. Open 9am - 5pm Monday to Friday.

Below are some of the key changes you need to be aware of and the links to the Gov UK website for further information.

What do I need to consider?	Why?	How do I get more information?
Do you manufacture, export or distribute products that have safety markings in GB, Northern Ireland or the EU?	<p>The UKCA mark will be replacing the CE mark for GB products, the CE mark will remain for EU products and the UKNI mark will be in place for products placed on the NI market.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div>	<p>The rules for safety marking will be different in each market. Make sure you are up to date with the requirements.</p> <p><b>Call Hertfordshire Trading Standards for further advice on the labelling requirements.</b></p> <p>Or Gov UK have further details:-  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/placing-manufactured-goods-on-the-market-in-great-britain-from-1-january-2021">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/placing-manufactured-goods-on-the-market-in-great-britain-from-1-january-2021</a></p>

		Type of good (see list of product areas below)	Accepted marking or combination of markings*	
	<b>Placing goods on the market in Northern Ireland</b>	Manufactured goods being placed on the market in NI using an EU conformity assessment body	CE	
		Manufactured goods being placed on the market in NI using a UK-based body	CE and UKNI	
	<b>Placing goods on the market in Great Britain</b>	Manufactured goods being placed on the GB market until the end of 2021	UKCA or CE	
		Manufactured goods placed on the GB market from 1 Jan 2022	UKCA	
	<b>Placing qualifying Northern Ireland goods on the market in Great Britain (unfettered access)</b>	Qualifying Northern Ireland goods being placed on the GB market under unfettered access	CE or CE and UKNI	
	<b>Placing goods on the EU market</b>	Manufactured goods being placed on the EU market	CE	
Do you manufacture, export or distribute products <b>in GB</b> that are regulated by the General Product Safety Regulations 2005 (GPSR)?	The requirements for placing consumer products under the Regulations are changing, which includes general obligations of producers, importers and distributors. See below for specific products that are regulated under GPSR.		<p><b>Please call Hertfordshire Trading Standards for general product safety advice.</b></p> <p>Or see Gov UK for further information:  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/product-safety-and-metrology-from-1-january-2021-great-britain">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/product-safety-and-metrology-from-1-january-2021-great-britain</a></p>	

<p>Do you manufacture, export or distribute products in <b>Northern Ireland</b> that are regulated by the General Product Safety Regulations 2005 (GPSR)?</p>	<p>The requirements for placing consumer products under the Regulations are changing, which includes general obligations of producers, importers and distributors. See below for specific products that are regulated under GPSR.</p>	<p><b>Please call Hertfordshire Trading Standards for general product safety advice.</b></p> <p>Or see Gov UK for further information:  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/product-safety-and-metrology-from-1-january-2021-northern-ireland">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/product-safety-and-metrology-from-1-january-2021-northern-ireland</a></p>
<p>Do you manufacture or sell <b>Cosmetic</b> products on the <b>GB market and/or Northern Ireland market</b>?</p>	<p>If you place cosmetic products on the GB and/or NI market you need to be aware of the changes to the Regulations which include labelling, definitions, PIF information and the new notification service SCPN which replaces the EU CPNP.</p>	<p>There are transition timings and different requirements that will affect your cosmetic products.</p> <p><b>Call Hertfordshire Trading Standards for further advice on the new cosmetic requirements.</b></p> <p>Or see Gov UK for the full guidance for GB:  <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/936674/Guide-to-cosmetics-2013.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/936674/Guide-to-cosmetics-2013.pdf</a></p> <p>Or see Gov UK for the full guidance for NI:  <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/936677/Guide-to-cosmetics-2013-northern-ireland.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/936677/Guide-to-cosmetics-2013-northern-ireland.pdf</a></p>
<p>Do you manufacture distribute or import <b>electrical and electronic</b> products on the <b>GB market and/or Northern Ireland market</b>?</p>	<p>If you place electrical and electronic products on the GB and/or NI market you need to be aware of the changes to the Regulations which include obligations, safety markings and transitional timings.</p>	<p>There are transition timings and different requirements that will affect your products.</p> <p><b>Call Hertfordshire Trading Standards for further advice on the new cosmetic requirements.</b></p> <p>Or see Gov UK for the full guidance for GB:  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/product-safety-and-metrology-from-1-january-2021-great-britain#electrical-and-electronic">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/product-safety-and-metrology-from-1-january-2021-great-britain#electrical-and-electronic</a></p> <p>Or see Gov UK for the full guidance for NI:  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/product-safety-and-metrology-from-1-january-2021-northern-ireland#electrical-and-electronic">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/product-safety-and-metrology-from-1-january-2021-northern-ireland#electrical-and-electronic</a></p>

<p>Do you manufacture, distribute or import <b>fireworks/pyrotechnical</b> products on the <b>GB market and/or Northern Ireland market?</b></p>	<p>If you place fireworks or any pyrotechnical products on the GB and/or NI market you need to be aware of the changes to the Regulations which include obligations, safety markings and transitional timings.</p>	<p>There are transition timings and different requirements that will affect your products.</p> <p><b>Call Hertfordshire Trading Standards for further advice on the new cosmetic requirements.</b></p> <p>Or see Gov UK for the full guidance for GB:  <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/939635/Guide-to-pyrotechnics-regulations-2015.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/939635/Guide-to-pyrotechnics-regulations-2015.pdf</a></p> <p>Or see Gov UK for the full guidance for NI:  <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/939640/Guide-to-pyrotechnics-regulations-2015-northern-ireland.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/939640/Guide-to-pyrotechnics-regulations-2015-northern-ireland.pdf</a></p>
<p>Do you place <b>measuring instruments</b> in GB and/or Northern Ireland?</p>	<p>If you place measuring instruments on the GB and/or NI market you need to be aware of the changes to the Regulations which include obligations, safety markings and transitional timings</p>	<p>There are transition timings and different requirements that will affect your products.</p> <p><b>Call Hertfordshire Trading Standards for further advice on the new cosmetic requirements.</b></p> <p>Or see Gov UK for the full guidance for GB:  <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/939320/Guide-to-measuring-instruments-regulations-2016.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/939320/Guide-to-measuring-instruments-regulations-2016.pdf</a></p> <p>Or see Gov UK for the full guidance for NI:  <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/939300/Guide-to-measuring-instruments-regulations-2016-northern-ireland.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/939300/Guide-to-measuring-instruments-regulations-2016-northern-ireland.pdf</a></p>
<p>Do you manufacture, import or distribute <b>toys</b> in GB and/or Northern Ireland?</p>	<p>If you place toys on the GB and/or NI market you need to be aware of the changes to the Regulations which include obligations, safety markings, notified bodies and transitional arrangements</p>	<p>There are transition timings and different requirements that will affect your products.</p> <p><b>Call Hertfordshire Trading Standards for further advice on the new cosmetic requirements.</b></p> <p>Or see Gov UK for the full guidance for GB:</p>

		<a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/937954/Guide-to-toys-regulations-2011.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/937954/Guide-to-toys-regulations-2011.pdf</a>  Or see Gov UK for the full guidance for NI: <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/937956/Guide-to-toys-regulations-2011-northern-ireland.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/937956/Guide-to-toys-regulations-2011-northern-ireland.pdf</a>
Do you make, sell or distribute chemicals in the UK?	The legislation is changing and the UK REACH rules will come into place on 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2021.	To find out more and get all the details see Gov UK: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/how-to-comply-with-reach-chemical-regulations">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/how-to-comply-with-reach-chemical-regulations</a>

### The basic requirements for Commercial Exports and Imports

The follow are key steps you need to consider when importing to the GB from Northern Ireland or Europe. Without following these steps you will not be able to import your product. Registration takes time so please allow for this to possibly delay your import.

What do I need to consider?	Why?	How do I get more information?
Do you have an EORI number?	<p>From 1 January 2021 you'll need an EORI number to move goods between the UK and the EU. If you do not have one, you may have increased costs and delays.</p> <p>You'll not usually need an EORI number if you only provide services.</p> <p><b>DON'T DELAY – applications can take up to a week.</b></p> <p><b>If you already have an EORI</b> - From 1 January 2021 you'll need an EORI number that starts with GB to move goods to or from the UK.</p>	Further details and how to apply: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/eori">https://www.gov.uk/eori</a>
Do you have an XI-EORI number for Northern Ireland trade?	<p>From 1 January 2021 traders will need an Economic Operators Registration and Identification (EORI) number that starts with XI to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• move goods between Northern Ireland and non-EU countries</li> <li>• move goods from Northern Ireland to Great Britain</li> </ul> <p>make a customs declaration or get a customs decision in Northern Ireland</p>	To get an EORI number that starts with XI, you must already have an EORI number that starts with GB. If you do not have one, <a href="#">apply for an EORI number that starts with GB</a> as soon as possible.
Are you aware of the Commodity Codes system for customs declarations?	You'll need a commodity code to make your customs declaration when you bring goods in or send goods out of the UK or EU. This includes goods sent to you from abroad.	To find the right commodity code to classify your goods and check duty rates, please follow this link: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/finding-commodity-codes-for-imports-or-exports">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/finding-commodity-codes-for-imports-or-exports</a>

<p>Are you exporting goods to <b>Northern Ireland?</b> Have registered for the Trader Support Service (TSS)?</p>	<p>If you are a trader or carrier that moves goods between Great Britain and Northern Ireland, you need to register for the Trader Support Service, otherwise you will not be able to move goods between the regions.</p>	<p>The Trader Support Service will raise declarations on your behalf for free. Training and support is available now. Register now to make sure you can continue to move goods in and out of Northern Ireland after 1 January. It only takes a few minutes. Do not delay.</p> <p><a href="#">Register your company as a trader or carrier</a></p>
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