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Technical information - Goods vehicle Movement Service (GVMS) CHIEF changes

Background / introduction

To achieve full customs control on goods, at locations with limited space or infrastructure, the Government introduced the Goods Vehicle Movement Service (GVMS) to support the Pre-Lodgement model for both imports and exports and to facilitate Transit movements.

From 1 January 2021 traders, hauliers and carriers are required to have a Goods Movement Reference (GMR) to move goods from the EU to GB (transit movements only) or GB to NI. Once full customs checks are in place from January 2022, GVMS will be available to use for UK/EU imports and exports.

Goods Movement Reference (GMR)

At border locations operating the GVMS, hauliers will be required to provide the carrier with a GMR number obtained from the GVMS. The GMR is a unique number beneath which individual customs, transit and safety & security declaration numbers will be linked together for that vehicle/container.

Each GMR number is valid for a single crossing and can be used only once.

In order to support GVMS we have made the following changes to the CHIEF GB/EU import declaration processes.

Imports changes

Declarants will be required to pre-lodge a customs declaration, (Full Frontier or Simplified Frontier), into CHIEF before the goods arrive at the exiting EU port or Eurotunnel premises.

To support GVMS, CHIEF and the Trade interface, the declarant must complete the following when submitting a customs declaration when the goods are moving via a location using GVMS:

Data Element Name	SAD box	Simplified Frontier Declaration (SFD)	Full Declaration
TRPT-MODE-CODE	25	C	C
GDS -LOCN-CODE	30	C	C
AI Statement		C(40)	C(40)
HDR-AI-STMT	44h	C	C

- Transport Mode Code (SAD Box 25 – TRPT-MODE-CODE). Any Transport Mode can be used from the following list:

Mode of transport	Code
Sea transport	1
Rail transport	2
Road transport	3
Air transport	4
Postal consignment	5
RoRo	6
Fixed transport installation	7
Inland waterway transport	8
Own propulsion	9

- Goods Location (SAD box 30 – GDS-LOCN-CODE) (from gov.uk) to capture the 'RoRo' location.
- Header AI Statement '**RRS01**' (SAD box 44 – HDR-AI-STMT). The solution introduces a new header AI statement '**RRS01**' to indicate that the declaration is of interest to GVMS
- An Import Entry marked as 'of interest to GVMS' (AI Statement '**RRS01**' present) cannot also be declared as inventory linked (SAD box 44h: MASTER-UCR not null). An inventory linked Entry is expected to be progressed, (including Arrived), by a CSP Inventory system
- Traders will be permitted to add or remove AI statement '**RRS01**' on their declaration from when it is pre-lodged up until the point of arrival at embarkation by GVMS. Once the entry is arrived, amendment to remove or add AI statement '**RRS01**' will no longer be permitted

Note: Failure to provide the '**RRS01**' header statement within the declaration will result in GVMS not being able to arrive the declaration.

GVMS releases to date

- GVMS Check-in and Embarkation functionality was deployed successfully on (31 December 2020)
- GVMS Registration Service (8 December 2020)
- Get a Goods Movement Reference (GMR) Service (23 December 2021).
- R1.1 functionality supported NI-GB Exports (28 February 2021)
- R1.2 included enhanced validation to improve customer journeys (16 May 2021)
- R2 included enhancements to improve customer journeys, including Import Control System (ICS) validation, Safety & Security Movement Reference Number validation, Driver Self-Serve functionality and ICS arrivals (4 July 2021)