



What to expect on day one of a no deal scenario: UK licensed establishments working with organs, tissues and cells^Δ

If the UK leaves the EU without any deal on 29 March 2019, the UK can still import and export organs, tissues and cells from and to EU countries.

If you're a UK licensed establishment working with organs, tissues and cells, such as hospitals, stem cell laboratories, tissue banks and fertility clinics you will continue to work to the same quality and safety standards as before exiting the EU. However, some UK establishments will need new written agreements with relevant EU establishments.

How processes will change

Tissues and cells for human use, including reproductive cells: If you're a UK licensed establishment that imports or exports tissues or cells from European Economic Area (EEA) establishments you will need to make written agreements with those EEA establishments to continue importing or exporting these products post-exit, under a no deal scenario.

If you're a UK licensed establishment that already holds an import licence to import tissues and cells from third countries you can use your existing written agreements with third country organisations as a template.

Organs for transplantation: NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) is the organisation responsible for organ donation and transplantation in the UK. It is working with the UK regulator

for organs, the Human Tissue Authority (HTA), to ensure that appropriate written agreements are in place with EU organisations to allow organ exchange to continue post-exit.

Transplant centres do not need to take any further action.

Making importing easier from the EU

HMRC is introducing new **Transitional Simplified Procedures (TSP)**, to make importing through roll-on, roll-off ports and the Channel Tunnel easier for the initial period after the UK leaves the EU, should there be no deal. We anticipate TSP will remain in place until traders are ready to use rest of the world processes and permanent arrangements are in place, which will take at least a year.

Sign up for HMRC's new **Transitional Simplified Procedures (TSP)**, online from 7 February, to make importing easier for you until at least April 2020.

Once you are registered for TSP you will be able to:

- transport most goods into the UK without having to make a full customs declaration at the port
- postpone paying your customs duties.

However, for controlled goods, such as animal products and most plants, or excise goods like alcohol or tobacco, you will have to provide some customs information before import.

We have published further **guidance on TSP** on GOV.UK, including the locations TSP applies to.

Actions you can take now

1. Consider any changes you may need to make to adapt to new processes and systems.
2. Sign up for [Transitional Simplified Procedures \(TSP\)](#), online from 7 February, if it's suitable for your business but you should note that:
 - you will need to use your EORI number to register
 - if you are importing controlled goods such as animal products and most plants, or excise goods like alcohol or tobacco, you will have to provide some customs information before you import
 - read further guidance on TSP on GOV.UK, including the locations TSP applies to.
3. The passport rules for travel to most countries in Europe will change if the UK leaves the EU on 29 March 2019 without a deal. Read the government's guidance on [Travelling to the EU with a UK passport if there's no Brexit deal](#) and, if relevant, ensure your employees and customers are aware of the potential changes.
4. Stay up-to-date with these changes by [registering for email alerts](#). Follow the link, add your email address, select 'Submit', select 'Add subscription' and choose 'EU Exit' then select 'Submit'.

