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**SHIP FROM UK TO EU IN 2022**  
**INCLUDING GVMS & GMR NUMBERS**

## WHAT IS GVMS?

GVMS stands for **Goods Vehicles Movement Service**.

This new system was put in place from 1 January 2022. It's the customs service used in the UK to create the GMR number, needed for moving goods into or out of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Without being GVMS registered and using this system to create the GMR, you won't be able to move anything in or out of the UK.

## WHAT IS A GMR NUMBER?

GMR stands for **Goods Movement Reference** number.

It's a digital number created on the Gov UK website that allows vehicles to cross the UK border for both export and import.

It's created by uploading information into the GVMS portal.

# BASIC REQUIREMENTS FROM 1 JANUARY 2022



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## HAULIERS



### GVMS REGISTRATION

Click here to register



### GB EORI NUMBER

Click here to register

### PLUS...

- Access to GVMS
- Able to print documents

## DRIVERS



Valid **GMR** number

### PLUS...

- Access to check GMR route during crossing
- Valid passport
- Haulage company contact details

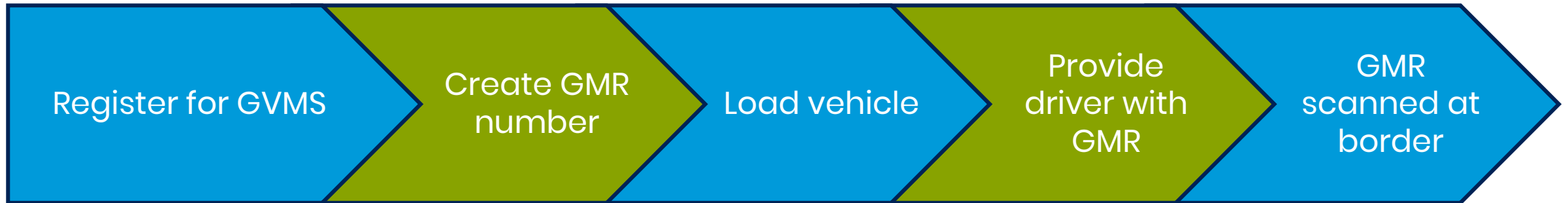
# PROCESS FOR HAULIERS



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- Can be done up to 28 days in advance
- When GMR is created, MRN is validated

- If GMR is not valid at the border, it will be rejected and the vehicle will not travel



- Don't need to be UK business to do this
- Do need a GB EORI number

# VIEW OR CREATE GMR NUMBER



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Click here to go to the GVMS system

When you log in, you'll see the below page:

## View or create goods movement references (GMRs)

For each GMR the driver moving the goods will need to:

- present a copy of the GMR at the port of departure
- use the ['Check if you need to report for an inspection' service \(opens in new tab\)](#) while crossing with the goods

Create a new GMR

'Create a new GMR' starts the process for you

Opening the login page will show you the status of shipments:

### Goods movement references

Goods movement reference ID	Vehicle or trailer number	Planned route	Status
<a href="#">GMR X XXXX XXXX</a>	xxxxxxx	Eurotunnel (Folkestone) to Calais	Draft Contains errors
<a href="#">GMR X XXXX XXXX</a>	xxxxxxx	Dover to Calais	Draft
<a href="#">GMR X XXXX XXXX</a>	xxxxxxx	Dunkirk to Dover	Draft Contains errors
<a href="#">GMR X XXXX XXXX</a>	xxxxxxx	Calais to Dover	Draft
<a href="#">GMR X XXXX XXXX</a>	xxxxxxx	Eurotunnel (Folkestone) to Calais	Embarked
<a href="#">GMR X XXXX XXXX</a>	xxxxxxx	Eurotunnel (Folkestone) to Calais	Embarked

## Where is this crossing going from and to?

- From a port in the European Union (EU) or Norway into Great Britain (England, Scotland and Wales)
- From Great Britain into a port in the EU
- From Great Britain into Northern Ireland
- From Northern Ireland into Great Britain

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Confirm where the shipment is going:

- EU to UK
- UK to EU
- GB to NI
- NI to GB

## Check the direction

**Direction** From a port in the European Union (EU) or Norway into Great Britain (England, Scotland and Wales) [Change](#)

### Creating a draft goods movement reference

You can use this draft goods movement reference to make transport bookings.

You must complete all mandatory fields, but you can make changes at any time before the driver checks in at the port.

**!** You will not be able to change the direction once you create a draft good movement reference.

[Save and continue](#)

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This is the number the driver must have to check in at customs



## Your draft goods movement reference (GMR) has been created

You can only use a draft GMR to make transport bookings. You must complete your GMR to use it for moving goods.

Your draft GMR is: **GMR A 2QHLOUEQ**

### Add more information to this draft to complete your GMR

This can be done at any time before you travel, but you will need to leave enough time to gather all the information needed.

### Check the status of your completed GMR

Track the progress of your GMR by checking its latest status on the dashboard, for example, to see if it has been checked in, or embarked.

You must check the status of your GMR and correct any errors before travelling to the port.

- ▶ [If you are moving goods under the Common Transit Convention \(CTC\)](#)
- ▶ [If you have a European Union \(EU\) Export Accompanying Document \(EAD\)](#)

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## You need:

- 1.1. Port of departure
- 1.2. Port of arrival
- 1.3. Carrier you'll cross with

## About ports:

- Dover = ferry
- Folkestone = Eurotunnel

## Update GMR A XT1U XVDN direction: EU to GB

### 1. About your crossing

[Select the planned route](#)

Not started

### 2. About your vehicle

[Confirm if the driver will travel with the vehicle](#)

Not started

Enter unit reference numbers

Cannot start yet

### 3. About your declarations

[Confirm if the vehicle contains goods](#)

Not started

Enter declaration reference numbers

Cannot start yet

### Completing your goods movement reference

You must complete all of the sections relevant to this crossing before you go to the port.

If a section is marked completed then the answers are stored.

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[Delete this goods movement reference](#)

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## You need:

- 2.1. If the driver will travel with the vehicle (accompanied or unaccompanied)
- 2.2. Vehicle registration number (VRN)



# DECLARATION



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## Update GMR A XT1U XVDN direction: EU to GB

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[Select the planned route](#) Not started

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Enter unit reference numbers Cannot start yet

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\*Each declaration has a maximum of 99 commodity codes (tariff headings). You can enter **additional declarations** at the next step.\*

### You need:

3.1. Is the vehicle empty or does it contain goods?

3.2. What type of declaration is needed? Customs; transit etc.\*



### Add a declaration

Select a declaration type to add it to this goods movement reference. You must add declarations one at a time, but you can add as many as you need to.

- Customs declaration  
This could be a full combined export declaration, an export or transhipment Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), or a simplified frontier declaration (SFD)
- Transit declaration  
This could be a Transit Accompanying Document (TAD) or a Transit Security Accompanying Document (TSAD)
- TIR Carnet
- ATA Carnet
- Postal declarations  
This includes items of correspondence and goods moved under Universal Postal Union (UPU) terms, commonly moved by Royal Mail Group, other designated postal operators and Extraterritorial Offices of Exchange (ETOE). The UPU forms this applies to are the movement documents CN37, CN38, and CN41, and item declaration forms CN22 and CN23.
- Oral or by conduct declaration

### Enter a customs declaration reference

The goods will have been declared in the Customs Declaration Service (CDS) or in the Customs Handling of Import and Export Freight (CHIEF) service. The reference will be a Declaration Unique Consignment Reference (DUCR).

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3.3. Your customs declaration reference is the **Unique Consignment Reference**, found on the customs entry. Remember, if there's more than one per consignment, you'll need to check you've got them all (one for every 99 commodity codes)

# ADD DECLARATION & FINISH



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[Add another declaration](#)

[Help with errors](#)

Customs declaration		<a href="#">Change</a>   <a href="#">Remove</a>
Reference	1GB00000000000000000000000000000000A	<a href="#">Change</a>   <a href="#">Remove</a>
Safety and security	We cannot find this declaration. Check and try again.	
Status	Contains errors	

Customs declaration		<a href="#">Change</a>   <a href="#">Remove</a>
Reference	1GB00000000000000000000000000000000B	<a href="#">Change</a>   <a href="#">Remove</a>
Safety and security	We cannot find this declaration. Check and try again.	
Status	Contains errors	

Customs declaration		<a href="#">Change</a>   <a href="#">Remove</a>
Reference	1GB00000000000000000000000000000000C	<a href="#">Change</a>   <a href="#">Remove</a>
Safety and security		
Status	OK	

Customs declaration		<a href="#">Change</a>   <a href="#">Remove</a>
Reference	1GB00000000000000000000000000000000D	<a href="#">Change</a>   <a href="#">Remove</a>
Safety and security		
Status	OK	

Customs declaration		<a href="#">Change</a>   <a href="#">Remove</a>
Reference	1GB00000000000000000000000000000000E	<a href="#">Change</a>   <a href="#">Remove</a>
Safety and security		
Status	OK	

You must add declarations for all goods on this crossing.

[Add another declaration](#)

If your document has multiple UCRs, you can add the additional UCRs now.

The summary will show you whether the entry is correct with a green 'OK', or incorrect with a red '**contains errors**'.

**About your crossing**

Planned route: Departing: Calais, Arriving: Dover, Carrier: DFDS Seaw

**About your vehicle**

Driver travelling with the vehicle: Yes

Vehicle registration number: CU57 OMS

**About your declarations**

Vehicle contains goods: Yes

Type: Transit declaration

Declaration reference: 11LT12345678901123

**Check your answers**

Goods movement reference: GMR A XTIU XVDN

Direction: From a port in the EU into Great Britain (England, Scotland and Wales)

**Finish your goods movement reference**

You are confirming that, to the best of your knowledge, the details you are providing are correct.

[Finish](#)

Now you can check the answers are correct and click **finish** to view your GMR number

# CREATE GMR: GOOD TO GO




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All of these details generate a GMR number which forms a barcode which is scanned at customs check-in:

**Present this goods movement reference at the port**

**GMR A XT1U XVDN**



Planned route Calais to Dover

Vehicle registration number XXXX XXX

[Print or save as PDF](#)

### What happens next

#### For drivers

**Present GMR at port**

The driver will need to present this goods movement reference (GMR) at the port of departure.

**Check if an inspection is needed**

To find out if an inspection of their goods is needed the driver should use the ['Check if you need to report for an inspection' service \(opens in new tab\)](#) before arriving at their port of arrival or departure.

Print if you need to give to a driver

Check if you need an inspection

### For hauliers

Before the goods travel to the port of departure you will need to:

- give a copy of this GMR to the driver moving these goods – they will need to present this at the port
- give the driver details of the ['Check if you need to report for an inspection' service \(opens in new tab\)](#)
- check for and correct any errors showing on the GMR dashboard

You can change any of the details for this GMR at any time before it is checked in. The barcode and reference will stay the same, so you only need to print or share this once.

You can also check for the latest status of this GMR on the dashboard.

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### Before you go

Your feedback helps us make our services better.

[Take our survey \(opens in a new tab\)](#) to share your feedback on this service. It takes about 1 minute to complete.

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Check if you need an inspection, see next page

If the goods need inspection, you'll need to travel via an Inland Border Facility.

## Inspection needed

The goods under this goods movement reference (GMR) require an inspection.

## What happens next

Report for an inspection of the goods at your port of arrival, unless you are arriving at:

- **Dover, Eurotunnel or Holyhead**

You will need to report to an inland border facility (IBF). There is more [complete information about IBFs here \(opens in new tab\)](#).

- **Fishguard, Heysham, Liverpool or Pembroke**

You will need to report to the port's designated customs checking facility.

## Other additional controls

Some movements may need additional controls, for example food, animals or organics. Check with your declarant.

## If you are ending a transit movement

You must also present the goods at your nearest office of destination.

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[Check another GMR](#)

[What did you think of this service? \(takes 30 seconds\)](#)

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# TERMINOLOGY



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**AEO**

**Authorised Economic Operator:** An internationally recognised customs guarantee or 'trusted trader' status ensuring processes are met, meaning fewer customs checks needed.

**CCI**

**Customs Clearance Information:** Information provided to hauliers by exporter/importer which provides customs information.

**CCO**

**Certificate of Origin:** A certificate highlighting the exact origin of goods – where it was made – that affects duty, quotas, tariffs and more.

**DAP**

**Delivery at Place:** Incoterm or shipping term where EU importer is responsible for clearance, duties and VAT in the EU.

**DDP**

**Delivered Duty Paid:** Incoterm or shipping term where UK exporter is responsible for clearance, duties and VAT in the EU.

**EAD**

**Export Accompanying Document:** Also known as EX or EX1 in mainland Europe, a document created by exporter to export goods from the customs territory.

**EORI**

**Economic Operator Registration and Identification Number:** All hauliers must have a GB EORI to move in or out of the UK, regardless of where they're established.#

**ENS**

**Entry Summary Declaration:** This alerts the import border of the shipment's arrival and must be lodged at least 2 hours before arrival at border (1 hour for Eurotunnel).

**EXS**

**Exit Summary Declaration:** Created by the EAD, this alerts the export border that the shipment is on its way, allowing HMRC to know in advance which vehicles they will stop for checks.

**EXW**

**ExWorks:** Incoterm or shipping term that doesn't work in practice, we offer something similar called FCA+ ([read more here](#)).

**FCA**

**Free Carrier:** Incoterm or shipping term where EU exporter is responsible for origin clearance and UK importer is responsible for everything else.

**GMR**

**Goods Movement Reference number:** The final number asked for to get vehicles on the ferry. This is a barcode generated by a combination of documents uploaded to GVMS.

**GVMS**

**Goods Vehicle Movement Service:** The UK customs service used to generate the GMR to move goods in and out of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

**IBF**

**Inland Border Facility:** A customs location used for vehicle inspections and to support clearance when travelling on a T-1.

**MRN**

**Movement Reference Number:** A barcode reference allowing movement, containing information such as transit document numbers.

**TAD**

**Transit Accompanying Document:** A document accompanying goods not cleared into free circulation at the first border, including a barcode scanned at each border.

**VRN**

**Vehicle Registration Number:** The registration number of the vehicle moving the goods, which forms part of the customs documentation.

**UCR**

**Unique Consignment Reference:** The number used to create the GMR, one needed for every 99 commodity codes (sometimes more than 1 UCR per consignment).