

CUSTOMS TRANSIT UPDATE: Office of Transit Penalty action at GVMS Locations will commence from 7th April

HMRC Transit policy Team



Office of Transit penalty for missing transit MRN on GVMS will commence from the 7th April 2025



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From the 7th April 2025 the haulier responsible for bringing the goods into the UK may be liable to a Civil Penalty of up to £2500 for failure to present all the transit movement reference numbers to the Office of Transit.

Background: When transit movements are destined to come into the UK via a GVMS port, all the transit movement reference numbers (MRNs) that relate to the goods on the vehicle must be included in the Goods Movement Reference (GMR) and entered into GVMS before the vehicle embarks the ferry to the UK. This requirement is detailed in Schedule 1 Part 1 Paragraphs 2 (A1 to A8) of The Customs Transit Procedures (EU Exit) Regulations 2018. Failure to include all the transit MRNs in the GMR means that we cannot complete the Office of Transit checks.

Since 21st January Border Force (or HMRC front office staff at Sevington) have been issuing educational flyers to drivers, who do not include all the transit MRNs in their GMR for inbound transit movements to ensure that hauliers/intermediaries/agents are aware of the potential penalty that they may incur if they continue to be non-compliant after the 7th April.



If you have any questions regarding the penalty, please email the Customs
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