



# ACRONYM BUSTER

<b>ENS</b>	Short name for the safety & security declaration. This is the border pre-notification process consistent with the World Customs Organisation SAFE framework. It is the responsibility of the carrier, normally that is the haulier but for unaccompanied freight, technically, it is the responsibility of the ferry company. Consider it more of a Border Force declaration than a customs one. No fiscal declaration elements.
<b>ICS2</b>	This is the framework system that the ENS sits within. ICS is the Import Control System. ICS2 is the latest upgrade to that process. It has already been introduced for air and sea and the next release covers road and roro (roll on roll off)
<b>CDS</b>	CDS is the replacement service for CHIEF, Customs Handling of Impprt Export Freight, the HMRC declaration system
<b>CABIE</b>	Customs and Borders Import Export, the super slick process designed, developed and delivered by EORI (UK) Limited
<b>GVMS</b>	Goods Vehicle Movement service is the port system that is used to collect import (or export) delaration data prior to boarding. Successful submission on GVMS generates a GMR (Goods Movement Reference), which the driver presnts at the port of departure.
<b>SPS</b>	Sanitary and phytosanitary, basically live animals, animal products, animal by-products, high risk foods not of animal origin, plants and plant based products.
<b>IPAFFS</b>	The pre-notification system created by GB to replace TRACES (see below). IPAFFS is used to inform the authorities that an SPS consignment is due to arrive. Only required on import.
<b>TRACES</b>	TRACES is the EU equivalent of IPAFFS and is used to generate a CHED (Common Health Entry Document) which includes the EHC (see below) information and trailer seal details (if sealed)
<b>COI</b>	Certificate of Inspection, issued by the appropriate authority to confirm the organic nature of the product. For example, issued by the Soil Association having audtied the growing method and practices.
<b>EFTA</b>	European Free Trade Area : Switzerland, Norway, Liechtenstein and Iceland
<b>EEA</b>	European Economic Area : The EEA includes EU countries and also Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway. It allows them to be part of the EU's single market.
<b>EHC</b>	Export Health Certificate
<b>BCP</b>	Border Control Post : the location for physical examination of SPS goods as required
<b>PEACH</b>	Procedure for Electronic Application for Certificates (PEACH) online system to comply with regulations when importing plants or fruits and vegetables. Soon to be replaced by IPAFFS
<b>NCTS</b>	Although it has been around for years it is still referred to as the NEW Computerised Transit system. This is the system in to which all transit declarations are entered and controlled.

## REALLY USEFUL LINKS

[SPS risk categories \(live animals, POAO, ABP and HRFNAO\)](#)

[SPS risk categories \(plants and plant products\)](#)

[GB health certificate templates](#)

[BCP locations \(animals and animal products\)](#)

[NI labelling requirements when using NIRMS](#)

