



HM Revenue
& Customs

Guidance on re-routing of goods from inventory-linked DEPs to GVMS locations

Dear Customer,

All export declarations are due to move from our Customs Handling of Import and Export Freight (CHIEF) system to the Customs Declaration Service (CDS).

We are working to make sure CDS supports all export routes and all types of export declarations currently submitted at the border.

While this work continues, declarants can now start submitting export declarations through CDS for goods being exported using the Goods Vehicle Movement Service (GVMS) via a GVMS location.

In preparation for CDS Exports via an Inventory linked location, HMRC would like to provide guidance on best practice for moving goods via a Designated Export Place (DEP).

Guidance for Designated Export Place (DEP) Operators

HMRC are advising that DEP Operators continue to inform declarants/exporters of the intended Port of Exit and mode of transport for their goods, so that they are able to submit the correct details required on their Export declaration (for example where GVMS details are required). Additionally, DEP Operators should continue to not arrive goods intended for Export via GVMS locations.

If, as a result of unforeseen circumstances, routing of goods changes from an inventory-linked to a GVMS location, and the Exports declaration (DUCR) has already been arrived and brought under customs control, DEP Operators must inform the declarant/exporter to take the following action:

- 1) Declarants must request HMRC to perform withdrawal of goods in-land.
- 2) As an interim solution*, declarants must submit a new CDS Exports frontier declaration with the full GVMS details.

This will allow goods to exit through a GVMS location as the DUCR reference will be accepted in the Goods Movement Reference (GMR).

Guidance for Declarants/Exporters Moving Goods via DEPs

HMRC are advising Declarants/Exporters who move goods via a DEP to ensure that when making a booking, you confirm with the DEP operator the intended Port of Exit and mode of transport for your goods and submit the correct declaration type and details.

On occasion (e.g. due to unforeseen circumstances), your goods may be re-routed from their intended Port of Exit to an alternative location.

If your goods were intended to depart from an inventory-linked Port of Exit but are subsequently rerouted to depart via a GVMS location, your DEP operator will advise you of this and you will need to take the following corrective steps.

- 1) Request HMRC to perform withdrawal of goods in-land.
- 2) As an interim solution*, submit a new CDS Exports frontier declaration with the full GVMS details.

This will allow goods to exit through a GVMS location as the DUCR reference will be accepted in the Goods Movement Reference (GMR).

This action is required because currently, GVMS will only accept declarations that contain full GVMS details within a Goods Movement Reference (GMR). If the Export declaration does not contain these details, the GMR will be rejected by GVMS.

*HMRC will be introducing a change to simplify the GMVS journey by allowing all declaration types (excluding Types Y and Z) to be accepted in a GMR. This will simplify the GVMS Exports journey.

If you have any questions, please contact us through the usual [channels of communication](#) or via your Account Manager or Customer Compliance Manager, if you have one.

Kind regards,

HMRC