

BREXIT FAQs - Agents

<u>Category</u>	<u>Question</u>	<u>Answer</u>
Brexit Readiness	How are Simarco preparing themselves in readiness for UK/EU trading from 1 st January 2021?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhancing IT systems for the handling of import and export Customs declarations through our own ERP system, via Sequoia to CHIEF • Simarco DC's in Witham, Essex and Stoke-on-Trent are ETSF approved, allowing Customs entries to be completed inland and help significantly reduce the need for clearance at entry/exit ports • Union Transit Guarantees are in place so goods can travel under Customs control directly to or from our UK and EU Partner sites across the EU • We have significantly increased the size of our Customs department to handle both import and export entries inhouse
Import & Export Customs	Do Simarco have their own customs department?	Yes, we have our own inhouse customs team across two Simarco sites who can handle both UK import and export customs declarations.
	We are an agent acting on behalf of UK importers and exporters. Can we provide Simarco an authority to act on our behalf for Customs entry purposes?	<p>Yes. When acting for a UK importer or exporter on behalf of an agent, Simarco will use the agent name, address and EORI number and enter in box 14 of the entry. Simarco will still require the actual UK importer/exporter information for customs entry purposes and authority from the agent act as their customs agent.</p> <p>UK Imports A formal authority form can be found on our Brexit page which must be completed, signed and returned in advance of entry completion.</p> <p>UK Exports A written authority on your booking instruction that includes "I/we authorise SIMARCO INTERNATIONAL LTD to represent us to declare/amend export entries on our behalf".</p>
Documentation Requirements	What documentation do I need to provide Simarco for Customs purposes?	To facilitate an export or import declaration, we need a completed export commercial invoice and packing list that accurately details the shipment. More information on commercial invoice and packing list content can be found in our Import and Export Guidance documents on our Brexit page.

Documentation Requirements	Do I need to provide an export commercial invoice and packing list at the time of making a booking?	Initially from 1 st January 2021 and to ensure service continuity, we will require the export commercial invoice and packing list (if not detailed on commercial invoice) at the time of requesting a goods collection. It will be important to ensure export commercial invoices have all the necessary information required to complete an export customs declaration. Once received, the goods collection will be processed.
	How do I make sure that our clients or suppliers are set up and prepared in order to help Simarco work cleanly and efficiently?	On time receipt and accurate shipment information is the key to success. Ensure your supplier or client prepare and provide information as outlined in our Import and Export Guidance documents and have that information ready at the time of booking with Simarco. We will then take care of the customs and transit process as efficiently as possible on your before.
Export Customs	Will Simarco be able to complete the Export clearance process including the issuance of T-forms?	Yes, we have the relevant customs authorization and guarantees to raise export EADs and T-Forms
	On groupage and part loads, will Simarco allow customers make the export declaration on behalf of their exporting customer and send the MRN to Simarco?	Yes. However, there may be a small administration fee to process the MRN and consolidate with a Transit document, including the transit liabilities we pick up on your behalf.
	Is Simarco aware that there may be the necessity to complete safety and security declarations to EU Customs Authorities	Yes, this forms part of the export entry declaration.
	Will Simarco arrange the Customs clearance formalities at destination, including the discharge of any T Form issued?	Yes, Simarco has an extensive European partner network and our EU partners are already familiar with non-EU operations and the customs processes required.
	Is Simarco familiar with the SMART Freight mobile application?	Yes
	Are you NCTS approved?	Yes
	EU import clearance for Part Loads – who will liaise with the consignee?	When handling PTL traffic that may be delivered directly on wheels, it will be essential we are provided at the time of booking with:

Export Customs		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - consignee EORI number - import customs broker details (if applicable) - their duty deferment details (if applicable) <p>Simarco can provide this information to their EU partner to either handover the information to the consignee broker, or handle the customs formalities on behalf of the consignee, so that any customs duties and taxes are paid in advance of delivery.</p>
Export Transit	Will there be a Transit charge for small groupage shipments (1-2 pallets) on a groupage trailer covered by a consolidated T1?	On the basis that Simarco are handing the export customs declaration on your behalf, there will be no charge for the issuance of a Transit document for which your goods are covered under.
	If the Transit document relates to one specific shipment (PTL/FTL), would there be a charge?	Yes, a charge will be levied to cover the administration costs and liabilities in such an arrangement. An indemnity and/or payment retainer (subject to customs guarantee values required) may be required if not consigned to a Simarco European partner.
Import Customs	Does the importer require a deferment account to pay any Duty/VAT on arrival or can they use FAS account?	Importers can continue to use FAS account, but we would recommend that an importer applies for their own duty deferment account and benefit from a direct debit arrangement with HMRC, providing longer credit on duty payments (if applicable). See further details click here
Customs Warehouse	Does Simarco have Authorised Consignor / Consignee status?	Simarco have several ETSF approved sites across the UK and authorised consignee and consignor status will be in place in advance of 31 December 2020.
	Will groupage and part load trailers depart to/from a UK and EU authorised site?	Yes
	Does Simarco operate its own DEP?	Yes
Pricing	Will Simarco be charging for their Customs services	Yes. The additional administrative processes and cost of the customs infrastructure means we must charge for the customs service(s) we provide. We are in the process of drafting our customs charges from 1 st January 2021 and will be disclosing this information as soon as we can. Rest assured that once finalised, our pricing will be in line with the market.