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By email.

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Dear colleagues,

The government is working closely with the haulage sector to help all parts of the supply chain adapt to the new rules for transporting goods between the UK and Europe. Thank you for all the work you've done so far to help your members meet the new requirements and keep goods moving.

I'm writing to you to provide more information that will be useful to haulier drivers who use Inland Border Facilities (IBFs) when moving goods in and out of the UK.

Inland Border Facilities – Making transit movements easier for hauliers

Haulier drivers only need to attend an IBF if they're travelling in and out of the UK via the Port of Dover, Eurotunnel or Holyhead, moving goods under the Common Transit Convention (CTC) or ATA Carnet.

There is a [full list of IBFs](#) on GOV.UK, as well as information on what paperwork the driver will need to bring when they arrive at the IBF.

Haulier drivers may use whichever IBF is most convenient for their journey. However, it may help them to use the sites in the Midlands and North of England (Birmingham and Warrington). Birmingham and Warrington traffic volumes are lower than sites in Kent and the South East so haulier drivers are likely to have a shorter processing time.

Sevington IBF in Kent handles inbound and outbound traffic and is busier than others. Other alternatives in Kent are North Weald (Essex) and Ebbsfleet (Kent).

If haulier drivers are travelling to Holyhead, they can also visit Warrington or Birmingham IBFs before they arrive at Holyhead to make their journey easier.

Covid-19 testing

Haulier drivers are strongly encouraged to get a coronavirus (COVID-19) test before they reach Kent. If they have a negative test, their passage to the Port of Dover or Eurotunnel will be quicker. A full [list of sites offering tests](#) is on GOV.UK.

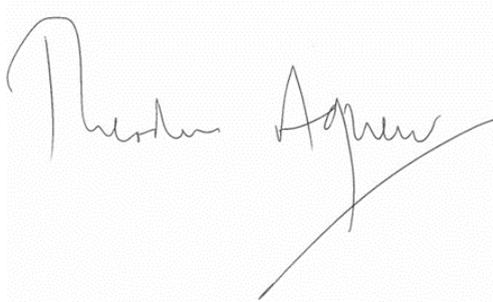
Use the IBF online service

Using the [Attend an IBF online service](#) will make the on-site process faster and shorten haulier drivers' journey time. I would encourage all drivers to use the online service to pre-lodge and notify HMRC that they're coming to a certain IBF. The IBF online service also lets them check how busy each site is before they travel, so they can avoid delays.

More information about [attending an IBF](#) is available on GOV.UK.

Please share this information with your members, who would find it helpful.

Yours sincerely,

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