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Accounting for VAT in a no-deal scenario



Source: www.gov.uk/guidance/accounting-for-import-vat



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Introduction

The government's aim is to keep VAT procedures as close as possible to what they are now. However there will be changes to the VAT rules and procedures that apply to transactions between UK and EU member states.

- You will no longer be able to use the EU Intrastat system;
- If your business is registered for VAT in the UK you will be able to account for import VAT on your VAT return. This means that you will not have to pay import VAT when the goods arrive at the border;
- If your business is not registered for VAT in the UK you will not be able to account for import VAT in this way, and will need to pay the import VAT at the time you import the goods.

Accounting for import VAT on your VAT return

You can account for import VAT on your VAT return if:

- The goods are for use in your business;
- Your VAT registration number is shown on the customs declaration, or your EORI numbers shown on the Customs Handling of Import and Export Freight (CHIEF) system.

The goods can be imported from anywhere in the world, either when the goods enter the UK or when they are released into free circulation from a customs special procedure, for example:

- Customs warehousing;
- Inward processing;
- Temporary admission;
- End use;
- Outward processing

More information can be found via the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/accounting-for-import-vat>



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