



HM Revenue
& Customs

What you need to know about Safety and Security Entry Summary (ENS) declarations

From **31 January 2025**, any goods imported from the EU to GB must be covered by a Safety and Security declaration.

Goods travelling by air



Understand your responsibilities

For goods travelling by air, **the airline that has contracted and issued the air waybill for the carriage of the goods into Great Britain** is responsible for ensuring ENS declarations are submitted.



Choose how you wish to submit your declarations

You can choose to **submit ENS declarations yourself**, or you can use a **third-party to submit them on your behalf**. For more information see the GOV.UK guidance [Making an entry summary declaration](#).

If you choose to use a third party to submit your declarations, you retain responsibility for ensuring they are submitted.



Make sure you are familiar with the time limits for submitting

- For **short-haul flights** (less than four hours in duration), you must submit your ENS declaration by the time of actual take-off
- For **long-haul flights**, you must submit at least four hours before arrival.



You must ensure the information you provide is accurate and timely

S&S data has the mutual benefit of being critical to border security, as well as ensuring the correct risk assessments, which reduces the potential of legitimate goods being stopped for checks. HMG will monitor compliance with these requirements, and where non-compliance is in evidence we will engage with the Haulier/Carrier to address any issues.

Where enforcement action is required, this could involve goods being delayed at the border for further checks, or penalties.