Dear customer,

On 22 January 2025 all member countries of the Common Transit Convention (CTC) will introduce the final new features of NCTS5. These are known as Final State Rules.

To help you prepare for the implementation of Final State Rules we are issuing regular updates. You can find all our updates on <u>gov.uk</u>.

Pre-lodgement

In NCTS5, a declaration (IE015) can be submitted up to 30 days in advance of the movement date, this is called a 'pre-lodged' declaration. Once submitted, the declaration cannot be amended.

What's changing

We previously told you about a new functionality in NCTS5 that enables a pre-lodged declaration to be amended after it has been submitted, allowing changes to be made to the Consignment, Consignor, Consignee or goods information.

This change will now be implemented on **22 January 2025**, when we move to Final State Rules.

What does this mean for declarants?

As a Declarant you do not need to do anything differently. You can continue to submit a declaration up to 30 days in advance of the movement, as you do now. You will continue to present the goods and the reference to Border Force officers at Office of Departure before the movement can progress and, should any changes be required to the declaration, you will need to request the rejection of the declaration, amend the data, and then re-submit the declaration as you do now.

What does this mean for software suppliers?

As a supplier of commercial software, you will need to retain the workaround measures that were provided earlier this year, by continuing to have the Additional Declaration Type D and the IE170 functionality disabled within your NCTS Phase 5 software product.

What's next?

We will provide further information to Software Providers and Declarants, ahead of January 2025 to explain how the new Pre-lodgement will work.

Please also look out for information about our next webinar on 9 October which will cover Office of Incident and Commodity Codes. Our next written communication will be in October.

Thank you,

HMRC