

The impacts that the imposition of third country controls by EU member states on UK businesses

The impacts of the imposition of third country controls by EU member states could have are likely to be felt mostly on the short straits crossings into Dover and Folkestone, where the frequent and closed loop nature of these mean that both exports and imports would be affected.

The revised cross-Government planning assumptions show that there will be significantly reduced access across the shorts straits, for up to six months. This is a worst-case scenario.

In a 'no deal' exit from the EU Government would work closely with Member States to introduce pragmatic arrangements to ensure the continued full flow of goods and with UK industry to ensure that cross-border activity continues to be conducted in a way which minimises delays and additional burdens for legitimate trade, while robustly ensuring compliance.

The approach of continuity does not mean that everything will stay the same, but the priority is maximising stability at the point of departure through the government's action.

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