

Border Control Surcharge

Dear Customers,

The impact of a possible Brexit is increasingly affecting the transport of freight between mainland Europe and the United Kingdom.

French officials have been checking all land transportation for a protracted period before crossing to the UK. The aforementioned has incurred waiting times of 8 hours on average. In addition, the Eurotunnel in Calais, France, as well as at the French-Belgian border crossings are regularly confronted with immense traffic congestion.

Many hauliers are already reducing their freight offerings to the British Isles, as these massive downtimes are incurring substantial additional costs. Due to the strong delay of the round trips, more vehicles as well as more drivers are required to cover the demand. As a result, not only the equipment costs, but also the labour costs for transports to Great Britain are considerably increasing. Furthermore, the ineffective line production is also invoking inefficient operations in the terminals as consignments are having to be handled much longer and due to delayed rotation are arriving at unspecified times at the terminals.

Currently, many freight forwarders partly declining transports to the UK. DB Schenker has decided to continue the service to the UK. However, in order to be able to guarantee the best possible service despite such time delays and associated costs, we are forced to impose an additional 'Border Control Surcharge' contribution of 3 Euro per 100 kilogrammes for freight transport to and via Great Britain. This surcharge shall subsequently also apply to transports to Ireland.

We thank you for your understanding and assure you that we will do our utmost to continue to reliably transport your freight to Great Britain.

Please do not hesitate to contact your local DB Schenker Team for queries and further information.