

## Changed shipping instructions

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According to the new trade agreement between the European Union and United Kingdom, changed regulations will apply from 1 January 2021. This also affects WITTE PUMPS & TECHNOLOGY GmbH with regard to the preparation of documents for the shipment of our goods.

## **Obligations of importers/exporters**

Under EU law, companies have different responsibilities depending on their status in the supply chain (e.g. manufacturer, importer, wholesaler, etc.). From 1 January 2021, EU businesses that currently purchase goods from the UK and place them on the EU market will become importers, while those that currently distribute products in the UK will become exporters. This means that they will have to comply with new obligations set out in the relevant Union legislation.

## Customs formalities and inspections and controls of goods

From 1 January 2021, the customs rules provided for in Union law will apply to all goods brought from the United Kingdom into the customs territory of the Union or from the customs territory of the Union into the United Kingdom, as well as customs and regulatory cooperation, all products traded between the EU and the UK will be subject to the relevant regulatory and import controls relating to safety, health and other public welfare objectives.

## **Rules of origin**

From 1 January 2021, companies will need to demonstrate the originating status of traded goods in order for them to be eligible for preferential treatment under the agreement between the EU and the UK. Goods that do not meet the origin requirements will be subject to tariffs. Trade between the EU and its preferential partners will also be affected because all UK inputs (both inputs and processing) will henceforth be treated as "non-originating" under the EU's preferential arrangements. We are now required to produce the following shipping documents:

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- Export declaration
- commercial invoice with countries of origin and commodity tariff numbers
- delivery note
- · Certificate of origin, if applicable

We will continue to prepare export documentation for our customers, but will have a significant additional cost which we will pass on to our customers in the UK via the export handling charge of **160 EUR** per order.

From now on, we will no longer ship **EXW Tornesch**, but only **FCA Tornesch**. This means that we need a customer number from your parcel service (UPS, DHL or FedEx) for each order. The shipment is handled via this customer number, so that any costs incurred for transport and customs are borne directly by our customers.

If it is a larger shipment that needs to be sent by a forwarding agent, we offer to pass on the contact to our forwarding agents to you. Of course, you may also use your own forwarding agent, which must then be made known to us in advance.