



S&S GB & ICS2 - Goods Description Requirements

Following on from the introduction of ICS2 and S&S GB, CLdN would like to reiterate the importance of accurate goods item descriptions in line with the requirements under:

- **UK Safety & Security (S&S GB)** for movements **into Great Britain**, and
- **Import Control System 2 (ICS2)** for shipments **entering the European Union**.

These regulatory regimes require **detailed and specific goods descriptions** to enable the timely and correct submission of pre-arrival security declarations which CLdN performs on your behalf.

Despite ongoing guidance, we have observed a **high volume of bookings** containing **unacceptable or overly generic goods descriptions**. This poses a serious risk to compliance and could result in:

- Refused declarations
- Shipment delays
- Penalties for non-compliance

We kindly remind all customers that you are **contractually obligated** to provide **accurate, complete, and usable goods item descriptions**. CLdN relies on this data to complete declarations on your behalf.

Common Examples of Unacceptable Descriptions

The following are considered **too vague** and are **not compliant** with the legal requirements:

Not Acceptable	Possible Alternative
"Parts"	"Automotive engine parts"
"Equipment"	"Electrical testing equipment"
"Chemicals"	"Cleaning products containing ethanol"
"Foodstuffs"	"Pre-packaged cereals and snack bars"
"Textiles"	"Cotton t-shirts and denim jeans"

For reference, please consult the official guidance from the European Commission: [Guidance on Acceptable and Unacceptable Goods Descriptions \(PDF\)](#)

Failure to comply may result in bookings being **blocked** or **rejected** based on the introduction of data validation rules in C.WEB in the near future.

For questions, please reach out to your usual contact at CLdN.