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**Latest news and information update
for members**

**Issue
#2401**

I hope this enews finds you well. This edition will include information on the following:

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Best Wishes for 2024

A little bit later than intended, but wishing you our members the very best wishes and continued success in 2024. 2024 is setting itself up for another challenging year for all in the freight distribution and logistics sector. The global geo-political tensions, evident in the recent events in the Red Sea are contributing to growing uncertainty for international trade. We need to keep our eye on this as it will obviously have direct implications for the Irish Supply Chain. Hopefully these issues can be resolved removing the threat to innocent maritime trade personnel. Closer to home post brexit trading requirements will see the introduction of new prenotification and export health certificates for exports to Britain from the 31st of January and the Climate Action Plan is not diminishing the demand on transport to decarbonise. FTA Ireland along with our partners Greenery; Gas Networks Ireland; Air Products and SSE airtricity will be publishing a report on 'decarbonising freight' in April. Logistics Supply Chain Skills week is kicking off on the 26th of February with many events organised to promote our sector. Other key issues of interest include

ongoing engagement with with Government on issues of increased operational costs, representation at the Freight Forum, working to make the non-EU work permit process simpler for drivers and working with UK authorities to support Irish Hauliers through reviewing the draconian penalties imposed if illegal migrants are found on compliant operator vehicles. On the passenger services side we have PassengerSafe which is a dedicated service that affords bespoke guidance and information, as well as an annual operator compliance audit (www.passangersafe.ie). The alternative fuels working group have meetings scheduled for 2024 and this will continue to inform and provide knowledge to support members transition to alternative fuels. As mentioned we are establishing three new working groups within our council structure on Decarbonisation, Compliance and International Trade and are looking for members to volunteer to participate in these working groups to shape the associations policy over the coming years.

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New Trade requirements with Great Britain (GB) from 31st January 2024 – ARE YOU READY

From 31 January 2024 when you log into the Import of Products, Animals, Food and Feed System (IPAFFS) system, you will be prompted to complete the Common Health Entry Document (CHED) Part 1 import notification, in place of the current IMP notification for EU imports of Products of Animal Origin (POAO) animal by-products and germinal products, and High Risk Food and Feed of Non-Animal Origin (HRFNAO) to/via Great Britain.

Things to help and prepare you for the changes that are coming:

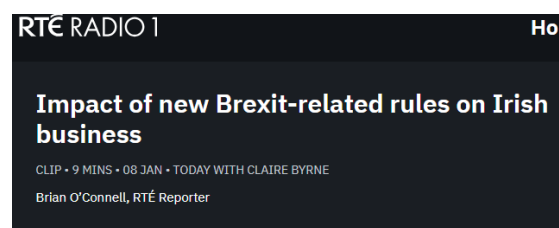
- Register for IPAFFS [online on GOV UK](#) if you haven't already done so. The person or business completing the CHED Part 1 import notification must have a UK address to register for IPAFFS.
- Know your risk-category – use these online tools to find the [risk category of your commodity](#)
- Ensure that your EU supply chain is preparing to provide you with health certificates and/or phytosanitary certificates – find out more [here](#)
- Be ready to correctly submit your pre-notification in IPAFFS:
 - [Click here](#) to watch the webinar recording for [Importing HRFNAO via the EU to GB: the new CHED Part 1 notification](#)
 - b. [Click here](#) to watch the webinar recording for [Importing](#)

[animal products from the EU to GB: New CHED Part 1 notification](#)

c. or read our [guidance](#) in Import Notifications

1. Read the UK Border Target Operating Model [information leaflets](#) for businesses

NOTE: Irish Authorities have advised that vehicles will not be allowed park in the environs of Irish Ports if they do not have the correct paperwork and GMR to board Ferries. Ferries will not allow trailers or trucks board if the GMR is not available.



<https://www.rte.ie/radio/radio1/clips/2339957/>

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Guidance from Irish Authorities on Traffic Management Controls and Proposed parking areas for vehicles that do not have the correct documents for exports to GB from 31st January 202

New Border controls on GB imports from 31 January



These changes will affect Irish HGV drivers transporting goods into Great Britain (GB) or via the landbridge.



From 00:01 on 31 January, in line with new UK rules, shipping companies not to allow GB-bound HGVs and/or goods to check-in unless customs documents are in order.



Hauliers transporting GB-bound goods should not arrive at a port without having a valid UK Customs GMR number.



There is still time for exporters and hauliers to prepare for these new UK customs arrangements.



Further information on these new customs controls are available at www.gov.ie/brexit.

If you have been refused boarding by your shipping operator. You will need to leave the port area and make your UK customs arrangements

You Must:

- **Return to your place of initial departure**
 - Or
- Park at a temporary area at N2 Junction 2 (53°26'04.0"N 6°20'04.4"W (see: <https://bit.ly/N2J2Directions>)
 - Drive back through Dublin Tunnel to M50 Junction 3.
 - At junction 3, exit to M50 Southbound.
 - At junction 5 on M50, exit following signs for N2 Derry.
 - At junction 2 on M2, exit following signs for St. Margaret's R135.
 - At Junction 2 on M2 keep right on roundabout, following signs for St Margaret's R135.
 - On roundabout, take third exit toward St. Margaret's R135.
 - After 700 m at another roundabout, take third exit toward N2/Dublin/Derry.
 - Follow signage for temporary HGV parking area.

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FTA Ireland Council Meetings 2024

| FTA Ireland Council Meetings 2024 | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| February | Wednesday 28th February 11.30am |
| May | Thursday 30 th May 11.30am (AGM) |
| August | Tuesday 20 th August 2023 11.30am (regional) |
| November | Thursday 7 th November 11.30am |

Our first Council Meeting of 2024 takes place at 11.30am in the Lucan Spa Hotel. This is an in-person meeting.

We will have a presentation from the MIBI on the new requirement to register your fleet details on the National Fleet Database.

New Working Groups:

FTA Ireland Working Groups

Suggested titles

Working Group is to focus on an area of significant interest and value for members; Working group to be chaired by a representative of the FTA Ireland Board and or FTA Ireland Member Representative; FTAI CEO will support the chair of each working group; The working group will meet (min) three times per year, (determined by the demand of members and the issues to be reviewed); The meetings will ideally be in person but Hybrid options will be available for members that cannot travel; Each working group will deliver a presentation to the FTAI Council once per year, details areas of focus.

- Decarbonisation.
- Compliance (including Road Safety, Health and Safety, Road Transport Law)
- International trade (including post Brexit trade issues)

If you are interested in participating in these working groups please email aflynn@ftai.ie We propose to establish them following the council meeting on the 28th February 2024.

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Promoting job opportunities and career pathways in the Logistics and Supply Chain sector in Ireland.



Rialtas na hÉireann
Government of Ireland

In conjunction with the Department of Transport and as a member of the [Logistics and Supply Chain Skills Group \(LSCHG\)](#), we are excited to announce that the second [National Logistics and Supply Chain Skills Week](#) will be held between the [26th of February and the 2nd of March 2024](#).

Logistics Week aims to promote careers and educational opportunities in the Irish logistics and supply chain sector. The Skills Week 2024 is focused on three themes: Digital, Diverse, and Green.

As part of our efforts to promote the sector and showcase career opportunities, we are seeking support and would like to invite industry employers to participate in the following events:

Transition Year event on Friday 1 March 2024, at National Indoor Sports Arena, Dublin 15:

- TY, LCA, and 2nd-level students from secondary schools across Ireland will attend this event
- The Minister of State for Transport, Jack Chambers TD, has also been invited and will make an appearance
- **To make the public aware of the types of companies involved in the Logistics and**

Supply Chain Sector, a number of companies' stands will be provided. This creates a unique opportunity for companies to showcase entry-level career opportunities in their business e.g. apprenticeships, and connect with young talent. The company stands will be in the same general area as the education stands, tying the understanding together for the students that there are many career and educational opportunities in this sector available to them.

- At the venue, there will be an outdoor display area to showcase sustainable road transport vehicles as well as an indoor display area to exhibit some of the industry's newest equipment and technology in use. Therefore we are looking for companies from the sector that would be interested in taking part and be able to provide interactive/automation equipment that could be displayed at this event.
- Please note that there are a limited number of employer stands available at the venue, so companies interested in displaying and securing a stand are advised to ASAP contact Denise Cuffe, Assistant Principal at the Road Transport and Freight Policy Division, Department of Transport, at lscsg.week@transport.gov.ie

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Alternative Fuels Working Group

Dates for Meetings in 2024



Alternative Fuels Working Group Meeting dates 2024

| 2024 | Jan | Feb | March | Apr | May | June | July | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|---------------------------------|-----|------|-------|-----|------|------|------|------|-----|------|------|-----|
| Alternative Fuels Working Group | | 12th | 11th | 8th | 13th | 10th | 8th | 12th | 9th | 14th | 11th | 9th |

The FTA Ireland Decarbonising Freight report in conjunction with our partners will be published during the week of the 15th of April This will align with TRA conference taking place in the RDS in Dublin between the 15th and 8th April. FTA Ireland and the LAA / CDAP apprenticeship have stands at this conference that will focus on what shapes the future of transport.



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FTA Ireland are Recruiting

Apprentice Coordinator

- Increase the number of employers registered in the Transport Operations & Commercial Driving Apprenticeship (CDAP) and the Logistics Associate Apprenticeship (LAA)
- Increase the number of apprentices in the haulage, freight distribution & logistics sectors interested in the CDAP and LAA Apprenticeships

Trainer/ Auditor

- Promote and deliver the highest standards of training and auditing services for FTA Ireland and our members. Our services are based on legislative and regulatory requirements in the areas of freight distribution, passenger services, health and safety, road safety and commercial fleet operational compliance. In addition, we are supporting the freight distribution and passenger services industry meet the growing demands of decarbonisation and our training and auditing services reflect this.

Client Services Coordinator

- To maintain, service and develop the overall relationship with FTA Ireland members.
- To conduct the annual, renewal process for FTA Ireland members.
- To conduct the annual, renewal process for FTA Ireland Compliance Audits
- To coordinate the booking of training for FTA Ireland
- To coordinate events and briefings for FTA Ireland

For more information on any of these roles please contact info@ftai.ie

Transport Manager CPC Qualification



Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC) in Road Transport Operations Management

Do you have a succession plan or CPD programme in place for your transport manager and planners? Good succession planning protects your business in the event of a key member's retirement or untimely departure. Not only does it mean the business is prepared, it also gives employees a direction and goal to work towards. If employees know you are investing in their training and development within the company, then they will more likely buy into and commit to the long-term business objectives.

Course duration

100 hours tuition

Course schedule

April

- Wednesday 10, Thursday 11, Friday 12
- Wednesday 17, Thursday 18, Friday 19
- Wednesday 24, Thursday 25, Friday 26

May

- Wednesday 15, Thursday 16, Friday 17
- Wednesday 22, Thursday 23, Friday 24

Exam date

Thursday 6 June 2024

The exam is now an **Open Book** format allowing candidates to bring their CILT training manual to the exam. The examinations are set and run by CILT (The Chartered Institute of Logistics & Transport).

Training delivery

This course is **trainer-led** and will be delivered online via **Zoom**.

Start time

Daily 9am-1pm and 2-5pm

Course cost

Price on application

Cost includes

- CILT training manual
- FTA Ireland designed study workbooks & copies of past papers
- Mock exams

Exam Fee: €285 per person paid directly to CILT by trainee when registering for the exam (online registration & payment).



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Transport operators' compliance awareness guide

Delivering safe, efficient, sustainable logistics



Defensive and Eco Driver Training – Module 1: Driver Theory

This training is designed towards safety awareness training and risk management in addition to providing you with the tools drive with fuel efficiency in mind.

- Fuel efficient drivers result in lower running costs, improved profit margins and reduced emissions.
- Safer drivers mean less injuries and fatalities on our roads, less accidental damage to vehicles, less unproductive downtime for vehicle repair, and the potential for reduced insurance premiums.
- Fuel Efficient Drivers = Safer Drivers = Good Risk Management.

Course objectives/aims

The training will raise driver awareness, concentration and observation skills:

- Understand ECO driving and defensive driving methods.
- Utilise driving techniques that will save fuel.
- Decrease your fuel consumption by planning and managing your travel.
- Learn about new vehicle technologies.
- Take action to improve your vehicles performance and save money on repairs.



Course content

- Explain the theory of eco and defensive driving.
- Understanding your vehicle and how it affects performance.
- Eco driving techniques.
- Fuel saving measures.
- Use of technology.
- Defensive driving techniques.
- Driver attitude.
- Concentration.
- Observation and anticipation – space, time, other road users.
- Effects of fatigue.
- Pre-use vehicle checks and defect identification.

Duration

2 hour per session (1 hour 45 minutes training and 15 minutes for Q&A).

Delivery

Trainer led presentation online via Microsoft Teams/ Zoom or classroom based.

Participants

Maximum 20 per session.

Certification

On successful completion a certificate of attendance will be issued to all participants.

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