



## **FAQ's Preference Certificates - UK EUR1**

### **How do I apply?**

- Access your eCert or essCert account and complete your application on-line
- Decide if once approved you are printing in-house (certain countries require original signatures and stamps) or you require the Chamber to print on your behalf – please contact the intl trade team (01329 242420) for a list of countries that do not accept scanned stamps and signatures
- If printing the approved application in-house, please ensure you have original blank EUR1 certificates in stock
- We are only able to accept UK EUR1 applications submitted via our electronic platforms

### **What documents do I need to supply to support my application?**

- Commercial invoice for the shipment
- Packing list if details stated on the certificate are missing from the invoice
- If presenting as an agent on behalf of a client, we require a letter of authority – please contact the intl trade team (01329 242420) for the [template](#) to use

### **How long will the process take?**

- This depends on you but if received before 3pm (Mon-Fri) and they have been completed correctly, the certificate should be ready for collection or ready for post that same day

### **Can I wait for my application to be processed?**

- Unfortunately, our counter service is only available for collecting processed applications

### **Can I apply after the shipment has left the UK?**

- Yes, you can however you must supply us with proof of shipment i.e. copy of airway bill/bill of lading etc

### **Can my UK EUR1 certificate be legalised?**

- Unfortunately, no. UK EUR1 certificates can only be processed by HMRC or authorised bodies such as Chambers of Commerce

### **If my goods are being shipped from another country, can I apply for my certificate in the UK?**

- Unfortunately, no. You must apply in the country of export

### **Can I apply for an EUR1 for shipments from the UK to EU?**

- EUR1 is not required for qualifying shipments between the UK and EU – see <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/rules-of-origin-for-goods-moving-between-the-uk-and-eu> & <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/claiming-preferential-rates-of-duty-between-the-uk-and-eu-from-1-january-2021>

### **Is there any guidance from HMRC concerning these certificates?**

- You can view HMRC guidance by reading the following guides: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/import-and-export-goods-using-preference-agreements#check-if-theres-an-agreement> & <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/uk-trade-agreements-with-non-eu-countries> & <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/get-proof-of-origin-for-your-goods> & <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/list-of-goods-covered-by-the-rules-of-origin-for-various-countries>