

## **MUSTO SKIFF 2023 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS - BORDER/TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS ADVICE**

The latest update of information regarding Border/Travel Requirements from the RYA is as follows:

### **SUMMARY**

**The conclusion the RYA has reached is that a Carnet is not required when a private traveller enters the EU with personal effects, means of transport or goods imported for sports purposes which they intend to re-export.**

**NOTE 1: The RYA is aware of isolated instances where some ports officials are causing problems because they are not following the rules. In each case the boat(s) and/or vehicle haven't belonged to the importer. Santander seems to be a problem spot.**

### **DETAILS**

A Carnet is not required when towing a boat for temporary admission to the EU for a regatta so long as it and all other items return to the UK after the regatta. A Carnet is a guarantee to pay import tax and duty. The 1990 Istanbul Convention on Temporary Admission (TA) governs the movement of recreational vessels towed between GB and EU. It allows them to be imported into the EU temporarily without payment of import duties and taxes and without application of import prohibitions or restrictions. The EU is a party to the TA under the Union Customs Code (UCC).

NOTE 2: The TA states that the car, trailer and boat/s must be registered in the UK in the name of a resident in the UK, and be imported and used by persons resident in the UK.

NOTE 3: The RYA notes that if Border staff stop you when entering the EU trailing a boat, they can require a customs declaration. However, that declaration can be made orally. The oral customs declaration may need to be supported by the attached form (Annex 71.- 01 of the UCC Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2446). Please fill in the form in duplicate. This form is an application for authorisation for temporary admission and as such no VAT/Tax/Carnet guarantee is required and total relief from import duty should be granted unless the conditions of temporary admission aren't met e.g., the goods are not re-exported.

### **Suggested checklist of Paperwork for the people, vehicle, trailer and boat:**

- Annex 71.- 01 form
- Passport
- Vehicle driving licence - valid for the combination of vehicle and trailer.
- You do not need an International Driving Permit to drive in the EU, Switzerland, or Liechtenstein if you have a **photocard** driving licence issued in the UK. You may if you only have a paper license.
- Vehicle registration document
- Evidence of ownership of the boat (eg insurance)
- Vehicle/trailer breakdown and recovery insurance (recommended)
- Boat insurance – see NoR
  - UK sticker – *(GB stickers are no longer valid)* You must display the UK identifier when driving abroad. If your number plate includes the UK identifier with the Union flag, you do not need a UK sticker. However, you will need to display a UK sticker clearly on the rear of your vehicle if your number plate has: a GB identifier with the Union flag, a Euro symbol, a national flag of England, Scotland or Wales, or numbers and letters only (no flag).
- GHIC/insurance for medical care abroad and repatriation to the UK e.g., travel insurance (the cover needs to include the activities you intend to participate in whilst aboard).

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