

Comms-care Brexit Statement

Comms-care is committed to ensuring that we continue to provide excellent levels of service to our partners during Brexit and beyond, whilst ensuring we maintain a positive working relationship with our suppliers.

As part of our preparation for Brexit, Comms-care has completed a company-wide risk assessment of the impact of Brexit and in summary has concluded that there is minimal risk. Although Brexit brings a minimal risk to Comms-care, we have ensured we are following all Government guidance. Brexit planning which covers aspects such as financial, logistics, customs, tax, legal, people and data are a standing agenda item at each monthly Board meeting.

Comms-care's hardware sparing is already in-country however through this calendar year we have been building up further spares holding. Where additional parts are required, we have access to a vast inventory being part of Ingram Micro thus further reducing the potential impact of Brexit to our business and in general to parts availability. For more information regarding Ingram Micro's Brexit statement please click [here](#).

We have also carried out an extensive review of our supply chain and based upon the information we have collated from this exercise this contributed to our stance of minimal risk.

With relation to VAT, duties and tariffs, if the UK Government would adopt WTO rules or otherwise impose tariffs on imports into the UK, this may result in price increases to certain orders and products. For orders placed by customers for delivery and invoicing after 31 December 2020, we reserve the right to adjust the sales prices to reflect any new levies, duties and other charges, whether these are imposed on us by our suppliers or by the government, and we will only provide estimated delivery times for products that were not in stock on 31 December 2020. Based on the current situation we are not able to provide any further information other than referring to available government guidance.

All shipments to the Republic of Ireland from January 1st 2021 will attract the local VAT rate, currently 21%, moving upwards in March to 23%. This impacts Mainland UK customers shipping to the Republic of Ireland and partners based in the Republic of Ireland shipping within country. All partners shipping in to the Republic of Ireland will need to set up a new account with Ingram Micro which will attract local VAT and we recommend that each partner sets up their own Republic of Ireland VAT registration to enable claiming back the VAT fees.

Comms-care is monitoring the advice given by the Information Commissioner Office (UK) to ascertain if Brexit will influence data transfer in relation to data protection. There is no indication currently that there will be a need to update contractual clauses in relation to GDPR. Should this change, guidance will be provided.

All Comms-care's employees have the right to work in the UK with little exposure to non-UK workforce. As we have technical resources in both the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland, we are awaiting on the outcome of the Brexit deal or no deal to assess how this will have an affect border control.

Although Comms-care's company risk assessment deems the impact of Brexit being a minimal risk, there are potential uncertainties around future trade arrangements. We recommend that our partners evaluate the projects they have pipelined and make early commitments on these projects or at least forecast their requirements. For projects that would like to be brought forward, Comms-care has Flexible Finance options available that can help to bridge the funding gap caused by accelerating a project.

If you would like to discuss accelerating a project, our Flexible Finance offering or have any questions or concerns in relation to Brexit, please speak to your Account Manager or email enquiries@comms-care.com