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DAFM and Brexit preparation

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Overview

1. DAFM preparations

- Stakeholder engagement
- Import controls
- Export certification
- Industry and budgetary supports

2. Key messages

- Register with Revenue and DAFM, SFPA and/or HSE
- Submit documentation at least 24 hours in advance

Stakeholder Communication

- Updated Brexit website
- Weekly Brexit update
- Brexit call centre
- Trader Notices
- National Statements
- Direct engagements, seminars and meetings
- Co-ordination with Whole of Government communications

DAFM preparation for import controls

- Whole of Government approach

- Balance of legal obligations vs facilitating trade

- Focus on
  - Infrastructure
  - Staffing
  - IT
  - Adapted processes

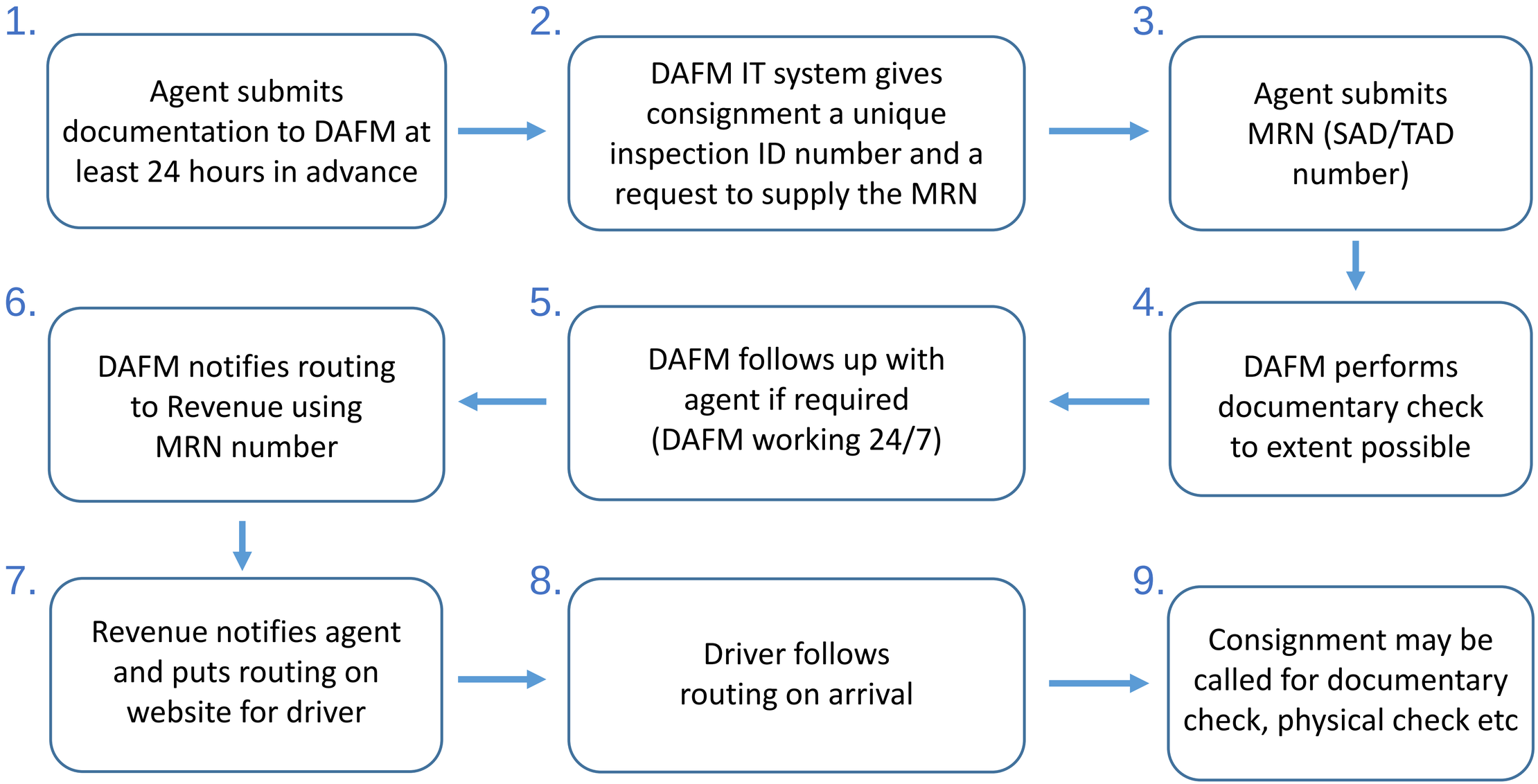
Staffing for import controls

- 24 hr basis
- Sources: recruitment, internal redeployment, temporary and contract staff
- Crisis management structure in place

IT systems for import controls

- New background import control system
- One-stop registration
- Contingency plans ready

Import controls process



Agri-food export certification

- Policy – protect and facilitate agri-food trade

- UK set its import requirements post Brexit -
  - Live animals (except registered horses) require health certification – no change

  - No requirement for certification of products of animal origin – anticipate export certification for such products in the future

  - Phytosanitary certification required for export to UK
    - DAFM IT system in place to issue phytosanitary certificates

Industry and budgetary supports

- 2017 - €150 million Agri Cashflow Loan Scheme
- 2018 - €300 million Brexit Loan Scheme with D/BEI - 40% for food businesses
- 2019 - Future Growth Loan Scheme opened 17 April 2019
- Budget 2019 also included €44 million direct aid for farmers
- EU - €50m exceptional aid for beef sector
- Additional funding for Bord Bia and Teagasc

Key messages: Help us help you!

1. Register with Revenue and DAFM (and/or HSE)
    1. If importing live animals or animal products, also register on TRACES
    2. If importing fishery products, also register with the SFPA

2. Submit documentation at least 24 hours in advance
    a) Send MRN asap (Customs Declaration – SAD/TAD - number)
    b) Ensure your agent can answer our queries (we'll be working 24 hours)

Key messages continued

3. Consider your mixed loads
   a) Single loads are faster for everyone
   b) Ensure haulier considers access to food etc when packing

4. If using the landbridge, meet Revenue's transit requirements and notify animal products on TRACES

5. Ensure wood packaging material meets required standards

6. Ensure driver connectivity for accessing routing in the Ports

Thanks for listening

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