

Where can I find more information?


Information on export licensing, including legislation, controlled goods, trade sanctions, types of licences and procedures for applying for a licence may be found at:

 dbei.gov.ie

OELAS is our online export licensing application system. Exporters should use OELAS to register and apply for export licences.

 oelas.djei.ie

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EXPORT LICENSING AND CONTROL

Information for Exporters



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Why are some exports controlled?

The export of goods may be controlled for a number of reasons, including:

Preventing the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction

Preventing human rights abuses

Preventing terrorism

Ireland pursues free trade and open market policies, while at the same time respecting fundamental principles of non-proliferation, regional stability and respect for human rights.

What exports are controlled?

Exports subject to controls include:

- Dual-use items
- Military items, including firearms for personal use
- Exports to countries subject to trade sanctions.

Dual-use items are products, including software and technology, which can be used for both civil and military purposes. Exports of these goods are controlled to prevent potentially dangerous items falling into the wrong hands.

There are also controls on brokering and providing technical assistance in relation to controlled goods.

How are these exports regulated?

Export control is regulated by European and Irish law, underpinned by international agreements and treaties.

The **Control of Exports Act 2008** governs export control in Ireland.

Who administers export controls in Ireland?

Trade Licensing and Control Unit of the **Department of Business, Enterprise and Innovation** is responsible for the administration of controls on exports of dual-use items, military items, and items destined for countries to which trade sanctions apply.

What do I need to do?

For controlled goods you must obtain a licence from the Trade Licensing and Control Unit prior to exporting. Unlicensed exports will be stopped, and exporters may face penalties including prosecution.

As an exporter, it is your responsibility to keep up to date with the lists of sanctions and controlled goods, as these are frequently updated.

If you are exporting, brokering or providing technical assistance in relation to a controlled product, you **must** have a licence.