

INFORMATION FOR POLICYHOLDERS

Brexit & Green Cards – Taking your vehicle and trailer (including Caravans / Implements) outside of the UK

Having left the European Union, the rules around the use of a vehicle outside of the UK have changed.

We strongly recommend that you read the latest government advice by [clicking here](#), as this will help you understand how your preparation and travel plans may be affected.

However, one impact of these changes is that you no longer benefit from the UK's membership of the Green Card Free Circulation Zone, meaning that it is now necessary for you to carry a Green Card document when taking your vehicle or trailer abroad.

What is a Green Card?

Although it no longer needs to be green in colour, the Green Card is a universally recognised document that provides evidence of you having motor insurance. The Green Card is accepted in all European Economic Area (EEA) countries, including all EU member states and certain other countries.

Important information

1. It is recommended that you request a Green Card as soon as you know your plans and at least 4 weeks prior to your date of travel. MS Amlin cannot accept responsibility for any disruption resulting from late applications.
2. If you are provided with a digital copy of the Green Card you must carry a printed version (A4 size with black text on white paper or green paper) when travelling outside of the UK (digital copies are not accepted).
3. The rules demand that a Green Card contains the names of all persons who may be using your vehicle abroad.
4. Green Cards remain valid for a minimum period of 15 days.
5. A Green Card is required regardless of whether your policy includes a foreign use extension.
6. A Green Card is required for the Republic of Ireland, including when travelling from N.Ireland.
7. If you are towing a trailer (including a caravan or trailed implement) you will require a separate Green Card for the trailer. Furthermore, some countries require trailers to be registered prior to travel. For more information, refer to the Government website by [clicking here](#).
8. Failure to carry a valid Green Card document when required to do so may lead to you or the driver being prosecuted, refused entry into a country, or having your vehicle / trailer seized.

How to obtain a Green Card?

Please contact your insurance broker or intermediary, providing them with the following information:

- Name of person requesting Green Card, together with contact Telephone number and an e-mail address
- Policyholder Name & Address
- Policy Number
- Dates of Travel & Countries to be visited
- Names of all drivers
- Vehicle Details: Registration number and name of manufacturer
- Trailer Details: Registration number (or Chassis number if not registered) and name of manufacturer (if privately manufactured, please include a description that allows the trailer to be easily identified)

If you travel regularly outside of the UK, please discuss this with you broker or intermediary as sometimes we may choose to provide you with an annual Green Card to cover all of your trips abroad.

If you have any questions, or need more information, please contact your insurance broker or intermediary.