

# Impacts of new border controls on Trading Standards activities

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# Entry Control Points for Kent

Port of Entry



Fast Parcel Hub



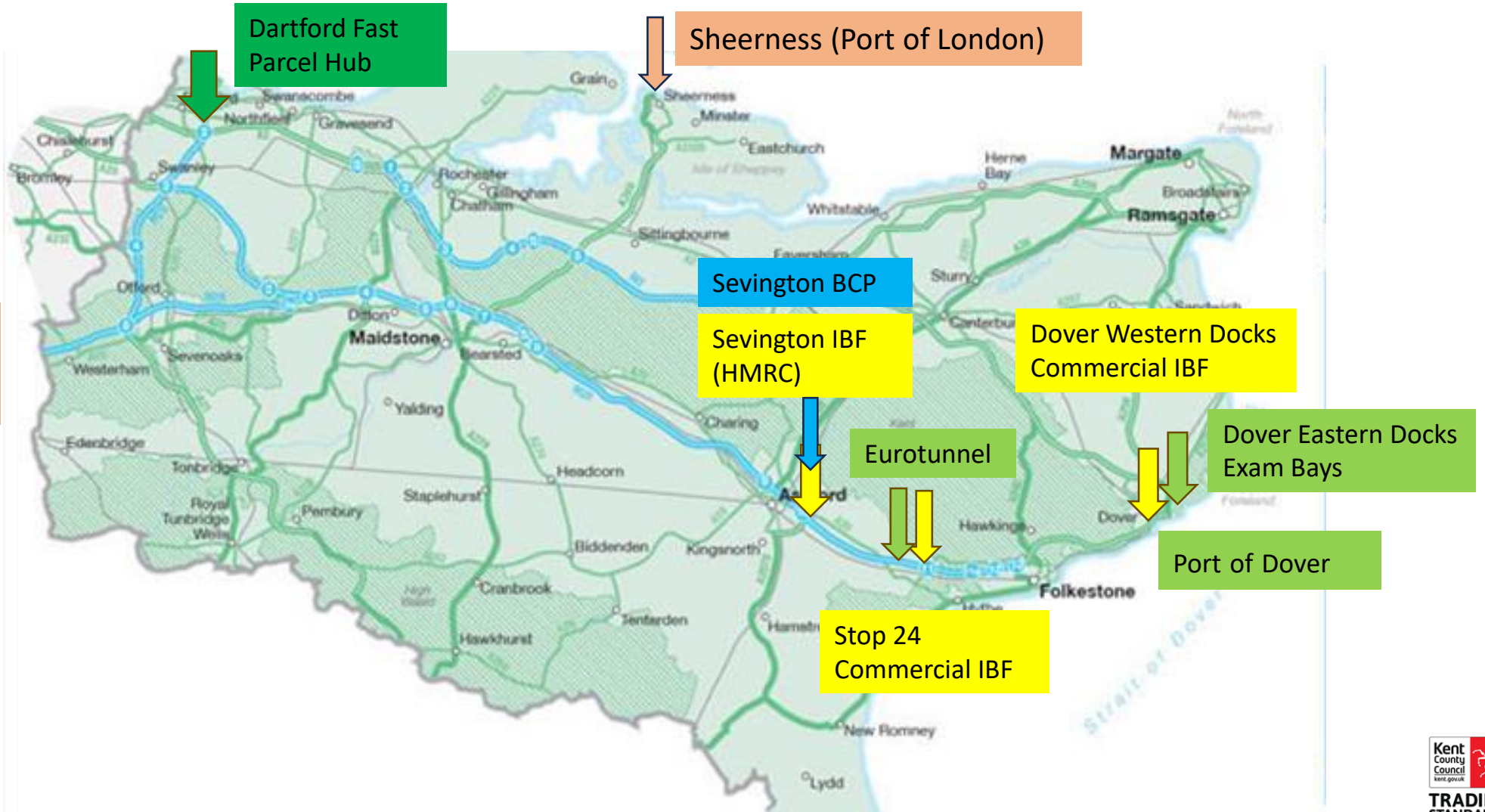
Deep Water Port



Inland Border Facility (IBF)

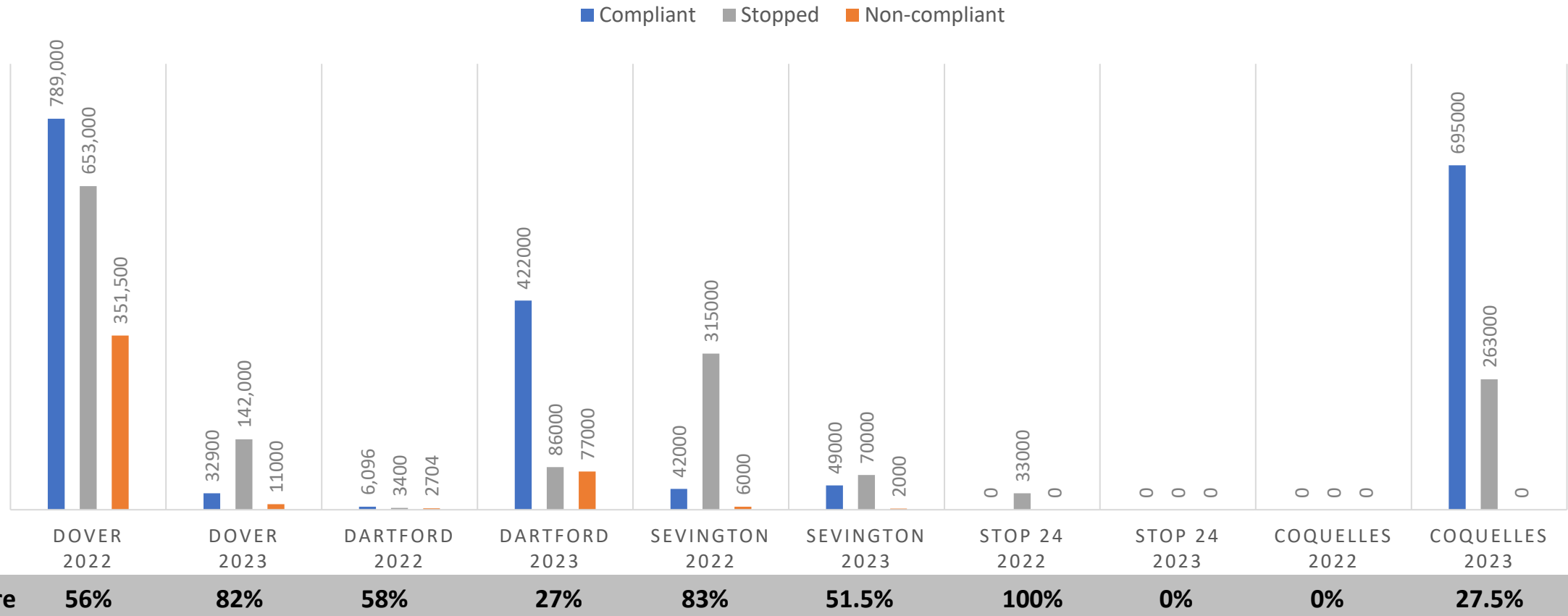


Border Control Post (BCP)



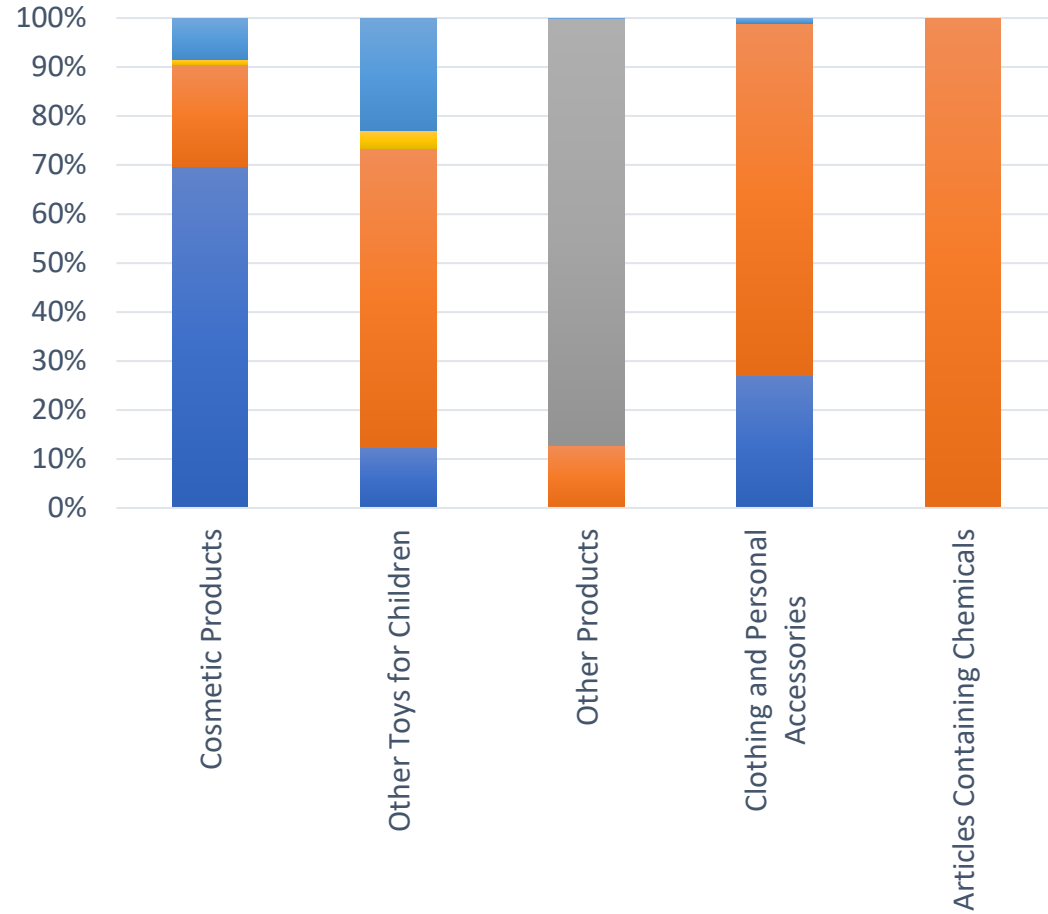
# Trading Standards Ports Team Goods Inspected 2022 and 2023

## INSPECTION LOCATION COMPARISON DATA 2022 AND 2023

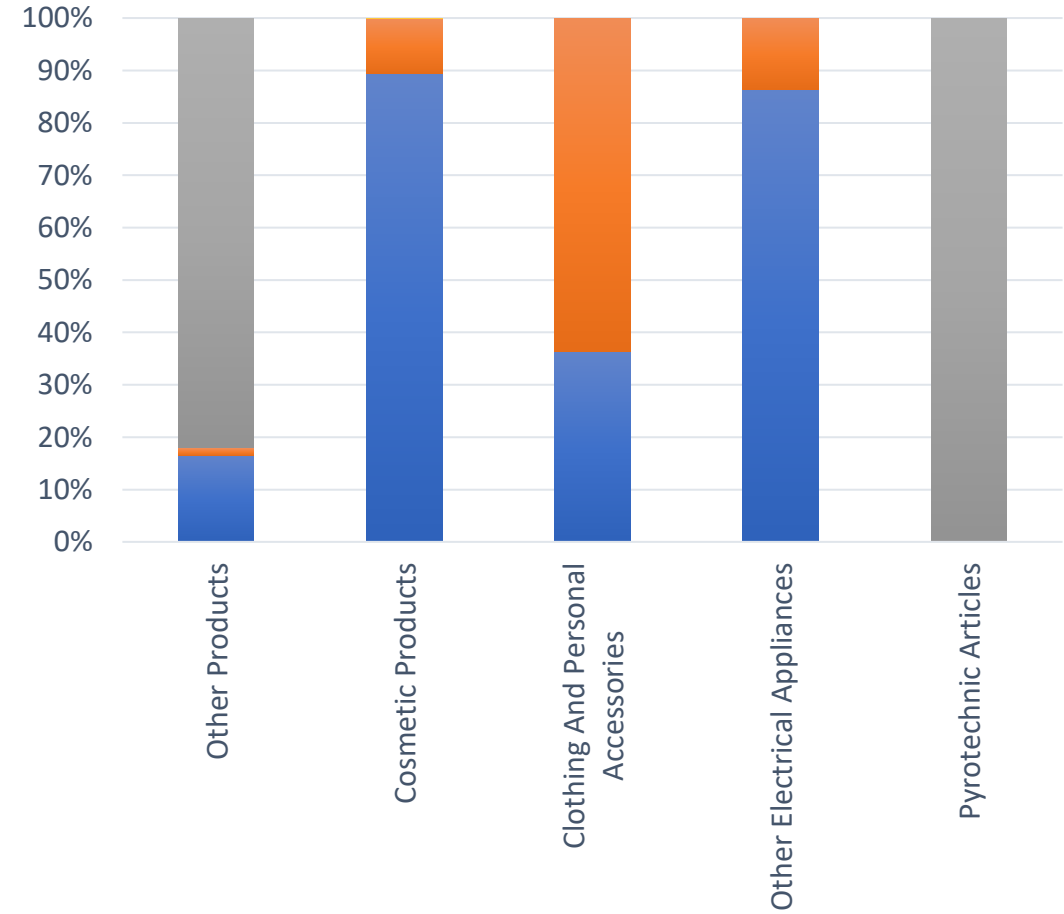


# Compliance % Top 5 Commodities 2022 and 2023

2022



2023



■ Compliant ■ Non-Compliant ■ Unsafe ■ Inland ■ Unknown

■ Compliant ■ Non-Compliant ■ Unsafe ■ Ongoing

# Trading Standards Ports Team Activities in February 2024

- **Operation Foreland –**
  - Ports Team at Dover Eastern Docks with UKBF Teams
  - Trial of extended hours 07:00hrs – 19:00hrs.
  - Operational constraints
    - Size of the Team
    - Lack of accommodation and warm space at the docks
    - Not being available on site all the time.
  - Discuss key outcomes with OPSS, DHB and UKBF
- Working with UKBF at Coquelles - 100,000 oversized vapes
- New UKBF Freight Detection Team – Potential addition of TS Officers on specific shifts.



## Recent Unsafe Toy

- 72 singing plush toys from India
- Detected at Fast Parcel Hub
- Sound box easily removed electronics accessible
- Soft toys must be suitable for under 3s



Rabies



### Disease Checks

- Rabies
- Bluetongue virus
- Foot and mouth disease
- Highly pathogenic avian influenza
- Sheep and goat pox
- African swine fever
- Chronic wasting disease
- Epizootic haemorrhagic disease
- Lumpy Skin disease
- Bovine spongiform encephalopathy

### Welfare Checks

- Welfare of Animals in Transport

### Document Checks



Animal & Plant Health Agency


# Animal Import Control Kent



Late 2024



**TRADING STANDARDS**

Consignment Risk (Country risk x commodity risk)	Example Animal Products	Health Certificates	Pre-notification requirements	Indicative checks %			Indicative Checks % Under the current regime
				Doc	ID	Physical	Check rates (across 5 risk categories)***
High Risk	 Live animals and commodities covered under safeguard measures	Export Health Certificate required	Full Pre-notification requirements	100%	100%*	100%*	100% Identify 100% Physical

# Formal Feed Sampling – A Quick Overview



## Sample Portion

- a. Bags in a batch
- b. Bulk shipment



## Incremental Sample

- a. Random selection
- b. Individual bags opened, tipped, mixed and Sample taken
- c. Remainder returned to opened bag



## Aggregate Sample

- a. Min 4kg
- b. Mix, cone, quarter, reject opposite quarters



## Reduced Sample

- a. Min 2Kg
- b. Mix & evenly distribute into 3 or 4 containers



## Final Sample

- a. 3 x 500g or
- b. 4 x 500g
- c. Sealed and labelled
- d. Sent to KSS

Any Questions?

