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Commercial Invoice

In order to better support our customers that trade with the EU following Brexit we have enhanced Protean to be able to produce Commercial Invoices. A commercial invoice is a document containing important information about the goods you intend to ship; they're also used to create a customs declaration. While not a necessity Commercial Invoices:

- Prevents any hold ups with your shipments (as incorrect information could lead to delays)
- Ensures your goods are correctly classified and the right taxes and duties are paid
- Fulfil the legal requirement to complete these correctly

To accommodate the production of Commercial Invoices the following fields have been added to the system that can be accessed by flagging the relevant customers with the new option **'Produce Commercial Invoice'**

This enables the following fields:

- Customer
    - EORI Number
- Parts
    - Country of Origin
- Make Model
    - Country of Origin
- Sales Order
    - Reason for Export *(Sale, Sample, Return. Gift)*
    - Incoterms *(CIF, CFR, DDP etc)*
    - Carriage Weight
- Despatch Note
    - Carriage Weight

Reverse Charge VAT

Domestic reverse charge VAT legislation is a change in the way CIS registered construction businesses handle and pay VAT. It is being introduced in the UK on 1 March 2021, having previously been delayed from October 2019.

The domestic reverse charge VAT procedure is an anti-fraud measure designed to counter sophisticated criminal attacks on the UK VAT system. It intends to cut down on "missing trader" fraud, where companies receive high net amounts of VAT from their customers but have no intention of paying the VAT to HMRC.

It affects VAT registered construction businesses who supply or receive construction and building services that are reported under the Construction Industry Scheme (CIS). It means the customer (contractor) will be responsible for the VAT due to HMRC instead of the supplier (subcontractor).
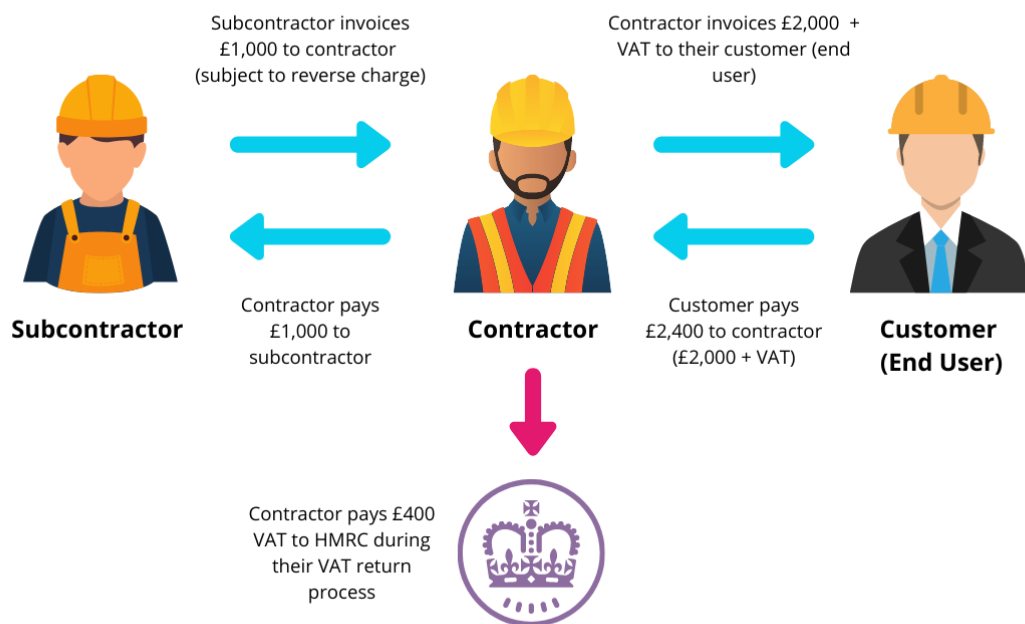
SALES

To accommodate this legislation change, a new Setting has been added called 'Use Reverse Charge VAT' (Y/N) that exposes the new features below.

Tax Set Up

A new option has been added in the VAT Codes form to 'link' your 'Reverse Charge VAT Code' in your accounts system to a 'Customer/Supplier' & 'Product Tax Code' combination in Protean.

Customer

A new checkbox has also been added to the Accounts Tab (Jobs section) on the Customer record called 'Reverse Charge VAT' that users can manually tick/untick on a customer-by-customer basis. The default is unticked. This will act as a default value for any jobs created for this customer.

Similarly, a new checkbox has been added to Invoicing Tab on the Job form called 'Reverse Charge VAT Applies' that users can manually tick/untick on a job-by-job basis. This is defaulted from the Customer (as discussed above)

Similar checkboxes are also in place on Sales Orders, Hire Contracts & Hire Extras

When invoicing a Job, Sales Order or Contract flagged in this way:

- A label appears on the invoice under the VAT breakdown stating "Reverse charge: Customer to pay the VAT to HMRC"
- Invoice layout shows the VAT rate & values as normal but they are not included in the invoice total
- The output to the Accounts System uses the new 'Rev Chg Code' specified in Tax Codes (above) for this invoice & VAT value would be £0.

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A new checkbox has been added to the Accounts Tab on the Supplier record called 'Reverse Charge VAT'. The default behaviour is unchecked. This is to act as a default value and be inherited down to any Purchase Invoices entered for this Supplier.

On a Purchase Invoice we have added a checkbox to the header called 'Reverse Charge VAT Applies' which is defaulted from the Supplier option. (to act as default for this invoice but can be changed per line item)

A new checkbox has been added under the 'Tax' button view on each line of the Purchase Invoice Matching screen so that individual elements of an invoice can be flagged/unflagged as falling under this rule as needed.

If a line or whole invoice is checked by the user then when output to an accounts system:

- Input VAT remains at the normal rates and input accounting remains as it currently is.

- Additionally, the same amount of tax is to be included in Output VAT (ie the sales side of the VAT return), so the net effect is zero.

Mobile App Sync Improvements

To aid clarity on sync success for mobile users & to improve resolution of any issues we have added a new Sync Report option to the main menu on the mobile app that only becomes available of there are errors when data is synched back to the office.

Any failed items are automatically tried in the next sync and the reports content will be updated automatically, so only items that cannot be sent to the office will be shown, to aid clarity for the user.

On the report users can switch between showing all errors and only those affecting important items such as Jobs.

All items are listed in plain English and present with a checkbox to allow Support to download a full record dump for each issue on the report