

# **Identifying Dangerous Goods**

Tips in Identifying Dangerous Goods



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The terms "hazardous materials" and "dangerous goods" are synonymous.

Hazardous material is a term that is used domestically under 49CFR and dangerous goods is an international term under ICAO/IATA (throughout these materials, we will use the term dangerous goods or DG).

So, what is exactly is a hazardous material or dangerous good? 49CFR 171.8 defines hazardous material as:

"Hazardous material means a substance or material that the Secretary of Transportation has determined is capable of posing an unreasonable risk to health, safety, and property when transported in commerce, and has designated as hazardous under section 5103 of Federal hazardous materials transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5103). The term includes hazardous substances, hazardous wastes, marine pollutants, elevated temperature materials, materials designated as hazardous in the Hazardous Materials Table (see 49 CFR 172.101), and materials that meet the defining criteria for hazard classes and divisions in part 173 of this subchapter."

If you are offering dangerous goods for transport, you need to obtain training as it is you, the shipper, that is responsible for complying with all federal, state and international regulations. Refer to the appropriate regulatory publication for identifying and classifying your shipment.

If needed, we can prepare your dangerous goods shipment. We have a variety of service levels to assist you in getting your dangerous goods where they need to go.

Never offer an unidentified, undeclared, or unclassified material for shipment. The DOT/FAA can and does impose severe penalties for such actions, including civil penalties and criminal prosecution of shippers.



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### **★** Does your shipment contain dangerous goods?

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If you are unsure how to proceed, NAC offers a variety of service levels for customers shipping dangerous goods.

If you're ready to ship and have all your paperwork done, a quick check and validation is all you need! Should you have a complicated shipping such as corrosives, flammable material, pressurized items NAC has the materials on-hand to properly package and mark your items for shipment.

Ask an expert! Call NAC and ask to speak to a Dangerous Goods Specialist. We are here to help!

### ★ Contact us ★

If you have questions, contact a NAC Hazardous Materials Specialist at:

1-800-727-2141

## WHAT'S IN YOUR FREIGHT?



You must declare your hazardous materials to the airline. Many common items used everyday in the home or workplace may seem harmless, however, when transported by air, they can be very dangerous. In flight, variations in temperature and pressure can cause items to leak, generate toxic fumes or start a fire.

Cargo containing hazardous materials (dangerous goods) for transportation by aircraft must be offered in accordance with the Federal Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR Parts 171-180).

A violation can result in 5-years' imprisonment and penalties of \$250,000 or more (49 U.S.C. 5124).

Explosives

orks, ammunition, gunpowder, etc.)

Compressed Gases

Flammable Liquids or Solids

Oxidizers

(Bleach, swimming pool chemicals, fertilizers)

Organic Peroxides

Poisons

(Pesticides, rat poisons, cyanide, etc.)

Infectious Substances

Radioactive Material

(Radioactive medicines, radioactive machine parts, etc.)

Corrosives

(Mercury, acids, aircraft batteries, etc.)

Other Regulated Materials

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## ★ Items may include:

Aerosols

Batteries - wet

Batteries - lithium

Batteries – non-spillable

Camping equipment

Car & truck parts

Chemicals

Cleaning supplies

Cylinders with gases

Electrical equipment **Extracts** 

**Fireworks** 

Frozen items – dry ice

Household goods

Laboratory equipment Matches / lighters

Medical supplies

**Paint** 

Perfumes / colognes Radioactive materials

Repair kits

Samples for testing

Solvents / thinners Tear gas / bear spray

Tool boxes

Toys

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