

HIDDEN DANGEROUS GOODS

This table lists commonly shipped commodities that may contain hidden dangerous goods. The International Air Transport Association regulations contain a further detailed list of such commodities. For assistance contact the Office of Risk Management.

The table below was produced by Canada Post to help shipper's self identify hidden dangerous goods contained in their shipments (N.B. Canada Post does accept any dangerous goods for shipment by air nor by ground).

Commodities that May Contain Hidden Dangerous Goods

COMMODITY	DANGEROUS GOODS WHICH MAY BE PRESENT
Agricultural supplies	fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides
Automobile parts	wet batteries, shocks/struts with nitrogen, air bags, etc.
Breathing apparatus	cylinders of compressed air or oxygen
Camping gear	flammable gas or liquid, matches, other dangerous goods
Chemicals	often found to be dangerous
Chemistry kits	dangerous chemicals
Cleaning fluids	dangerous chemicals
Cosmetics	hairsprays, flammable liquids, or other dangerous goods
Cryogenic	very low temperature liquefied gases
Cylinders	compressed gases
Dental supplies	resins or solvents
Diagnostic specimens	infectious substances
Diving equipment	gas cylinders, high intensity diving lamps
Electrical equipment	mercury in switch and electron tubes
Electrically powered apparatus (wheelchairs, lawnmowers, etc.)	wet batteries (corrosive)
Fireworks	explosive substances
Frozen fruit, vegetables	dry ice
Household goods	paint, aerosols, bleaching powder, etc.

Individual meal packs (IMP)	flameless ration heaters (FRH) and self heating beverages (SHB)
Instruments	barometers, manometers and sphygmomanometers containing mercury, mercury switches, thermometers, etc.
Laboratory equipment	dangerous chemicals
Machinery parts	may include adhesives, paints, sealants, solvents, etc.
Medical supplies	dangerous chemicals, thermometers, blood pressure instruments
Paint	flammable solvents
Party supplies	compressed gases, explosive articles
Perfume	flammable liquids
Pharmaceuticals	dangerous chemicals
Photographic supplies	dangerous chemicals
Repair kits	adhesives, paints, organic peroxides, solvents, etc.
Samples for testing	may contain dangerous goods
Swimming pool chemicals	dangerous goods
Switches (electrical)	mercury switches
Tool boxes	may contains explosives (power rivets), aerosols, adhesives, etc.
Toys	may be composed of flammable material
Vaccines	may be packed in dry ice