Liquidation.com Guide for Shipping Ground and Air Hazardous Materials



Before listing products on any Liquidity Services Marketplace, it's a seller's responsibility to know whether or not the products you are selling are regulated as hazardous materials and comply with regulations required to sell and ship such materials (such as the 49 CFR and IATA). To assist with your research- we have provided the information below:

What is HazMat?

International and US regulations define hazardous materials (HazMat) as any substance or material that could adversely affect the public, animals, or the environment if incorrectly or improperly stored, transported, or handled. Common hazardous substances include:

Specific Term	Potential Hazard
Consumer Electronics	May contain lithium batteries, aerosols, and
	flammable substances
Cosmetics and Perfume	May contain flammable liquids
Household Goods	May include paints, bleaches, spray cans, under
	pressure, and numerous other dangerous items
Office Supplies	May contain aerosols, both flammable and non-
	flammable printing ink, uninterruptable power
	supplies containing electrical storage batteries
Rechargeable drills, Screwdrivers and other hand	May contain lithium batteries
tools	

How can I determine if a product is HazMat?

More information is available at either of the following numbers:

- US Department of Transportation (DOT) Hazmat Hotline: 1-800-467-4922
- UPS Hazardous Materials Helpdesk: 1-800-554-9964

Or by visiting the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)

What is an MSDS or SDS?

The Hazard Communication Standards (HCS) requires manufacturers, distributors, or importers to provide Safety Data Sheets (SDS) (formerly known as Material Data Safety Sheets (MSDS)) to communicate information about their products.

MSDS or SDS documents include information about the properties of the substance or mixture, its hazards and instructions for handling, disposal, and transport, as well as first-aid, fire-fighting, and exposure control measures.