

# Blindshipping - Book & Print Label

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🕒 Manual Process Replaced?	Fully Automated
☰ Notes	Books Shipping label, and sends to vendor with order to print as required.
☰ Outputs	Produces Production Assets Sends Email Updates Order Management
📍 Platform	Make.com
⚙️ Status	Live
🔗 Trigger Source	Webhook

## Shipping Automation – Part 2

### Book Label, Invoice, Print & Tracking

#### Overview

This is **Part 2 of the Shipping 2.0 workflow** and performs **the majority of the work**.

Once triggered, this automation:

- Books the shipment
- Generates and prints the shipping label
- Creates a shipping invoice with markup







- Sends tracking information to the customer

This is the **execution step** after quotes have been reviewed and a carrier is selected.

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## What This Automation Does

When successfully run, the automation will:

-  Book the shipment label
  -  Print the label at the shop
  -  Generate a shipping invoice (**20% markup**)
  -  Email tracking information to the customer
  -  Store the PDF label on the item
  -  Complete the shipment workflow
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## Prerequisites

Before triggering this automation:

- Quotes must already be generated (**Part 1: NetParcel Quote Automation**)
  - The **quote spreadsheet** must be uploaded and available
  - A carrier/service must be selected in the sheet
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## Selecting a Shipping Service

1. Open the uploaded **quote spreadsheet**
2. Choose a carrier/service
  - Example used: **ICS Next Day**
3. Place an **"X"** next to the selected service
4. Save the spreadsheet

This selection determines which service is booked.

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## How to Trigger the Automation

### Trigger Status

Set the shipment status to:

- **Book Label**

This immediately starts the automation.

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## Status Flow & Meanings

Status	Meaning
<b>Awaiting Review</b>	Default after quotes are generated
<b>Book Label</b>	Manual trigger to start booking
<b>Booking</b>	Automation is actively running
<b>Done</b>	Booking and downstream steps completed
<b>Failed</b>	Error occurred (reason provided)

### Failure Handling

- Failure reasons are posted as **comments on the Monday item**
- Most failures are caused by:
  - Missing mappings
  - Incomplete data

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## Real-Time Execution

- Runs **in real time**
- Typically completes in **seconds**
- Status visibly transitions from **Book Label** → **Booking** → **Done**

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## Behind-the-Scenes Logic (High-Level)

The automation performs the following steps:

1. Identifies the item where **Book Label** was triggered
2. Gathers all shipment details
3. Matches the selected service from the quote spreadsheet
4. Applies internal logic and mappings
5. Sends an API call to **NetParcel** to book the label
6. Pickup logic:
  - If booked **in the afternoon**, pickup is scheduled for the **next day**
7. Generates:
  - PDF shipping label
  - Tracking number
  - Shipping invoice
8. Prints the label at the shop

## 9. Emails tracking information to the customer

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### **Best Time to Run**

For optimal pickup handling:





- **Start of day**, or
- **End of day**

This ensures correct next-day pickup logic when applicable.

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### **Outputs Generated**


After completion, the following are available:

-  **Tracking number** (sent to customer)
-  **PDF shipping label** (stored on the item)
-  **Shipping invoice** (with 20% markup)
-  **Printed label** at the shop

Labels generated are **fully valid** and accessible for review or re-download.

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### **What This Automation Does Not Do**

-  Does not check whether the invoice has been paid  
*(Handled by a separate completion automation)*
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### **Current Status**

- Fully functional
- Stable and reliable
- Handles end-to-end shipping execution