

PI - Hazardous materials policy - Prohibited and Restricted items

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What is the policy?

 This policy prohibits the sale of most

hazardous materials on eBay, including the following:

 Carcinogens

Class I ozone-depleting substances: Carbon tetrachloride (and any

product that contains it) Chlorobromomethane

Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) Halon

Hydrobromofluorocarbons (HBFCs) Methyl bromide

Methyl chloroform Class II ozone-depleting

substances: hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) Combustibles

Black powder Caps for toy guns Exploding

targets Explosive fuses Fireworks

Flares Flash paper Gasoline Red

phosphorous Thermite Dinitrophenol (DNP)

and any product that contains it as an active ingredient, such as weight-loss

supplements Explosive precursors (see explosive

Non-EPA-approved substitute refrigerants Non-ozone-depleting

substances with high global warming potential: hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) Poisons

Radioactive

materials Substances or materials banned by shipping providers

 A hazardous material is generally defined as: Any substance that

is ignitable, corrosive, reactive, or toxic Any item or agent (biological, chemical,

radiological, or physical) that has the ability to cause harm to humans, animals, or the environment. These effects could be a result of the material by itself or its interaction with other materials.

However, definitions of hazardous materials vary according to the four agencies that regulate them:

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)
- U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)
- U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)

For a comprehensive list of materials and substances currently classified as hazardous, see

<https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/chapter-I/subchapter-J/part-302/section-302.4>; § 302.4 Designation of hazardous substances

Why does eBay have this policy? This policy helps our buyers and sellers to comply with state and local government regulations and protects the eBay community from the dangers these products may pose.

GUIDE.TALKING_POINTS

Why did you remove my castor bean listing? Due to their hazardous nature, eBay decided not to allow listings for castor beans. Why did you remove my fireworks listing? Several states prohibit fireworks. Since your listing could make these items available in a state where it is prohibited, eBay does not allow them. The shipping of incendiary devices is highly regulated; eBay does not permit the sale of such items. Why did you remove my refrigerant listing? eBay doesn't allow any Class I or Class II ozone-depleting substances (ODS), non-ozone-depleting substances with high global-warming potential (GWP), or any refrigerant substitutes that aren't approved by the EPA. This includes carbon tetrachloride (and any product that contains it), chlorobromomethane, chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), halons, hydrobromofluorocarbons (HBFCs), hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs), hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), methyl bromide, and methyl chloroform. Why did you remove my hot rocks listing? Any item described as radioactive can't be listed on eBay. Why did you remove my model rocket engine listing? The regulations on model rocket engines are quite restrictive. Since we can't determine whether all the restrictive requirements have been met, we decided to prohibit model rocket engines.

Why did you remove my MRE heater/MRE with heater listing? These types of heaters contain hazardous materials that we don't allow on eBay, even when stating the item won't ship via USPS. Why are you so concerned about these materials? eBay urges its sellers and buyers to comply with all governmental laws and regulations. Since the sale of hazardous materials is prohibited by law, regulated, or may cause harm to eBay or its members, sellers may not list them on eBay. Many hazardous goods cannot be shipped through the mail or commercial carrier at all. Such items are not permitted on eBay. </h2>