

USPS and UPS package types

Before shipping your item, it's important to check the size and type of package you're sending, so you can offer the best shipping options to your buyers.

When selecting your package type, you can choose from letter, large envelope, package (or thick envelope), or large package.

Domestic shipping			
Letter	Large Envelope	Package (or thick envelope)	Large Package
First-Class Mail (US Postal Service)	Priority Mail Express (USPS)	Priority Mail (USPS)	Ground Advantage (USPS)
Media Mail (USPS)	Next Day Air Saver (UPS)	2nd Day Air (UPS)	3 Day Select (UPS)
Ground (UPS)	International shipping		
Letter	Large Envelope	Package (or thick envelope)	Large Package
Priority Mail International (USPS)	First-Class Mail International (USPS)	Priority Mail International (USPS)	First-Class Package International (USPS)
Worldwide Express (UPS)	Worldwide Express Plus (UPS)	Worldwide Express (UPS)	Worldwide Express Expedited (UPS)
Standard	to Canada (UPS)		

Package sizes

When selecting your package type, you can choose from letter, large envelope, package (or thick envelope), or large packages.

When measuring, the length is the longest side of the package, and the girth is the distance around the two smaller sides.

A letter ranges between:

- Minimum: 5 inches long, 3+<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inches high, and 0.007 inches thick
- Maximum: 11+<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inches long,

6+<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> inches high, and  
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch thick</li></ul><h3><a  
name="largeenvelope"></a>Large envelope</h3>A large envelope ranges  
between:<ul><li>Minimum: 11+<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inches  
long, 6+<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> inches high, and  
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch thick</li><li>Maximum: 15 inches  
long, 12 inches high, and <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch  
thick</li></ul><h3><a  
name="package"></a>Package (or thick  
envelope)</h3><ul><li>A package is a parcel (or box) less than 84 inches when you  
add the length plus girth</li><li>A thick envelope is a large envelope exceeding  
<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch thickness</li></ul>Note: For large  
UPS packages, you may need to enter dimensions to calculate costs correctly.<h3><a  
name="largepackage"></a>Large package</h3>A large package is a parcel (or box)  
whose length plus girth is over 84 inches, and less than or equal to 165 inches.You can only send  
packages with length plus girth between 130 inches and 165 inches through UPS. For large UPS  
packages, you might need to enter dimensions to calculate costs correctly.To help you determine  
that a package is within UPS limits, a 130-inch chain is available by calling 1-800-PICK-UPS.TipIf  
you're using eBay International Shipping, your package must meet specific dimension and  
weight requirements to be eligible. Learn more about our<a  
href="https://www.ebay.com/help/selling/shipping-items/setting-shipping-options/ebay-international-s  
hipping-program?id=5348">eBay International Shipping</a>.<h2 id="section2">Irregular  
packages</h2>If your shipment can't be sorted with mail processing equipment because  
of its size, shape, content, or address legibility, additional charges may apply.<h3>US  
Postal Service</h3>Select Irregular package<a href="#">if you're not using Priority Mail flat  
rate shipping service and your package is one of the following:<ul><li>Larger than 34  
inches long<a href="#">or 17 inches wide<a href="#">or 17 inches high</li><li>A square

envelope

- An envelope on which the address is written parallel to the shorter edge
- A glass container with more than 24 ounces of liquid
- A metal container with 1 or more gallons of liquid
- A plastic container with 1 or more gallons of liquid
- An insecurely wrapped parcel
- A metal banded parcel
- A wooden or metal box
- A tube or roll
- A book, printed matter, or business forms weighing more than 25 pounds
- A high-density parcel weighing more than 15 pounds and exerting more than 60 pounds of pressure per square foot on its smallest side
- A film case weighing more than 5 pounds or with strap-type closures, except any film case the USPS authorizes to be entered as a machinable parcel and to be identified by the words "Machinable in United States Postal Service Equipment" permanently attached as a nontransferable decal in the lower right corner of the case

### UPS

When shipping with UPS, select Irregular package if any of the following apply:

- The longest side of your package is over 60 inches, or the second longest side is over 30 inches.
- The package is encased in an external shipping container made of metal or wood.
- The package is a cylindrical item, such as a barrel, drum, pail, or tire that isn't fully encased in a corrugated cardboard shipping container.

An \$11.75 handling fee is added to the shipping charge. This surcharge won't show in the Shipping Calculator; however, it will show in your listing and when the buyer pays for your item.

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