

Placards

Which placard should you use?

Consider the following:

Mode of transportation

Check to see if your hazmat will need to travel on the road, rail, air or water. This will determine your placarding regulations

Container (bulk/non bulk)

Bulk shipments (liquitotes, supersacks, cargo tanks) **require placards that display the UN number**. Make sure your number stickers fit in the white box on the bulk placard (minimum 1.6" high)

Hazard Class

Make sure your hazard class on your placard matches the hazard class on your shipping paperwork

Road Exceptions:



Limited Quantity shipments do not require placards



Class 9 shipments do not require placards, unless being shipped in bulk



DANGEROUS placard:

- use if trailer contains two or more materials from **table 2** on the **hazmat chart**
- the total hazmat weight is under 2,205 lbs



Infectious Substances (Class 6.2) do not require placards

When should you use placards?

Hazmat placarding regulations differ for each mode of transportation. Lets focus on our two most common:

Road

The **Hazardous Materials Chart** separates all hazmat classes into **two tables** based on the degree of danger:

Table 1 - placards required for **any amount** of hazmat

Table 2 - Placards required for each hazard class on manifest once total weight of all hazmat **surpasses 1,001 lbs**

Water

Vessel regulations are far more strict - as emergency response is difficult to receive on the water. For this reason:

Placards are required for **any amount** of hazmat in the trailer when transported on water

Ensure you placard for each material on your manifest!

Do not write on placards. Use the correct sized stickers on bulk placards. **DO NOT** hand write UN numbers unless you have no other option while in transit.

Do not leave placards on trailer once hazmat is removed unless hauling a cargo tank with paperwork says "residue last contained" in the hazmat the description.



Carry an extra placard or two. Placards often fly off during transit, and it is our responsibly to ensure we are placarded on all four sides of the trailer.

Pull over before weigh stations and verify all placards are still present on the trailer before your roadside inspection.



Who is responsible for placarding?

Once we accept freight from a shipper, Carlile assumes all responsibility for placarding. Double check your paperwork and determine if the shipper or your dispatcher has provided the correct placards for all of the hazmat in your trailer!

Questions?
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