## Shipping Resource List

The following is a list of helpful resources and is not a list of preferred vendors.

**Packaging Materials**

FedEx

*Purpose*: Shipping packages including hazardous materials. FedEx can also supply shipping labels and appropriate documentation.

*Website*: <https://www.fedex.com/en-us/service-guide/dangerous-goods-hazardous-materials.html>

FedEx main number: 1-800-463-3339 (*Say “Dangerous Goods” when prompted to reach the Dangerous Goods hotline.)*

SafTPak/Inmark Life Sciences

*Purpose*: Specializes in proper packaging of class 6.2 infectious substances. This company will mail you all of the correct packaging materials, absorbents and labels. Website also has a template for a FedEx-compliant Shipper’s Declaration Form.

*Website*: <https://inmarklifescience.com/>

Hazard Class Diamonds and Other Shipping Labels: Go to most lab vendors’ websites (e.g. Fisher Scientific, VWR) and search for “DOT Shipping Labels.”

**Helpful Phone Numbers**

ChemTel 1-888-255-3924

*Purpose*: A 24 hour call center to obtain Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and emergency response services. This is a paid service that your institution must subscribe to prior to receiving assistance.

*Website*: <http://www.chemtelinc.com/>

CHEMTREC 1-800-262-8200

*Purpose*: A 24 hour call center to supply Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and emergency response services. Only companies registered with CHEMTREC are authorized to use the emergency telephone number on shipping documents and SDS.

*Website*: <http://www.chemtrec.com/>

**Regulatory Agencies**

International Air Transport Association Dangerous Goods Regulations (IATA DGR)

*Purpose*: The IATA DGR primary purpose is to prove procedures for the shipper and operator by which articles and substances with hazardous properties can be safety transported by air on all commercial air transport. If you are shipping hazardous materials via air these regulations must be followed.

The DGR can be purchased from the IATA website under the publications tab; (see link below) however some Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) offices have a copy of DGR that is free to use.

*Website*: <http://www.iata.org/Pages/default.aspx>

International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

*Purpose*: ICAO is an international organization that regulates the shipment of hazardous materials. You will see ICAO referred to in the IATA DGR.

*Website*: <https://www.icao.int/about-icao/Council/Pages/Strategic-Objectives.aspx>

Department of Transportation

*Purpose*: Regulates all transportation (water, air and ground) in the United States. The regulations affecting the shipment of hazardous materials are 49CFR171-177. For the purpose of this guide we are focusing on 49CFR173.

*Website*: <http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=bf35d14df30c779fc2ebda1a4f995544&node=49:2.1.1.3.9&rgn=div5>

**Permitting Information**

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA APHIS) Import/Export Information and ePermits

*Purpose:* USDA permits are required for import, transit and release of regulated animals, animal products, veterinary biologics, plants, plant products, pests, microorganisms, soil, and genetically engineered organisms.

*Website:* <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/importexport>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Etiological Agent Import Permits

*Purpose:* CDC permits are required to import infectious biological agents or vectors of human disease.

*Website:* <https://www.cdc.gov/cpr/ipp/index.htm>

*eTool to determine if CDC permit is needed:* <https://www.selectagents.gov/resources/IPPetool/>

**International Shipping**

ITA Country Commercial Guides

*Purpose:* Provides detailed information about shipping requirements and restrictions for international exports/shipments.

*Website:* <https://www.export.gov/ccg>