

# CHECK THE BOX FOR AEROSOLS



## AEROSOLS ARE CONSIDERED A HAZARDOUS MATERIAL.

Are you shipping hairsprays, cleaners, spray paints, or any other aerosol product?

They are often shipped as limited quantity packages, being considered less hazardous due to the smaller amounts of materials they contain. This means they are excepted from many requirements and may be easier for you to send!

### PACKAGING

Aerosol containers are subject to strict PHMSA requirements. Do not attempt to fill, tamper with the valves or closures, or modify the container in any way. If you are concerned about the integrity of the aerosol container, don't ship it.

Then, aerosol containers should be securely packaged in a strong outer packaging—like a box. The containers should be packed, secured and cushioned, to control their shifting within the package and prevent any damage or leakage. The valve should be protected (such as with caps) and packaged to prevent any accidental discharge of its contents. Use the original manufacturer-sealed packaging whenever possible!



As a limited quantity, the completed package cannot exceed a gross weight of 66 lbs!



### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

A limited quantity package must display the limited quantity mark on the outside package/box. This mark communicates that the package complies with all limited quantity requirements. Often, this is the only hazard communication that is required on the package for ground transport.

But, if you are shipping limited quantities by air or vessel, your package needs a little more hazard communication— including a shipping paper, additional package markings, and/or DOT hazard class labels. Contact the Hazardous Materials Information Center by telephone at 1-800-467-4922 or by email at [infocntr@dot.gov](mailto:infocntr@dot.gov) for specifics!

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