

## HAZARDOUS MATERIAL LOADING/PACKING/TRAINING

### LOADING THE CONTAINER / VEHICLE

- Certain classes of Hazardous Materials cannot be loaded into/onto a container or flat rack due to incompatibility. The Hazardous Materials Compatibility Chart specifies which classes of Hazardous Materials can or cannot be loaded within the same container or onto the same flat rack.
- Shipments of Hazardous Materials must be blocked and braced to prevent shifting.
- Foodstuffs must not be placed with Hazardous Materials that are labeled toxic, poisons, corrosives or with cargo having a strong odor/smell.
- If Hazardous Material and general cargo are packed together, the Hazardous Material must be stowed near the doors to facilitate inspection.
- Placards must be affixed to all containers loaded with Hazardous Materials. The placards must reflect the class(es) of Hazardous Material. Four (4) placards must be affixed for each primary and subsidiary class of Hazardous Material loaded (one placard for each side of the container).

#### **Any quantity of Hazardous Material must be placarded for ocean transport.**

**Note:** Placarding exception exists for limited quantity shipments and for shipments where individual packages require no labels.

### PACKING REQUIREMENTS

- Each Hazardous Material must be packaged as required by the regulations.
- Each package must be labeled with a Hazard Class Label and Subsidiary Risk Label, if applicable.
- Each package must be marked with the Proper Shipping Name and the UN Number.

**Note:** There may be exceptions to the packaging/labeling/placarding requirements when certain classes of Hazardous Materials are shipping in limited quantities. This exception is dependent on the Hazard Class, packaging group, physical state of the substance and maximum quantity allowed for each inner package. Hazardous Materials shipped in this manner must be described as 'Limited Quantities' by the shipper.

### TRAINING

Training is required for all employees that effect the movement of Hazardous Materials. That includes just about everyone in the shipping process. This required training is occasionally offered free of charge to our customers by Tropical's training and development department. If you would like more information, contact your Customer Service Representative.

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