



Looking at Shipping Personal Protective Equipment?

We have some shipping tips to help you prepare.

When it comes to shipping, it is key to stay updated with current customs regulatory requirements and check that our documents are complete. Getting all these together usually takes time and effort, that is why we are sharing some tips on these customs regulatory requirements for shipping of items like masks, sanitizers for personal use from the Philippines to help in your preparation.

General Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. What kind of personal protective equipment (PPE) is covered in this shipping guide?

This shipping guide provides information on exporting of masks, rubbing alcohol, alcohol wipes and sanitizers from the Philippines for personal use.

2. Can I send PPE such as masks to other countries/territories?

Yes, you can send outbound PPE shipments like masks to other countries/territories. Rubbing alcohol, sanitizer and alcohol wipes are classified as Dangerous Goods (DG), please contact our DG specialist at PHCSDG@fedex.com for shipping assistance.

3. Will my PPE shipments for personal use be subjected to tax?

Yes, if the product exceeds certain amount (amount varies across countries).

4. How may I send my PPE shipments?

You may drop off your PPE shipments at the FedEx World Service Centers, [click here](#) to find our locations. Please note that shipments of PPE cannot be arranged through the FedEx pick-up service, except for masks. Prior to the pick-up service of your mask shipment, please ensure you have prepared all the shipping documents in advance.

5. May I pack the items with my own packaging?

Yes, you may pack the masks in your own packaging. But please note that alcohol sanitizer and alcohol wipes are considered as Dangerous Goods (DG), please contact our DG specialist at PHCSDG@fedex.com for shipping assistance.

6. Will my shipments be subject to customs inspection?

Yes, it will be subject to customs inspection and customs may also open the package to ensure that it meets the packaging requirement.

7. Do I need a FedEx account in order to ship?

No, but if you ship with a FedEx account, you will be eligible to enjoy the discount below:

- If you open a FedEx account registered with your credit card info, you are entitled to 40% off for the first three months
- Please note that PHP 44.00 will be deducted from your account for payment gateway testing. It will be refunded within 14 business working days to your credit card account.

For cash payments, you may visit our WSC.

8. Can I choose for cash payment on delivery by the recipient?

No, payment for PPE shipments must be made by the shipper.

9. How can I track my shipments?

You may download FedEx Mobile App from iOS App Store or Android Google Play or visit [fedex.com](https://www.fedex.com) to track your shipments.





Mask Export to Worldwide (General)

Items	HS code**	Product materials	Packaging Requirement & Quantity Limits	Shipper's responsibility	Duty and Taxes*
Mask	6307.90	Composes of non-woven textile material (composition) , 3ply surgical mask and N95 mask	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No more than 500g per package	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Complete documentation and customs declaration;Declare customs value and commodity type;Bear the surcharge and tax (if any);Provide necessary information upon import country Customs request, if anyMay require FDA permit prior to export	Duty and Tax may apply subject to Customs examination and decision

*Apply to non-commercial person to person shipments, and is subject to customs final decision

**Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System



Outbound to Australia

Items	HS code**	Product materials	Packaging Requirement & Quantity Limits	Shipper's responsibility	Duty and Taxes*
Mask	6307.90	Composes of non-woven textile material (composition), 3ply surgical mask and N95 mask	No more than 500g per package	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete documentation and customs declaration;• Declare customs value and commodity type;• Bear the surcharge and tax (if any);• Provide necessary information upon import country Customs request, if any• May require FDA permit prior to export	Tax free if declared value lower than AUD1,000

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**Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System



Outbound to Germany

Items	HS code**	Product materials	Packaging Requirement & Quantity Limits	Shipper's responsibility	Duty and Taxes*
Mask	6307.90	Composes of non-woven textile material (composition), 3ply surgical mask and N95 mask	No more than 500g per package	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete documentation and customs declaration;• Declare customs value and commodity type;• Bear the surcharge and tax (if any);• Provide necessary information upon import country Customs request, if any• May require FDA permit prior to export	Tax free if declared value lower than EUR45

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Outbound to United Kingdom

Items	HS code**	Product materials	Packaging Requirement & Quantity Limits	Shipper's responsibility	Duty and Taxes*
Mask	6307.90	Composes of non-woven textile material (composition), 3ply surgical mask and N95 mask	No more than 500g per package	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete documentation and customs declaration;• Declare customs value and commodity type;• Bear the surcharge and tax (if any);• Provide necessary information upon import country Customs request, if any• May require FDA permit prior to export	Tax free if declared value lower than GBP39

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Outbound to United States

Items	HS code**	Product materials	Packaging Requirement & Quantity Limits	Shipper's responsibility	Duty and Taxes*
Mask	6307.90.9889	Composes of non-woven textile material (composition), 3ply surgical mask and N95 mask	No Requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete documentation and customs declaration;• Declare customs value and commodity type;• Bear the surcharge and tax (if any);• If the masks not for medical use AND have a value lower than USD800, please declare them as "Masks – not for medical use". With such declaration, the shipment would not require registration with FDA* (manufacturer's name/ address will not be required);• Importer of Record may be required subject to Customs' decision	The rate of duty will be 7% ad valorem

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1. How can I tell the difference between FDA-regulated PPE and PPE that the FDA does not regulate?

The determining factor is its intended use. If the products are intended to prevent, mitigate or treat a disease or illness, then the FDA regulates those products. If the intended use is for general-purpose protection or industrial use (products that are not intended to prevent disease or illness), then they are not regulated by FDA.

A clear description that shows the intended use of the goods is of utmost importance. For example, if N95 respirators are being imported for use by medical personnel, then a good description would be 'N95 respirators for use by medical personnel'.

Shipping Tips



Hand Sanitizer

- Hand Sanitizer is considered a Dangerous Good (DG). Please contact our DG specialist at PHCSDG@fedex.com for shipping assistance
- No more than 500g per package



Mask



Alcohol wipe

- Alcohol wipe is considered a Dangerous Good (DG). Please contact our DG specialist at PHCSDG@fedex.com for shipping assistance

Steps for shipping via FedEx Ship Manager® (no manual AWB surcharge):

- Check whether destination country accepts shipment from our website ([link](#))
- Log-into/ register at fedex.com to input the shipment info on the air waybill (AWB) ([link](#))
- The commercial invoice could be automatically created, or you could customize for your own use

Highlight below keywords on Invoice and Airway bill:

Dangerous Goods in Excepted Quantities
 ** For personal use of consignee, Not for Re-sale and of No Commercial Value **

ORIGIN D: HHPA 0123456789 SHIP DATE: 08APR20
 JOHN DOE ACTWGT: 1.00 KG
 FEDEX PRODUCTION ACCOUNT CAD: 250913045INET4224
 10 FEDEX PARKWAY BILL SENDER
 CENTRAL HONG KONG HK
 TO JANE DOE
 ADDRESS LINE 1
 ADDRESS LINE 2
 ADDRESS LINE 3
 NEW YORK NY 12345
 (123) 456-7890 REF: (US)
 NY DEPT
 5603254544
Air waybill
 TRK# 7701 8788 9474 INTL FIRST
X1 DSVA 12345
 NY-US ALB
 Barcode

COMMERCIAL INVOICE
 商業發票
 (Please complete in English only)
 (請用英文填寫)
 INTERNATIONAL AIRWAYBILL NO. 5603254544
 DATE OF EXPORTATION 08/04/2020
 SHIPPER'S EXPORT REFERENCES
 CONSIGNEE'S COMPLETE NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE, BUSINESS REGISTRATION NO. / 收件人完整姓名、地址、電話、商業登記證號碼
 JANE DOE, 10 FEDEX PARKWAY, CENTRAL, HONG KONG
 COUNTRY OF EXPORT Hong Kong, China
 IMPORTER - IF OTHER THAN CONSIGNEE
 進口商 - 如果不是收件人
 SAME AS CONSIGNEE ABOVE
 COUNTRY OF ULTIMATE DESTINATION
 最後目的地
 USA
 FULL DESCRIPTION OF GOODS
 貨物完整描述
 1.00 KG of Alcohol Wipes
 1.00 公斤酒精濕巾
 HS Code 3801.90.00
 QUANTITY 1.00
 UNIT OF MEASURE KG
 UNIT WEIGHT 1.00
 TOTAL WEIGHT 1.00
 TOTAL INVOICE VALUE 1.00
 TOTAL COMMODITY WEIGHT 1.00
 TOTAL GROSS WEIGHT 1.00
 SIGNATURE OF SHIPPER/EXPORTER
 寄件人/出口商簽名
 NAME (PLEASE PRINT) 1. 姓名 (請用正楷填寫)
 TITLE (PLEASE PRINT) 2. 職位 (請用正楷填寫)
 DATE 日期
 MARCH 2020

Remark: Alternatively, you could reach our staff for a hard copy of air waybill but it comes with a surcharge.

Shipping Guide for Export of Personal Protective Equipment from Philippines

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Due to the dynamic nature of the COVID-19 situation, information may be subject to change without prior notice.