

Words from The Warehouse: UPS Shipping

If you plan on shipping through UPS you can calculate the costs on the [UPS website](#) before Joe processes the shipment. This will give you an accurate cost of shipment that you can then give to the customer.

The ship from address (city) is Medford, NY 11763 and the IAC UPS acct# is 136321.

When you are prompted for additional costs such as insurance (declared value) or any different services you will need (Overnight delivery, etc.) just fill in what meets your needs and will be given shipment and pricing options.

Only parcel packages qualify for UPS Shipping.

Even though UPS can handle up to 150lbs they require that units be double boxed in order to recover any damage claims...

Rule of thumb is if it can't be put into another box to protect an item such as TV's etc. then we won't ship out from here. We do not have boxes big enough to accommodate large fragile items.

UPS is known to mishandle packages so they put in their disclaimer that packages must be double boxed or meet their requirements in order to process a damage claim.

Charges are based on weight, distance or location (they charge more to go to remote areas even though the distance may be shorter) & **box surface area.

See formula below.

** I haven't had the need except for one occasion to enter in the box size.

How To Measure Your Package Size

To measure ground packages use the following formula:

Length + 2x Width + 2x Height

Step 1. Determining Length

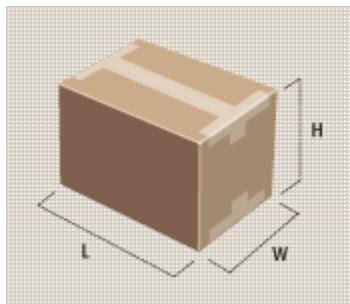
- Measure the longest side of the package, rounding to the nearest inch. This is your length.

Step 2. Determining Girth (2x Width + 2x Height)

- Measure the width of the package, rounding to the nearest inch. Multiply this number by 2.
- Measure the height of the package, rounding to the nearest inch. Multiply this number by 2.
- Add these two numbers together. This is your girth.

Step 3. Add the length and the girth together. This is your package measurement.

Step 4. Weigh the package to obtain its actual weight.



- Packages can be up to 150 lbs.
- Packages can be up to 165 inches in length and girth combined.
- Packages can be up to 108 inches in length.
- Packages with a large size-to-weight ratio require special pricing and dimensional weight calculations.

Note: Packages that exceed UPS weight and size limits are subject to an Over Maximum Limits charge.

The limits listed above apply to most packages and destinations, but there are some variances because of different local restrictions in some countries.

[Learn More About Shipping Packages Greater Than 70 lbs \(32 kg\)](#)

[Learn More About Determining Dimensional Weight](#)

[Learn More About Freight Services](#)

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How to Determine the Billable Weight of Your Pallet

Billable weight is the weight used to calculate the rate. The billable weight will be the greater of the dimensional weight, actual weight, and minimum billable weight. The minimum

billable shipment weight is 151 pounds.

To determine billable weight:

Step 1. Determine actual weight. Actual weight is the weight of the items on the pallet and the weight of the pallet rounded up to the next whole pound.

- Use a scale to determine the weight. Round up any fraction of a pound to the next whole pound.

Step 2. Determine dimensional weight. Dimensional weight reflects pallet density, which is the amount of space a pallet occupies in relation to its actual weight. Dimensional weight may apply to all UPS Worldwide Express Freight shipments.

- Determine the pallet dimensions in inches. For each dimension, measure at the longest point, rounding each measurement to the next whole number (e.g. 1.00 to 1.49 will be considered 1, and 1.50 to 1.99 will be considered 2).
- Multiply the pallet length by the width by the height. The result is the cubic size in inches.
- For export and import shipments, divide the cubic size by 139 when measured in inches to determine the dimensional weight. Increase any fraction to the next whole pound.

Step 3. Determine billable weight.

- Compare the pallet's actual weight to its dimensional weight and minimum billable weight. The greater of the three is the billable weight and should be used to calculate the rate. For multiple-pallet shipments, the minimum billable shipment weight is 151 pounds.