

Checklist: How to Avoid Common Shipping Fees and Surcharges

Learn more about the most common charges and how to avoid paying the price.



ADDRESS CORRECTION FEE

The Address Correction Fee is associated with an incorrect or incomplete address and parameters vary by carrier.

HOW TO AVOID

- Assess the quality of your data.
- Double check addresses prior to shipping.
- Leverage address validation software to improve the accuracy of your customer contact data.



ADDITIONAL HANDLING SURCHARGE

The Additional Handling charge is an extra fee for shipments that require special handling while being transported and will depend on the item's packaging, weight and dimensions.

HOW TO AVOID

- Understand the parameters of the Additional Handling Surcharge that your dedicated carrier abides by.
- Check with your carrier to verify what they consider nonstandard packaging. Examples include: non-cardboard materials, mailing tubes or barrels, packages with wheels, or a package encased in shrink wrap, etc.



RESIDENTIAL DELIVERY CHARGE AND DELIVERY AREA SURCHARGE

A Residential Delivery is delivery to a non-commercial address, such as a home or a home-based business, in a residential area. The Delivery Area Surcharge is to a location the carrier deems as a rural area (and is often in addition to the Residential Delivery Charge). Carriers define what they consider a rural location and which zip codes are subject to delivery area surcharges.

HOW TO AVOID

- Verify and confirm that the address you are shipping to is considered residential by the carrier.
- If you frequently ship to residential locations check with your carrier to see if they can waive or discount the fee.
- Review your shipping software there may be discounts available.



OVERSIZE / LARGE PACKAGE CHARGE

An Oversize / Large Package Charge is based on the item's dimensions and weight.

HOW TO AVOID:

- Become familiar with the weight and dimension requirements for your shipping carriers.
- Pack your items as efficiently as possible.
- Consider sending your shipment in multiple packages.

To learn more about the most common surcharges and fees, download the complimentary eBook:



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