

Category B Checklist

- Packaging and documents are prepared by a person with awareness of category B shipping requirements
- Triple packaging system is employed with primary specimen container, secondary packaging, and outer packaging according to IATA and DOT requirements
- Primary container sealed (with Parafilm™ or heat-shrink wrap, or other sealant) such that it is guaranteed not to leak and the cap cannot loosen
- Primary container is accompanied by cushioning material and cellulose absorbent
- Secondary container pressure-resistant to 95kPa
- Contents are listed on requisition or sample submission form or otherwise listed outside of secondary packaging
- Secondary packaging is secure inside outer packaging, with extra cushioning if necessary
- Paperwork is protected from condensation from chemical ice packs, if used
- If dry ice is used, proper dry ice shipping protocols have been referenced and followed
- Outer packaging is rigid and in good condition
- UN3373 hazard diamond and “Biological Substance, Category B” labels are present on outer package and not touching the edge of any side
- Responsible person name, address, phone number are listed on outer packaging
- Consignee and Shipper name, address, and telephone number are listed on outer packaging
- All old or non-applicable labels are removed or covered