# How to send dangerous goods?

Dangerous goods instruction

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#### **Hazardous substances - Definition**

In Germany the so called Gefahrstoffverordnung (GefStoffV) regulates which substances or preparations are hazardous substances



### **Dangerous goods - Definition**

If you would like to **transport** a hazardous substance, one has to check whether the hazardous substance becomes a dangerous good according to the classification rules of the different carriers.



## Hazardous substance law - Dangerous good regulations

Hazardous substance law = Handling law		Dangerous goods regulations = regulative law
	Intention: Protection	
	<ul> <li>of humans,</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>of employees/ consumers</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>of environment</li> </ul>	
During		During
<ul> <li>handling</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Transportation</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>bottling/ transferring</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Placing of goods for transportation</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Packing/storing</li> </ul>		

#### Hazardous substances – Legal regulations



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Whether or not the criteria of the definition "dangerous goods" apply to a substance is determined by a UN expert committee.

If the criteria are met

- the classification, the identification (UN number),
- the packaging
- the labelling (dangerous goods labels)

follow strict regulations.

This means that special provisions apply to its carriage, which may be different for each mode of transport.

# Dangerous goods classes

Dangerous Goods c	asses	Examples	
Class 1	Explosive substances and articles	Picric acid with less than 30 mass -% water	Detonators
Class 2	Gases	Helium, compressed or cryogenic	Gas cartridgeAerosols
Class 3	Flammable liquids	Acetone	Gasoline
Class 4	Flammable solids	Oil-bearing cleaning cloth	Zinc powder

### Dangerous goods classes

Dangerous Goods	classes	Examples	
Class 5	Igniting, oxidizing substances	Hydrogen peroxide	Piranha Solution
Class 6	Toxic substances, infectious substances	ArsenicImage: Second sec	Clinical wasteImage: Stress of the
Class 7 RADIOACTIVE	Radioactive substances	Excepted packages	Radioactive substances type A package

#### **Dangerous goods classes**



#### Hazardous substances – Dangerous goods

- Hazardous substance can be easily identified by the hazard pictograms on the chemical bottles
- Not each hazardous substance is a dangerous good as well (e.g. cobalt powder)
- Not each dangerous good is a hazardous substance as well (e.g. lithium batteries)
- It'll become especially problematic if you would like to ship samples which you have created at the institute
- The researcher can't decide on its own whether a chemical will become a dangerous good or not according transportation regulations
- Mr Konrad or Mr Wied will decide whether a substance is a dangerous good or not and will classify it correctly (Class 1-9)

#### Note:

If a substance or article is listed as a DANGEROUS GOOD, it is a dangerous good **regardless** of the quantity. Even one  $\mu g$  or  $\mu l$  of it is still a dangerous good.

Inform Mr Konrad (2B12) or Mr Wied (3C00) about the shipment of chemicals as soon as possible

They need to know:

- Substance name and molecular formula
- Amount of the substance
- Possible hazards you might know
- Complete address of the consignee with phone number and email

Mr Konrad or Mr Wied will decide whether a substance is a dangerous good or not

# Shipping procedure inside EU

If the substance is a dangerous good:

- you have to sign a norm in which you confirm the correctness of your specifications
- Mr Konrad or Mr Wied will than declare, pack and label the package and send it to the consignee

If the substance isn't a dangerous good:

- you and Mr Konrad or Mr Wied have to sign a <u>form</u> which declares that this substance isn't a dangerous good.
- With this form you can go to the goods issuing department and they will send the package for you

In no case bring chemical substances directly to the goods issuing department without an approval of Mr Konrad or Mr Wied

# Shipping procedure outside EU

If the substance is a dangerous good in addition to EU shipment:

- you have to contact Mrs Schöpfer concerning tax regulations
- after a clarification from Mrs Schöpfer, Mr Konrad or Mr Wied will than send it to the consignee

If the substance isn't a dangerous good in addition to EU shipment:

- you have to contact Mrs Schöpfer concerning tax regulations
- After a clarification from Mrs Schöpfer the goods issuing department will than send it to the consignee

In no case bring chemical substances directly to the goods issuing department without an approval of Mrs Schöpfer if you would like to send them outside the EU

### How to send Dangerous goods? – Questions?

