

Sample ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
Packager Name/Initial: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **CATEGORY B CHECKLIST**

**-UN 3373 Biological Substances, Category B**

**-IATA Packing Instruction (PI) 650**

**-FedEx, UPS, USPS (Us Mail), private couriers**

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### **Primary:**

- Specimen properly labeled with patient ID information
- 50mL or 50g maximum quantity
- Securely sealed & watertight/leakproof (screw cap receptacle and parafilm)  
Note: a Petri dish is not an acceptable primary container
- Wrapped in absorbent material sufficient for entire contents
- Wrapped in cushioning material (bubble wrap)
  - Primary **OR** secondary container pressure and temperature capable (95kPa)

### **Secondary:**

- Securely sealed and watertight/leakproof
  - Primary **OR** secondary container pressure and temperature capable (95kPa)
- A completed itemized list of contents (requisition or sample submission form) is placed between the secondary packaging and the outer packaging (NOT inside the secondary packaging)
- Absorbent material is placed between the primary and secondary packaging
- Biohazard symbol on secondary package required if shipping via US Mail (USPS)
- (Optional) Additional cushioning material placed between primary and secondary

### **Outer Package (Rigid):**

- Package is rigid and of good quality (acceptable to reuse Category B packages)
- UN 3373 Biological Substances, Category B diamond shaped label
- Quantity of infectious material is listed
- Quantity of sample –volume (mL) or weight (g)
- Must not contain more than 4 L, 4000mL or 4kg
- Do NOT put biohazard symbol on outer package
- Full name, complete address and phone number of person responsible for the shipment  
(This can be either the shipper or the recipient, but must be someone knowledgeable of the contents)
- Full name, complete address and telephone number of the shipper
- Full name, complete address and telephone number of the consignee/recipient

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NOTE: A Shipper's Declaration is not needed for Category B samples **OR** if dry ice is used.

If dry ice is used consult dry ice shipping checklist

If overpack is used consult overpack shipping checklist