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SKIDEGATE FAX	(250) 559-8204
PORT HARDY	(250) 949-6513
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DANGEROUS GOODS

Information for the General Public & Non-Commercial Operators



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DANGEROUS GOODS

What do paint, laundry, bleach, propane, car batteries, gasoline and hay have in common?

Firstly, they are all commonly used products and secondly, by their nature, if they are not handled with care, they can be hazardous to our health and the environment. Because of the added hazard, these are classified as being dangerous goods, and extra care is required with transporting them.

There are more than 3,600 dangerous goods listed in the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act, and the regulations that govern them are often quite complex. In the hope of simplifying the process, we have provided a few brief notes concerning the most commonly encountered products.

If you are planning to travel with us and have dangerous goods to carry, this will give you some initial guidance.

Failure to declare dangerous goods is an offence under Canadian law.

For products not listed in this brochure, please email our DG Office at dg.bcf@bcferries.com.

For those travelling on our northern routes, the Port of Prince Rupert imposes certain special regulations. Fax a completed dangerous goods pre-clearance fax cover along with a completed dangerous goods shipping document to your departure terminal at least 48 hours before travel.

Apply for a dangerous goods permit from the Prince Rupert Port Authority **at least 24 hours before your scheduled sailing.**

Remember, all customers must declare all dangerous goods at the terminal via the ticket agent, terminal attendant or a vessel officer (depending on your terminal of departure).

Check-in Time & Process

Vehicles must be at the terminal of departure, declare their dangerous goods, and provide a shipping document

- **45 minutes prior** to sailing time at **Major Terminals**, and
- **30 minutes prior** to sailing time at **Minor Terminals**

Customers must **declare all dangerous goods** prior to purchase of ticket.

Northern Terminals: Prince Rupert, Port Hardy, Skidegate — customers are required to email dg.bcf@bcferries.com to check terminal-specific time limits.

Documentation

Some dangerous goods items are permitted without documentation in allowable quantities. Please check our website or email dg.bcf@bcferries.com.

For other dangerous goods that require shipping documents a generic form is available on our website.

Contact Information

If the above information does not answer your concerns, please email dg.bcf@bcferries.com and we will respond to you as soon as we can.

DANGEROUS GOODS COMMONLY ENCOUNTERED BY BC FERRIES

AEROSOLS

Email the DG Office.

ADHESIVES

Adhesive products containing flammable liquid, such as Contact Cement, have special requirements. Email the DG Office.

AIR CYLINDERS, SCUBA TANKS

All tanks require a dangerous goods shipping document. Email the DG Office.

AMMUNITION

Ammunition being shipped requires a dangerous goods shipping document. Customers cannot carry firearms without separating from ammunition. Email the DG Office.

BATTERIES, AUTOMOTIVE

In addition to the battery needed for the operation of a vehicle, all batteries require documentation.

CAMPING FUELS (limited to UN2037, UN1075, UN1268, UN1950, and UN1978)

Vehicle passengers:

- If no other camping fuels or propane are carried, customers are permitted up to three (3) 1L containers of gaseous camping fuels without DG paperwork or up to one (1) 5L container of liquid camp stove fuel, without DG paperwork.

Foot passengers:

- If no other camping fuels or propane are carried, customers are permitted up to three (3) 1L containers of gaseous camping fuels without DG paperwork or up to one (1) 5L container of liquid camp stove fuel, without DG paperwork.

CLEANSERS

Bleach and other household cleansers may be considered Dangerous Goods. Email the DG Office.

DIESEL

Diesel (UN1202) in approved containers are permitted on our ferries in allowable quantities.

Vehicle passengers are permitted:

- Up to six (6) 25L jerry cans full of diesel or up to one (1) 450L tidy tank of diesel without DG paperwork.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Fire extinguishers must be security affixed to the vehicle. Shipments of fire extinguishers require a shipping document. Email the DG Office.

FIREWORKS

Fireworks are prohibited on BCFS vessels.

GASOLINE

Approved portable gasoline containers only. Limit of one (1) 25 litre CSA approved container or jerry can per vehicle.

If also towing a trailer with a boat or up to 2 ATVs, snowmobiles, motorbikes, personal water craft, then a maximum of two (2) additional 25 litre CSA approved container or jerry can also be carried on the trailer.

To neutralize a 25L jerry can that once carried gasoline, it can be filled to brim with water in order to travel.

Foot passengers are not allowed to carry gasoline on board.

HAY, STRAW, or BHUSA

Bales may be carried but must be secured within a closed vehicle or the load must be completely covered to prevent random ignition. A dangerous goods shipping document is always required and is transported as Hay, Straw, or Bhusa under UN1327. In addition, Class 4.1 placarding must be displayed when transporting over 500 kg (1100 lbs). Loose hay for bedding or comfort of animals is not considered DG.

RACE CARS

Race gas, marked gas or pre-mix follow the same conditions and rules as gasoline.

PERSONAL MEDICAL OXYGEN:

Personal medical use oxygen cylinders not exceeding 5L water capacity are permitted. When declaring oxygen, customers must communicate whether it is compressed oxygen or liquid oxygen. Cylinders that are not in a portable unit must be secured within the transport vehicle. The transfer of liquid oxygen from the "liberator" or bulk container to the

"stroller" or portable container, on board the vessel, is prohibited.

PAINT & PAINT-RELATED PRODUCTS

Paint and paint related materials may or may not be permitted. Email the DG Office.

PROPANE

Propane valves must be closed and sealed with the tags issued at the ticket booth, and the cylinders must be upright and firmly secured, to prevent tipping. Water capacity of propane cylinders can be found on the collar that surrounds and protects the valve. Propane must be for domestic use, and secured to the vehicle or trailer.

Recreational vehicles (e.g. RVs, campers and motorhomes)

- If no other camping fuels or propane are carried, customers are permitted up to two (2) cylinders with a combined capacity not exceeding 65L, and each cylinder individually must not exceed 46L. If a BBQ is carried, the vehicle is allowed a third cylinder not exceeding 18.9 L.

Vehicle or trailer carrying for personal use (camping or BBQs):

- If no other camping fuels or propane are carried, customers are permitted up to three (3) 1 L water capacity propane cylinders or up to one (1) 18.9 L water capacity cylinder.

Foot Passengers If no other camping fuels or propane are carried, customers can carry up to three (3) 1L propane cylinders, without DG paperwork.

Catering/food trucks and trailers are forbidden from carrying portable cylinders of propane regardless of size.

Propane powered vehicles and vehicles that have built-in, engineered tanks that may run off of propane are allowed. All pilot lights and valves are to be closed and tagged.

PYROTECHNICS

Some pyrotechnics are permitted if they are used as safety equipment for a vehicle or is equipment being transported. These

pyrotechnics will normally fall under the category of Class 1 - 1.4S. Email the DG Office.

GENERAL DANGEROUS GOODS INFO

EMPTY CONTAINER:

Although they may be "empty", drums, tanks, or other containers which once contained dangerous goods are treated as full, regardless of if they have some or none of the product inside. Containers that have contained dangerous goods must be cleaned and purged using approved methods and present documentation before being considered free of hazard, and until such time they shall be treated, handled, and transported in full compliance with the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations under the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act.

SDS:

An SDS (Safety Data Sheet) is the information bulletin required to be prepared by every manufacturer of every product. In addition to identifying the technical properties and characteristics of the product, most importantly it contains safety, first aid, and emergency response data. Flash Points can be found under Section 14 of a products SDS.

TIDY TANK:

A small means of containment (MOC) with a capacity of not more than 450L. It is designed to fit in the back of a pick-up or other small truck, and it is usually used to transport fuel and may or may not be permitted. See Diesel Fuel or Gasoline for details.

AUXILIARY FUEL TANKS

Not to be confused with spare gas tanks, or Tidy Tanks. Auxiliary fuel tanks that form an integral part of the vehicle, are connected by a fuel line to the engine fuel system, and firmly secured and protected from external damage, are permitted.

BC FERRIES BAGGAGE VANS

No dangerous goods of any kind will be carried in BC Ferries baggage vans. This includes all gas or propane tanks, outboard motors with attached tanks, chainsaws, scuba tanks, etc.