



PDS Professional Development Seminar

Shipping Comparisons

Shipping Company Information

FedEx

- Maximum declared value allowed for jewelry is \$1,000.
- FedEx Declared Value Exception service - contract-only service enables shippers to declare value up to \$50k on jewelry items. Not available for one-time jewelry shipments.

Parcel Pro

- Insurance company that uses other carriers for transportation.
- Must be a member to use. Membership requires a tax ID.
- Will only ship through FedEx and UPS.

Ship and Insure

- Insurance company that uses other carriers for transportation.
- Must be a member to use. Annual member fee of \$135.
- Only ships through FedEx, UPS, and USPS

UPS

- Maximum declared value for jewelry is \$500.
- Will insure up to \$50k for other items with a UPS account.

USPS

- No statements regarding jewelry insurance/shipping rates.
- Will only insure up to \$5,000 with regular insurance.
- Will insure up to \$25k with registered mail—this requires gummed, water-activated tape over all seams (no plastic tape).

Parcel Pro and **Ship and Insure** use shipping companies to deliver goods—they do not deliver the goods themselves. They act solely as a way to insure your work for X amount of dollars. Insurance is based on per \$100 dollars and vary depending on overall cost and shipping method chosen. Both will only ship using next day or 2nd day shipping.

Please note that both of these companies require customers to sign up for their services. All information was gathered to the best of my ability.

Shipping scenarios

Shipping example: Seattle (98101) to downtown Pittsburgh (15222)

Shipping Scenario 1

Box measurement: 5x5x5 inches Weight: 2 lbs

Insurance value: \$2,000

Shipping Scenario 2

Box measurement: 12 x 10 x 7 inches Weight: 5 lbs

Insurance value: \$5,000

Shipping Scenario 3

Box measurement: 18x18x30 inches Weight: 25 lbs

Insurance value: \$24,000

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Scenario 1 - \$39.55

Scenario 2 - \$66.12

Scenario 3 - \$279.09

UPS

Scenario 1 - \$32.82

Scenario 2 - \$62.79

Scenario 3 - \$295.51

USPS¹

Scenario 1 - \$26.70

Scenario 2 - \$39.75

Scenario 3 - \$146.25

Ship and Insure and **Parcel Pro** continued on the next page

¹ This cost was calculated using Registered Mail with priority shipping.

Shipping Comparisons *continued*

Ship and Insure

FEDEX	UPS	USPS
Scenario 1 - \$20.55	Scenario 1 - \$14.82 - ground	Scenario 1 - \$15.40 - priority
Scenario 2 - \$29.12	Scenario 2 - \$17.79 - ground	Scenario 2 - \$31.25 - priority
Scenario 3 - \$72.09	Scenario 3 - \$77.51 - next day	Scenario 3 - \$160.40 - express

This is the insurance charge for each company—this does not include the cost of shipping. To calculate the insurance fee, refer to the information below.

FedEx

- Insurance costs \$.20 per \$100

UPS

- Insurance up to \$15k costs \$.26 per \$100

- Insurance up to \$75k costs \$.24 per \$100

USPS

- Insurance up to \$5,000 costs \$.24 per \$100

- Insurance up to \$75k costs \$.11 per \$100

Parcel Pro

FedEx	UPS
Scenario 1 - \$15.59 - 2 day	Scenario 1 - \$15.95 - 2 day
Scenario 2 - \$22.49 - 2 day	Scenario 2 - \$22.85 - 2 day
Scenario 3 - \$81.90 - next day	Scenario 3 - \$80.11 - overnight

This is the insurance charge for each company—this does not include the cost of shipping. The information below refers to how much Parcel Pro will insure packages.

FedEx

- Insurance up to \$10k for 2nd day

- Insurance up to \$75k for priority overnight

UPS

- Insurance up to \$10k for 2nd day

- Insurance up to \$75k for next day domestic and next day air saver