

# Shipping from Canada to USA

*If you are shipping from Canada to the US it is important that all your customs & shipping documents are properly completed. Key documents needed when shipping to the U.S. are listed below.*



## ***Customs & Shipping Forms Information***

### **Bill of Lading**

The information on the Bill of Lading must be consistent with the information listed on the Commercial Invoice, it must contain a complete and accurate description of the goods, and it must be legible. Please clearly indicate the following: the type of clearance preferred by the consignee, and the name of the Customs Broker (or their appointed agents) at the frontier port or inland sufferance warehouse.

### **Commercial Invoice**

You will need two copies of the Commercial Invoice, one must accompany the freight from the point of pickup to the point of customs clearance, the other should be attached to the Bill of Lading. This document is simply an invoice with a complete description of the goods being shipped, along with the proper valuations and currency information.

### **Certificate of Origin**

The Certificate of Origin is used by the broker to determine the correct rate of duty under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). If this document is missing, the highest rates may be applied to each consignment, and U.S. Customs may not allow the goods into the country.

### **Sample Description**

Generally speaking, samples should be labeled as follows: ***“Sample is for Laboratory Testing, and will be Tested to Destruction.”*** If you have questions, please consult local and federal shipping guidelines.

All of these forms are available online at: <http://www.shipnorthamerica.com/htmlfiles/shipdocs.htm>

***For additional information please consult your customs broker.***