

Supply Chain Connect



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Streamline your shipping process with Supply Chain Connect



BACKGROUND

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Manufacturers



Freight
Forwarders



Wholesalers

Coordinating shipment details such as box content and FBA item and shipment labels requires multiple back-and-forth communication with their suppliers. Now, sellers can use SCC to streamline and simplify the process to help get products to Amazon and customers faster.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

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Supplier Portal

Supply Chain Connect provides your suppliers with a central portal where they can process your FBA shipments with greater accuracy.

Email Alerts

Automated email alerts notify your suppliers when your shipments are ready to be processed.



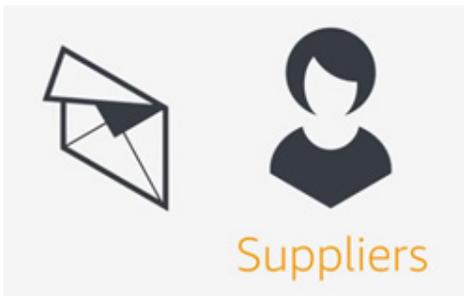
Streamlined Process

Your suppliers can easily enter box-content information and immediately download FBA shipment and item labels, reducing back-and-forth communication.

The benefits of SCC include:

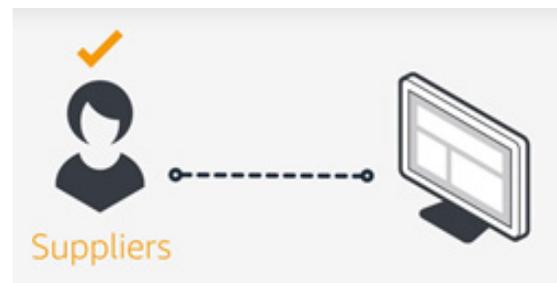
1. Supplier portal: where selected suppliers can process your FBA shipments.
2. Faster shipments to Amazon: suppliers can enter box content information and immediately download FBA shipment and item labels, reducing back-and-forth communication and lead time.
3. Better performance: suppliers have the tools they need to fulfill shipments with greater accuracy and gain a better understanding of the Amazon shipping processes.

HOW DOES IT WORK?



With SCC you can now send an invitation to the suppliers you want to participate

Once suppliers receive an invitation, they can sign into the portal.



USING SCC IS EASY FOR SELLERS. FOLLOW THIS QUICK GUIDE.

Supply Chain Connect Fulfillment by Amazon

1. You create and confirm a shipment on Seller Central with your usual process.
2. Once the shipment is finalized, go to the “Prepare Shipment” tab, and select the carrier option. Click the “Share Shipment” button.

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PROFILE INVENTORY PRICING ORDERS ADVERTISING STOREFRONT REPORTS PERFORMANCE

Send/replenish inventory [Learn more](#)
FBA (11/30/17 11:30 AM) - 2 [Rename](#)

Set Quantity Prepare Products Label Products View Shipments **Prepare Shipment** Summary

1. Review shipment contents

 You can review and modify your unit quantity here and can only change quantity by 5% or 6 units. If you want to add more or new products to your shipment, you must duplicate the shipment or create a new shipment. Any quantities entered beyond the allowed range may be subject to additional placement fees. [Learn more](#)

[Review and modify units](#) [Download SKU list](#)

2. Shipping service

Shipping method

- Small parcel delivery (SPD)
I'm shipping individual boxes
- Less than truckload (LTL)
I'm shipping pallets; shipment at least 150 lb.
Which method should I choose?

Shipping carrier

Amazon-Partnered Carrier
Deeply-discounted shipping with easy tracking [Learn more](#)

- UPS
- FedEx
- I'd like to use my own
- Other carrier:

Share shipment with your Supplier
If you choose to share your shipment, please confirm your shipping method and carrier before selecting your Supplier. Only shipments between 1 and 1000 boxes are eligible to be shared at this time.

[Share Shipment](#)

- Then select the supplier that will be processing the shipment.

The screenshot shows a navigation bar with the following items: PROFILE, INVENTORY, PRICING, ORDERS, ADVERTISING, STOREFRONT, REPORTS, PERFORMANCE. Below the navigation bar is the 'Share shipment' section. It includes a 'Shipment ID: FBA1234567' and a prompt: 'Select the supplier with whom you would like to share this shipment information.' There is a dropdown menu labeled 'Select supplier'. Below that is a 'Notes (optional)' section with a warning icon and the text 'Do not enter any type of payment information.' A large text input field is provided for notes, with '300/300 characters remaining' indicated below it. A yellow 'Share shipment' button is located at the bottom right of the form.

- There will be a confirmation message in Seller Central.
- The selected supplier receives an automated email alert and the remaining steps for the shipment are passed onto them.
- Suppliers can then sign in to the SCC portal to access the pending FBA shipments.

The screenshot shows the Amazon Supply Chain Connect sign-in page. At the top, it says 'amazon supply chain connect'. Below that is a 'Sign in' heading. There are two input fields: 'Email' and 'Password'. A link for 'Forgot your password?' is located to the right of the password field. A yellow 'Sign in' button is positioned below the input fields. At the bottom of the page, there is a link: 'New to Supply Chain Connect? Create account'.

- 7. Here, they can see all the important information about a shipment, including the destination fulfillment center, the shipment method, the pack list, the FBA item labels, the ASIN inventory and quantity list, and tips for FBA shipment processing.

Destination fulfillment center:

Shipment ID: FBA1234567

SHIPMENT DESTINATION Amazon.com.dedc LLC 250 Emerald Drive Joliet, IL 60433-9642 US (MDW2)	SHIPMENT NAME FBA (12/10/17 2:41 PM) PICKLIST FBA1234567.csv	CARRIER AND METHOD Partnered, UPS; LTL SHIPMENT STATUS WORKING	NOTES The PO number for this shipment is: PO105
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Follow the steps to complete this shipment

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The pack list:

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[Download item labels](#)

2. Pack items

If you are packing boxes containing multiple SKUs, you can use the [.xlsx pack template](#)

Complete the following with the correct box packing information.

SKU Product name Hide details	Quantity expected	Quantity boxed	Units per box	Number of boxes
CAN-PUFFIN Canned Critters Stuffed Animal: Puffin 6" ASIN: B001234567 Size: Standard-Size EAN: 7290016830002	80	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
			Add another box configuration	
STUFF-DOLPH Canned Critters Stuffed Animal: Dolphin 6" ASIN: B001234568 Size: Standard-Size EAN: 0753807276245	40	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
			Add another box configuration	

[Save for later](#) [Confirm](#)

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ASIN inventory and quantity list:

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Tips for FBA shipment processing:

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3. Print box labels

[Generate labels](#)
[Download box labels](#)

💡 Tips

Box labels are unique to each box. Please ensure the correct boxes are assigned the correct box labels before shipping.

8. To complete the shipment, the supplier simply follows the steps on the SCC. They enter the box content information, verify that information and then download the FBA shipment labels including box, pallet, and item label.

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Once the supplier has generated their labels, you can check the status of a shipment in Seller Central. You'll see the pack list has been processed and the shipment is ready to ship.

Note: It is important to remember that Amazon shipping guidelines including box size, weight limit and item preparation apply when using SCC. Sellers are responsible to ensure suppliers adhere to Amazon guidelines so that inventory arrives as expected.