

Frequently Asked Questions

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What is a dangerous or hazardous material surcharge?

The dangerous/hazardous material surcharge is an additional routing and transportation fee passed on from freight carriers to handle the appropriate routing of materials in accordance with [Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations \(49 CFR\)](#), regardless of mode of transportation.

How do I know if my part is classified as dangerous or hazardous material?

PartsSource has identified all items in the catalog that require a special fee. Information is displayed prior to purchasing as well as during checkout in the [Shipping & Handling](#) fees.

What is the difference between dangerous and hazardous material?

[Dangerous materials](#) require a special handling fee only if being air freighted, with no surcharge for ground transportation.

[Hazardous materials](#) will be assessed a surcharge for all air shipments, ground transportation, or a combination of both.

I don't understand why my battery has a dangerous goods handling fee?

Many of the batteries we sell contain lithium, which is powerful and can generate a great deal of heat.

Additionally, the chemical contents of these batteries are flammable. For these reasons, there is a safety regulation for transporting these types of batteries.

How do I know if I am purchasing a lithium battery?

PartsSource has identified all items that contain lithium in the catalog. Information is displayed prior to purchasing, as well as during checkout in the [Shipping & Handling](#) fees.

Does PartsSource profit from this surcharge?

No. PartsSource charges you the same fee assessed to us for the handling and transportation of these goods.

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How can I find out more information about dangerous or hazardous materials?

You can visit carrier sites (see *below*) for additional information or reach out to us at training@partssource.com and we'll be happy to answer your questions or send you additional information:

FedEx

- [Service Guide: Dangerous Goods \(How to Ship\)](#)

UPS

- [Article: How Do I Ship Dangerous Goods with UPS?](#)