



Freight Classification Development Council

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PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE NATIONAL MOTOR FREIGHT CLASSIFICATION®

It is essential that you provide detailed information relating to the transportation characteristics of the involved product, so please respond to all questions as completely as possible. You are encouraged to submit a supporting statement along with any studies you may have conducted, including all underlying raw data. Any other information available that would help identify or explain the product, such as advertising literature, product sheets or photographs, is also requested.

In accordance with the Freight Classification Development Council's procedures, the information you furnish—except certain confidential information, as denoted herein in red—will be included in a Public Docket File and made available to all persons having an interest in the proposal. The procedures are available online at www.nmfta.org.

If you have any questions or require technical assistance, please contact us at 703-838-1810 or fcdc@nmfta.org.

Your Name _____ Title _____

Company _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

Email _____ Website _____

Signature _____

1 Brief description of the involved product —

2 Trade name or advertising nomenclature —

3 Material construction or consist (Please be as specific as possible, and list all materials or ingredients in order of predominance, with percentages if available.) —

4 When proponent is a shipper —
a) What percent of the market for the involved product does your company represent? _____ %
b) Please provide the name and address of your major/primary competitor(s):

5 When proponent is a carrier, please provide the name and address of the involved shipper(s):

TRANSPORTATION CHARACTERISTICS

- 1 Product is dry_____ liquid_____ paste_____
- 2 Is the product subject to U. S. Department of Transportation regulations governing hazardous materials?
Yes_____ No_____ If yes, what is the DOT Hazard Class or Hazard Division, the UN Number, and what label(s) or placard(s) are required? _____

- 3 Does the product require temperature control? Yes_____ No_____
If yes, please specify _____
- 4 As shipped, are there any exposed projections, edges or extensions? Yes_____ No_____
If yes, please describe _____
- 5 Is the freight palletized? Yes_____ No_____ If yes, are the pallets unitized? Yes_____ No_____
- 6 Is more than one person needed to load or unload the freight? Yes_____ No_____
- 7 Is the freight compatible with mechanical handling equipment? Yes_____ No_____
If yes, what type? _____
- 8 Are there precautionary markings or instructions on the shipping package(s) or shipping documents?
Yes_____ No_____ If yes, what are they? _____

- 9 Is the freight top-heavy or does it have a balance point that requires special handling? Yes_____ No_____
- 10 Does the product require any special handling in loading or unloading? Yes_____ No_____
If yes, please explain _____

- 11 Does the product require floor-loading or special placement in the vehicle? Yes_____ No_____
If yes, please describe _____
- 12 Does the freight require a special orientation, such as being loaded in an upright position? Yes_____ No_____
If yes, please describe _____
- 13 Can the freight be stacked (tiered) in conventional trailers? Yes_____ No_____
If yes, what is the stack height? _____
- 14 As shipped, does the product provide a regular, load-bearing surface for top freight? Yes_____ No_____
- 15 If the product is wheeled, does it rest on its own wheels during shipment? Yes_____ No_____
- 16 Does the product require blocking or bracing for safe transportation? Yes_____ No_____
- 17 Is the product magnetically sensitive? Yes_____ No_____
- 18 Does the product contain magnetic materials? Yes_____ No_____

TRANSPORTATION CHARACTERISTICS

*Please give **exact** figures. Use additional sheet(s) if necessary.*

Model and Description*	This Model as a Percentage of all Models of this Product Shipped*	Description of Shipping Packages/Handling Units <small>(Please be specific, e.g., fibreboard boxes wrapped on pallets, plastic drums, plastic film-wrapped rolls, wood crates)</small>	Dimensions as Tendered to the Carrier for Shipment <small>(in inches, including any projections, extensions, overhangs, etc.)</small>			Weight as Tendered to the Carrier for Shipment <small>(in pounds)</small>	Density as Tendered to the Carrier for Shipment** <small>(in pounds per cubic foot)</small>
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** Specific model names and numbers, and related market data, will NOT be included in the Public Docket File. Products will be identified generically, e.g., “oil filters” or “plastic bottles,” and the source of the data will be identified as “shipper,” “receiver,” “carrier,” etc.*

*** To compute density, multiply the three dimensions of length, width and height as tendered to the carrier for shipment (in inches)—including any projections, extensions, overhangs, etc. Divide the result by the number 1728 to convert cubic inches to cubic feet. Then divide the weight as tendered to the carrier by the ascertained cubic feet.*

Where articles are unitized on lift truck skids, pallets, platforms or racks, the skid, pallet, platform or rack must be included in the computation of density.

To determine the cube (cubic feet) of drums, pails, rolls or other cylindrical-shaped packages not tendered on lift truck skids, pallets, platforms or racks, square the greatest diameter of the package and multiply by the height (length). For irregular shapes, use the extreme dimensions of length, width and height, including any projections, extensions, overhangs, etc.

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PROPOSAL

PRESENT CLASSIFICATION *(Show the provisions of the National Motor Freight Classification that currently apply.)*

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	CLASS
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PROPOSED CLASSIFICATION *(Show description(s) and class(es) as you propose them to be established in the National Motor Freight Classification.)*

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JUSTIFICATION *(Please state your reasons for the proposed changes.)*
