It’s important to ensure that all automotive parts are properly packed, especially those with metallic surfaces that are susceptible to scratches and abrasions. Follow these guidelines to correct packaging for a variety of automotive components.

**Protect**

**Doors/Hoods/ Panels**
- Place a minimum of 2" of cushioning/packaging material around the entire product surface to protect against compression and abrasion.
- Where corrugated manufacturer’s sleeve is available, utilize this, along with seven polypropylene corner pads adhered with tape, to protect product corners and hold product firmly in place away from the container walls.
- Add pieces of corrugated board in empty places as additional padding and to help contents remain in place.
- Insert corrugated sleeve into appropriately sized, new outer carton with flaps intact.

**Bumpers/Moldings**
- Wrap piece in adequately taped, heavy duty plastic bags and padding to protect any sharp or pointed corners.
- Place a minimum of 2" of cushioning/packaging material around the entire component.
- Place into new, undamaged corrugated shipping container with flaps intact.

**Exhaust system parts**
- Wrap and cover pointed and sharp edges with corrugated board or a minimum of 2" of adequate foam, or a minimum of 2" of air-cellular cushioning material and tape securely.
- Place into new, undamaged corrugated shipping container with flaps intact.

**Pack the right box**
- Obtain a corrugated box that will allow for a minimum of 2" of cushioning material around all sides of the product.
- Always use a new corrugated box with no damage or torn corners and with flaps intact.
- Ensure the box is rated at a minimum edge crush test (ECT) value of 32 lbs/inch or bursting test of 200 lbs/sq. inch.
- Ensure that the weight of the contents do not exceed 50% of the gross weight limit indicated on the Class Stamp.

**Seal boxes securely**
- Apply tape to a clean dry surface only.
- Use a minimum of 2" (approx. 5 cm.) pressure-sensitive adhesive tape (packing tape). Do not use masking, scotch, duct or water activated tape, string, plastic strapping, elastic bands, wrapping paper or gift boxes.
  1. Apply first strip to seal the centre seam.
  2. Overlap a minimum of 4" on either side of the box.
  3. Seal the edge seam on both ends with two strips of tape.
  4. Repeat the process for the bottom of the box.