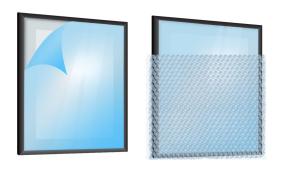


Whether it's a masterpiece or a family-created treasure, it is important to properly protect your artwork so it can hang in its new home without a scratch.

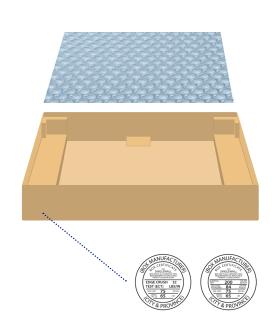
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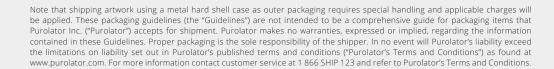
- If the artwork includes a pane of glass, apply tape or adhesive film over the glass to prevent tearing of the artwork in the event of breakage.
- Surround the artwork with a minimum of 3" (7.6 cm) of cushioning material or air filled packaging.



## Pick the Right Box

- Use a new corrugated shipping container (avoid using old boxes) that's free of any punctures, tears or corner damage, and ensure all its flaps are intact.
- Ensure the weight of the contents does not exceed 50% of the gross weight limit indicated on the Box Manufacturer's Certificate on the box.
- 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, as indicated on the Box Manufacturer's Certificate.

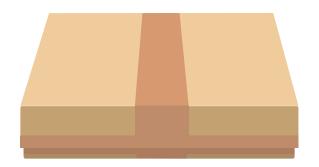






### **Seal Boxes Securely**

- · Apply tape to a clean dry surface only.
- Use pressure-sensitive adhesive tape (packing tape), water-activated reinforced tape, or water-activated paper tape (minimum 60-lb [27-kg] grade) that measures at least 3" (7.6 cm) in width.
- Do not seal the package using masking, cellophane, scotch or duct tape.
- Do not put string, plastic strapping, elastic bands or paper overwrap around the package.

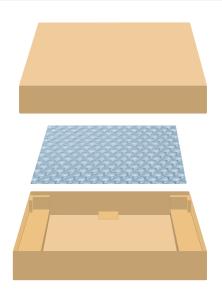


# **Artwork Packaging Systems**

If you are a frequent shipper of artwork, you may want to consider obtaining specialized packaging for that purpose. There are several available, including:

## **Corrugated Tray Carton**

- Carton construction incorporates double-wall structures at corners, providing additional protection against impact and compression.
- Bubble-type wrap is used for additional protection and movement limitation within the carton.
- Honeycomb is used to provide rigidity against bending and breakage.





## **Fabricated Artwork Shipper**

- Carton construction is a one-piece "pizza box" style carton incorporating double wall structures at corners.
- Top and bottom of carton are lined with plastic to protect against punctures.
- Foam lines the carton interior to secure the product and protect from compression and impact.
- Usually cut to size to minimize labour and materials required to pack and ship.



### **Hard Shell Case**

- Fabricated from plywood and steel with foam interior to cradle the product and protect against compression and impact.
- Requires larger initial investment but can endure multiple shipment cycles and provide high degree of protection.



