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Top Ten Internet Auction Shipping Tips

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Summary:

1. Ship Small, Lightweight Products - The heavier and bulkier the product, the more it will cost to ship.

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Here are some tips to help you with your Internet auction shipments.

1. Ship Small, Lightweight Products

The heavier and bulkier the product, the more it will cost to ship. Pick light items in preference to heavy items.

2. Ship Nonphysical Products

Having to ship physical products means more work. You need to pack and label your products, calculate shipping charges, and so on.

3. Drop Shipping

Another way to avoid some of the hassles of product fulfillment is drop shipping. There are several services that will ship products for you.

4. Recycle

If you receive bubble wrap, styrofoam peanuts, bubble bags, or appropriate cardboard boxes, you can reuse them.

5. Bulk Buying

If you do a lot of auctions, buy your packaging supplies in bulk to receive better pricing.

6. Free Shipping Supplies

Your post office or courier company may supply free shipping cartons for certain shipments.

7. Use Online Automated Tools

You can determine shipping charges from PayPal, the postal service and courier companies by using online tools.

8. Avoid Fragile Items

Obviously, fragile items need to be packed with more care than unbreakable items. Pick durable items when possible.

9. Insure Valuable Shipments

If you can't afford the loss of a lost, stolen, or damaged product, be sure to insure your shipment.

10. Prepare Foreign Shipments Properly

Be sure to prepare the proper Customs Declaration for international shipments. Keep in mind that some countries have restrictions on certain items.

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