

Foreign Shipments & Export Compliance

Vanderbilt University Export Compliance (VEC)

All physical items are subject to export controls, to some degree. Even if you purchased it commercially, even if it does not have “export” on the label, you may need a license to ship outside of the country. While not all shipments will require a license, an export review should be conducted to ensure authorized transfer.

Foreign Shipment Red Flags

What are you shipping?	Where is it going?	What is the purpose?
<p>Know the export classification of your physical item.</p> <p>How do you know the export classification?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact the manufacturer • Contact the sponsor • Contact VEC <p>Items listed on the <i>USML</i> or that have an <i>ECCN</i> other than EAR99, may require a license.</p>	<p>The level of control varies per item, depending on the export classification and destination.</p> <p>Shipments of all items, regardless of classification, to embargoed countries require an export license.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cuba • Iran • N Korea • Sudan • Syria <p>Items with a <i>USML</i> classification are highly controlled and require a license to most destinations.</p> <p>Items with an <i>ECCN</i> are restricted to specific destinations.</p>	<p>End-use, or the intended purpose of the item, must be considered. What will the end-user do with the item? Any purpose that has <i>military</i> or <i>space</i> application needs additional review.</p> <p>It is illegal to do business with people and companies that are blocked by the US Government.</p> <p>How do you know if the receiver or their company is blocked? VEC can help you with a <i>restricted parties screening</i>.</p>

Complete the SHIP form for all foreign shipment red flags

Foreign Shipment Form (SHIP): <https://redcap.vanderbilt.edu/surveys/?s=KJFM8L7CAE>

Other considerations Does your shipment involve an MTA or IP? Contact CTTC
 Are you shipping biological or hazardous materials? Contact VEHS

VEC assists with export review. For shipping assistance, contact VU preferred shipping vendors.

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* VUMC departments should contact the VUMC Export office for all export matters:
<https://ww2.mc.vanderbilt.edu/globalsupport/50084>