

# *Holiday Hints*

## Get In Ship Shape This Holiday Season

(NAPSA)—With millions of presents and packages moving across the country every day, it's smart for people shipping holiday gifts to follow a few tips for safe and timely delivery:

- Send your gifts ahead. If you are traveling this holiday season, take the hassle out of carrying wrapped packages with you by sending your gifts ahead of your arrival.

- Ship early in the season. This will allow you to avoid the lines and provide you with a greater selection of shipping options.

- Choose the right supplies. Use new, sturdy boxes with the flaps intact and do not reuse boxes. Position at least one inch of Bubble Wrap, peanuts or other packing materials on all sides and use a heavy-duty tape designed for packaging.

- Be smart about labeling. Position the address label squarely on the largest surface and provide complete sender and recipient addresses, including ZIP codes and telephone numbers. Ensure that the label is properly and securely attached. Fedex.com allows customers to create and print a shipping label online, making this even easier. FedEx also recommends placing a label inside the box, in case the outer label falls off.



**Use a new, sturdy box that's properly labeled when you ship holiday gifts.**

- Be aware of shipping deadlines. For delivery in time for Christmas, the last day to ship with FedEx Ground is Wednesday, December 17, and the last day to ship with FedEx Express is Tuesday, December 23.

- Don't be afraid to ask for help. There are more than 1,900 FedEx Office locations around the world that provide a variety of packing and shipping supplies and services.

For more tips, shipping options and additional information, visit [www.fedex.com](http://www.fedex.com).