

# AMAZON PALLET REQUIREMENTS: YOUR ULTIMATE GUIDE

# **GENERAL AMAZON PALLET REQUIREMENTS**



- Amazon warehouse requires pallet material to be wooden and would reject plastic pallets
- Amazon requires 4-way access pallets
- Pallets should also be in proper condition

# **AMAZON PALLET SIZE REQUIREMENTS**

- Amazon FBA standard pallet width: 40 inches by 48 inches (100cm x 120cm)
- Amazon FBA pallet height limit: not more than 72 inches or 182.5 cm for a single pallet (together with the pallet itself). And for double-stacked pallets, the maximum height is 100 inches or 254cm.
- Amazon FBA pallet weight limit: 1,500 Ibs. or 680.4kg.



# AMAZON PALLET QUALITY REQUIREMENTS

Amazon expects you to use GMA standard B or higher pallets to generally ship goods (shown as the following form).

Country	Specification
GMA Standard B Pallet	<ol> <li>6 or 7 boards on top, depending on the width of the board</li> <li>No less than 4 boards at the bottom</li> <li>Equipped with longitudinal beams for enhanced support</li> <li>Four-way fork</li> </ol>
GMA 1A pallet	<ol> <li>7 boards on the top</li> <li>5 boards at the bottom</li> <li>Equipped with longitudinal beams for enhanced support</li> <li>Four-way fork</li> <li>The wooden blocks used for the longitudinal beams have never been repaired</li> </ol>
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#### BUILD AND SEAL PALLETS UNDER AMAZON FBA PALLET REQUIREMENTS

Here are some points you must notice when packing and stacking your Amazon FBA pallets in practice:

- Avoid using Gaylord boxes, they're non-compliant with Amazon FBA shipping box requirements and not safe during transportation due to a lack of sufficiently thick walls.
- Place the heaviest boxes on the bottom of the pallet first, to create a more stable base and prevent lighter products from getting crushed, thereby maintaining an even distribution of the boxes.





• The shipping box side with the shipment label must face up



- Stack all boxes on pallets, ensuring they are stable and flush on all sides
- All items with the same ASIN must be placed together in the same pallet. For pallets containing only products with the same ASIN, ensure you apply the "Single ASIN pallet" to it.
- Avoid stacking goods with multiple ASINs on a single pallet. The receipt may be rejected.
- Pallets with multiple ASINs, whether from a single or multiple FBA shipment, should be physically separated differently, loading different ASINs into different shipping boxes. This enables Amazon workers to easily set them apart when receiving items with multiple ASINs.

### **SEAL AMAZON PALLETS**

- You must seal pallets with transparent wrapping material so that the workers can easily scan the barcodes.
- Wrap pallets multiple times, at least 3 times each quarter, to ensure the stability of the pallet and prevent boxes from sliding during transportation.
- Wrap from the top of the stack, down to the bottom, including the pallet.
- Avoid creating knots with the wrapping material.

### COMMON MISTAKES TO AVOID WHEN BUILDING AND SEALING PALLETS

- Do: Use transparent packaging tape.
- Do Not: Use reinforced packaging tape
- Do: Use shipping box to underhang the pallet edge
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- Do: Use clear plastic stretch wrap to wrap the pallet
- Do Not: Use string or straps to bundle shipping boxes

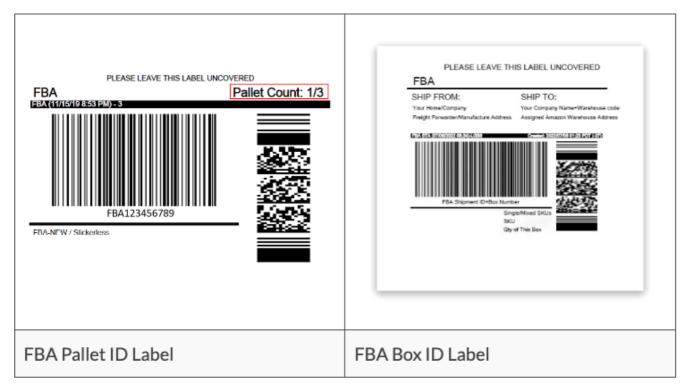


#### **COMPLYING WITH AMAZON PALLET LABEL REQUIREMENTS**

- Labels on the shipping box include;
  - Carrier labels
  - FBA Box ID Label
  - Its point of origin (Country)
  - Its weight
  - Fragile Label
  - Team lifts and Mech lift
- Outside the stretch wrap labels include;
  - Pallet number label
  - Do not break label
  - FBA Pallet ID label
  - Single ASIN Pallet label

# **FBA PALLET ID LABEL**

- Each pallet must have four FBA pallet ID labels. Check on Amazon seller central to find and download your pallet.
- Ensure all labels on each pallet have the same "Pallet Count" number (as shown in the figure below).
- The label must be attached to a place that's easily accessible.
- Label must be attached to the four sides of the pallet on the outside of the stretch wrap.



Note: FBA pallet ID label is different from the FBA Box ID label.

# TIPS:

Before creating a shipping plan, you need some information about the box. Ask your suppliers and freight forwarders for the following packing details:

- Box size length
- Height (inch)
- Width
- Weight (Ib.)

# **PRINT FBA LABELS**

- To print labels, use a laser printer, and avoid inkjet printers as barcodes may be difficult to scan because of the ink smudging or running
- Label color must be white and black
- Recommended label size is 4 x 6 inches (10.16 x 15.24 cm)
- Label type must be removable adhesive and must be non-reflective

#### **HOW TO LABEL YOUR PALLET**

#### • FBA Pallet ID labels:

 Place labels on all four sides at the tip of the pallet on the outside of the stretch wrap, so they can be visible to the forklift driver.

#### • Other labels:

 Must be labeled with Pallet number label, Single ASIN pallet number. In addition, avoid breaking the stretch wrap label in the upper right corner of the four sides of the load so that it can be easily seen when unpacking the pallet.

#### **COMMON MISTAKES TO AVOID WHEN LABELING ON PALLETS**

- Do: Use the correct label which matches the shipment
- Do Not: Use an incorrect label that doesn't match the shipment
- Do: The paper should be completely white and 100% non-reflective.
- Do not: Print the label on A4 paper
- Do: Attach labels on all four sides of the pallet to the outside of the stretch wrap
- Do Not: Place labels on all four sides of the pallet on the inside of the stretch wrap

- Do: Attach the label to an easily accessible place (on the center of each side)
- Do Not: Attach the label to an inaccessible place (e.g., on the corner)





- Do: Have Do Not Break Stretch Wrap Label on the pallet
- Do Not: Don't have Do Not Break Stretch Wrap label



Note: When the pallet contains only one ASIN, use a Single ASIN Pallet label.