

DATA ACCURACY CHECKLIST

Digitize as much of your shipping process as possible

- ☐ Use the [eBOL standard](#)
- ☐ Communicate with carriers via [API](#)

Optimize packaging

- ☐ Do not overhang pallets
- ☐ Use edge protectors if product extends to edge of pallet
- ☐ Center and secure product on pallet using banding
- ☐ Fully wrap cartons from top to bottom
- ☐ Make sure packaging is space-efficient without compromising durability
- ☐ Integrate shipping-aware packaging into your design and manufacturing process

Get the tools to measure freight loads accurately

- ☐ Tape measure
- ☐ Certified scale
- ☐ Mobile apps
- ☐ Dimensioner

Train your staff on correct measurement techniques

- ☐ Measure from the edge of the pallet
- ☐ Measure the maximum length, width, and height on each side in inches

Calculate density correctly

- ☐ Volume = Length x Width x Height
Divide by 1,728 to calculate cubic feet
- ☐ Density = Weight (lbs.) / Volume (cu. ft.) = pounds per cubic foot (PCF)
- ☐ Many carriers ([OD included](#)), have density calculators on their websites

Classify according to new NMFTA standards

- ☐ Stay on top of changes through [your carrier](#) and the [NMFTA](#)

Steward your data

- ☐ Automate processes and record keeping
- ☐ Make sure your shipping data is quickly and easily accessible



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