

PACKAGING AND SHIPPING BIOLOGICAL SPECIMENS

MAY 11, 2012

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS BRANCH
1100 W 49TH STREET, AUSTIN
LABORATORY RM 751**

A one-day course for all laboratory personnel involved in shipping infectious substances, diagnostic specimens, biological specimens and dry ice classified as "dangerous goods."

The training includes:

- General awareness training
- Laboratory-specific training
- Safety training
- Security training

Topics covered:

- US Department of Transportation (DOT, FAA) 49CFR
- International Air Transport Association (IATA) DGR
- Definitions of Infectious –Category A
- Diagnostic – Biological Substance, Category B
- Patient Specimens – Exempt Human Specimens,
- Packaging - Category A, Category B, Dry Ice
- Documentation - Category A, Category B, Dry Ice

Instructor: Barry Johnston, High Q LLC Training

At the completion of training and successful hands-on demonstration of packaging and documentation of Class A and B specimens, participants will receive a certificate of training. This certificate then needs to be endorsed by the participant's supervisor in order to fully comply with certification requirements.

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*Registration deadline: May 1

*Class size limited

The image shows a sample of a Shipper's Declaration for Dangerous Goods form. The form is titled "SHIPPER'S DECLARATION FOR DANGEROUS GOODS" and is framed with a red and white striped border. It contains several sections: "Shipper" information, "Air Waybill No." and "Page of Pages", "Shipper's Reference Number", "IATA" logo, "TRANSPORT DETAILS" section with fields for "The substance or article is:", "Amount of Dangerous Goods", and "Amount of Declaration", and a table for "NATURE AND QUANTITY OF DANGEROUS GOODS". The table has columns for "Pkg. No.", "Proper Shipping Name", "Class or Division", "Quantity and Packaging", "Hazardous", and "Additional". At the bottom, there is a section for "Additional Handling Information" and a signature line with fields for "Name/Title of Signatory" and "Signature (see entry above)".