

## 8.708 Shipping.

(a) Delivery is accomplished when a *shipment* is placed aboard the vehicle of the initial carrier. The time of delivery is the date *shipment* is released to and accepted by the initial carrier.

(b) *Shipment* is normally under *Government* bills of lading. However, for small orders, *ordering offices* may specify other *shipment* methods.

(c) When *shipments* are under *Government* bills of lading, the bills of lading *may* accompany orders or be otherwise furnished promptly. Failure of an *ordering office* to furnish bills of lading or to designate a method of transportation *may* result in an excusable delay in delivery.

(d) AbilityOne participating nonprofit agencies *shall* include transportation costs for small *shipments* paid by the nonprofit agencies as an item on the *invoice*. The *ordering office* *shall* reimburse the nonprofit agencies for these costs.

**Parent topic:** [Subpart 8.7 - Acquisition from Nonprofit Agencies Employing People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled](#)