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Dangerous goods and hazardous goods

Sometimes there is some confusion about these terms which are based on different regulations regarding packaging, labeling and transport.

Basically dangerous goods have to be shipped by air according to IATA Regulations, by sea referring to IMO Regulations, by road according to ADR rules and by train RID rules have to be consulted.

In the EU, the classification and labelling of hazardous goods is governed by Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures **(the 'CLP Regulation')**. Hazardous goods must not necessarily be dangerous goods too.

The easiest way to identify which regulation must be adopted for a shipment is to consult the MSDS (Chapter 2 for hazardous goods and chapter 14 for dangerous goods).

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Team:

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