

Shipping Supplies

Shipping tape

We currently order compostable shipping tape from the following places:

- [Elevate Packaging](#)
- [Pure Labels](#)
- [Arka](#)

Reasoning for the above vendors:

- [Elevate Packaging's Standards](#)
- [Pure Labels' Standards](#)

Shipping Labels

Elevate packaging and pure labels' products are the same on this one.

Each are entirely compostable.

If something else is being ordered from one of these vendors, try to get these labels into the same order to save on shipping costs.

- [Elevate Packaging Labels](#)
- [Pure label's Labels](#)

Shipping Boxes

Cardboard boxes are compostable, making most of the work pretty simple. The concern is mostly the ink (toxicity?), and if the cardboard has a covering.

If price allows (mostly killed by shipping costs), order from Arka.com. They help make sure the ink is okay and can give a good description of what the price will be for a variety of boxes in bulk, and are the most likely to ship in an ecologically friendly way.

Current options:

- Arka: Blanks are cheapest, but shipping inflates price significantly. Can provide best appearance with custom print boxes
- UPS: Significantly able to reduce price, due to bulk. Cheaper to pick these up than ship from Arka
- USPS?
- Home Depot?
- Office Depot?

Stamp Ink

Algae-based ink from EcoEnclosed.

<https://www.ecoenclose.com/algae-stamp-ink/>

Reason: non-toxicity for composting.

For more information: <https://www.ecoenclose.com/blog/how-algae-ink-is-changing-the-industry/>

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