

WAR DEPARTMENT
Services of Supply
Office of The Provost Marshal General
Washington

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The Provost Marshal General directs me to inclose a label which may be used within the date stamped thereon for the purpose of sending a prisoner of war or civilian internee parcel. Should you desire to use the label, it is suggested that the following mailing package instructions be strictly followed.

PACKAGE MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Only one label at a time will be issued to the designated next of kin, or emergency addressee, to each American internee or prisoner of war officially reported. The label may be transferred to another person if so desired. Each label will be issued in duplicate. The original to be securely pasted on the outside of the package and the duplicate to be placed on top of the contents inside of the package in order that it may be removed by the postal censor. The label can only be used between the dates specified on the original label. Additional labels will be issued from time to time.

The contents of the package must be listed on Post Office Department Custom's Declaration, Form No. 2966, at the time of mailing. If this form is not available at your local post office, the contents may be listed on plain paper and attached to the package. No postage is required.

The weight of your package should not exceed 11 pounds, gross dimensions not over 18 inches in length, nor 42 inches length and girth combined. The package should not be sealed and should be wrapped in a manner which will facilitate opening for postal inspection.

The following articles only may be included in the package:

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| ✓ Tobacco Pouches 6 | ✓ Shaving Soap Cake and Powder |
| ✓ Pipes - 1 | Small Mirrors |
| ✓ Cigarette Holders (except paper) | <u>Clothing</u> 3 prs |
| ✓ Cigarette Cases (non-metallic) | ✓ Socks |
| ✓ Washing Powder - 1 | ✓ Sock supporters |
| ✓ Medicated Soap - 2 | ✓ Belts |
| ✓ Bath Soap | ✓ Sport shorts for athletics |
| ✓ Towels, bath and face 2 each | ✓ 2 Shirts (regular army or navy if prisoners of war) |
| ✓ Wash Cloths 2 | ✓ Slacks (regular army or navy if prisoners of war) |
| ✓ Tooth Powder (in non-metallic containers) | ✓ Gloves |
| ✓ Tooth Brushes 2 | ✓ 6 Handkerchiefs |
| ✓ Combs (non-metallic) | ✓ Mufflers |
| ✓ Brushes, scrubbing | ✓ 1 Light Sweaters |
| ✓ Clothes Brushes | ✓ Shoes |
| ✓ Shaving Material | ✓ Shoe Laces |
| ✓ Safety Razor | ✓ Insoles |
| ✓ Safety Razor Blades | ✓ 2 Underwear |
| ✓ Shaving Brushes | ✓ House Slippers |
| ✓ Talcum Powder (in non-metallic containers) | ✓ Bathrobes |
| ✓ Styptic Pencils | ✓ Pajamas |
| | ✓ Nightgowns |
| | ✓ Suspenders |

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Women

Wool Hose
 Safety Pins
 Small Mirror
 Ribbon
 Hair nets and pins
 Knitting Needles (non-metallic)
 Crochet Needles (non-metallic)
 Knitting Yarn
 Elastic
 Blouses
 Skirts
 Dresses
 Toilet articles except liquids
 (in non-metallic containers)
 Kleenex
 Camphor Ice (cardboard containers)
 Sanitary supplies for feminine hygiene
 Orange Sticks

Children

All kinds of clothing and shoes
 Crayons
 Small indestructible wooden toys

Sports and Games

Playing cards
 Checkers
 Chess
 Cribbage
 Ping Pong or Table Tennis Sets
 Softballs
 Baseballs
 Footballs
 Softball or Baseball Gloves


Miscellaneous Items

Chewing gum
 Shoe polish in tins
 Tooth picks
 Nail clippers
 Wallets
 Pocketbooks
 Mending Kits (no scissors included)
 Sewing kits
 Buttons (non-metallic)
 Hair clippers
 Vitamin tablets in cardboard containers

Food Items

Processed American or Swiss Cheese
 (wrapped in cellophane)
 Dried Prunes, Raisins or Apricots,
 Peaches and Apples (in one pound
 or one-half pound cellophane pkgs.)
 Dried soups (in cellophane bags)
 Cereals of the Farina or Cream of
 Wheat type (cardboard containers)
 Dried skim milk (in one or one-half
 pound cellophane bags)
 Nuts - only pecans, Brazil nuts, or
 peanuts in shell or salted
 (cellophane bags or cardboard
 containers)
 Plain or chocolate powdered malted
 milk in press top tins or boxes
 or in cellophane bags not in
 excess of one pound
 Malted milk tablets in cellophane
 bags or cardboard boxes not in
 excess of 500 tablets
 Dried noodles, macaroni or spaghetti
 in cardboard boxes
 Dried (chipped) beef wrapped in clear
 wax paper or cellophane not in
 excess of one pound
 Coffee in plain bags not in excess
 of one pound
 Tea - bulk (loose) in one-fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$)
 or one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) pound bags or
 cardboard boxes
 Cocoa in press in topcans or cel-
 lophane bags not in excess of
 one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) pound
 Sugar in paper bags or cardboard boxes
 not in excess of one pound
 Biscuits or crackers - one pound
 (cardboard containers)
 Bullion cubes - ($\frac{1}{2}$) pound package
 Sweet chocolate in one pound bars
 Rice in one pound cellophane packages
 or cardboard containers

The signature and address of sender must appear in ink in the space provided on the label. Cigarettes and printed matter may not be sent at this time.


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