

CLASSIFIED INFORMATION AUTHORIZED TRANSMISSION AND TRANSPORTATION METHODS

Method	TS	S	C
Direct Contact discussion or meeting	X	X	X
Cryptographic Systems Authorized by Director of NSA or meets requirements of National Communications Security Instruction 4009; SIPRNet for S, JWICS for TS/SCI (crypto equipment requires COMSEC acct.)	X	X	X
Courier Services Defense Courier Service or Dept. of State Diplomatic Courier Service to foreign service missions	X	X	X
Designated Hand Carrier/Escort Hand carriers for small items; escort for larger shipments via surface (US owned, controlled or chartered) or air (prefer US carrier, info remains in physical control of escort) Military/DOD – worldwide; cleared w/courier letter Contractor – US and territories	X	X	X
US Express Mail Fastest method; US and Puerto Rico only		X	X
US Registered Mail Most secure method offered; US, Puerto Rico, APO/FPO, verify mail remains under US control; never authorize waiver of signature, deliver directly to USPS personnel (street-side boxes prohibited), recommend sending when next day delivery is possible		X	X
Cleared Commercial Carrier Bulk mail, in the US only; cleared carrier and protective security service provided (coordinate with logistics dept.)		X	X
GSA-Approved Delivery Company Overnight to a DOD component; access list of approved companies via GSA website; same caveats as US Registered mail		X	X
Government Vehicles Aircraft and US registered ships w/appropriately cleared staff acting as escort; shipment must be secured, but not observed during transit		X	X
Government Contract Vehicles Same rules as government vehicles above		X	X
Civilian Reserve Air Fleet Under exceptional circumstances w/written approval of the recipient USG security authorities; ship in an inaccessible hold of the vessel or a special shipping container; appropriately cleared escort not required, cleared personnel must place and remove the shipment; no intermediate stops allowed		X	X
USPS Certified Mail US and territories			X
USPS First Class Mail US and territories; must contain the statement, "POSTMASTER: Do Not Forward"			X
Non-cleared Commercial Carrier Bulky items, US only, company must provide constant surveillance service, carrier FCL not required			X
Ships Registered in US w/non-cleared Operators In the custody of US citizen vessel captains or masters who take written receipt			X
Alternate Methods Approved by DOD Component Head			X