



Transporting chemicals in personal vehicles

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Can I transport hazardous chemicals in my personal vehicle? This question is occasionally asked by researchers who need to transport small amounts of chemicals between campuses. The answer can vary depending on the chemicals being transported.

The US Department of Transportation (DOT) regulates the transportation of dangerous or hazardous goods in commerce. There are specific packaging, labeling and manifesting guidelines that must be followed when transporting hazardous materials in commerce over public roads. However the DOT recognizes that many businesses and organizations transport hazardous materials over public roads because they are needed for their daily operations.





