## Commonly Encountered Mercury

Visual	Description of item	Mailability of item
	<b>Liquid mercury:</b> This is often encountered in a wide range of volumes. Reasons for sending include uses for gold reclamation and refinement; preparation of dental amalgams; and element collections.	Domestic ground: <b>Prohibited</b> Domestic air: <b>Prohibited</b> International: <b>Prohibited</b> <b>Prohibited under Section 348.21e.</b>
ALLEY CONTRACTOR	<b>Mercury barometer:</b> These devices often contain significant amounts of mercury that are not well contained. They have been responsible for several leaks. <b>Note:</b> Fully digital versions are mailable without restrictions.	Domestic ground: <b>Prohibited</b> Domestic air: <b>Prohibited</b> International: <b>Prohibited</b> <b>Prohibited under Section 348.21e.</b>
	Mercury thermometer: These items may contain significant amounts of mercury in breakable glass. Note: Modern versions (digital and those using red liquid, which is alcohol to which red coloring has been added) are mailable without restrictions.	Domestic ground: <b>Prohibited</b> Domestic air: <b>Prohibited</b> International: <b>Prohibited</b> <b>Prohibited under Section 348.21e.</b>
	Mercury sphygmomanometer (blood pressure gauge): These devices may contain significant amounts of mercury in breakable glass. Note: Fully digital versions are mailable without restrictions.	Domestic ground: <b>Prohibited</b> Domestic air: <b>Prohibited</b> International: <b>Prohibited</b> <b>Prohibited under Section 348.21e.</b>
	<b>Mercury switch:</b> These may be small enough to get below the 100 mg limit; however, this would be the exception rather than the rule. If you can see the mercury, it is not mailable.	Domestic ground: <b>Prohibited</b> Domestic air: <b>Prohibited</b> International: <b>Prohibited</b> <b>Prohibited under Section</b> <b>348.21e; may encounter some</b> <b>that adhere to Section 348.22g.</b>

<b>Mercury relay:</b> These may be small enough to get below the 100 mg limit; however, this would be the exception rather than the rule. If you can see the mercury, it is not mailable.	Domestic ground: <b>Prohibited</b> Domestic air: <b>Prohibited</b> International: <b>Prohibited</b> <b>Prohibited under Section</b> <b>348.21e; may encounter some</b> <b>that adhere to Section 348.22g.</b>
<b>Compact fluorescent lamps:</b> These items contain small amounts of mercury vapor. If broken, there will be no visible mercury and the vapors will readily disperse.	Domestic ground: Mailable Domestic air: Mailable International: Prohibited Mailable under Section 348.22g. See also Packaging Instruction 8C.