



Piston Automotive Prototype Delivery Requirements

Effective August 15, 2026, prototype parts shipped to Piston Automotive must meet the delivery requirements below. If you have any questions, please contact prototype@pistongroup.com.

General Requirements

- All prototype material releases will be sent by **email as a hard-copy release; EDI will not be used.**
- Do not create an Advance Shipping Notice (ASN) for prototype material.
- All transportation for prototype shipments will be managed by **Argus Logistics**. All issues related to prototype delivery must be communicated to the Piston Prototype Program Manager.
- The supplier must acknowledge the material release and provide a committed delivery date to the **Prototype Program Manager** within 48 hours.
- Any shipments that cannot meet the due date using normal prototype transit modes must be communicated to the **Prototype Program Manager** for resolution and approval.

Shipping

- Suppliers must label all 4 sides of container using the prototype label located at <https://www.pistonautomotive.com/suppliers/>
- Suppliers must schedule shipments to arrive at Piston by the due date shown on the release.
- Do not create an ASN. Provide a separate packing list or invoice for each shipment.
- The supplier must send all available tracking information, including the truck number and bill of lading number, to prototype@pistongroup.com.
- Prototype material is accepted Monday through Friday from **6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Ship to:

**Piston Automotive Prototype
Attn: Prototype – Dawn Carter
12723 Telegraph Road
Redford, MI 48239**

- Piston will debit the supplier's account for any unauthorized collect-freight prototype shipment using the Piston Debit Payment Notice (DPN) process.
- Suppliers must palletize, label, and shrink-wrap prototype material separately from regular production material.

Piston Prototype Transportation Process -Pallets/Racks/Containers

- For every shipment, suppliers must contact both Argus Logistics at PistonRedford@argussolutions.net and prototype@pistongroup.com to arrange transportation.
- For suppliers in the United States, Canada, and Mexico, shipments with a total shipment weight over 150 lbs. will ship by less-than-truckload (LTL).
- The only exceptions are UPS or FedEx shipments. Suppliers are responsible for booking using Piston accounts.
- Suppliers must inform Argus Logistics that the shipment is **"Prototype"**.
- ***Include the shipment-ready time, pickup address, dock hours, pallet quantity, pallet weights, and dimensions in the email to Argus Logistics.***
- Argus Logistics will provide suppliers with specific shipping instructions and carrier names.
- For suppliers in the United States, Canada, and Mexico, small-package shipments with a total shipment weight under 150 lbs. will ship by UPS or FedEx.
- **For Mexico, plan a 7-day transit time.**
- **For the United States and Canada, plan for a three-day transit time.**

UPS/FedEx – Small package (If the part is on a pallet, you must use Argus)

- **UPS 878RW1 /FedEx 208857042**
- **No overnight shipping without approval from the Piston Prototype Program Manager.**
- The Piston Prototype Program Manager will authorize shipment-routing deviations as necessary to ensure timely delivery.
- For overseas shipments, suppliers will ship via less-than-container load (LCL).
- All supplier prototype shipments must include a unique bill of lading and packing list that includes all documentation related to the Piston prototype material release and prototype purchase order. Any exceptions where an alternate transportation mode is necessary (e.g., direct truck or air), must be approved by the Piston Prototype Program Manager and the receiving Piston Plant. Any applicable Hazardous Material Shipping Laws must be followed.