

Booking & Packing Minimum Requirements

Fresh/Frozen & Live Seafood

Fresh or frozen seafood (not live)

Product	Fresh seafood	Frozen food
Commodity code	0302	0246
Special handling codes	PER + PES	PER + FRO + PES

Inner packaging

- The product must be completely enclosed in vacuum packaging or a sealed polythene bag.
- Air remaining in the bag should be let out and the bag sealed by gathering, twisting, folding over and sealing firmly with tape or an elastic band.
- Pack enough protective and absorbent material between the inner and outer packaging to contain any leaks.

Note: Shellfish is particularly liable to puncture polythene bags. Double-wrap or use heavier grade polythene for the inner packaging of shellfish shipments in addition to adding a protective liner of cardboard or styrofoam where necessary.

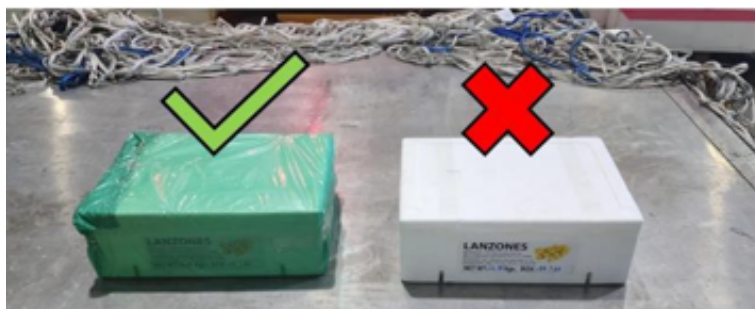
Outer packaging

Heavy duty fiberboard/cardboard (waxed or unwaxed) and plastic boxes

- All are suitable to use as outer packaging.
- The seams of fiberboard/cardboard boxes must be sealed with adhesive tape.
- Containers with separate lids must be secured with tape and/or banding to prevent separation and leakage during transport.

High Density Styrofoam Boxes

- Styrofoam/polystyrene is very popular with seafood shippers but is highly susceptible to damage.
- If styrofoam is used as an outer packaging, the entire package MUST be wrapped and sealed in polythene.



Live seafood

Product	Fresh lobster	Shellfish	Crabs
Commodity code	0386	0384	0316
Special handling codes	PER + AVI + PES		

Packaging

Packaging for live seafood should conform to the same general standards as fresh/frozen seafood with the following additional considerations:

- Packaging systems for live seafood must not suffocate the animals.
- Styrofoam packaging must be shrouded/encased in a fibreboard outer and not wrapped in polythene.
- Inner packaging for live seafood must be robust enough to resist puncture and allow sufficient ventilation. Styrofoam with fibreboard dividers is a popular choice as illustrated.

Notes

- Westjet regularly undertakes random spot-checks of inner packaging for seafood for the protection and safety of our aircraft. Shippers should be aware that a small number of boxes may be opened as part of our inspection program.
- Westjet will allow styrofoam outer packaging to be transported without polythene or fibreboard wrapping on Boeing 787 services only.
- Gel packs or dry ice are the only acceptable refrigerants for use in seafood packaging. Wet ice must never be used.

