

ATTENTION: IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SHIPPING F2D MODELS TO PERTH.



Although we are happy to receive shipped models, **we strongly advise** you to bring them as baggage with you on your flight.

The reason is members have had **four** shipments of models turned back at the border and we cannot discover why. Three of these packages were from Ukraine and one from Italy. Both Customs and Australia Post have been unable to explain why?

Two packages were returned to the sender, two have gone totally missing.

Should you decide to ship your models please ensure the sender information includes your mobile number and Email address as well as your own address.

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ENSURE YOU EMAIL ME WITH THE TRACKING INFORMATION AND KEEP TRACK YOURSELF SO YOU CAN INFORM ME IF I NEED TO COLLECT YOUR PACKAGE.

PACKING YOUR F2D MODELS AS OVERSIZE BAGGAGE. (See attached document.)

Note: 02 March 2026:

We have finally found what may have been the problem with getting models turned back. Australia post has set a maximum size of 1.05 m high or total girth of 3m. Our combat boxes exceed that.

Posting such boxes will not work, but using a shipping company should be fine as long as you do not use Australia post.

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For F2D we suggest packing the models in bubble wrap with fragile tape and then checking them in as sporting equipment. See Attached Photographs.

The Australian team has been using this method since 2010 without any damage to the models.

We have also travelled to interstate competitions using the same method. I suggest you contact your airline to confirm you can take sporting equipment. Please ensure all planes are thoroughly cleaned.

(If travelling with United Airlines declare they are new and never flown as one member was not allowed to check them in at Indianapolis 2024, despite flying there with them. A few days later a fellow team member had no problems!)

Method One:

1. Separate models with foam rubber to prevent chaffing. Alternate direction.
2. Loosely tape the bundle together with electrical tape.
3. Wrap foam rubber around whole bundle particularly the ends.
4. Tape it with Electrical tape.
5. Wrap the entire package in bubble wrap taping the seams with Fragile tape and add some extra to hold it all together.
6. Make a handle out of 3 or 4 layers of fragile tape.
7. Wrap each end of the handle with 15-20 centimetres of tape then fold it back on itself and tape again.

We have carried up to 14 models in a single bundle but usually only take 12. When creating the bundle, you might make two groups of 6 and then join them. In the pictures we only made a bundle of 6 to show the method. A bundle of 12 weighs about 8-9 pound or 3.8-4 kg.

The Foam rubber comes in widths of 3 feet (92cm) and the bubble wrap in rolls of 4 feet (124cm).

Method Two.

Some members only use bubble wrap interleaving it in a zig zag pattern and folding the ends in as they go. This eliminates the need for Foam rubber but uses a lot of bubble wrap. They have had no problems with this method either.









