

Safety Data Sheet (SDS) Guide for Amazon FBA

The Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is an essential document for certain Amazon FBA products, especially those classified as hazardous materials (HazMat) or containing potentially hazardous substances. If you sell items like adhesives, cleaning products, cosmetics, batteries, or certain chemicals, Amazon may require an SDS before approving your listing or allowing shipment to their fulfillment centers.

This resource will help you understand what an SDS is, when you need one, and how to prepare it correctly to avoid costly delays in your Amazon FBA operations.

Why Safety Data Sheets Matter for Amazon Sellers

- Amazon uses SDSs to ensure safe handling, storage, and transportation of hazardous goods.
- Failure to provide an SDS when required can result in listing delays, shipment holds, or account restrictions.
- SDSs help you comply with international GHS (Globally Harmonized System) standards for product safety labeling and documentation.

When Do You Need an SDS for Amazon FBA?

An SDS is typically required if your product is classified as hazardous under Amazon's Dangerous Goods policy. This includes (but is not limited to) items such as:

- Adhesives and glues (including hot melt adhesives)
- Cleaning products and disinfectants
- Cosmetics containing chemicals (e.g., nail polish, hair dye)

- Lithium batteries and battery-powered devices
- · Aerosol products

How to Obtain or Create an SDS

You can obtain an SDS directly from your manufacturer or supplier. If your supplier does not provide one, you can create it yourself as long as it follows the GHS-compliant format. Your SDS must include sections such as:

- Identification of the product and supplier
- Hazard identification and classification
- Composition and ingredient details
- First-aid measures
- Handling and storage guidelines
- Exposure control and personal protection
- Physical and chemical properties
- Stability and reactivity
- Disposal considerations
- Regulatory information