

# Couriers

UBC has made greening your courier choices easy and only works with couriers that embrace sustainability practices. UBC couriers bill through paperless accounting processes, saving thousands of pieces of paper yearly.

To make sustainable courier choices at UBC:

1. Choose from UBC Supply Management's preferred couriers, which work directly with UBC to advance sustainability. Find current rates [here](#).
2. Once you have chosen your courier, use online shipping (CampusShip) to eliminate the paper tracking forms.
  - For instructions [click here](#).
  - If you need your assistance with online shipping: call Courier/Freight Supply Management, 604-822-2557
3. To find out your courier company's environmental or sustainability policy, visit Supply Management's [sustainability partners](#) online.

## SUCCESS STORIES

UBC and UPS teamed up early in 2008 to implement [CampusShip](#). This online custom shipping service for UBC staff and faculty eliminates paper tracking slips, provides detailed online tracking and ensures every shipment receives the best rates available.

[Purolator](#) invests in battery-operated vehicles and had the first electric vehicle operating in Canada's courier industry. Other environmentally friendly practices include: a no-idling policy, energy efficient terminals and recycled content packaging.

[Novex](#) and [Progressive Messenger](#) handle UBC's local courier requirements. Both companies have implemented strategic sustainability plans and hire local residents. In 2008, Novex was awarded the Ecofreight Award for their commitment to green practices.

In 2008, [TNT Express](#) and [Smith Electric Vehicles](#) launched in London the world's largest fleet of zero emission electric vehicles. The 100-strong fleet of battery-powered 'Newton' delivery trucks will prevent the release of up to 1,299,000 kilograms of CO2 into the atmosphere of towns and cities in the UK each year. In 2009, TNT received the "Cargo Climate Care Award" from Lufthansa Cargo for its efforts to achieve sustainable freight transport in the UK, Australia and Asia.

Courier Services at UBC adopted electronic summary billing and saves 1000 sheets of paper every month.

## Facts

Courier companies' green projects include:

- Energy reduction
- Green buildings
- Green fleets
- Waste minimization
- Resource conservation



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