

# CAN I PUT ITEMS IN MY VEHICLE DURING TRANSPORT?

## What McCollister's Recommends for a Safe, Worry-Free Shipment

It's very common to ask whether personal items can be placed in your vehicle during transport. While it may seem convenient, there are important safety and insurance considerations to understand before doing so.

At McCollister's, our priority is protecting your vehicle—and helping you avoid surprises.

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## Why Personal Items Are Strongly Discouraged

Auto transport insurance is designed to cover the vehicle itself, not its contents. Items left inside the vehicle:

- Are not insured
- Can shift during transport and damage the interior
- May increase vehicle weight, affecting loading and safety
- Can cause delays or refusal at pickup

For these reasons, we strongly recommend shipping the vehicle only.

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## Items That May Not Be Left in the Vehicle

For safety and regulatory reasons, the following must not be placed in your vehicle:

- Flammable or hazardous materials (fuel cans, propane, aerosols)
- Perishable items or food
- Firearms, ammunition, or weapons
- Alcohol, drugs, or illegal substances
- Plants or live items
- High-value or irreplaceable items (cash, jewelry, legal documents)

These items can pose safety risks or violate transport regulations.

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## What About Small or Everyday Items?

Some carriers may allow very limited, lightweight items secured in the trunk. However:

- These items are not covered by insurance
- Acceptance varies by carrier and route
- The driver has final discretion at pickup

To avoid delays or last-minute changes, the safest option is to remove all personal belongings.

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## McCollister's Best Practices

To ensure the smoothest possible transport experience, we recommend:

- Removing all personal items from the cabin and trunk
- Removing loose accessories (chargers, sunglasses, paperwork)

- Removing toll tags and garage door openers
- Leaving only standard vehicle equipment (spare tire, jack)

This protects both your vehicle and your peace of mind.

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#### **The McCollister's Bottom Line**

- Personal items are not insured during auto transport
- Certain items are prohibited for safety and compliance
- An empty vehicle helps prevent delays, damage, and confusion

When it comes to auto transport, simpler is safer.

#### **OUR COMMITMENT AT MCCOLLISTER'S**

Auto transport doesn't have to be complicated. At McCollister's, we plan for real-world conditions, communicate clearly, and provide solutions that are safe, legal, and practical. Whether your vehicle is delivered directly to your home, to your business, or to a nearby meeting location, you can trust that the process has been carefully coordinated with your convenience and your vehicle's protection in mind.