

# API Training

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## Developers dashboard

To manage your integration, you will need to be an **Owner** of an Organization within the Arta Dashboard.

When an Organization is first created it can take **1-2 business days** for Arta to enable the Developers tab on the left navigation bar.

Once available, you will be able to create **Test mode** API keys to begin building your integration. While in Test mode the Dashboard will have a gold banner at the bottom of the screen.

Test mode hits the same endpoints as Live mode, the one difference is that **all service costs return as \$1**. Arta will enable Live mode ahead of launch.

Under **Hosted Products** are many of the other configurable features such as Email Rules and Branding.

## Inventory intake

In order to make valid Requests for quotes, there is required information about the objects you are shipping, outline in our [API Reference](#). For fields that require specific types, refer to our [Metadata endpoints](#).

At a minimum, Arta needs to know what **type of object**, the **dimensions** and the **value**.

Dimensions are of the objects physically being shipped. For example, if the object is a framed work on paper this is the framed dimensions not the image dimensions.

If product contains multiple objects, such as a set of chairs, Arta needs to receive an object record with dimensions for each.

Arta's Metadata lists are extensive, most clients map their own taxonomy or make a selection for their UIs. For items that are not represented, Arta includes 'Other' subtypes.

*Note: If unrealistic dummy data is provided (including large object values or made up street addresses) our system can fail to return a quote.*

## For clients considering Self Ship

The [Preferred Quote Types](#) field can be used to specify if Self Ship quotes should be included on each Request.

For **marketplaces**, most clients ask the sellers to input if they can pack or not.

For **retailers**, you may opt to set this at the object level for inventory.

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## Important data fields

### Object Type

- Arta has a set list of object types used for quoting
- Alcohol, automotives and firearms are not supported

### Size (metric, imperial)

- Height and length are required for each object
- Weight is only required for large objects
- External shipping dimensions are required for every component of an object

### Value (USD, CAD, GBP, EUR, HKD)

- Object values are used to calculate insurance
- Should represent the total invoiced to the buyer, including premiums and taxes

### Packing

- Arta has a set list of current packing types supported
- Arta has packing requirements for each object and evaluates if current packing is sufficient while quoting

### Details

- Objects can be specifically listed as fragile and Arta will parse the object description for fragile keywords
- Titles and images are included on manifests and BOLs

### Client References

- Public reference field for buyers reference
- Internal reference field for record keeping

Data

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## Data required to book a shipment

### To Quote

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Address	Object
Postcode	Type
Country	Height x Width
	Value

### To Book

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Address	Object
Street Address	Type
City	Height x Width
Postcode	Value
Country	
Contact Information	

**Highly recommended:** Depth, Weight, Shipment Public Reference, Object Public Reference, Insurance opted in or out.

## Quote Display

**Arta will return all available quotes for every Request.**

Most clients design a UI that transforms those responses to meet their customer's expectations. Some options with Arta are:

- Showing the lowest shipping cost only and automatically including it in their cart

- Providing a choice of each quote type

- Rebranding services with different names and descriptions

- Subsidizing or adding margin to shipping costs

- Offering Transit Insurance as an optional service

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There will be times when no quote is returned and the Request status is 'Disqualified'. For a successful implementation you will need to account for this edge case. This typically occurs when items are greater than \$1 million, over 25 cuft, delivering to sanctioned countries.

For custom pricing for these unique shipments, you can [request a custom quote](#).



## Booking

Enables customers to input or edit the destination address, generating requests to different locations.

Data input into Create New Booking Session form on the dashboard *or* provided via spreadsheet for Arta

## Request

A single combination of origin and destination information and the quotes available.

Requests can be generated with only a post-code and country

Requests are non-committal and customers can try multiple addresses

When a customer is ready to proceed, they will need to provide complete data.

## Shipment

The selected quote will alert Arta of a physical movement that needs to occur.

Once a Shipment is booked, Arta will automatically take action towards delivery.

## Shipments

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### To proceed with fulfillment, Create a Shipment.

The Request will have a status of **Closed** and a new Shipment record will be created. The Shipment will have a status of **Pending** until it is scheduled with a carrier.

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## Billing

If your Organization is **Prepaid** and customers will be paying Arta directly on our hosted Checkout UI, you will see a Prepayment Required Exception. If your Organization is on **Terms**, and you will be collecting payment for the shipping costs, there will be no Exception and Arta will email an invoice once the Shipment's status is 'In Transit'.

*If you do not feel your account billing is configured correctly, please contact Arta.*

### Once a Shipment is booked

A [Tracking URL](#) will be available. This Tracking page will automatically update as the Shipment progresses to delivery.

Customer-facing [Email Rules](#) can be configured in the Dashboard. To power your own emails or order pages you can create [Webhook Endpoints](#).

Arta notifications include [Exceptions](#) if a delay or hold occurs, including address changes, customs clearance and not being able to deliver.

For Self Ship, [shipping label URLs](#) are also included on the Shipment record and are available shortly after booking for US domestic shipments.