

Shipcase Database Import/Export Format for **TOPS**® for Windows

Shipcase records are one to a line. Any field left blank will be automatically assigned the default value that would be used if the shipcase was entered from the keyboard. Surrounding strings with quotes is optional unless the strings contain delimiters. Numerical units are always in **English** even if Metric is selected. If need be, conversion of units from English to Metric occurs during use. Exporting the shipcase database is done through the CONFIG program using the File|Export menu item. Importing can be done through either the Tools|Import menu in TOPSWIN or File|Import in CONFIG.

Importing is an additive process, **deletion** of items must be done manually. If you would like to nuke the database and start over you should delete the files SHIPCASE.DAT and SHIPCASE.IDX in the TOPSWINDATA directory. Then run CONFIG. After logging in you will be prompted to recreate the SHIPCASE database; answer "Yes". At this point the Shipcase database will be empty and ready for a fresh import.

Don't forget to include the section header as the first line.

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[Ship Case]
"Shipcase one",E,I,"RSC","C",C,0,,12,10,8,,,,6,0,0,0,
"Shipcase two",E,O,"RSC","C",O,0.25,,12,10,8,,,,6,0,0,0,
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Name	Shipcase Name
Units	"E" for English or "M" for Metric
Dimensions	"I" for Inside Dims or "O" for Outside
Box Style	Name of Box Style from Box Styles Database
Flute	Box flute if applicable (I.E. "A", "B", "C", etc.)
Material	"C" for corrugated(fluted), "O" for Other (Caliper based)
Caliper	Caliper of non-corrugated material. Not used with Fluted (Leave empty)
?	Placeholder; not used at this time.
?	Placeholder; not used at this time.
Length	Length of shipcase (normally greater than width)
Width	Width of shipcase
Height	The distance through the flaps.
?	Placeholder; not used at this time.
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?	Placeholder; not used at this time.
Weight	Gross weight of shipcase, if things are placed within then this number is considered to be the maximum weight of it's contents. 0 (zero) indicates no limit.
Cost	Costing information is not used at this time and may be left off
Turn Rate	Costing information is not used at this time and may be left off
Cases per pallet	Costing information is not used at this time and may be left off

The **Carton** database structure is provided below; however, there should not normally be any reason to use it. In most cases, cartons should be entered using the shipcase database as a non-corrugated case.

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[Carton]
"Carton one",E,O,"Tuck",5,4,3,0.018,
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Name	Units	Dimensions	Box Style	Length	Width	Height	Caliper
"Carton one"	,E	,O	, "Tuck"	,5	,4	,3	,0.018,



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