

Dangerous goods specialist

Dangerous-goods specialists work in defined transport functions such as shipment preparation, documentation or compliance support. The reviewed employers cover more than aviation, so this is not automatically an airport or airline job. The title alone does not show authority to classify, pack, accept or teach: scope and assessed competence must be established separately.

What the role does

- Coordinate assigned shipment-preparation and documentation work.
- Communicate with customers and transport partners within the authorised scope.
- Maintain accurate records and raise discrepancies for qualified review.

Where the work happens

Specialist logistics office and warehouse, sometimes including customer sites and multimodal shipments.

Employer example 1

DGM Florida • United States - Florida • Dangerous Goods Specialist

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Category	What this employer states
Essential in this source	High-school diploma/equivalent and at least two years of hazmat/dangerous-goods experience. Pass the stated DGM air/land/sea course at its 90% standard; communication and detailed-instruction skills.
Desirable in this source	MAGAYA software experience.
Other stated conditions	Full-time experienced role; physical work and potentially irregular hours.

Undated specific Florida employer example. The 90% pass standard is the employer's, not a universal legal threshold.

Employer example 2

SGS • Netherlands - multi-site departmental context • Dangerous Goods Specialist

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Category	What this employer states
Essential in this source	Mbo-level capability; Dutch and English communication; driving licence.
Desirable in this source	Transport/logistics experience or relevant completed Mbo education described as a useful foundation.
Other stated conditions	VCA, ADR-awareness and forklift certificates can be obtained after starting; base training includes air and sea dangerous-goods learning.

Undated Dutch employer example; training availability is not permission to perform unassessed work.

PREPARE AND VERIFY

Separate requirements from preparation

United States: covered hazmat-employee functions: The regulation specifies general-awareness, function-specific, safety and security training, with additional security-plan training where applicable, plus recurrent

training and records. Employer training requirements and modal rules must be checked together. A certificate does not establish competence for every transport function. [O062-CFR]

Still to verify: Two specific employer examples verified; vacancy availability unknown. Dutch regulatory applicability and each employer's precise authorised functions remain to be confirmed.

Explore a realistic entry route

- Start by identifying the work function and transport modes. A job preparing shipments for a customer is not necessarily an airline cargo-acceptance position. Ask what a beginner may do, what needs assessment and which decisions require another authorised person's review.
- Compare the two examples without flattening their differences: one seeks prior experience, while the other describes development after recruitment. Before purchasing training, ask the employer which function, assessment method and local rules apply. Avoid courses promising that one certificate qualifies you for every dangerous-goods job.
- Build evidence of precise recordkeeping, controlled-document use and escalation in an ordinary workplace or study project. Describe your actual experience honestly. Do not create real shipment declarations, classification decisions or packing demonstrations as independent practice.

Build evidence of your skills

- Create a fictional document-control log for harmless office procedures: title, version, owner, approved use and unresolved question. Show how an outdated reference is identified and referred for review rather than silently reused.
- Make a career comparison grid with separate columns for training required before appointment, employer-provided development and duties permitted only after assessment. Use the advertisements as examples, not as a prediction of your eligibility.

Prepare for an interview

Reflection prompts only, not questions claimed to be used by an employer.

- Preparation prompt: describe a time you stopped to clarify an ambiguous instruction despite time pressure. Explain how you documented the question and obtained a responsible decision.
- Ask about function-specific assessment, supervision, renewal tracking and the boundary between advisory work and shipment acceptance. These are preparation questions, not the employer's actual interview script.

Investigate possible next roles

Possible directions include a defined technical specialism, quality support or supervision after appropriate experience. Training delivery and formal advisory appointments need their own competence checks.

Sources and scope

[\[E062-DGM\] DGM Florida Dangerous Goods Specialist](#)

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[\[E062-SGS\] SGS Dangerous Goods Specialist](#)

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[\[O062-CFR\] US Electronic Code of Federal Regulations 49 CFR 172.704 - Training requirements](#)

Training and record requirements for covered hazmat employees. eCFR title 49 displayed as current to 23 October 2026; authoritative but unofficial compilation. Read with applicable definitions, functions and modal rules; not a Dutch framework. Checked 2026-10-27.

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