

Missoula Smokejumpers Para Cargo Ordering How-to

- Order aircraft in ROSS as an A#, **Fixed Wing, Cargo** on the appropriate incident.
- For **Fresh Food Drops** order at least one day in advance. Order the food-cargo as one 'support' S# to the Aircraft order as: **Service, Groceries/Sundries**. Place up to NRCC.
Identify in the special needs block:
 - a. **"Place to MSJC"**
 - b. **# of people,**
 - c. **# of days,**
 - d. **Ground contact,**
 - e. **Air to Ground Frequency and**
 - f. **Delivery Lat/Long**
- Order all specialty items through NRCC to the Missoula Smokejumpers, such as, torch mix, saw gas, pump mix, Saw Chain, and commissary items. These items need their own S#'s. Make sure to add in Special Needs, for each request S#, **"ordered through MSJC for non-standard item"**. **Always check with local IBA if unsure about purchase items.**
- Smokejumpers will provide itemized receipts back to the ordering dispatch center.
- For **Para Cargo drop of NFES Cache Supply items** – place S#s in ROSS directly to the NR Fire Cache (NRK).
- When airdrop is specified as the means of delivery, the NR Cache will call Missoula smokejumper operations to confirm an aircraft has been requested and is available.
- MSJC will create a flight strip and coordinate drop date and time with NRCC.
- **To discuss/coordinate a paracargo mission, call the smokejumper duty officer 406-329-4896, or NRCC Aircraft desk 406-329-4882. Remember:**

If the para cargo request comes in after hours, NRCC will notify the smokejumper duty officer. This is especially critical if the requested delivery time is early morning as it often takes 4-8 hours to package the supplies for airdrop.

Note: How to fill the S# (fresh food order) – Make sure that loadmasters faxes the itemized receipt back to the ordering dispatch center. Find the order in ROSS "Click" **Action > Add Documentation +** - In the **Enter Documentation block** enter the message stating the following: The Missoula Smokejumpers purchased items and faxed the itemized receipt back to "Bitterroot Dispatch" the ordering dispatch center. "Click" the Plus icon then close the page. "Click" **Query** and highlight **Service, Groceries/Sundries**; and then fill the order. **Fill > Fill**

JPAD (GPS Guided Paracargo)

The Missoula and Grangeville Smokejumpers do have the ability for to drop GPS guided paracargo in low-visibility(IFR) conditions. If ordering through dispatch be sure to specify Guided Paracargo. Due to the low number of these units currently in the system, users should contact Smokejumper Operations before ordering to make sure that the units are currently available and will meet the payload needs of the fire.