



# SCRAP PACKING LIST

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Send scrap returns to:

**Attn: Returns**  
**7500 Bluewater Road NW**  
**Albuquerque, New Mexico**  
**87121-1962 USA**

Customer Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Settlement  CREDIT ON RIO GRANDE ACCOUNT

Option:  REFUND CHECK\*—MAKE PAYABLE TO: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please Note: Due to provisions in the Patriot Act, we cannot issue checks to parties unknown to us; all payees must have a Rio Grande account.

**PLEASE INDICATE THE TYPE OF MATERIAL ENCLOSED BY PLACING AN "X" IN EACH APPROPRIATE BOX. DO NOT SHIP HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.**

### Purity Table

10K gold	0.4167 purity (vintage 10K is often 9.5K, or 0.3958 purity)
14K gold	0.5833 purity (vintage 14K is often 13.5K, or 0.5625 purity)
18K gold	0.7500 purity
22K gold	0.9166 purity



1kg weight shown in troy ounces (ozt.)

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1kg weight in avoirdupois ounces (avdp. oz.)

The weight of your scrap on your postal or grocery scale may vary slightly from what we report. We weigh precious metals in troy ounces.

**1.0 troy oz. = 1.097 oz. (avdp.)**

MATERIAL TYPE	WEIGHT	CIRCLE ONE			
<input type="checkbox"/> Sterling and mixed silver	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> Silver dust	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> Cadmium-bearing silver	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> Coin silver (90% silver)	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> Fine silver only	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> .999 fine silver medallions/bars	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/20 silver-filled	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/10 silver-filled	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> Gold-filled	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> 24K gold	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> 22K gold	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> 18K gold	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> 14K gold	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> 10K gold	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> .999 marked gold	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> Platinum	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram
<input type="checkbox"/> Palladium	_____	dwt.	ozt. (troy)	oz. (avdp)	gram

**PLEASE PACKAGE EACH METAL TYPE IN A SEPARATE SEALED BAG. TAPE ALL SEAMS OF YOUR PACKING BOX TO PREVENT SCRAP LEAKAGE.**

**Important:** Rio Grande reserves the right to physically alter the metal scrap in order to determine its purity. Please be aware that your pieces may be damaged or malformed during testing; if you request we return a piece to you, it may not be in the same condition it was in when you sent it to us.

**Important:** Melting the metal is the surest way to identify metal types accurately and process scrap returns quickly. Please check the appropriate boxes below to indicate: a) how you would like us to process your scrap, and b) how you would like your non-precious material handled.

- Yes, you may melt my scrap as needed.
  No, do not melt my scrap.
  Call for permission to melt my scrap.
  Please dispose of any non-precious material.
  Please return non-precious material to me at my expense.

Visit [riogrande.com/scrap](http://riogrande.com/scrap) for more information on packing your scrap, on Rio's payment guidelines, or for additional copies of this packing slip. Thank you!



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Valued Customer,

Selling your scrap metal is an easy way to recycle your materials and recover costs. Within the guidelines provided below, Rio Grande gladly buys a variety of precious metal scrap. Please follow these guidelines to make the process quick and easy, and to maximize profits for your business.

- ◆ We accept silver, silver-filled, gold, gold-filled, palladium, platinum and PMC® items.
- ◆ We cannot accept base metal, electroplating solutions, photographic processing materials or sweeps. Please do not send plated non-precious metal items; we cannot recover the precious metal from this type of product.
- ◆ **Note: If you have polishing dust or sweeps you wish to dispose of, please visit [riogrande.com/sweepsforcerf](http://riogrande.com/sweepsforcerf) for information about donating this type of scrap.**

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### Shipping Scrap

- ◆ Please make sure scrap is as clean as possible to help speed processing of your shipment and ensure timely payment.
- ◆ Seal each metal type in a separate bag. Be sure to clearly label each bag with its metal type, estimated purity and weight for easier identification (for example: "14K yellow gold, 3 oz." or "cadmium-free sterling silver, 3 oz.>").
- ◆ Fill out the refining packing list (provided) completely and accurately to the best of your knowledge. Please be sure to include the best way for us to reach you; we will contact you to arrange payment.
- ◆ Avoid wrapping bags with adhesive tape. Scrap can get stuck on the tape and overlooked when calculating your payment.
- ◆ We prefer that you ship USPS and strongly recommend insuring and tracking your package.
- ◆ Address your shipment to "Returns" at the address provided on your scrap packing list.
- ◆ **Important: International customers!** Please declare your parcel as "scrap" to avoid duties and fees on your package.

### Payment Guidelines

Payment amounts are based on the market value on the day we settle your scrap return, regardless of when it was shipped or received. We do our best to process every shipment within two business days; however, please allow a bit of leeway for circumstances beyond our control, such as high volumes or lots that require additional testing.

**Important:** Cleaning your scrap, separating your metals, melting small pieces of like metals together, and clearly labeling your scrap before shipping significantly speeds the processing time.

After processing, you will receive a copy of your transaction by e-mail (or USPS, if an e-mail address is not provided). On this transaction invoice, we will list the type and weight of the scrap we received from you, the rate at which it was paid, and the total payment amount. Please note that Rio never charges fees for testing or handling your scrap.

**IMPORTANT: Please review your invoice immediately. Any disputes regarding metal purity, weight or payment amount must be reported within 14 days from the date on the invoice.**

The percentage of the metal value (based on daily spot market) Rio pays for the precious metal content of your scrap is:

Metal:	Payment rate:
Sterling and mixed silver <sup>1</sup>	85%
Silver dust	40%
Cadmium-bearing sterling silver (requires special refining)	65%
Fine silver only	85%
.999 fine silver medallions and bars <i>from Rio Grande</i>	98%
.999 fine silver medallions, coins and bars <i>with recognized mark</i>	95%
Silver-filled (at least 1/20 sterling)	65%
Gold-filled (at least 12/20)	65%
24K gold (Jeweler's karat gold scrap) <sup>2</sup>	85%
24KY gold medallions <i>from Rio Grande</i>	98%
24KY gold coins or medallions <i>with recognized mark</i>	95%
Platinum <sup>3</sup>	60%
Palladium <sup>4</sup>	60%

<sup>1</sup> Unsorted mixed fine and sterling silver scrap will be processed as sterling silver with the assumption that the batch is 92.5% pure silver. If the silver proves to be less pure than we assumed, the payout will be adjusted accordingly.

<sup>2</sup> Rio Grande buys 10K, 14K and other purities of karat gold and pays for the pure gold content it contains. Please refer to the purity table below.

<sup>3</sup> Most jewelry-grade platinum is either 90% or 95% pure platinum. Rio Grande pays for the amount of pure platinum present in the scrap.

<sup>4</sup> Rio Grande buys alloyed palladium jewelry metal. Rio pays for the amount of pure palladium present.

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14/20 gf	0.0292 purity
12/20 gf	0.0250 purity

Rio buys gold by the pennyweight (dwt); 1 troy ounce (ozt.) = 20 dwt.

The examples below are based on a \$1600/ozt. daily gold spot market price, which equates to \$80/dwt.

#### Gold Example:

You return 10 dwts. of 10K gold scrap.

10 dwts. (gross weight) x 0.4167 (gold content of 10K) = 4.17 dwts. of 24K gold.

Rio pays 85% of the gold value; in this case, \$68 per dwt.

Your scrap value would be \$283.56 (4.17 dwts. x \$68) payable as store credit or as a refund check.

#### Gold-Filled Example:

You send in 10 troy ounces (ozt.) of gold-filled scrap.

10 ozts. (gross weight) x 0.0292 (gold content of 14/20 gf) = .292 ozts. of 24K gold.

Rio pays 65% of the gold value; in this case, \$30.36 per ozt.

Your scrap value would be \$303.60 (10 ozt. x \$30.36) payable as store credit or as a refund check.

**Please call us for more information or to ask any questions  
you may have regarding Rio Grande's scrap purchasing policies.**