

Packing insects:

1. Make sure all specimens are firmly pinned in place.
2. If there are large gaps with no bees, spread them out or use empty pins. You want at least one pin every 2 inches throughout the box.



3. Cut a piece of cardboard to fit inside the box and rest directly on top of the pins. This holds the specimen in place.



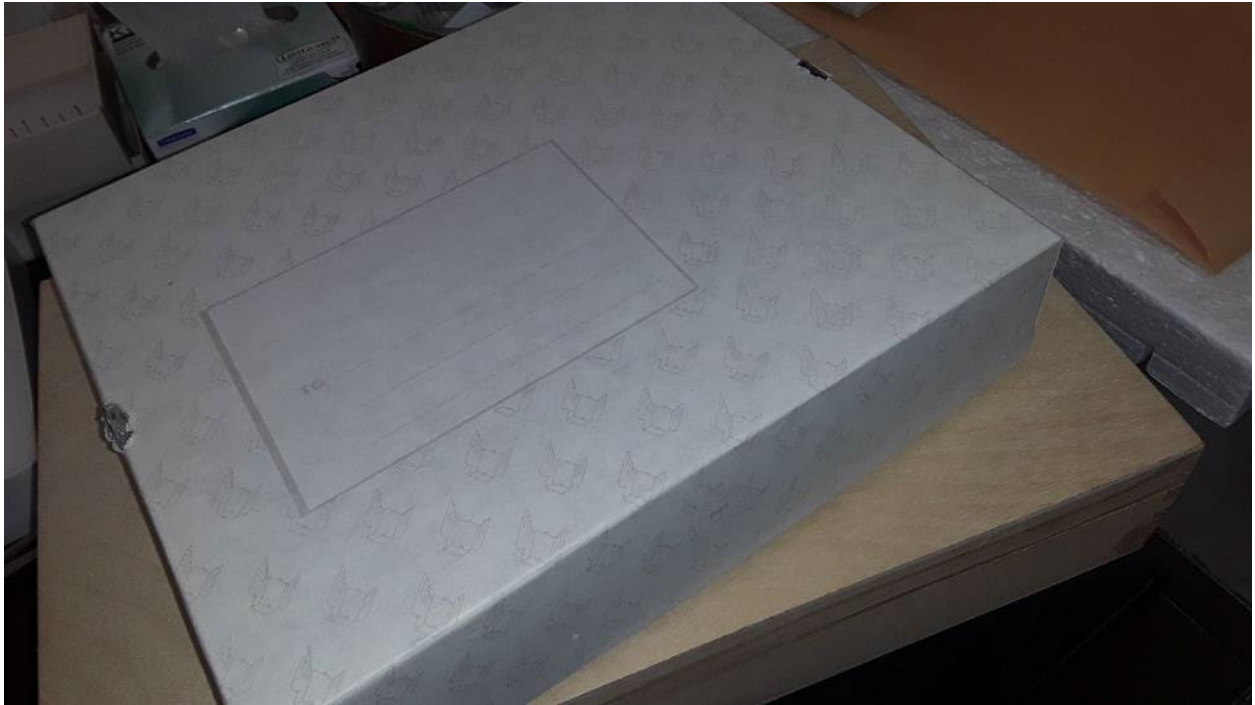


4. put some soft material in the space on top of the cardboard and the lid. This can be bubble wrap or paper towels, you want to fill the gap between the cardboard and the lid so that it puts equal pressure on the pin heads once you put the lid on.





5. put the lid on and close with metal fasteners or put a rubber band around the box to keep the lid on tight.



6. put the boxes back in their plastic bags.

7. Find a larger box with at least two inches on each side of the bee boxes.



8. Put at least 2 inches of padding (Styrofoam peanuts, crumpled newspaper, bubblewrap) on the bottom , put your stack of boxes on the padding. Continue the padding on all four sides with a minimum of 2 inches of padding on all sides.



9. Seal the box and mail to

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