

Container & Pallet Dimensions

A quick reference to help you estimate what fits — and choose the right container for your shipment.

Shipping Containers

These are the three container types we handle most. Internal dimensions are what actually matters for loading — external sizes are slightly larger.

Type	Internal (L × W × H)	Volume	Max payload	Pallets*
20ft Standard	5.90 × 2.35 × 2.39 m 19'4" × 7'8" × 7'10"	~33 CBM 1,170 ft³	~28,000 kg 61,700 lb	10–11
40ft Standard	12.03 × 2.35 × 2.39 m 39'6" × 7'8" × 7'10"	~67 CBM 2,390 ft³	~26,700 kg 58,900 lb	20–21
40ft High Cube	12.03 × 2.35 × 2.69 m 39'6" × 7'8" × 8'10"	~76 CBM 2,690 ft³	~26,500 kg 58,400 lb	20–21

*Based on our standard pallet (40×48 in footprint), single layer. Double-stacking roughly doubles the count if cargo allows. Volumes are theoretical maximums — plan for 85–90% usable due to loading gaps.

Which one? Choose a **20ft** for heavy, dense cargo that hits the weight limit before filling the space. Choose a **40ft** for most household and general goods — nearly double the volume for far less than double the price. Choose a **High Cube** when your cargo is tall (over ~2.2 m) or light and bulky, and you want maximum volume.

Our Standard Pallet

We base our pallet pricing on the standard unit below. If your pallets match this footprint and stay within the weight limit, they price as one standard pallet each.

ContenedorPro Standard Pallet

PRICING UNIT

Footprint	40 × 48 in · 102 × 122 cm
Max height (loaded)	65 in · 165 cm
Max weight (loaded)	700 lb · 318 kg

Good to know

A pallet **taller** than 65 in or **heavier** than 700 lb may count as more than one unit, or need a custom quote.

Under the limits? It prices as **one standard pallet** — simple and predictable.

Not sure how your cargo measures up? Send us the dimensions and weight of your pallets — or just photos — and we'll tell you exactly how they price before you commit. No surprises.

Reference — common pallet footprints: US / GMA pallet is 48 × 40 in (1219 × 1016 mm); European (EPAL) pallet is 47.2 × 31.5 in (1200 × 800 mm). Our pricing unit shares the US footprint, with height and weight limits added.

Not sure what you need?

Tell us what you're shipping and we'll recommend the right container. Write to info@contenedorpro.com