

**The fundamental criterion for packaging is to pack for the toughest leg, or event, in the journey. Also pack in the knowledge that handling equipment, techniques and persons will range from highly professional to the completely unskilled.**

## **CHECKLIST FOR EXPORT PACKAGING**

### **Preparatory**

- ✓ Has a decision been made as to the export mode? (road, rail, air, marine.)
- ✓ If not being shipped directly via a specific mode, has a decision been made as to the carrier (postal service, courier, air freight forwarder.)
- ✓ Are the likely conditions of carriage throughout the transportation route known? (temperature, humidity, shock, pilferage.)
- ✓ Are goods to be shipped direct to the consumer, or will a distributor or warehousing facility be involved?

### **Package Design**

- ✓ Does the product need crating?
- ✓ Can a standard cardboard carton be used?
- ✓ Are special coatings or treatments needed?
- ✓ Will the carton be stacked, and if so to what height?
- ✓ Is internal cushioning needed in the package?
- ✓ Can advantages be taken of modal differences to reduce the package specification?

**Metal casting, weight 500kg, C shape with flanges and machined face.**  
**Approximate dimensions**  
**1m diameter, 50 cm high thick wall with flanges. Treat with a preservative to protect from humidity and ship to crating and box specialist.**  
**Note that a pair of units could be nested on a single base within a standard pallet dimension if more than one unit was to be shipped.**

