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PUB 12	11/1/98	Health Benefits Open Season Administrative and Processing Information	7610-03-000-5937	HR	MDC, IWEB	N/A
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PS 1236-A	9/98	9/91	Weekly Loan, Transfer, and Training Hours	7530-01-000-9649	PS	SH	FIN	MDC	N/A
PS 8170	5/98	5/98	Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act Request Report	N/A	PS	EA	FIN	HQO	N/A

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MI EL-810-93-1	9/20/93	Confined Space Safety	7610-03-000-9282	HR	HQO, IWEB	N/A
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PUB 211	10/98	FIRSTCLASS Phone Card Self-Service Guide	7610-04-000-5498	MKT	MDC, IWEB	N/A
PUB 213	10/98	FIRSTCLASS PHONECARD (FCPC) Selling and Managing Manual	7610-04-000-5499	MKT	MDC, IWEB	N/A
PUB 247	11/5/98	Supply and Equipment Catalog	7610-02-000-7982	PM	MDC, IWEB	MDC
PUB 308	2/1/98	Know Your Rights: A Guide for Victims and Witnesses of Federal Crimes	7610-04-000-5315	IS	MDC, IWEB	MDC, WWW
PUB 553	7/1/98	Employee's Guide to Understanding Sexual Harassment	7610-04-000-5098	DIV	MDC, IWEB	www
PUB 821	1/1/99	Postal Explorer User Guide	N/A	MSY	IWEB	WWW

—Corporate Publishing & Information Management, Information Systems, 12-17-98

Customer Relations

POSTOFFICE ONLINE

Postal Products and Services Available Online

Customers can now go online for postal products and services. The US Postal Service has completed testing the operating system for its new Internet service, PostOffice Online. The operations test began in Tampa, FL, in March and was extended to Hartford, CT, in May. The PostOffice Online market test began in late October and includes Zip Code areas 010, 013–027, 030–034, 036–038, 051, 053, 060–089, 100–119,124–127, 180–181, 183–184, 189-191, 193–199, 335–339, 341–342, and 346.

PostOffice Online consists of two major components: Mailing Online $^{\mathbb{M}}$ and Shipping Online $^{\mathbb{M}}$. Using their computers and the Internet, small and home-based businesses can create and mail documents, prepare Express Mail $^{\mathbb{M}}$ and Priority Mail $^{\mathbb{M}}$ labels, pay postage, schedule pickups, and track or confirm deliveries.

To make it possible for the PostOffice Online customers to print their own mailing labels, the Postal Service created new Express Mail and Priority Mail labels that can be used in laser and ink jet printers. These labels will soon begin appearing in many post offices; therefore, it is important that all window and delivery personnel recognize these as paid and acceptable for shipping.

Three modifications are being made to shipping requirements for PostOffice Online, including changes to Express and Priority Mail labels.

Express Mail: The Shipping Online label is similar to the current Label 11-B, *Express Mail;* however, the **customer and finance copies are eliminated.** The label does, however, have a portion that the carrier removes upon delivery and returns to the post office for scanning. Phase II and non-IRT offices will be required to copy the label on the customer's package and send the origin information to the Express Mail office for input. This is only required at the point of origin or acceptance of the initial mailpiece for entrance into the mailstream. This procedure is required until all offices have scanners. When the package is delivered, all offices will remove the perforated label, scan and/or send it to the Express Mail office for proper handling.

Priority Mail: The Shipping Online label has a Priority Mail Delivery Confirmation barcode label. PostOffice Online customers receive Delivery Confirmation on all their Priority Mail pieces for no additional charge. Standard operating procedures apply.





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FAA 16-ounce Target Mail Regulations: PostOffice Online customer registration requirements provide the appropriate built-in safeguards. PostOffice Online customers are "known customers" and are permitted to deposit their Priority Mail packages weighing more than 16 ounces into mail collection boxes.

PostOffice Online Pick-up Requests: **PostOffice** Online customers may request and pay for pick-up service over the Internet. They will print a 1-page, 8 1/2" x 11," computer-generated document, used in place of our current F5541 Pickup Service Statement. Since the customer has pre-paid for the pickup request, the carrier will not request or receive payment. Instead, the carrier receives a receipt for payment (Pickup Service Receipt) as proof of payment and reviews the top (Express Mail Office copy) and bottom portions (Customer copy) of the new F5541, making any necessary package modifications. The bottom half is then separated and retained by the customer. The Pickup Service Receipt is attached to the top half of the new Pickup Service Statement (F5541) and returned to the Express Mail office for filing. The Finance copy is eliminated.

The future success of the Postal Service will depend on our ability to make it easier for our customers to do business with us. By creating PostOffice Online, the Postal Service is improving access to its traditional services in a new innovative way. We cannot improve customer service if our employees do not recognize or understand new products and services as they are introduced. Every employee must be made aware of these changes.

-Corporate Relations, 12-17-98

Mail Alert

The mailings below will be deposited in the near future. Offices should honor the requested home delivery dates. Mailers wishing to participate in these alerts, for mailings of

1 million pieces or more, should contact Customer Relations Program Management at 202-268-5885 at least 1 month preceding the requested delivery dates.

Title of Mailings	Class and Type of Mail	Requested Delivery Date	Number of Pieces (Millions)	Distribution	Presort Level	Comments
Billy Graham Letter	Standard A/Itr	12/7–12/18	1.4	Nationwide	3/5-digit, basic, barcode	5 5/8" x 7 1/4", Minneapolis, MN
JC Penney — Santa Postcard	Standard A/ postcard	12/16–12/18	6.5	Nationwide	CarRt	Harte-Hanks
Kmart — Flexi	Standard A/flat	12/17-12/19	10.0	Nationwide	3/5-digit	Harte-Hanks
Kmart — SuperK Gift	Standard A/flat	12/17-12/19	2.0	Nationwide	3/5-digit	Harte-Hanks
Bloomingdale's — Post Christmas Sale	Standard A/flat	12/21–12/24	1.4	Nationwide	CarRt, 3/5-digit	8 3/8" x 10 1/2", Arandell
JC Penney — Spring and Summer	Standard A/flat	12/23–12/25	11.0	Nationwide	CarRt	Harte-Hanks
JC Penney — White Sale	Standard A/flat	12/24-12/26	14.5	Nationwide	CarRt	World Color, Corinth
Decision Magazine	Standard A/ltr	12/24–12/31	1.5	Nationwide	CarRt, 3/5-digit, basic, barcode	8" x 10 5/8", 44 pages, Minneapolis, MN
Current — Valentine 1999	Standard A/flat	12/26–12/31	3.0	Nationwide	CarRt, 3/5-digit, basic	8" x 10", Advance, Harte-Hanks, time sensitive
Current — NCA Book 1999	Standard A/flat	12/26–1/4	4.9	Nationwide	CarRt, 3/5-digit, basic	8" x 10", Advance, Harte-Hanks, time sensitive
San Francisco Music Box Company	Standard A/flat	12/27–1/3	1.0	Nationwide	CarRt, 3/5-digit, barcode	8 1/2" x 10 1/2", Banta, MN; 64 pages
Reader's Digest — Final Stage Tracking Card	Standard A/flat	12/28–12/29	7.8	Nationwide	CarRt, 3/5-digit	Experian, Rutland, VT and Mt Pleasant, IA
Coldwater Creek — Bedding	Standard A/flat	12/28–12/30	1.6	Nationwide	3/5-digit	RR Donnelley, Lancaster, PA
JC Penney — Styling Salon	Standard A/flat	12/29–12/31	2.2	Nationwide	CarRt	Harte-Hanks
Sally Beauty Supply	Standard A/ltr	12/29–12/31	2.6	Nationwide	CarRt, 3/5-digit, basic	Time sensitive
Kmart — Rebate Promotion	Standard A/flat	12/29–12/31	5.7	Nationwide	3/5-digit	Harte-Hanks
Reader's Digest — Prize Council	Standard A/ltr	12/30–12/31	7.4	Nationwide	CarRt, automation, barcode	Experian, Seward, NE
Reader's Digest — Reward Entitlement	Standard A/ltr	12/30–12/31	4.0	Nationwide	CarRt, automation, barcode	Experian, Rutland, VT

December 1998

Have You Seen Any of These Children?

Please participate in the NALC/USPS Child Alert Program. Tear out this page and carry it with you. If you have information on any of these missing children, tell your postal supervisor.



Alejandro Amescua Born: 10-21-89 Date Missing: 7-25-97 Missing From: Wapato, WA



Miriam Acosta Born: 4-27-84 Date Missing: 2-3-98 Missing From: Ft. Collins, CO



Latoya McGraw Born: 2-19-82 Date Missing: 7-26-98 Missing From: Hutchinson, KS



Nicole DeFranco Born: 10-24-85 Date Missing: 7-15-98 Missing From: Winter Park, FL



Kimberly Chichester Born: 7-24-86 Date Missing: 8-9-98 Missing From: Ramseur, NC



Michelle Prasek Born: 4-13-85 Date Missing: 12-19-97 Missing From: Spring, TX

Please call the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children
Hot Line 1-800-843-5678
TDD 1-800-826-7653

Missing Children Poster Display Instructions

Please display this poster prominently on bulletin boards in retail lobbies of main post offices, classified stations, and branches. Operators of contract postal units may display this poster at their option.

Companion posters, authorized for display on bulletin boards maintained by employee organizations, appear periodically in *The Postal Record*, a publication for members of the National Association of Letter Carriers.

This poster is published in cooperation with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, the United States Department of Justice, and the National Association of Letter Carriers. Information appearing on this poster is selected solely by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. For policy and information on Postal Service support in efforts to recover missing children, see *Postal Bulletin* 21967 (3-12-98).

Missing Children posters are available for the U.S. Postal Service only through periodic issues of the *Postal Bulletin*.

Domestic Mail

DMM REVISION

Label 23, New Priority Mail Drop Shipment Label for Letter Trays

New Label 23, *Priority Mail Drop Shipment Label* for letter trays, may be ordered from the Express and Priority Mail Supply Center. There will be no automatic distribution of this label. An example of Label 23 appears on page 11 of this *Postal Bulletin*. Mailers may begin using Label 23 on December 17, 1998.

Label 23 is a removable self-adhesive label measuring 11" x 22". Mailers using Priority Mail Drop Shipment (see DMM M072) may use Label 23 instead of a Priority Mail sack to expedite the movement of one or two trays of First-Class, Periodicals, or Standard Mail (A) letters from the origin post office to downstream postal facilities.

Mailers must affix Label 23, which is orange, black, and white, to the top tray sleeve before the tray is strapped. The label contains instructions for its use; a place for the address of the Manager, Distribution and Operations of the postal facility where the Priority Mail drop shipment destinates; a place for the distribution and routing or ACT tag; and "Open and Distribute" instructions similar to Tag 159, *Priority Mail Drop Shipment*. Using Label 23 eliminates the current requirements for sacking trayed mail sent via Priority Mail Drop Shipment and facilitates ease of use by customers and efficient postal operations.

Label 23 is available in packages of 100; there are 500 labels to a box. Labels may be ordered by or for customers by fax (1-800-270-6233) or phone (1-800 222-1811, option 4) from the Express and Priority Mail Supply Center. Please use the following ordering information:

PSIN:	LAB23
Description:	Priority Mail Drop Shipment Label
PSN:	7690-04-000-5145
Unit of issue:	EA (each)
Minimum order quantity:	1 package of 100
Maximum order quantity:	5 packages (order in quantities of 100)
Cost:	None

Effective December 17, 1998, *Domestic Mail Manual* M072 is amended to incorporate standards for use of Label 23. These revisions will appear in the online version of the DMM Issue 54 available via Postal Explorer (http:\\pe.usps.gov) and in the printed version of DMM Issue 55.

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Mail Preparation and Sortation

[Amend 1.2 to refer to both Express Mail and Priority Mail drop shipments and to include a reference to Label 23, as follows:]

1.2 Labeling and Addressing

All containers, including Express Mail pouches, Priority Mail sacks, and trays with Label 23 must be labeled "Manager, Distribution and Operations, Open and Distribute," followed by the postal facility address where the Express Mail or Priority Mail shipment destinates. Enclosed mail must be addressed as appropriate for its class and rate claimed.

[Add new 1.3 to clarify that mailers must affix Tag 157 to Express Mail pouches, renumber current 1.3 as 1.4, and amend 1.4 to delete the first occurrence of the word "enclosed," as follows:]

1.3 Tag 157

Tag 157 must be attached to each Express Mail pouch to identify it as Express Mail and identify the class of mail enclosed.

1.4 Tag 159

Tag 159 must be attached to each Priority Mail sack to identify it as Priority Mail and identify the class of mail enclosed and provide a place to affix Priority Mail postage.

1.5 Sacks

Unless prepared in accordance with 1.7, Priority Mail drop shipments must be placed in white plastic domestic or other approved sacks and properly labeled to the destination drop shipment facility, *except that* Priority Mail drop shipments of First-Class Mail must be presented in orange nylon sacks.

1.6 Enclosed Mail

The enclosed mail must meet the eligibility and preparation standards for its class and rate (and any special service used), except that sacking or traying is not required if all packages are destined to the same 5-digit ZIP Code as the Express Mail or Priority Mail pouch.

[Insert new 1.7 to allow mailers to use Label 23 for trays of letter mail as follows:]

1.7 Label 23

As an alternative to sacking, mailers may affix Label 23 to Priority Mail drop shipments of First-Class Mail, Periodicals, or Standard Mail (A) prepared in MM or EMM trays. This method may be used to transport one or two trays. The total weight of tray(s) with Label 23 affixed may not exceed 70 pounds. Label 23 must be affixed to the sleeve of the top tray prior to strapping. Bundled trays must be strapped securely around the length of the trays.

2.0 ADDITIONAL STANDARDS FOR ENCLOSED MAIL

[Delete current 2.1 because First-Class Mail, other than parcels, is currently required by standard; renumber current 2.2 through 2.5 as 2.1 through 2.4, respectively.]

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2.2 Periodicals

[Amend 2.2 by adding reference to trays and letter mail to read as follows:]

If the method used to document the number of enclosed Periodicals pieces paid at different presort level rates is to separate them into groups by rate, only pieces at the same rate may be enclosed in the same Priority Mail or Express Mail pouch, or, for trays of letter mail, prepared with Label 23 affixed. Priority Mail and Express Mail pouches and trays with Label 23 affixed must be separated on this basis when presented to the USPS. Documentation must be prepared and presented as required by standard.

2.3 Standard Mail (A)

[Amend 2.3 by adding reference to Label 23 to read as follows:]

If the method used to document the number of enclosed Standard Mail (A) pieces paid at the 3/5 rate is to separate them from basic rate pieces, only pieces at the same rate may be enclosed in the same Priority Mail or Express Mail pouch or, for trays of letter mail, prepared with Label 23 affixed. Priority Mail and Express Mail pouches and trays with Label 23 affixed must be separated on this basis when presented to the USPS. Documentation must be prepared and presented as required by standard.

—Business Mail Acceptance, Marketing Systems, 12-17-98

DMM REVISION

Supplements to Periodicals Publications

Effective December 17, 1998, the *Domestic Mail Manual* standards governing supplements to Periodicals publications are revised to allow a supplement's dimensions to exceed those of the host publication when the publication and the supplement are fully wrapped (i.e., contained in an envelope, polybag or other complete wrapper).

This revision will appear in the online DMM available via Postal Explorer (http:\\pe.usps.gov) on January 10, 1999, and will appear in the printed version of DMM 55.

Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)

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C200 Periodicals

1.0 PERMISSIBLE MAILPIECE COMPONENTS

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1.5 Supplements

[Amend the third sentence to read as follows:]

The external dimensions of a supplement (i.e., its length and height) may not exceed those of the host publication except when the host publication and the supplement are contained in an envelope, polybag, or other complete wrapper.

—Business Mail Acceptance, Marketing Systems, 12-17-98 DO NOT SEPARATE - PROCESS BUNDLE AS ONE PACKAGE

DROP SHIP - OPEN & DISTRIBUTE

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 Bundled trays must be strapped securely. • Total weight of trays may not exceed 70 pounds.

· Label must be affixed to the top tray prior to strapping.

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Two trays may be bundled together using these guidelines:

Align With Sides of Tray POSTAGE Indicate Class of Mail Enclosed This Label is Not Reusable, Please Remove and Discard. ☐ First-Class - OPEN & DISTRIBUTE with Preferential Mail ☐ Periodicals - OPEN & DISTRIBUTE with Preferential Mail Standard A - OPEN & DISTRIBUTE Label 23, September 1998 Place Mailing Label Here Manager, Distribution and Operations, Open and Distribute followed by postal facility address where Priority Mail destinates Place D & R **ACT Tag** Here Align With Sides of Tray

Two trays may be bundled together using these guidelines:

PRIORITY MAIL

- Label must be affixed to the top tray prior to strapping.
- Total weight of trays may not exceed 70 pounds.
- Bundled trays must be strapped securely.

DROP SHIP - OPEN & DISTRIBUTE

DO NOT SEPARATE - PROCESS BUNDLE AS ONE PACKAGE # of trays in bundle (1 OF)

Label not receable that here to remove

Label not reuseable Pull here to remove

EXPRESS MAIL MANIFESTING

Express Mail Manifesting and New One-Part Express Mail Label

In response to the needs of customers, and potential customers for an easy-to-use method for preparing and presenting bulk shipments of Express Mail, the Postal Service is introducing Express Mail Manifesting (EMM) this December. Standards for participation in EMM are contained in the Express Mail Manifesting Technical Guide. A copy of the guide may be obtained by calling the National Customer Support Center (NCSC) Delivery Confirmation Department at 1-800-279-2651.

Under the new program:

- Mailers present bulk mailings of domestic Express Mail using post office-to-addressee service.
- Mailers are certified and authorized to generate and transmit electronic files, prepare barcoded labels, and submit manifest mailings of Express Mail. The certification and authorization processes are described in detail in the Express Mail Manifesting Technical Guide.
- An authorized mailer transmits electronic files containing information about each package in a mailing to the USPS host computer. Individual acceptance piece scans are not required because the Postal Service captures postage and tracking information from the mailer's electronic file in the new Product Tracking System (PTS) the same system that captures Delivery Confirmation information. Postage is deducted from the mailer's Express Mail Corporate Account using the information in the mailer's electronic file.
- Mailers print and apply a one-part barcoded label to each piece. The label has features similar to those of the new Delivery Confirmation service label and may be printed on the same standard white label stock used for other types of mail. Only certified mailers may use the one-part labels.
- Mailings are verified and accepted by USPS detached mail unit (DMU) employees at the mailer's facility and dispatched from the mailer's plant on USPS transportation. Mailings are processed in the regular Express Mail mailstream.
- Verification procedures (e.g., sampling) are the same as those used for other classes of manifest mailings and DMU employees are not required to write any acceptance information on individual pieces.

 Mailers may retrieve delivery information for individual packages through the same method used to transfer the electronic file.

Delivery of Express Mail Bearing One-Part Barcoded Labels

See page 15 of this *Postal Bulletin* for a description and illustration of the barcoded address label standards. Please post this illustration in all Express Mail delivery units.

Express Mail pieces bearing the new one-part labels will be processed in the regular Express Mail mailstream and must be delivered in accordance with applicable Express Mail standards. During the ramp-up period, customers using the one-part labels will be unable to show the scheduled delivery date and time for a piece on the label. Pieces that do not show the service commitment on the label should be delivered by 3 PM on the day they are received by the delivery office.

The key difference between the one-part barcoded label and the multi-part Express Mail labels 11-A and 11-B is that there is not a removable top copy. Initially, all barcodes on one-part labels will represent a 13-digit Express Mail ID beginning with the letters "EA," followed by 8 numeric digits, a check digit, and the letters "US." The human readable package ID (13-digit Express Mail ID) will appear below the barcode and the words "USPS EXPRESS MAIL" will appear above the barcode following the same format used for delivery confirmation labels. Bold horizontal lines must appear above and below the barcode. The labels will also bear an Express Mail imprint, similar to a permit imprint used on other classes of mail, indicating that postage has been paid.

Because the one-part labels will not have a top copy to remove at delivery, delivery personnel must record the following information on PS Form 3849, *Delivery Notice/Reminder/Receipt*, for all pieces:

- Express Mail ID (article) number
- Date of delivery (include time and ZIP Code if non-MDCD site)
- Signature (the mailer will indicate on the label whether
 or not they wish delivery to be made without obtaining
 the signature of the addressee, or addressee's agent,
 if the article can be left in a secure location; follow the
 normal procedures for waiver of signature based on
 the mailer's instruction)

For all offices with MDCD scanners, delivery employees must scan the barcode at delivery or attempted delivery. At all other sites, the information from PS Form 3849 is entered manually into CTT (Computerized Track and Trace) or the forms are sent to the CTT hub for manual entry into CTT.

Remember, the new labels will not replace Labels 11-A and 11-B; they are just a new option that will facilitate ease of use for customers and make one of the Postal Service's premier services more competitive. It is important that all employees recognize the new label and provide the quality service that customers expect.

—Business Mail Acceptance, Marketing Systems, 12-17-98

APO/FPO Changes

Make the following ink changes to the most recent APO/FPO tables published in *Postal Bulletin* 21985, 11-19-98.

APO/ FPO	Action	Effective Date	See Restrictions
09503	ADD "B1"-"M"-"N"	Immediately	B-B1-M-N
09805	NOT ACTIVE	Immediately	
96306	ADD "F"-"F1"-"F2"	Immediately	B-B1-F-F1-F2-M-W
96362	ADD "F"-"F1"-"F2"	Immediately	B-B1-F-F1-F2-M-W
96370	ADD "F"-"F1"-"F2"	Immediately	B-B1-F-F1-F2-M-W

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2262S

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2276S

20c Red Barn SC/10

20c American Clipper SC/10

20c Winter Scene SC/10

STATIONERY PRODUCTS UPDATE

Stationery Items for Rate Change

These instructions pertain to the rate change that will become effective January 10, 1999.

Revaluing Stamped Cards and 6-3/4 Regular Boxes of 500 Non-profit Stamped Envelopes

The new rates provide for an increase in the selling price of stamped cards and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes. Stamped cards continue to have the 20-cent denomination but will be sold for the new 21-cent rate; therefore, stamped cards will *not* need to be revalued by placing a 1-cent stamp on them. The following instructions are being issued to revalue the interim supply of stamped cards and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes.

Postal Stamped Cards Affected (Increase)

Amt of

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Item #	Description	Price	Increase
1120	20c Stamped Card	\$0.21	\$0.01
2262	20c Red Barn SC	0.21	0.01
2264	20c Official Mail Serv SC	0.21	0.01
2265	20c Red Barn SC/Sheet	0.21	0.01
2267	20c Amer Clipper Ship Comm SC	0.21	0.01
2276	20c Winter Scene SC	0.21	0.01
2278	20c Princeton Univ SC	0.21	0.01
2283	20c St John's College SC	0.21	0.01
2285	20c Red Barn SC/Banded	0.21	0.01
2286	20c Fort McHenry SC	0.21	0.01
2287	20c Pacific/Golden Gate SC	0.21	0.01
2289	20c City College NY SC	0.21	0.01
2290	20c Girard College SC	0.21	0.01
2291	20c Brandeis University SC	0.21	0.01
2292	20c University of Mississippi SC	0.21	0.01
2293	20c Northeastern University SC	0.21	0.01
1140	40c Double Stamped Card	0.42	0.02
2275	40c Red Barn SC/Reply	0.42	0.02

Postal Stamped Cards Affected (Increase)			
Item #	Description	New Price	Amt. of Increase
2278S	20c Princeton Univ SC/10	\$2.10	\$0.10
2283S	20c St Johns College SC/10	2.10	0.10
2286S	20c Fort McHenry SC/10	2.10	0.10
2287S	20c Golden Gate Day SC/10	2.10	0.10
228910	20c City College NY SC/10	2.10	0.10
2289S	20c City College NY SC/10	2.10	0.10
229010	20c Girard College SC/10	2.10	0.10
229110	20c Brandeis University SC/10	2.10	0.10
229210	20c University of Mississippi SC/10	2.10	0.10
2292S	20c University of Mississippi SC/10	2.10	0.10
229310	20c Northeastern University SC/10	2.10	0.10

No	Non-profit Stamped Envelope Affected (Increase)				
Item #	Description	New Price Per Box (500)	Amt. of Increase		
2627	#6 3/4 Non-profit Regular Sheep Env	\$33.50	\$0.30		

These price increases require the following actions:

- The value of all 20-cent stamped cards on hand is to be increased to reflect the new selling price. To increase the value of these stamped cards, clerks and contractors count the number of stamped cards in their stamp credits and multiply the total number of stamped cards by the increased amount (see chart above) to compute the dollar value of the increase in accountability.
- The value of 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes is to be increased to reflect the new selling price. To increase the value of the 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes, clerks count the number of 500 box envelopes in their credits and multiply by \$0.30 (see chart above) to compute the dollar value of the increase in accountability.

IRT Offices

- 1. Stamp Credits. Clerks and contractors multiply the number of stamped cards on hand by the increased amount (see chart on page 17) and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes by \$0.30 (see chart on page 17) and record the computation on PS Form 17, Stamp Requisition. The total from PS Form 17 must be entered onto AIC 844, Stock Increase Revaluation, on the clerk disk.
- 2. Close-out Instructions. When all clerk disks are consolidated, the total revaluation for the unit is to be the total amount in AIC 844 on the unit PS Form 1412, Daily Financial Report, in the reserve stock unit. In main stock units, the revaluation amount in AIC 844 rolls to AIC 171, Postage Stock Revaluation-Increase, on the Daily Financial Statement.

Main Stock/Unit Reserve

Offices with stamped cards and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes in main stock/unit reserve inventory should increase their accountability by following these instructions:

- Issue all stamped cards and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes in main stock/unit reserve to window clerks.
- Clerks revalue by following the above "Stamp Credits" instructions.
- Delete item number for stamped cards and 6-3/4 boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes from stamp stock inventory (old rate).
- Add item number for stamped cards and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes to stamp stock inventory at the new price.
- Clerks prepare PS Form 17 for return stamp, and enter the amount of stamped cards and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes to be returned to main stock/unit reserve inventory at the new rate.
- Clerks make entry to AIC 848, Stamps Return.
- Enter to main stock/unit reserve inventory at the new rate.

Non-IRT Offices

1. Stamp Credits. Clerks and contractors multiply the number of stamped cards on hand by the increased amount (see chart on page 17) and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes on hand by \$0.30 (see chart on page 17) and record the computation on PS Form 17. The total from PS Form 17 must be entered to AIC 844, Stock Increase-Revaluation, on the clerk's PS Form 1412.

2. Main Stock/Unit Reserve Inventory:

- Multiply number of stamped cards on hand by the increased amount (see chart on page 17) and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes on hand by \$0.30 (see chart on page 17) and record the computation on PS Form 17.
- Enter the amount to PS Form 3958, Main Stock Transaction Record, on line 3 (blank) and write in "Revaluation-Stock Increase."
 - a. Main Stock Units. Enter the totals from all PS Forms 17 (clerks and main stock inventory) for revalued stamped cards and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes to PS Form 3959, Daily Recap-Stamp Stock Transactions, on line 3 (blank) and write in "Revaluation-Stock Increase." This increases the office accountability by reflecting the new price. In the Accountbook, make a write-in entry to AIC 171, Postage Stock Revaluation-Increase, for the same amount. This is offset by an increase to AIC 805, Postage Stock Inventory, in the analysis section of the Accountbook.
 - b. Reserve Stock Units. Enter the total from PS Form 17 (reserve stock inventory) for revalued stamped cards and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes to PS Form 1412, AIC 844, Stock Increase-Revaluation. Add clerk and unit reserve inventory totals from all PS Forms 17 and verify with PS Form 1412 AIC 844. Support entry with PS Forms 17 and copy of PS Form 3958.

These increases in accountability must be reported in the Accountbook no later than the close of business January 9, 1999. On or after January 10, 1999, the revalued stamped cards and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes are to be sold at the new rate.

Note: The new 21-cent stamped cards continue to have the 20-cent denomination printed on them.

POS ONE Offices

(Specific instructions will be issued to POS ONE offices prior to rate change.)

Procedures for Stamp Distribution Offices (SDOs) and Stamp Distribution Networks (SDNs), Users of the STAMPS Program and Stamp Services System (SSS)

The Master Inventory for STAMPS and SSS is to be updated automatically at Stamps Distribution Headquarters at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, on January 11, 1999, to

reflect the new selling price of stamped cards and 6-3/4 boxes of 500 regular non-profit stamped envelopes.

Note: When the inventory systems are updated, the closing balance on PS Form 3958 for January 8 will not match the opening balance on PS Form 3958 for January 11. The difference should equal the total revaluation amount. The difference will show up on PS Form 3958 as an increase.

Stamp Distribution Supervisors at all facilities processing the stamped cards and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 nonprofit stamped envelopes should perform the following on January 11, 1999:

- Total the quantities of stamped cards and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes in inventory.
- Multiply the number of stamped cards on hand by amount of increase (see chart on page 17) and 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit envelopes by \$0.30 (see chart on page 17).
- Enter the results on the order stamp side of PS Form 17.
- Write the difference on the shortage line of PS Form 3958 as stock revaluation.
- Send PS Form 3958 and PS Form 17 to the District Accounting Office.

Procedures for District Accounting Office

- Call up option C, Accountable Paper, on the Daily Financial Menu.
- Call up Option 2, Accountable Paper (PS 3958), on the accountable paper menu.
- Enter the amount of PS Form 17 on the revaluation line. This increases AIC 171, and increases AIC 805.

Note: Do not enter the amount of PS Form 17 via the advice of shipment option. This results in a statement of difference.

Offices using the SDO/SDN Intransit Program

Offices using the SDO/SDN3959 Intransit program need to make manual entries to reflect the amount of the revaluation of the stamped cards and the 6-3/4 regular boxes of 500 non-profit envelopes. AIC 171 does not automatically roll into the SDO/SDN3959 program; therefore, the ending inventory in the SDO/SDN3959 program will not match the 805 ending inventory balance.

Perform the following to adjust the SDO/SDN3959 balance:

- Print a copy of the Accountbook.
- Manually enter the amount in AIC 171 on the Accountbook to PS Form 3959 line 3.

Devaluing Bulk Rate and Non-profit Regular and Window Stamped Envelopes

The new rates provide for a decrease in the selling price on #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular boxes of 500 non-profit, #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes. These envelopes are not to be replaced. The following instructions are being issued to revalue the current supply of bulk rate and non-profit #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window stamped envelopes.

Bulk Rate and Non-Profit Stamped Envelopes Affected (Decrease)

Item #	Description	New Price Per Box (500)	Amt. of Decrease
2151	#10 Non-profit Regular Sheep Env	\$36.50	\$0.50
2153	#10 Bulk Rate Regular Graphic Eagle Env	61.50	0.50
2628	#6 3/4 Non-profit Window Sheep Env	33.50	0.50
2152	#10 Non-profit Window Sheep Env	36.50	1.50

This price decrease requires the following action:

IRT Offices

- 1. Stamp Credits. Clerks multiply the number of "#10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular boxes of 500 non-profit, #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes" on hand by decreased amount (see chart above) and record the computation on PS Form 17, Stamp Requisition. The total from PS Form 17 must be entered onto AIC 850, Stock Decrease-Revaluation, on the clerk disk.
- 2. Close-out Instructions. When all clerks disks are consolidated, the total revaluation for the unit is to be the total amount in AIC 850 on the unit PS Form 1412, Daily Financial Report, in the reserve stock unit. In main stock units, the revaluation amount in AIC 850 rolls to AIC 509, Postage Stock Revaluation Decrease, on the Daily Financial Statement.

Main Stock/Unit Reserve

Offices with #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular boxes of 500 non-profit, #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes in main stock/unit reserve inventory should decrease their accountability following these instructions:

- Issue all #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate and non-profit #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 stamped envelopes in main stock/unit reserve to window clerks.
- Clerks devalue by following the above "Stamp Credit" instructions.

- Delete item number for #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window non-profit stamped envelopes from stamp stock inventory.
- Add item number for #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 boxes of 500 window non-profit stamped envelopes to stamp stock inventory at the new price.
- Clerks prepare PS Form 17 for return stamp, and enters amount of #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes to be returned to main stock/unit reserve inventory at the new rate.
- Clerks make entry to AIC 848, Stamps Return.
- Enter to main stock/unit reserve inventory at new rate.

Non-IRT Offices

1. Stamp Credits. Clerks multiply the number of #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes on hand by decreased amount (see chart on page 19) and record the computation on PS Form 17. Then the total from PS Form 17 must be entered to AIC 850, Stock Decreased-Revaluation, on the clerk's PS Form 1412.

2. Main Stock/Unit Reserve Inventory:

- Multiply number of #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes on hand by decreased amount (see chart on page 19) and record computation on PS Form 17.
- Enter amount to PS Form 3958, *Main Stock Transaction Record*, on line 12 (blank) and write in "Revaluation-Stock Decrease."
 - a. Main Stock Units. Enter clerk and main stock inventory totals from all PS Forms 17 for revalued #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes to PS Form 3959, Daily Recap-Stamp Stock Transactions, on line 9 (blank) and write in "Revaluation-Stock Decrease." This decreases the office accountability by reflecting the new price. In the Accountbook, make a write-in entry to AIC 509, Postage Stock Revaluation Decrease, for the same amount. This is offset by a decrease to AIC 805, Postage Stock Inventory, in the analysis section of the Accountbook.

b. Reserve Stock Units. Enter the total from PS Form 17 (reserve stock inventory) for revalued #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes to PS Form 1412, AIC 850, Stock Decrease-Revaluation. Add all clerk and unit reserve inventory totals from PS Form 17 and verify with PS Form 1412 AIC 850. Support entry with PS Form 17 and a copy of PS Form 3958.

These decreases in accountability must be reported in the Accountbook no later than the close of business January 9, 1999. On or after January 10, 1999, the revalued #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes is to be sold at the new rate.

POS ONE Offices

(Specific instructions will be issued to POS ONE offices prior to rate change.)

Procedures for Stamp Distribution Offices (SDOs) and Stamp Distribution Networks (SDNs), Users of the STAMPS Program and Stamp Services System (SSS).

The Master Inventory for STAMPS is to be updated automatically at Stamp Distribution Headquarters, 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, on January 11, 1999, to reflect the new selling price.

Note: When the inventory system is updated, the closing balance on PS Form 3958 for January 8 will not match the opening balance on PS Form 3958 for January 11. The difference should equal the total revaluation amount. The difference will show up on PS Form 3958.

Stamp Distribution Supervisors at all facilities processing the #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate envelopes, #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes should perform the following on January 11, 1999:

- Total the quantities of #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes in inventory.
- Multiply by decreased amount (see chart on page 19).
- Enter the results on the return stamp side of PS Form 17.
- Write the difference on the overage line of PS Form 3958 as stock revaluation/decrease.
- Send PS Form 3958 and PS Form 17 to the District Accounting Office.

Procedures for District Accounting Office

- Call up option C, Accountable Paper, on the Daily Financial Menu.
- Call up Option 2, Accountable Paper (PS 3958), on the accountable paper menu.
- Enter the amount of PS Form 17 on the devaluation line. This increases AIC 509, and decreases AIC 805.

Note: Do not enter the amount of PS Form 17 via the advice of shipment option. This results in a statement of difference.

Offices Using the SDO/SDN Intransit Program

Offices using the SDO/SDN3959 Intransit program need to make manual entries to reflect the amount of the revaluation/decrease of #10 regular boxes of 500 bulk rate, #10 regular and #10 and 6-3/4 window boxes of 500 non-profit stamped envelopes. AIC 509 does not automatically roll into the SDO/SDN3959 program; therefore, the ending inventory in the SDO/SDN3959 program will not match the 805 ending inventory balance.

Perform the following to adjust the SDO/SDN3959 balance:

- Print a copy of the Accountbook.
- Manually enter the amount in AIC 509 on the Accountbook to PS Form 3959 line 9.

—Post Office Accounting, Finance, 12-17-98

AIC UPDATE

F-1 Revision for AIC Changes

Effective Accounting Period (AP) 5, with the start of new postage rates, postmasters are to record revenue from payment of annual fees into two Account Identifier Codes (AICs) as follows:

AIC 172, Bulk Parcel Return Service Fee. This account is used to record annual fees paid by customers to use Bulk Parcel Return Service. Customers that use this service must have at least 10,000 Standard Mail (A) machinable parcels returned to a designated plant or post office during the year. This service is explained more fully in the January 10, 1999, revision of the *Domestic Mail Manual* (DMM), Section S924.

AIC 118, Special Rate Standard Mail/Library Rate Standard Mail (B) Presort Mail Fee. This account description has changed to include Library Rate Standard Mail (B) Presort annual fees. The new title and description for AIC 118 is as follows:

AIC	Title	Description
118	Special Rate Standard Mail/Library Rate Standard Mail (B) Presort Mail Fee	Annual fee collected from customers who mail special standard mail matter and/or Library Rate Standard Mail (B) at the presort discount rate.

A future revision to Handbook F-1, *Post Office Accounting Procedures*, Appendix A, will contain these changes.

-Corporate Accounting, Finance, 12-17-98

NEW AICS

New AICs for Permit Imprint and Periodicals Postage Effective AP 5, FY 1999

After Accounting Period (AP) 4, Fiscal Year (FY) 1999, Account Identifier Code (AIC) 132, All Other Permit Imprint Postage, is no longer to be used by postmasters for recording permit imprint Parcel Post and Priority Mail postage. AIC 132 is to be used only to record revenue not covered under any other permit imprint postage accounts.

Additionally, AIC 135, Outside County and Foreign Rate Postage (new title), is no longer to be used by postmasters for recording In-County rate Periodicals postage. AIC 135 is to be used only to record revenue from the Total Foreign and Outside County Postage line on PS Form 3541-N, Postage Statement — Periodicals Nonprofit Rates; PS Form 3541-NC, Postage Statement — Classroom Rates; and PS Form 3541-R, Postage Statement — Periodicals Regular Rate and Science-of-Agriculture Rates.

Effective AP 5, FY 1999, three new AICs are to be activated to allow the Postal Service to more accurately track permit imprint and Periodicals postage revenue. These new AICs, their descriptions, purposes, and associated primary General Ledger Account (GLA) and Postal Service Financial Report (PSFR) numbers are shown in the following table:

AIC	Description	Purpose	GLA Primary #	PSFR Line #
223	Permit Imprint Parcel Post	To record Permit Imprint Parcel Post rate Standard Mail (B) postage from the "Total Postage Due" line on PS Form 3605-PR, Postage Statement — Parcel Post Permit Imprint.	41419	01
224	In-County Periodicals	To record In-County Periodicals postage from the "Total In-County Postage" line on PS Form 3541-N, PS Form 3541-NC, and PS Form 3541-R.	41316	01
237	Permit Imprint Priority Mail	To record Permit Imprint Priority Mail postage from the "Total Postage Due" line on PS Form 3600-PM, Postage Statement — Priority Mail Permit Imprint.	41410	01

Programming

The Integrated Retail Terminal (IRT) software will be updated in a future release with the appropriate titles for the new AICs. Until the required programming changes take effect, the AIC title on the IRT screen will be blank.

The PERMIT System (bulk mail, automated acceptance system) will be updated with the new AICs in the new rates release scheduled for January 10, 1999.

Processing and Financial Reporting

The process and local procedures in place for processing these accounts will not change.

Handbook F-1 Change

Appendix A of Handbook F-1, *Post Office Accounting Procedures*, will be updated soon to reflect the new AICs.

—Revenue, Volume & Performance Measurement, Finance, 12-17-98

Federal Income Tax Withholding

Effective pay period (PP) 01-98, payroll checks reflect changes in federal tax withholding, and the exemption value increases for each allowance from \$101.92 to \$103.85.

The following tables are based on a biweekly payroll period:

Federal Income Tax Withholding Table*

Wages (minus withholding allowances, FSA contributions, TSP contributions and FEHB contributions)	Income Tax Rates

Single Person (including head of household)

Not over \$102		0		
Over	But not over		of excess over	
\$102	\$1,035	15%	\$102	
\$1,035	\$2,210	\$135.95 plus 28%	\$1,035	
\$2,210	\$4,987	\$468.95 plus 31%	\$2,210	
\$4,987	\$10,769	\$1,329.82 plus 36%	\$4,987	
\$10,769		\$3,411.34 plus 39.6%	\$10,769	

Married Person

Not over \$248		0	0		
Over	But not over		of excess over		
\$248	\$1,798	15%	\$248		
\$1,798	\$3,710	\$232.50 plus 28%	\$1,798		
\$3,710	\$6,167	\$767.86 plus 31%	\$3,710		
\$6,167	\$10,879	\$1,529.53 plus 36%	\$6,167		
\$10,879		\$3,225.85 plus 39.6%	\$10,879		

^{*}Based on a biweekly payroll period.

Flexible Spending Account (FSA) contributions, Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) contributions, and Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) employee contributions are treated as pretax monies (unless a waiver has been submitted). When calculating taxes, remember to first subtract these contribution amounts from your gross earnings.

To determine the amount of withholding, follow the steps listed below:

- 1. Determine normal biweekly gross wages from earnings statement.
- 2. Determine normal biweekly Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) contributions from earnings statement.
- 3. Determine normal biweekly Flexible Spending Account (FSA) contributions from earnings statement. Add both Flexible Spending Account Dependent Child (FSADC) and Flexible Spending Account Health Care (FSAHC), if applicable.
- 4. Determine normal biweekly pretax health benefit (FEHB) employee contributions from earnings statement (shown as HP on earning statement).
- 5. Multiply the number of exemptions claimed by the new biweekly exemption value of \$103.85 (withholding allowance). The federal tax line on the earnings statement shows the number of exemptions claimed (i.e., S1 = single with one exemption, M3 = married with three exemptions).
- 6. Subtract the amounts in step 2 (TSP), step 3 (FSA), step 4 (FEHB), and step 5 (exemptions) from step 1 (gross biweekly wages). This is the amount of wages that is subject to withholding.

Determine where this amount falls in the Federal Income Tax withholding table in the "Over, But not over" range and follow instructions listed in the table.

Listed below is an example of how to compute federal income taxes for a FERS employee who claims three exemptions, has TSP contributions, FSA contributions and FEHB contributions and refers to the Federal Income Tax Withholding Table.

Example

A FERS employee with a 10 percent TSP contribution is paid \$2850.50 gross biweekly wages. The employee contributes \$25.00 per pay period to FSADC and \$50.00 per pay period to FSAHC. He or she also contributes \$45.13 for health benefit (FEHB) premiums. The employee claims three exemptions, and the earnings statement shows M3 (married, 3 exemptions) on the federal tax line. Using the Federal Income Tax Withholding Table, he or she can verify the amount withheld for federal tax as follows:

1	Total biweekly gross wages		\$2,850.50
2	Amount of TSP contributions		285.05
3	Add amount of FSADC	25.00	
	Add amount of FSAHC	50.00	
	Total amount FSA contributions		75.00
4	FEHB employee contributions		45.13
5	Exemptions (3 x \$103.85)		311.55
	Computation is as follows:		
Bi	weekly Gross Wages		\$2,850.50
М	inus TSP contributions		- 285.05
М	inus FSA contributions		-75.00
М	inus FEHB employee contributions		- 45.13
М	inus exemptions		- 311.55
Αı	mount of wages subject to withholding		\$2,133.77

To complete the computation, refer to the married section of the Federal Income Tax Table. The amount of wages subject to withholding, \$2,133.77, falls within the "over \$1,798 but not over 3,760" range.

Final computation is as follows:

Total federal income tax* that should be withheld from each biweekly payroll check is	\$326.52
Add from the table	232.50
Multiply \$335.77 times 28% (.28)	94.02
Subtract \$1,798.00 from \$2,133.77	335.77
Amount subject to withholding	\$2,133.77

^{*}Rounding may vary this total by a few cents.

—Payroll Accounting/Records, Finance, 12-17-98

Fraud Alert

Withholding of Mail Orders

Withholding of mail orders is enforced by the postmasters at the cities listed below:

State/City	Names Covered
CA, Los Angeles 90046-3418	American National Supply Co., 7510 W. Sunset Blvd., #1415
NJ, Cherry Hill 08034-0325	Jack H. Hoganson, P.O. Box 3401
NJ, Moorestown 08057-0027	Alan Mandel and John H. Lucas, P.O. Box 27
NJ, Marlton 08053-6235	John D. Higgins, Don Peterson and Tom S. Forkin, P.O. Box 1237
NJ, Haddonfield 08033-0341	Patrick J. Reilly, Thomas E. Scroggins, and David J. Brodsky, P.O. Box 491
NV, Henderson 89009-0672	First Western, P.O. Box 90672

—Recorder's Office, Judicial Officer, 12-17-98

Missing, Lost, or Stolen U.S. Money Order Forms

Do Not Cash — Upon Receipt, Notify Local Postal Inspectors

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Counterfeited Canadian Money Order Forms

Do Not Cash

To be posted and used by retail window employees. As directed, destroy previous notices. All interim notices should be destroyed when the numbers listed appear in the *Postal Bulletin*.

671,819,086	686,794,382
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686,619,886	694,063,980
686,619,887	701,321,725

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800 Number Available to Verify Canadian Money Orders

The Canada Post Corporation is now providing an 800 number that cashing agents can call to verify the validity of Canadian Postal Money Orders. The number is 1-800-563-0444.

This 800 number is printed on the back of the Canadian Postal Money Orders.

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Invalid Express Mail Corporate Account Numbers

These numbers are to be posted and used by retail/acceptance clerks. This listing supersedes all previous notices, which must be destroyed. Retail/acceptance clerks must not accept Express Mail shipments bearing any of the invalid numbers (listed below) in the "customer number" or "agreement number" section of the label or form.

Note: The first 6 digits of a 9-digit Custom Designed Service and Next Day Pickup Service Agreement make up the Corporate Account Number.

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657102	722237	752625	787827	809234	852980	901097	911241	917527	926400	940197	967281	982166
657128	722247	756002	787830	809251	853035	901108	911286	917544	926577	940242	967441	982199
658238	722253	757150	787866	810007	853048	901180	911311	917545	926603	940262	968030	982263
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662413	723065	757199	787955	811056	853140	901399	913897	917560	926791	941577	968246	983086
666265	723070	760045	790032	812008	853160	901471	913916	917639	926845	941855	968282	984141
667001	723082	760090	791326	812019	853170	901482	913970	917649	926847	945743	968305	992449
670009	724009	760283	797006	816140	853175	901511	913984	917663	926993	946376	968315	992675
672065	724042	760546	799112	816811	853226	901584	914332	917769	927223	946550	968367	995055
681190	724053	761084	799147	823038	853229	901606	914385	917943	927228	948171	968411	995100
681271	724064	761128	<u>800376</u>	832051	853245	901659	914440	917960	927490	948181	968428	995209
681447	724067	761132	800506	832062	853285	901680	914572	918138	927528	948413	968491	995480
685284	727056	761483	801217	834013	853303	901818	914647	918264	927577	948521	968583	995765
701065	727058	761576	801536	837196	853307	901884	914789	918279	927675	949127	968630	997062
701080	727062	761586	801630	840203	853317	901965	914878	918337	927759	949593	968678	997113
701084	730048	761597	801682	840537	853324	901971	915151	918612	927803	949702	968724	997135
701964	730205	761748	801711	841103	853360	901990	915236	918627	927913	950125	968771	998302
706182	730313	770150	802035	841172	853380	901992	915258	918674	928116	950239	968793	999313
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International Mail

INTERNATIONAL MAIL UPDATE

Global Package Link — Rate Adjustments and Introduction of Service to Argentina

Effective December 27, 1998, the Postal Service is adopting new rates for Global Package Link (GPL) and introducing service to Argentina.

Overall, the base rates are increased approximately 9 percent. See Individual Country Listings for specific rates to each GPL country.

Currently, GPL provides a volume discount within selected countries beginning at 100,000 packages. The new discount structure is based on a mailer's worldwide volume and discounts are available when volume reaches more than 25,000 packages per postal fiscal year. Discounts will increase with volume based on the following schedule:

Number of Packages	Discount
25,001 to 50,000	1%
50,001 to 75,000	2%
75,001 to 100,000	3%
100,001 and over	4%

Each year's discounts will be calculated on the previous postal fiscal year's volume and will apply to mailings made during the next calendar year. For example, a mailer who mailed 55,000 packages during postal fiscal year 1998 (September 13, 1997 through September 11, 1998) will receive a discount from the base rate for all GPL mailings made during calendar year 1999 (January 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999). Postal fiscal year 1998 will be used for discounts applied in calendar year 1999.

The Postal Service is also introducing GPL service to Argentina. Two levels of service, Premium and Standard, will be offered. The maximum weight of parcels to Argentina is 44 pounds with a maximum size of 42 inches in length and a maximum length and girth combined of 79 inches. Rates are shown in Individual Country Listings. Packages sent in Premium service are insured at no additional charge subject to the provisions of *Domestic Mail Manual* (DMM) S010 and S500. No insurance is available for packages sent to Argentina as Standard service.

The International Mail Manual (IMM) is revised to incorporate program changes to Subchapter 620 Global Package Link and the rates to the appropriate Individual Country Listing, as follows:

International Mail Manual (IMM)

620 Global Package Link

621 Description

621.3 Availability

Global Package Link service is available only to Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Japan, Mexico, Singapore, and the United Kingdom.

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623 General

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623.3 Size and Weight Limits

623.31 Weight

The weight limits for Global Package Link service are 70 pounds for Chile, China, and Germany; 66 pounds for Brazil, Canada, Singapore, and the United Kingdom; 64 pounds for Mexico; 55 pounds for France; 44 pounds for Argentina and Hong Kong; and 44 pounds for Japan with Premium service.

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623.32 Size

The maximum length of GPL packages is 60 inches. The maximum length and girth combined is 108 inches.

Exceptions: Maximum size for Germany is length 47 inches, height 23 inches, width 23 inches; for Japan Standard packages weighing less than 1 pound, the maximum length is 24 inches with a combined maximum length, depth, and height of 36 inches. The maximum size for packages to Argentina is 42 inches in length and 79 inches length and girth combined.

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623.4 Postage

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623.44 Base Rates

The Postal Service will charge the base rates, in 1-pound increments, unless the mailer qualifies for the discounts in 623.441 by mailing more than 25,000 packages in a postal fiscal year. The discounts apply to mailings made during the following calendar year.

623.441 Discounts

Number of Packages	Discount
25,001 to 50,000	1%
50,001 to 75,000	2%
75,001 to 100,000	3%
100,001 and over	4%

626 Services Available

626.1 Delivery Options

626.12 Standard Service

Standard service is available to Argentina, Canada, France, Japan, Mexico, Singapore, and the United Kingdom. * * *

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626.4 Customs

626.43 Payment of Customs Duty

626.431 All Countries Except China, Japan, Hong Kong, and Singapore

For all countries except China, Japan, Hong Kong, and Singapore, the Postal Service will arrange payment of customs duty on behalf of the recipient at the time the merchandise enters the country of destination. Any banking costs or foreign exchange fees applicable to the customs payments will be charged back to the mailer. The Postal Service will notify the mailer electronically of the amount of duty and fees paid, and the mailer will reimburse the Postal Service in a manner and within a time agreed between the mailer and the Postal Service. Because of the need to have funds available for customs at the time of clearance in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, and Mexico, mailers must make an advance deposit prior to the first mailing to cover anticipated duties and taxes in addition to postage. * * *

Individual Country Listings — Global Package Link Rates Standard Service Rates — Canada

Weight Not to Exceed		ne A: Buffalo, New nadian Entry: Toro		US Origin Zone B: Miami, Dallas Canadian Entry: Toronto			
(Pounds)	Local	Regional	National	Local	Regional	National	
1	\$5.50	\$7.25	\$7.50	\$6.25	\$7.75	\$8.00	
2	6.00	8.25	8.75	7.25	9.50	10.00	
3	6.50	9.25	10.00	8.25	11.00	11.75	
4	7.00	10.00	11.25	9.25	12.25	13.50	
5	7.50	10.75	12.50	10.25	13.75	15.50	
6	8.00	11.75	13.75	11.50	15.25	17.25	
7	8.50	12.50	15.00	12.50	16.50	19.25	
8	9.00	13.25	16.25	13.50	18.00	21.00	
9	9.50	14.25	17.50	14.75	19.50	22.75	
10	10.00	15.00	18.75	15.75	20.75	24.75	
11	10.50	15.50	19.25	16.75	21.75	25.75	
12	11.00	16.25	20.50	17.75	23.25	27.50	
13	11.50	17.25	21.75	19.00	24.75	29.25	
14	12.00	18.00	23.00	20.00	26.00	31.25	
15	12.50	18.75	24.25	21.25	27.50	33.00	
16	13.00	19.75	25.50	22.25	29.00	34.75	
17	13.50	20.50	26.75	23.25	30.25	36.75	
18	14.00	21.25	28.00	24.50	31.75	38.50	
19	14.50	22.25	29.50	25.50	33.25	40.25	
20	15.00	23.00	30.75	26.50	34.50	42.25	
21	15.50	24.00	32.00	27.75	36.00	44.00	
22	16.00	24.25	32.25	28.75	37.00	45.00	
23	16.50	25.25	33.50	29.75	38.50	46.75	
24	17.00	26.00	34.75	30.75	39.75	48.75	
25	17.50	26.75	36.00	32.00	41.25	50.50	
26	18.00	27.75	37.25	33.00	42.75	52.25	
27	18.50	28.50	38.50	34.00	44.00	54.25	

Weight Not to Exceed		ne A: Buffalo, New Inadian Entry: Torc			gin Zone B: Miami nadian Entry: Toro	
(Pounds)	Local	Regional	National	Local	Regional	National
28	19.00	29.25	40.00	35.25	45.50	56.00
29	19.50	30.25	41.25	36.25	47.00	57.75
30	20.00	31.00	42.50	37.50	48.25	59.75
31	20.50	31.75	43.75	38.50	49.75	61.50
32	21.25	32.75	45.00	39.50	51.25	63.25
33	21.50	33.00	45.25	40.50	52.25	64.25
34	22.00	34.00	46.50	41.75	53.50	66.25
35	22.50	34.75	47.75	42.75	55.00	68.00
36	23.00	35.75	49.00	43.75	56.50	69.75
37	23.50	36.50	50.50	45.00	57.75	71.75
38	24.00	37.25	51.75	46.00	59.25	73.50
39	24.75	38.25	53.00	47.00	60.75	75.25
40	25.25	39.00	54.25	48.25	62.00	77.25
41	25.75	39.75	55.50	49.25	63.50	79.00
42	26.25	40.75	56.75	50.25	65.00	80.75
43	26.75	41.50	58.00	51.50	66.25	82.75
44	27.00	42.00	58.25	52.50	67.25	83.75
45	27.50	42.75	59.50	53.50	68.75	85.50
46	28.25	43.75	61.00	54.75	70.00	87.50
47	28.75	44.50	62.25	55.75	71.50	89.25
48	29.25	45.25	63.50	56.75	73.00	91.00
49	29.75	46.25	64.75	58.00	74.25	93.00
50	30.25	47.00	66.00	59.00	75.75	94.75
51	30.75	47.75	67.25	60.00	77.25	96.50
52	31.25	48.75	68.50	61.25	78.50	98.50
53	31.75	49.50	69.75	62.25	80.00	100.25
54	32.25	50.00	70.25	63.25	81.00	101.25
55	32.75	50.75	71.50	64.25	82.50	103.00
56	33.25	51.50	72.75	65.50	83.75	105.00
57	33.75	52.50	74.00	66.50	85.25	106.75
58	34.25	53.25	75.25	67.50	86.75	108.50
59	34.75	54.25	76.50	68.75	88.00	110.50
60	35.25	55.00	77.75	69.75	89.50	112.25
61	35.75	55.75	79.00	71.00	91.00	114.00
62	36.25	56.75	80.25	72.00	92.25	116.00
63	36.75	57.50	81.50	73.00	93.75	117.75
64	37.25	58.25	82.75	74.25	95.25	119.50
65	37.75	58.75	83.25	75.25	96.25	120.50
66	38.25	59.50	84.50	76.25	97.50	122.50

Weight Not to Exceed		Schedule C, US Origins: Seattle Canadian Entry: Vancouver		Schedule I Cana	Returns		
(Pounds)	Local	Regional	National	Local	Regional	National	
1	\$7.50	\$9.00	\$11.50	\$8.00	\$9.50	\$12.00	\$7.00
2	8.00	9.25	11.75	9.00	10.50	13.00	7.75
3	8.25	9.75	12.25	10.00	11.50	14.00	8.50
4	8.75	10.25	12.75	11.00	12.50	15.00	9.25
5	9.25	10.50	13.00	12.00	13.50	16.00	10.00
6	9.50	11.00	13.50	13.00	14.50	17.00	10.75
7	10.00	11.25	13.75	14.00	15.50	18.00	11.50
8	10.25	11.75	14.25	15.00	16.50	19.00	12.25
9	10.75	12.25	14.75	16.00	17.25	19.75	13.00

Weight Not to Exceed		ule C, US Origins: adian Entry: Vand			Schedule D, US Origins: San Francisco Canadian Entry: Vancouver			
(Pounds)	Local	Regional	National	Local	Regional	National		
10	11.25	12.50	15.00	17.00	18.25	20.75	13.50	
11	11.75	13.00	15.50	18.00	19.50	22.00	14.25	
12	12.25	13.75	16.25	19.00	20.50	23.00	15.00	
13	12.75	14.25	16.75	20.25	21.75	24.25	15.75	
14	13.00	14.75	17.25	21.25	22.75	25.25	16.50	
15	13.50	15.25	17.75	22.25	24.00	26.50	17.25	
16	14.00	16.00	18.25	23.25	25.00	27.50	18.00	
17	14.50	16.50	19.00	24.50	26.25	28.75	18.75	
18	15.00	17.00	19.50	25.50	27.25	29.75	19.50	
19	15.50	17.50	20.00	26.50	28.50	31.00	20.25	
20	16.00	18.00	20.50	27.50	29.75	32.25	21.00	
21	16.50	18.75	21.25	28.75	30.75	33.25	21.50	
22	17.00	19.25	21.75	29.75	32.00	34.50	22.25	
23	17.50	19.75	22.25	30.75	33.00	35.50	23.00	
24	18.00	20.25	22.75	31.75	34.25	36.75	23.75	
25	18.50	20.75	23.25	33.00	35.25	37.75	24.50	
26	19.00	21.50	24.00	34.00	36.50	39.00	25.25	
27	19.50	22.00	24.50	35.00	37.50	40.00	26.00	
28	20.00	22.50	25.00	36.00	38.75	41.25	26.75	
29	20.50	23.00	25.50	37.25	39.75	42.25	27.50	
30	21.00	23.50	26.00	38.25	41.00	43.50	28.25	
31	21.50	24.25	26.75	39.25	42.00	44.50	29.00	
32	22.00	24.75	27.25	40.25	43.25	45.75	29.50	
33	22.25	25.25	27.75	41.50	44.25	46.75	30.2	
34	22.75	25.75	28.25	42.50	45.50	48.00	31.00	
35	23.25	26.25	28.75	43.50	46.50	49.00	31.75	
36	23.75	27.00	29.50	44.50	47.75	50.25	32.50	
37	24.25	27.50	30.00	45.75	48.75	51.25	33.25	
38	24.75	28.00	30.50	46.75	50.00	52.50	34.00	
39	25.25	28.50	31.00	47.75	51.00	53.50	34.75	
40	25.75	29.00	31.50	49.00	52.25	54.75	35.50	
41	26.25	29.75	32.25	50.00	53.25	55.75	36.25	
42	26.75	30.25	32.75	51.00	54.50	57.00	37.00	
43	27.25	30.75	33.25	52.00	55.50	58.00	37.75	
44	27.75	31.25	33.75	53.25	56.75	59.25	38.25	
45	28.25	31.75	34.25	54.25	57.75	60.25	39.00	
46	28.75	32.50	35.00	55.25	59.00	61.50	39.75	
47	29.25	33.00	35.50	56.25	60.00	62.50	40.50	
48	29.75	33.50	36.00	57.50	61.25	63.75	41.25	
49	30.25	34.00	36.50	58.50	62.25	64.75	42.00	
50	30.75	34.50	37.00	59.50	63.50	66.00	42.75	
51	31.25	35.25	37.75	60.50	64.50	67.00	43.50	
52	31.50	35.75	38.25	61.75	65.75	68.25	44.25	
53	32.00	36.25	38.75	62.75	66.75	69.25	45.00	
54	32.50	36.75	39.25	63.75	68.00	70.50	45.75	
55	33.00	37.25	39.25	64.75	69.00	70.50	46.25	
56 57	33.50	38.00	40.50	66.00	70.25	72.75	47.00	
57	34.00	38.50	41.00	67.00	71.25	73.75	47.7	
58	34.50	39.00	41.50	68.00	72.50	75.00	48.50	
59	35.00	39.50	42.00	69.00	73.50	76.00	49.25	
60 61	35.50 36.00	40.00 40.75	42.50 43.25	70.25 71.25	74.75 75.75	77.25 78.25	50.00 50.75	

Weight Not to Exceed	Schedule C, US Origins: Seattle Canadian Entry: Vancouver		Schedule D Cana	Returns			
(Pounds)	Local	Regional	National	Local	Regional	National	
62	36.50	41.25	43.75	72.25	77.00	79.50	51.50
63	37.00	41.75	44.25	73.25	78.00	80.50	52.25
64	37.50	42.25	44.75	74.50	79.25	81.75	53.00
65	38.00	42.75	45.25	75.50	80.50	83.00	53.75
66	38.50	43.50	46.00	76.50	81.50	84.00	54.25

Standard Service Rates

Weight Not Over							UK Economy
(lb.)	Argentina	France	Japan	Singapore	Mexico	UK	Rate
1	\$8.50	\$7.25	\$6.00	\$11.50	\$5.50	\$12.20	\$10.75
2	11.25	9.50	9.25	15.25	6.50	13.50	12.25
3	13.50	11.75	14.25	18.50	7.75	15.00	13.50
4	15.50	14.00	18.00	22.25	8.75	16.50	15.00
5	17.75	16.00	24.00	26.75	9.75	17.75	16.25
6	19.75	18.25	27.25	30.50	11.50	19.25	17.50
7	22.50	20.50		34.25	12.50	20.50	19.00
8	24.75	22.50		38.25	13.75	22.00	20.25
9	26.75	24.75		42.00	14.75	23.50	21.75
10	29.00	27.00		45.75	15.75	24.75	23.00
11	32.25	29.25		49.50	17.00	26.25	24.25
12	34.50	31.25		53.50	18.00	27.50	25.75
13	36.50	33.50		57.25	19.00	29.00	27.00
14	38.75	35.75		61.50	20.25	30.50	28.50
15	41.75	38.00		65.50	21.25	31.75	29.75
16	44.00	40.00		69.25	22.25	33.25	31.00
17	46.25	42.25		73.00	23.50	34.75	32.50
18	48.75	44.50		76.75	24.50	36.00	33.75
19	51.00	46.50		80.75	25.50	37.50	35.25
20	53.75	48.75		85.00	26.75	38.75	36.50
21	56.00	51.00		88.25	27.25	40.25	37.75
22	59.00	53.25		92.00	28.25	41.75	39.25
23	61.50	55.25		98.75	29.50	43.00	40.50
24	63.75	57.50		102.50	30.50	44.50	42.00
25	66.25	59.75		105.75	31.50	45.75	43.25
26	68.50	61.75		109.50	32.75	47.25	44.50
27	71.00	64.00		113.25	33.75	48.75	46.00
28	73.25	66.25		117.25	35.00	50.00	47.25
29	75.75	68.50		120.50	35.50	51.50	48.75
30	78.25	70.50		124.25	36.50	52.75	50.00
31	80.50	72.75		128.00	37.50	54.25	51.50
32	83.00	75.00		132.00	38.75	55.75	52.75
33	85.25	77.00		135.25	39.75	57.00	54.00
34	87.75	79.25		141.75	40.25	58.50	55.50
35	91.25	81.50		145.50	41.50	60.00	56.75
36	93.50	83.75		149.25	42.50	61.25	58.25
37	96.00	85.75		152.50	43.50	62.75	59.50
38	98.50	88.00		156.50	44.25	64.00	60.75
39	100.75	90.25		160.25	45.25	65.50	62.25
40	103.25	92.50		164.00	46.25	67.00	63.50
41	105.50	94.50		167.25	47.50	68.25	65.00

Weight Not Over (lb.)	Argentina	France	Japan	Singapore	Mexico	UK	UK Economy Rate
42	108.00	96.75		171.25	48.00	69.75	66.25
43	110.50	99.00		175.00	49.00	71.00	67.50
44	112.75	101.00		178.25	50.25	72.50	69.00
45		103.25		184.75	50.75	74.00	70.25
46		105.50		188.50	51.75	75.25	71.75
47		107.75		192.50	52.75	76.75	73.00
48		109.75		195.75	53.50	78.25	74.25
49		112.00		199.50	54.50	79.50	75.75
50		114.25		203.25	55.00	81.00	77.00
51		116.25		207.00	56.25	82.25	78.50
52		118.50		210.25	57.25	83.75	79.75
53		120.75		214.25	57.75	85.25	81.00
54		123.00		218.00	58.75	86.50	82.50
55		125.00		221.75	59.50	88.00	83.75
56				227.75	60.50	89.25	85.25
57				231.75	61.00	90.75	86.50
58				235.50	62.25	92.25	87.75
59				239.25	62.75	93.50	89.25
60				242.50	63.75	95.00	90.50
61				246.25	64.25	96.25	92.00
62				250.25	65.50	97.75	93.25
63				254.00	66.00	99.25	94.50
64				257.25	67.00	100.50	96.00
65				261.00		102.00	97.25
66				264.75		103.50	98.75

Premium Service Rates

Weight Not Over	Annouting	Duanit.	Comada	Chile	Ohina
(lbs.)	Argentina	Brazil	Canada	Chile	China
1	\$11.00	\$13.50	\$10.00	\$10.50	\$14.00
2	14.50	15.50	11.00	12.75	17.00
3	17.50	18.50	12.50	15.25	20.00
4	20.25	20.50	14.25	17.50	23.00
5	23.25	23.50	15.75	20.00	29.25
6	26.00	25.50	17.50	22.00	32.25
7	29.25	28.50	19.00	24.50	35.25
8	32.00	30.50	20.75	26.75	38.25
9	34.75	33.50	22.25	29.25	41.50
10	37.25	35.50	24.00	31.50	44.50
11	41.25	37.50	25.50	33.75	47.50
12	43.50	40.50	27.00	36.00	50.50
13	46.50	42.50	28.75	38.25	53.50
14	49.50	45.50	30.25	40.75	56.50
15	52.50	47.50	32.00	43.00	59.75
16	55.25	50.50	33.50	45.50	62.75
17	58.25	52.50	35.25	47.75	65.75
18	61.25	54.75	36.75	50.00	68.75
19	64.25	56.75	38.50	52.25	72.00
20	67.25	59.50	40.00	54.75	75.00
21	70.25	61.50	41.50	57.00	78.00

Weight Not Over	Austratina	Duanil	Canada	Chile	China
(lbs.)	Argentina	Brazil	Canada	Chile	China
22	73.75	63.75	43.00	59.25	81.00
23	76.25	66.50	44.75	61.50	84.00
24	78.75	68.50	46.25	63.75	87.00
25	81.75	71.50	48.00	66.25	90.25
26	84.50	73.50	49.50	68.50	93.25
27	87.50	76.50	50.75	71.00	96.25
28	90.50	78.50	52.75	73.25	99.25
29	93.25	81.25	54.50	75.50	102.25
30	96.25	83.25	56.00	77.75	105.25
31	99.25	86.25	57.25	80.25	108.50
32	102.25	88.25	58.75	82.50	111.50
33	105.00	90.25	60.50	84.75	114.50
34	108.00	93.25	62.00	87.25	117.50
35	112.00	95.25	63.75	89.25	120.50
36	114.50	98.00	65.25	91.75	123.50
37	117.00	100.25	67.00	94.00	126.75
38	120.00	103.00	68.50	96.50	129.75
39	122.75	105.00	70.00	98.75	132.75
40	125.75	108.00	71.75	101.00	135.75
41	128.75	110.00	72.75	103.25	138.75
42	131.50	113.00	74.50	105.75	141.75
43	134.50	115.00	76.00	108.00	145.00
44	137.50	117.00	77.50	110.25	148.00
45		119.75	79.25	112.75	151.00
46		121.75	80.25	114.75	154.00
47		124.75	81.75	117.25	157.00
48		126.75	83.25	119.50	160.00
49		129.75	84.75	122.00	163.25
50		131.75	86.50	124.25	166.25
51		134.50	88.00	126.50	169.25
52		136.75	89.75	128.75	172.25
53		139.50	91.25	131.25	175.25
54		141.50	92.75	133.50	178.50
55		143.50	94.50	135.75	181.50
56			95.25		
		146.50		138.25	184.50
57		148.50	97.00	140.50	187.50
58		151.50	98.50	142.75	190.50
59		153.50	100.00	145.00	193.50
60		156.25	101.75	147.50	196.75
61		158.25	103.25	149.75	199.75
62		161.25	104.75	152.25	202.75
63		163.25	105.50	154.25	205.75
64		166.25	107.25	156.75	208.75
65		168.25	108.75	159.00	211.75
66		170.25	110.25	161.25	215.00
67				163.75	218.00
68				166.00	221.00
69				168.25	224.00
70				170.50	227.00

Weight Not Over (lbs.)	Germany	Hong Kong	Japan	Mexico	Singapore	UK
1	\$11.75	\$17.00	\$15.75	\$8.25	\$14.75	\$15.00
2	13.50	20.50	18.00	9.75	18.50	16.50
3	15.25	24.00	20.75	11.50	22.25	18.00
4	17.00	27.50	23.50	13.00	26.25	19.50
5	18.75	31.00	26.25	14.75	31.00	21.00
6	20.50	34.50	29.50	16.25	35.00	22.50
7	22.25	38.00	32.25	17.50	39.25	23.75
8	24.00	41.50	35.00	19.00	43.00	25.75
9	25.75	45.00	37.50	20.75	48.00	27.25
10	27.50	48.50	40.25	22.25	51.75	29.00
11	29.25	52.00	43.00	24.00	55.50	30.50
12	31.00	55.50	45.75	25.00	60.00	32.00
13	32.75	59.25	48.50	26.75	64.25	33.75
14	34.50	62.50	51.25	28.25	68.75	35.25
		66.25		29.50		
15 16	36.25	69.75	54.00		72.50 76.75	37.00
	38.00		56.75	31.00		38.50
17	39.75	73.25	59.50	32.75	81.25	40.25
18	41.50	76.75	62.25	33.75	85.50	42.25
19	43.25	80.25	64.75	35.50	89.50	44.25
20	45.00	83.75	67.50	36.50	93.75	45.75
21	46.75	87.25	70.25	38.25	98.00	47.50
22	48.50	90.75	73.00	39.25	102.00	49.00
23	50.25	94.25	75.75	41.00	110.75	50.50
24	52.00	97.75	78.50	42.00	115.00	52.00
25	53.75	101.25	81.25	43.50	118.75	53.50
26	55.75	104.75	84.00	44.75	122.75	55.25
27	57.50	108.25	86.75	46.25	127.00	58.25
28	59.25	111.75	89.50	47.50	130.75	59.75
29	61.00	115.25	92.00	48.50	134.50	61.50
30	62.75	118.75	94.75	50.25	138.50	63.00
31	64.50	122.25	97.50	51.25	142.75	64.75
32	66.25	126.00	100.25	52.25	146.50	66.25
33	68.00	129.50	103.00	53.50	150.50	67.75
34	69.75	133.00	105.75	55.00	159.75	69.50
35	71.50	136.50	108.50	56.25	163.50	71.00
36	73.25	140.00	111.25	57.25	167.25	72.75
37	75.00	143.50	114.00	58.25	171.75	74.25
38	76.75	147.00	116.75	59.50	175.50	75.75
39	78.50	150.50	119.25	60.50	179.25	79.00
40	80.25	154.00	122.00	61.50	183.75	80.50
41	82.00	157.50	124.75	63.25	187.50	82.25
42	83.75	161.00	127.50	64.25	191.25	83.75
43	85.50	164.50	130.25	65.50	195.00	85.50
44	87.25	168.00	133.00	66.50	199.50	87.25
45	89.00			67.50	208.25	88.75
46	90.75			68.25	212.00	90.50
47	92.50			69.25	216.25	92.00
48	94.25			70.25	220.25	93.75
49	96.00			71.50	224.00	95.25
50	97.75			72.50	228.25	95.25
51	99.50			73.50	232.25	98.50
52	101.25			74.75	236.00	100.25
53	103.00			75.25	239.75	101.75

Weight Not Over (lbs.)	Germany	Hong Kong	Japan	Mexico	Singapore	UK
54	104.75			76.25	244.25	103.50
55	106.50			77.50	248.00	105.00
56	108.25			78.50	256.75	106.75
57	110.00			79.00	261.00	108.25
58	111.75			80.00	264.75	110.00
59	113.50			81.25	268.75	111.50
60	115.25			81.75	273.00	113.25
61	117.25			82.75	276.75	114.75
62	119.00			83.50	280.75	116.50
63	120.75			84.50	284.50	118.25
64	122.50			85.50	288.75	119.75
65	124.25				292.75	121.50
66	126.00				296.50	123.00
67	127.75					
68	129.50					
69	131.25					
70	133.00					

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CORRECTIONS

Flag Envelope Corrections

The following are corrections and additions to the *Flag* Envelope article published in *Postal Bulletin* (PB) 21986 (12-3-98). Copy and use PS Form 3203-X, *Personalized Envelope Order Form* (shown on page 45), to order personalized envelopes. (Orders for personalized *Love Calligraphic* envelopes will not be received before January 29, 1999.) Item Number 2140, shown in the technical details table on page 33 of PB 21986 (12-3-98) is a #10 Banded Envelope, and Item Number 2660 on page 35 of PB 21986 (12-3-98) is a #6 3/4 Banded Envelope.

Submit PS Forms 3205, *Requisition for Plain Stamped Envelopes*, according to the following schedule:

For Week	Requisitions Arriving	Envelopes Will Be Shipped Week Of
Week 3	December 21	January 4
Week 4	December 28	January 11
Week 1	January 4	January 18
Week 2	January 11	January 25

Shipping and handling charges are as follows:

Amount of Personalized Envelope Order	Shipping and Handling Charges for Boxes of 50	
\$0.00 to \$20.00	\$3.20	
20.01 to 50.00	4.20	
50.01 to 80.00	5.20	
80.01 to 110.00	6.20	
110.01 to 140.00	7.20	
140.01 to 170.00	8.20	

Shipping and Handling Charges for Boxes of 500				
1 box	\$5.20			
2 or more boxes	\$9.20			
Maximum shipping charge of \$9.20 for each address printed.				

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NOTICE

Stamps Withdrawn From Regular Sale and From Sale at Philatelic Centers

Stamp

4493

Item Number

In conjunction with the Postal Service Last Day of Sale Program, the stamp listed below and related products were taken off sale on November 19, 1998. All post offices, stations, branches, postal retail stores, vending outlets, and authorized philatelic centers must withdraw the stamp stock item and products listed below from sale and prepare them for destruction. The stamp stock should be submitted to destruction sites according to the guidelines in Handbook F-1, *Post Office Accounting Procedures*, Part 45, *Destroying Stamp Stock*, and appropriate locally established procedures.

These stamp stock item and products have also been removed from sale at Stamp Fulfillment Services (SFS).

Description

Endangered Species Products:				
8934	\$11.95 Postal Cards			
8937	\$13.95 Cancel Postal Cards			
8938	\$19.95Matted Pane			
8863	\$ 6.95 Poster			
8869	\$14.95First Day Souvenir Program			
8870	\$15.95Soft Bound Book			
8871	\$24.95 Hard Bound Book			

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32-cent Endangered Species Stamps

Boxes of 5	00						
Description	Size	Denom- ination	Iten No.	n No. Boxes	Price Xper Box	= Cost	Printing of Upper Left-Hand Return-Only Address (Not Addressee)
Flag (Regular)	10	.33	2163	3	\$180.00	\$	
Flag (Window)	10	.33	2165	5	180.00		-
Flag (Regular)	6 ¾	.33	2663	3	179.00		
Flag (Window)	6 3/4	.33	2665	5	179.00		
Flag Security (Regular)	9	.33	2166	3	180.00		Daytime Telephone
Flag Security (Window)	9	.33	2167	7	180.00		Cayuma Talaphone
Love Calligrahic (Regular)	10	.33	2128	3	180.00		Ship to Address (If different from above). Must Include Full Name and Address
Love Calligrahic (Regular)	6 ¾	.33	2633	3	179.00		-
Shipping & Har				<u> </u>	Subtotal	\$	
(Max. charge \$9.2			ed)		Shipping		-
-	One Box	\$5.20			Handling TOTAL		-
Two or M	ore Boxes	9.20		Во	xes of 500	\$	
Boxes of	50					,	
Description	Size	Denom- ination	Item No.		Price XPer Box	Cost	Printing of Upper Left-Hand Return-Only Address (Not Addressee)
Flag (Regular)	10	.33	2104	4	\$ \$19.75		
Flag (Window)	10	.33	2116	6	19.75		
Flag (Regular)	6 ¾	.33	2623	3	19.50		
Flag (Window)	6 ¾	.33	2124	4	19.50		1
Flag Security (Regular)	9	.33	2117	7	19.75		Daytime Telephone
Flag Security (Window)	9	.33	2118	3	19.75		Ship to Address (If different from above). Must Include Full Name and Addres
Love Calligrahic (Regular)	10	.33	2127	7	19.75		
Love Calligrahic (Regular)	6 ¾	.33	2631	ı	19.50		
Amount o	f Order	Char	ge	•	\$ubtotal	\$	
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	- 50.00 - 80.00	4.20 5.20		8	Handling		_
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·	to 170.00	7.20 8.20					- ater than 8 boxes of 50, a box of 500 is the best buy.
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(do not send ca US Postal Servi		ble to		Вс	oxes of 500		NOTE: Other designs will be
and mail to: 7231 STAMP FU		NT SERVI	CES	E	Boxes of 50		available at a later date.
US POSTAL SE PO BOX 7247		7047		Ha	Shipping & indling Fee		
PHILADELPHIA or:	11-W 1817	J-1641		GRA	ND TOTAL	\$	
Charge to my	□ VISA	☐ Master	Card	□ Discover	□ Americ	an Expres	ss Mo. Yr.
							Exp. Date:

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NOTICE

Stamps Withdrawn From Regular Sale and From Sale at Philatelic Centers

Effective close of business on December 31, 1998, all post offices, stations, branches, postal retail stores, vending outlets, and authorized philatelic centers must withdraw the stamp stock items listed below and their related products from sale and prepare them for destruction. The stamp stock items and products should be submitted to destruction sites according to local established procedures, under the guidelines in Handbook F-1, *Post Office Accounting Procedures*, Part 45, *Destroying Stamp Stock*.

Absolutely no sales of the stamp items and related products listed below are permitted after December 31. These stamp stock items and products are also being removed from sale at Stamp Fulfillment Services (SFS).

Stamp Item Numbers	Description
4414	29-cent Elvis Presley
4416	32-cent American Indian Dance
4419	32-cent Benjamin O. Davis
4424	32-cent Humphrey Bogart
4425	32-cent Classic Movie Monsters
4426	32-cent Classical Composers & Conductors
4428	32-cent Classic American Dolls
4429	32-cent Legendary Football Coaches
4431	32-cent Opera Singers
4440	32-cent Padre Felix Varela
4441	32-cent Women In Military Service
4444	29-cent Postal Museum
4445	32-cent Bear Bryant

Stamp Item Numbers	Description
4446	32-cent Vince Lombardi
4447	32-cent Pop Warner
4448	32-cent George Halas
4452	32-cent Spanish American War
4469	32-cent Florida Statehood
4473	32-cent Kids Care!
5526	29-cent Legends of The West Souvenir
5571	40-cent William Piper
5582	32-cent Contemporary Family Scenes
5583	32-cent Traditional Madonna & Child Xmas
6670	\$6.40 Midnight Angel Booklet

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Special Cancellation Die Hubs

Postmasters and plant managers who have any of the special cancellation die hubs listed below may use them for the periods designated. At the end of the period, these die hubs must be withdrawn and stored. Postmasters and plant managers who do not have these special die hubs may not request them from the sponsors.

Cancellation	Period of Use
Use Christmas Seals, Support Your Lung Association	Nov. 8-Dec. 31
Autistic Children, Hope Through Research and Education	Dec. 1–Dec. 31

GUIDE DISTRIBUTION

The Postal Service Guide to U.S. Stamps, 25th Edition

The 25th edition of *The Postal Service Guide to U.S. Stamps (Guide)*, Item Number 8898, will be available for sale November 25 at all philatelic centers, at post offices that sell philatelic products, and by mail order through Stamp Fulfillment Services. All locations may place the new *Guide* on sale upon receiving it. Offices are encouraged to promote the sale of this special edition.

The *Guide*, priced at \$12.95, features more than 100 new illustrations, hundreds of new listings and prices, and new features and stamp-related facts. This new *Guide*, with 504 pages, includes listings of market-based values of many valuable stamp errors. In addition, the *Guide* contains more than 2,000 full-color stamp illustrations; extensive lists of philatelic organizations, publications, and resources; and a wealth of basic stamp collecting information. These features make it a valuable tool for beginning, intermediate, and advanced collectors, and it is still one of the best bargains available for philatelists.

The printing contractor will ship the guides (which are accountable items) in cartons of 40 to stamp distribution offices (SDO) and stamp distribution networks (SDN). The boxes will be addressed to the postmaster. All offices must verify that they received the quantities of the *Guide* recorded on their Advice of Shipment. Installations should report any differences between the quantities shown on the Advice of Shipment and those actually received using the procedure outlined in Handbook F-1, *Post Office Accounting Procedures*, Section 426.3.

All post offices that want supplies of the 25th edition (Item Number 8898) should immediately place initial orders with their SDOs using PS Form 17, *Stamp Requisition*, or with their SDNs using PS Form 17-S, *Stamp Distribution Network Stamp Requisition*. Offices should report all sales of these books in AIC 092, Philatelic Product Sales.

As the 25th edition of the *Guide* becomes available, offices must withhold all remaining copies of the 24th edition of the *Guide* (Item Number 8897) from sale and take the following actions:

- Retail Outlets Collect any copies of the 24th edition of the *Guide* from stamp credits. Immediately return them to main stock using PS Form 17.
- Post Offices Consolidate all remaining copies of the 24th edition of the *Guide*, if any, into main stock. Hold them for return to the SDO or SDN during the week of

- December 4th. List the quantity and value of the returned stock on PS Form 17 or PS Form 17-S. Record the value in AIC 501, Postage Stock Shipped, and reduce the stamp accountability accordingly. The name and finance number of the SDO or SDN, as well as that of the shipping office, must be on PS Form 17.
- SDOs and SDNs Record the value of all copies of the 24th edition of the *Guide* received in AlC 005, Postage Stock Received, and increase accountability accordingly.
- Local Office Philatelic Programs Submit PS Form 17 or PS Form 17-S for the number of the 24th editions of the Guide (Item Number 8897) needed for philatelic/promotional programs. One or more copies may be given to local schools, libraries, student groups, stamp clubs, retirement homes, etc. Note that the quantities available are limited. Stamp all copies of the Guide used in promoting philatelic programs "NOT FOR RESALE." The custodian of accountable paper attests that each item is so stamped and prepares PS Form 3238, Stamps and Stamped Paper Destruction Certificate, endorsed "PHILATELIC PRODUCTS GIVEN TO PHILATELIC PROGRAMS." Program coordinators acknowledge receipt of Item Number 8897 and are responsible for its control. Note that this is an exception to general guidelines for destruction of accountable items, especially regarding obsolete (withdrawn from sale) items. In this instance, it is Postal Service policy not to destroy copies of the previous year's edition when it can be used for valid promotional and/or educational purposes.
- Disposition Dispose of all remaining copies of the 24th edition of the *Guide* (Item Number 8897) in accordance with Handbook F-1, section 450. Because disposition instructions are issued annually for past issues of *The Postal Service Guide to U.S. Stamps* (*Guide*), offices should have only the 25th edition in inventory after completing the above procedures. If previous editions are on hand, offices should dispose of them immediately, in accordance with Handbook F-1, subchapter 450.

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Pictorial Cancellations Announcement 98-25

As a community service, the Postal Service offers pictorial cancellations to commemorate local events celebrated in communities throughout the nation. A list of events for which pictorial cancellations are authorized appears below. If available, the sponsor of the pictorial cancellation appears in italics under the date. Also provided, as space permits, are illustrations of those cancellations that were reproducible and available at press time.

People attending these local events may obtain the cancellation in person at the temporary post office station established there. Those who cannot attend the event, but who wish to obtain the cancellation, may submit a mail order request. Pictorial cancellations are available only for the dates indicated, and requests must be postmarked no later than 30 days following the requested pictorial cancellation date.

All requests must include a stamped envelope or postcard bearing at least the minimum First-Class Mail postage (32 cents per envelope or 20 cents per postcard). Items submitted for cancellation may not include postage issued after the date of the requested cancellation. Such items will be returned unserviced.

Customers wishing to obtain a cancellation should affix stamps to any envelope or postcard of their choice, address the envelope or postcard to themselves or others, insert a card of postcard thickness in envelopes for sturdiness, and tuck in the flap. Place the envelope or postcard in a larger envelope and address it to: PICTORIAL CANCELLATIONS, followed by the NAME OF THE STATION, ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP + 4 CODE, exactly as listed below (using all capitals and no punctuation, except the hyphen in the ZIP + 4 code).

After applying the pictorial cancellation, the Postal Service returns the envelope or postcard through the mail. Customers who want their serviced item returned under protected cover should include a larger, stamped, self addressed envelope.

The following pictorial cancellation has been extended for an additional 30 days:



December 4, 1998 through January 4, 1999
PSYCHO REMAKE OPENING DAY STATION
POSTMASTER
125 FOREST AVE
PORTLAND ME 04101-9998



December 5, 1998

LIGHTS OF LAKE STATION POSTMASTER 399 E BURLEIGH BLVD TAVARES FL 32778-9998

LIGHTS OF LAKE STATION POSTMASTER 850 TEAGUE TRAIL/C-25 LADY LAKE FL 32159-9998

LIGHTS OF LAKE STATION POSTMASTER 711 N DONNELLY ST MT DORA FL 32757-9998 LIGHTS OF LAKE STATION POSTMASTER 1201 S 14TH ST LEESBURG FL 34748-9998

LIGHTS OF LAKE STATION POSTMASTER 877 W MINNEOLA AVE CLERMONT FL 34711-9998



November 27, 1998

FESTIVAL OF TREES CELEBRATION STATION POSTMASTER 4150 CHICAGO AVE RIVERSIDE CA 92507-9998



November 27, 1998

WESPNEX STATION POSTMASTER PO BOX 9998 WHITE PLAINS NY 10606-9998



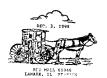
November 28, 1998

WESPNEX STATION POSTMASTER PO BOX 9998 WHITE PLAINS NY 10606-9998



November 29, 1998

WESPNEX STATION POSTMASTER PO BOX 9998 WHITE PLAINS NY 10606-9998



December 3, 1998

LANARK POST OFFICE OPEN HOUSE STATION POSTMASTER LANARK IL 61046-9998



December 4, 1998

ONCE A CENTURY ZIP DATE STATION POSTMASTER PO BOX 9998 WOODSTOCK NY 12498-9998



December 4, 1998

GRAND RAPIDS BALLET STATION PHILATELIC UNIT 225 MICHIGAN AVE GRAND RAPIDS MI 49599-9996



December 5, 1998

CANDLE WALK STATION POSTMASTER ROSCOMMON MI 48653-9998



December 5, 1998

25TH ANNIVERSARY NUTCRACKER STATION COLONIE CENTER POST OFFICE PO BOX 50001 ALBANY NY 12205-9998



Lynchburg and Metro Moore Co Chamber of Commerce

HOLIDAY INN LYNCHBURG STATION PO BOX 9998 LYNCHBURG TN 37352-9998



DECEMBER 5. 1998

December 6, 1998

VICTORIAN STROLL STATION 400 BROADWAY TROY NY 12180-9998



December 9, 1998

LT HENRY O FLIPPER DAY STATION POSTMASTER 404 N BROAD ST THOMASVILLE GA 31792-9998



December 10, 1998

10TH ANNIVERSARY STATION 232 COMMERCE PARK DR POSTMASTER WATERTOWN NY 13601-9998



December 15, 1998

PORT CHESTER 1898 CENTENNIAL 1998 HISTORIC STATION POSTMASTER PO BOX 9998 PORT CHESTER NY 10573-9998



December 20, 1998

Batsto Citizens Committee

LET IT SNOW STATION POSTMASTER 114 S THIRD ST HAMMONTON NJ 08037-9998



December 29, 1998

World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame
WORLD SPORTS HUMANITARIAN HALL
OF FAME STATION
USPS CUSTOMER RELATIONS
COORDINATOR
770 S 13TH ST
BOISE ID 83708-9998

Post Offices

PSIN 1577D UPDATE

PSIN 1577D, Drop Unit, Letter and Bundle, Blue (REDI)

As of December 1, 1998, postal sites are to order PSIN 1577D REDI (Rapid Equipment Deployment Inventory), which is blue, instead of the buff-colored PSIN 1577C (REDI). Except for the color, the two are identical. This change has been made at the request of Headquarters Delivery and Retail with instructions that all new installations and renovations are to be completed using the blue drop unit rather than the buff-colored drop unit.

Orders will be accepted for the buff-colored unit for damage replacement and color coordination. The vendor has made a production change to accommodate orders for the blue drop unit and has been filling orders since December 1, 1998.



Drop Unit, Letter and Bundle (REDI)

Description: Used to provide customer the convenience of mailing without entering the main lobby.

Freight Code: C3 — Chutes or Spouts, I/S, NOI, plate, 7 gauge or thicker.

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1577C	7110-01-364-7085			15-3/8"	15-3/8″	24-1/4"	33



SAFETY BULLETIN

Snowblower Safety

Each year at this time, many people experience injuries involving snowblowers. Accidents sometimes occur when individuals place their hands or feet inside the blower (while the machine is still running) to dislodge packed snow that has jammed the auger. Once cleared, the auger starts up rapidly and the individual's hand, finger, or foot can be mutilated or amputated by the blower or auger device.

Postal managers must provide proper and adequate training for all employees who operate snowblowers or snow removal equipment. Administer the training *before* employees operate this equipment. Instruct employees to follow the manufacturer's maintenance instructions and proper operating procedures.

In addition to training employees, postal managers must also ensure that equipment is properly stored. In the interest of fire prevention, gasoline snowblower engines should be allowed to cool and the gasoline drained if this equipment is stored in any enclosure for extended periods of time.

Note: Only trained individuals should maintain and operate this equipment.

—Safety and Risk Management, Human Resources, 12-17-98

PLEASE POST ON ALL BULLETIN BOARDS



This office will be closed Friday, January 1, 1999, to celebrate New Year's Day.



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Postal Employees

PUB 112 UPDATE

Publication 112, National Electronic Catalog, CD-ROM Available

Get the inside information on what Topeka Operations buys, where they buy it, what they stock, and where they stock it on an easy-to-use, easy-to-search compact disk (CD).

Publication 112, *National Electronic Catalog*, is available in a CD that lets users search by stock number, Postal Service item number (PSIN), original equipment manufacturer (OEM), item characteristics, group code, reparables, etc. It can cross-reference OEM to national stock number (NSN), NSN to other part numbers, NSN to replacement NSN, PSIN to NSN, and indicates item status. It can also cross reference part numbers to Contractor and Government Entity (CAGE) codes, which will provide users with the manufacturers' names, addresses, and phone numbers.

Publication 112 describes every item in Postal Service supply — over 35,000 in all. It includes all repair parts items, all items listed in Publication 247, *Supply and Equipment Catalog*, and almost 100 percent of the items listed in Publication 223, *Directives and Forms Catalog*.

The National Electronic Catalog is continually updated, and a new release is sent out every other month. The annual cost for postal facilities is \$84.00 (\$14 per issue), which is billed to your FEDSTRIP. To order this valuable tool, call Materials Customer Service at 1-800-332-0317, option 4. Please provide your FEDSTRIP, name, address, phone number, and the quantity of CDs you are ordering.

The CD requires an IBM-compatible PC and a CD-ROM drive with 680-MB storage capacity. The CD runs under MS-DOS or Windows 95 and requires about 610K of the 640K conventional memory. At the time of installation, you can decide if you want to load the DOS version or the Windows version. The data retrieved from queries can be exported to other software (e.g., Excel, Access, etc.).

A new user's manual is being published to help you get the most from the data. When the manual is ready for distribution, it will be mailed out with the current CD to all subscribers. Additional copies may be ordered after the initial distribution by calling Materials Customer Service at 1-800-332-0317, option 4.

-Logistics Programs, Purchasing and Materials, 12-17-98

Form W-5 Renewal

Form W-5, Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate, which is furnished by employers to their employees to receive advance payment of the earned income credit, must be renewed for 1999. The certificate currently in effect expires December 31, 1998, and must be renewed by submitting Form W-5 to your personnel office as soon as possible. Pursuant to Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regulations, the information on the form will be effective the pay period after receipt.

Reminder: Personnel offices are reminded that IRS regulations require an employer to submit copies of all Forms W-5 received from employees. Personnel offices should mail one copy of the Form W-5 in a separate envelope marked "PROCESSED W-5 FOR IRS" in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope to:

MINNEAPOLIS ACCOUNTING SERVICE CENTER US POSTAL SERVICE 2815 LONE OAK PARKWAY EAGAN MN 55121-9611

The Minneapolis Information Service Center will subsequently forward those forms to the IRS.

—Payroll Accounting/Records, Finance, 12-17-98

Federal Tax Withholding Exemption

IRS regulations permit employees who anticipate no federal tax liability for 1999 to claim total exemption from federal tax withholding provided they owe no federal income tax for 1998. To renew the exempt status or to claim allowances consistent with the expected tax liability for 1999, employees must submit a new Form W-4 for 1999.

If the employee does not submit a new Form W-4 (claiming exempt status), the status automatically converts to taxable status effective Pay Period 04-99. Federal tax in this instance is withheld at the rate applicable to a single employee with no dependent allowances. Employees with a current exempt status (as of PP 26-98) will receive messages on their earnings statement for PPs 03-99 and 04-99 telling them a new Form W-4 is required.

Both first-time exemptions and renewals of Form W-4 for 1999 are processed when employees submit Forms W-4.Submit your Form W-4 as soon as possible to avoid processing delays.

Reminder: Personnel offices are reminded that IRS regulations require an employer to submit copies of all Form W-4s received from employees, where the employee claims 11 or more withholding allowances or claim to be exempt from withholding. Personnel offices should mail one copy of the Form W-4 in a separate envelope marked "PROCESSED W-4 FOR IRS" in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope to:

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-Payroll Accounting/Records, Finance, 12-17-98

1999 Social Security and Medicare Tax Withholding

For 1999, the maximum limit on earnings for withholding in the Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability (OASDI) portion of the Social Security tax increases from \$68,400 to \$72,600. The Social Security tax rate remains at 6.2%, resulting in a maximum Social Security tax of \$4,501.20. There is no limit on the amount of earnings subject to the Medicare portion of the tax. The Medicare tax rate, which applies to all taxable wages, continues at 1.45%.

-Payroll Accounting/Records, Finance, 12-17-98

1999 Contribution Limit for the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP)

In its annual statement of adjustment to pension plans, the IRS has announced that there will be *no change* to the amount that employees may place into a deferred compensation plan, such as TSP. Effective January 1, 1999, the maximum amount a Postal Service employee may elect to defer to the TSP *remains* at \$10,000.

—Payroll Accounting/Records, Finance, 12-17-98

ALL POSTMASTERS AND INSTALLATION HEADS

Vending Machine Report

A summary of vending machine income sharing and other activities related to the Randolph-Sheppard Act Amendments of 1974 is required for fiscal year 1998 (October 1, 1997, through September 30, 1998). This report complies with an annual request from the Department of Education and Handbook EL-602, *Food Service Operations*, 441.3.

The annual report on the proceeds and/or commission of every postal installation that has even a single coin-operated vending machine selling snacks, beverages, food, or tobacco (stamp machines are excepted) is due at the processing and distribution lead plant or customer service and sales district level by December 31, 1998. Postmasters

must submit to appropriate managers consolidated reports (see format below) including the proceeds and/or commission from vending machines at branches, stations, etc., under their control.

Lead plant and district managers must consolidate the reports by state and forward them to their **performance cluster** by January 8 for further consolidation and prompt relay to:

MANAGER PERSONNEL OPERATIONS SUPPORT US POSTAL SERVICE 475 L'ENFANT PLZ SW 1831 WASHINGTON DC 20260-4261

Vending Machine Income ¹								
			g machine receipts, if locall d, after deducting the cost ls sold, including reasonabl nance cost:	ŝ	Amount disbursed to state licensing agency:			
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Applications From State Licensing Agency for Permits or Contracts to Operate Vending Facilities								
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The above data is taken from records on file in the office of: Signature: Title: Installation: Address:								
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—Human Resources, 12-17-98

TAX PACKAGES

1998 IRS Tax Packages

Contract mailers for the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will begin mailing 56 million 1998 tax packages during the week of December 21, 1998. The mailings bear IRS permit imprint number G-48.

Acceptance Offices

Contract mailers for the IRS will prepare tax packages for mailing at the Standard Mail (A) Enhanced Carrier Route rates. Acceptance offices must verify that mailings are prepared correctly for Standard Mail (A) bulk rates (carrier route, 3/5, and basic).

The packages must meet all preparation and makeup requirements in the *Domestic Mail Manual* (DMM). Offices must verify that tax package mailings are prepared according to the presort requirements for Standard Mail (A). They must weigh and verify mailings unless the Rates and Classification Service Center (RCSC) serving the post office of mailing authorizes an optional procedure for that contract mailer. Supporting paperwork for the optional procedure must be provided at the time of mailing. This verification ensures that the rate and piece counts claimed on the postage statements are accurate and that the IRS has paid the correct postage. The RCSC must approve each printer's site individually for manifesting.

The following tax packages will be manifested:

1040A-1 & 1040A-2	prepared in Spartanburg, SC
1040-2, 1040-3, and 1040-4	prepared in Dallas, TX
1040-5 & 1040-10	prepared in Omaha, NE

Bulk Mail Centers

Crossdock Pallets — Bulk mail centers (BMCs) will receive pallets labeled to 5-digit, 3-digit, and sectional center facilities (SCFs). Dispatch the 3-digit, 5-digit, and SCF pallets intact to their appropriate destinations.

Working Pallets — Upon receipt of BMC pallets at BMC destinations, break open the pallets and distribute. The destination for each sack is on the sack label. For example:

NASHVILLE TN 37229 STD FLTS CR-RTS WASHINGTON DC

Dispatch the packages, sacks, and bundles of tax packages to the destination facilities for distribution to the delivery units.

Processing & Distribution Centers

Crossdock Pallets — Processing & Distribution Centers (P&DCs) will receive pallets labeled to 5-digit, 3-digit, and sectional center facilities (SCFs). Dispatch the 3-digit, 5-digit, and SCF pallets intact to their appropriate destinations.

Working Pallets — Upon receipt of SCF pallets at P&DC destinations, break open the pallets and distribute. The destination for each sack is on the sack label. For example:

NASHVILLE TN 37229 STD FLTS CR-RTS WASHINGTON DC

Dispatch the packages, sacks, and bundles of tax packages to the destination facility for distribution to delivery units.

Delivery

Tax packages should be delivered upon receipt.

Errors and Irregularities

Pay particular attention to errors in makeup at the point of delivery. When carrier route presort errors exceed the 5 percent allowance, deliver the mail and use established reporting procedures to report errors to the following address:

MANAGER POST OFFICE ACCOUNTING ATTN IRS FORMS TAX PACKAGE 1998 US POSTAL SERVICE 475 L'ENFANT PLZ SW RM 8831 WASHINGTON DC 20260-5242

Undeliverable Tax Packages

Carriers and Markup clerks must pay particular attention to endorsed packages identified as Forms 1040, 1040-EZ, and 1040A-2. These three forms are the ONLY ones eligible for forwarding or return services.

All endorsed tax packages that are undeliverable should be sent to the CFS unit (normal procedure) where they will be handled as specified in DMM F010.5.0 and F010.5.3.

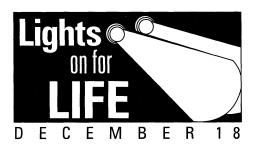
These packages should be returned to the IRS at the following address only:

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE PHILADELPHIA SERVICE CENTER 11603 ROOSEVELT BLVD PHILADELPHIA PA 19161

All other undeliverable forms must be treated as waste and may not be placed in postal lobbies for any reason.

"LIGHTS ON FOR LIFE DAY" DECEMBER 18

The U.S. Postal Service Joins Effort to Promote National Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month



On our nation's highways across America, alcohol is a factor in approximately 40 percent of all fatal motor vehicle crashes and is a leading killer of youth. Despite the tremendous efforts of federal, state, and local municipalities, the rate of alcohol involvement in traffic crashes has reached a plateau over the past 4 years, with only tiny decreases (down only 1.6 percent in 1997). The December holidays are among the deadliest times of the year on our nation's highways, and impaired driving is a big part of the problem.

The U.S. Postal Service is joining with hundreds of other organizations around the country to declare December as "Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month" and to call for stronger local policies and programs to deter impaired driving.

As part of 3D Prevention Month, local law enforcement agencies will announce plans for "National Holiday Life-savers Weekend." Starting Friday, December 18 through Sunday, December 20, law enforcement agencies across the nation will step up enforcement efforts against impaired drivers, speeders, aggressive drivers, and others who make the roads especially dangerous at this time of year.

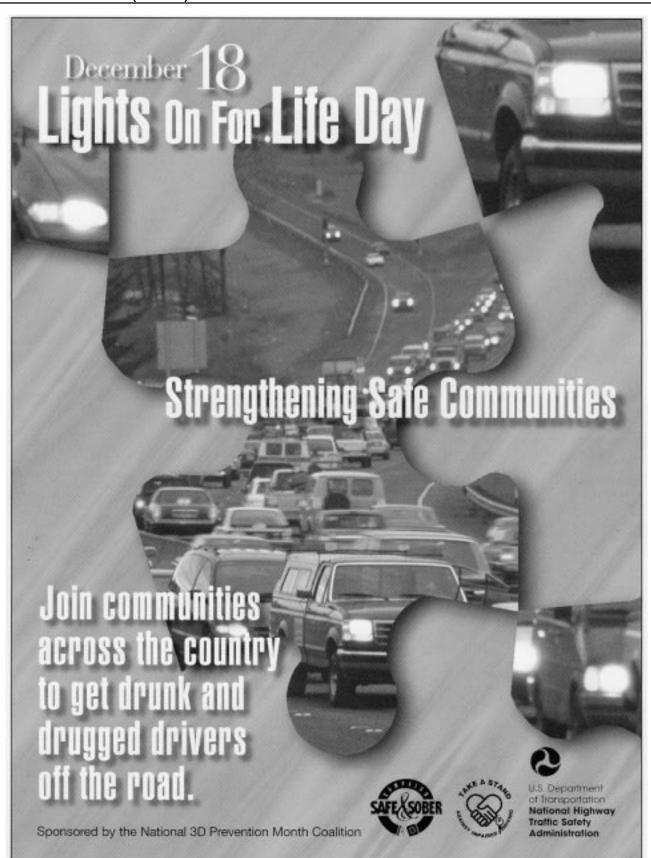
The U.S. Postal Service is asking all drivers to participate in the national "Lights On for Life Day" on Friday, December 18, by driving with headlights on all day to remind people about the impaired driving problem and to remember those killed by impaired drivers.

Additionally, all employees and their families are encour-

aged to drive safely at all times of the year. Never, ever drink and drive, and remember to always fasten your seat belt!

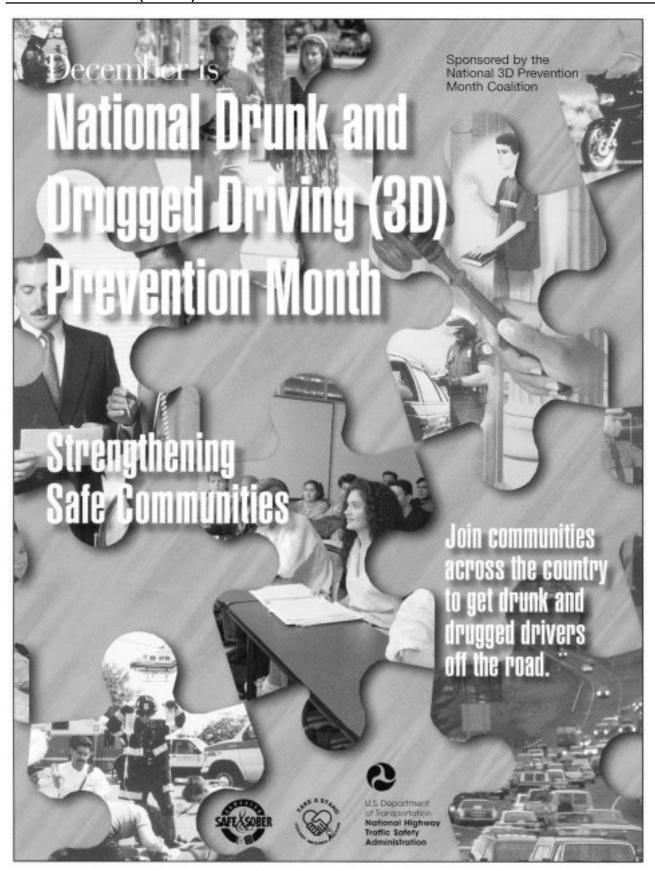


—Safety and Risk Management, Human Resources, 12-17-98



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NOTICE TO ALL EMPLOYEES

THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN FACT SHEET

C, F, and G Fund Monthly Returns

Released December 7, 1998

ANNUAL RETURNS	С	F	G
1989 JANDEC. %	31.03	13.89*	8.81
1990	-3.15	8.00*	8.90
1991	30.77	15.75	8.15
1992	7.70	7.20	7.23
1993	10.13	9.52	6.14
1994	1.33	-2.96	7.22
1995	37.41	18.31	7.03
1996	22.85	3.66	6.76
1997	33.17	9.60	6.77
1997	С	F	G
DECEMBER	1.71	1.01	.52
1998	С	F	G
JANUARY	1.12	1.28	.51
FEBRUARY	7.20	07	.44
MARCH	5.11	.34	.50
APRIL	1.00	.52	.49
MAY	-1.72	.95	.51
JUNE	4.05	.85	.48
JULY	-1.09	.21	.49
AUGUST	-14.47	1.66	.49
SEPTEMBER	6.33	2.36	.44
OCTOBER	8.19	52	.41
NOVEMBER	6.04	.56	.43
LAST 12 MONTHS	23.52	9.47	5.83

^{*}Through 1990 the F Fund was invested in the Wells Fargo Bond Index Fund.

The C Fund is invested in the Barclays Equity Index Fund, which tracks the S&P 500 stock index. The F Fund is invested in the Barclays U.S. Debt Index Fund, which tracks the Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond index. Because of expenses and changing balances in the C and F Funds, their returns vary from Barclays' returns. The G Fund is invested in special issues of U.S. Treasury securities.

Future performance of the three funds will vary and may differ significantly from the returns shown above. See the "Summary of the Thrift Savings Plan" for detailed information about the funds and their investment risks.

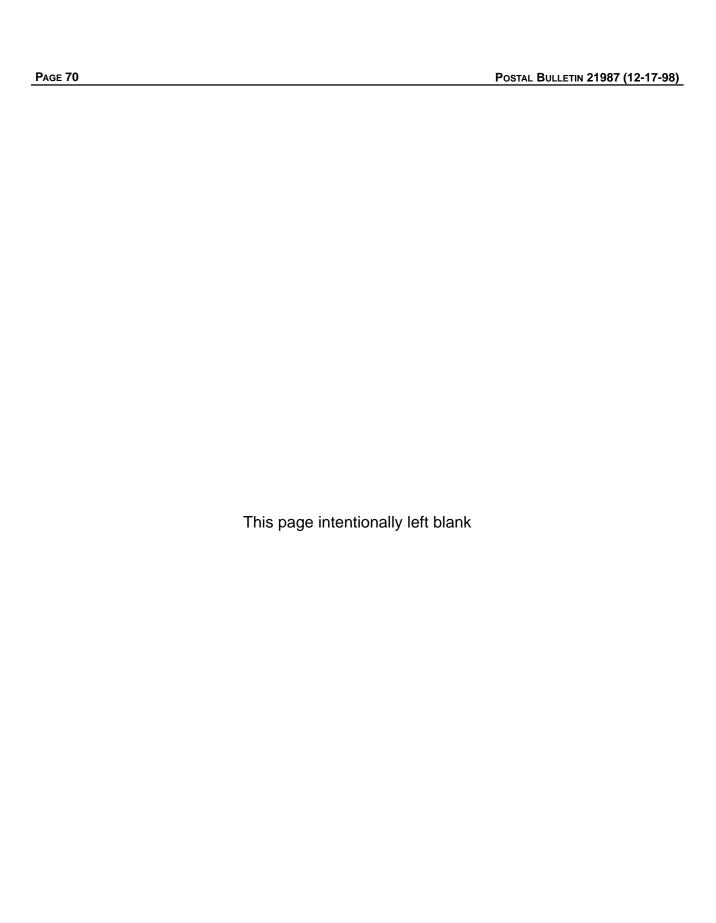
The monthly C, F, and G Fund returns represent net earnings after deduction of accrued administrative expenses. The C and F Fund returns also reflect the deduction of trading costs and accrued investment management fees.

The C, F, and G Fund monthly returns are dollar-weighted: they reflect net earnings on the changing balances invested during the month. The C, F, and G Fund returns for the last 12 months assume, except for the crediting of earnings, unchanging balances (time-weighting) from month to month and that earnings are compounded on a monthly basis.

Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board



Please post on bulletin boards.
Destroy all previous notices.





Attention

Important Retirement Information FERS One-Time Election Opportunity

When	July 1 through December 31, 1998 — six-month period.
Eligibility	For employees covered by the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS), including CSRS Offset.
	Not for employees already covered under FERS.
Mailings to CSRS/CSRS Offset	May 27 announcement letter.
Employees	Information package with FERS Transfer Handbook, FERS Election Form, Social Security notices enclosed.
	Letter from Minneapolis Accounting Service Center.
OK	If not received by July 1, contact your personnel office.
PSTN Broadcast	June 23, 1:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST); repeated June 24, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon (EST).
Web Site/ Comparison	Internet Website at: htt/://www.csrsfers.com
Software	Includes USPS Comparison Software Program customized for postal employees to compare future CSRS versus FERS benefits; password is: USPS
Closing Date	To elect to transfer, submit <i>FERS Election Form</i> to your personnel office by close of business December 31, 1998.

-Compensation, Human Resources, 12-17-98

Retail

FIRSTCLASS PHONECARD™ UPDATE

FIRSTCLASS PHONECARD™ Publications

Publication 211, FIRSTCLASS PHONECARD Self Service Guide, and Publication 213, FIRSTCLASS PHONE-CARD (FCPC) Selling and Managing Manual, were mailed to all FIRSTCLASS PHONECARD selling sites. These publications are available at the material distribution center for any office that needs additional copies.

They can be ordered by using Touch Tone Order Entry (TTOE), mailing, or faxing PS Form 7380, *MDC Supply Requisition*, to:

MATERIAL DISTRIBUTION CENTER SUPPLY REQUISITIONS 500 SW MONTARA PKY TOPEKA KS 66624-9702

Telephone: 1-800-332-0317

Fax: 785-861-2939

PSIN	PSN	U/I	Price	BPQ	Edition Date
PUB 211	7610-04-000-5498	EΑ	\$0.8635	120	10/98
PUB 213	7610-04-000-5499	EA	\$0.4664	120	10/98

-Retail, Marketing, 12-17-98

PS FORM 3849

Revised PS Form 3849, Delivery Notice/Reminder/Receipt

To meet customer needs for easy access to delivery information, Expedited/Package Services and Field Operations Support have been developing the technology and processes that will convert manually-filed PS Forms 3849 to electronic format. This type of technological advancement will meet customer needs for easy access to information, improve response time for customer claims, and save significant time in filing and retrieving delivery records. Full implementation of this program is expected by May 1999.

Several steps are required to move to electronic signature storage. Signatures will be captured on hardcopy forms, using the newly barcoded PS Form 3849, *Delivery Notice/Reminder/Receipt*. The recently deployed Mobile Data Collection Devices will be used to link article barcode IDs and signature barcode IDs together. All special service labels, such as certified, registered, and insured mail, will be barcoded. The signed PS Forms 3849 will be sent to the Computerized Forwarding System site to be optically scanned. More information regarding the specifics of this exciting technological initiative will be forthcoming in other postal communication media.

In support of this important initiative, changes to PS Form 3849 are required (See page 75 for an example of PS Form 3849). These changes include:

- 1. Adding a barcode.
- 2. Placing the signature, printed name, and delivery address blocks on the back of the form, above the barcode.
- Removing the forwarding and return address section (During interim use, forwarding or return address information must be recorded in the delivery address block on the back of the form). This information will eventually be captured electronically by the hand-held scanner.
- 4. Removing the visible damage portion of the form (During interim use, visible damage must be recorded in the "article number" area on the front of the form). This information will eventually be captured electronically by the hand-held scanner.
- 5. Changing color of paper stock (peach) to help conversion to new form.
- Allowing space for multiple article numbers on one form (During interim use, only a single mailpiece may be recorded on each PS Form 3849).

Prior to full implementation of this program, interim procedures (as mentioned previously) will need to be utilized in the use of this form.

The ten purchasing service centers received cameraready copy for postmasters who want to order new forms overprinted with their post office name, address, telephone number, and hours of operation. Postmasters who do not order overprinted forms may obtain revised PS Forms 3849 from their material distribution centers (MDCs). **Note:** The imprint area for post office information has been reduced from 1" to 3/4" in height. Some offices may need to order a new rubber stamp to accommodate this reduction in space.

Postmasters and station managers who are ordering overprinted stock will receive information on ordering their new PS Forms 3849 from their Area Purchasing and Material Service Center, Purchasing Specialist, after January 4, 1999. Those offices ordering blank forms from their MDC for local printing or stamping should begin ordering new PS Forms 3849 after January 29, 1999. Additional information on forms ordering will be provided in future *Postal Bulletin* articles.

Use of the new forms can begin as soon as new orders arrive; however, current PS Form 3849 stock can be used into early 1999 (until scanning using the Mobile Data Collection Devices, optical scanning, and barcoded special service labels are available). Implementation schedule information will be provided early next year and all offices will be notified as to when new procedures for signature capture should begin.

Particular attention must be paid to the interim use of forms as previously prescribed. Special instructions on the interim use of these forms will also be included with each order. No changes to filing or retrieval are required at this time. Current retention periods apply. **Special note:** The use of multiply PS Forms 3849 is not currently compatible with the new electronic signature capture and storage process. Their purchase should be limited.

-Expedited/Package Services, 12-17-98

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MDC Supply Requisition, to:

TOPEKA KS 66624-9602

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